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Jan. 5 hearing for complaints against tribal officials

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Last Friday in Pine Ridge, the tribal council scheduled a hearing for complaints against elected tribal officials for Thursday, January 5 at the Billy Mills Hall.

Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge and Garfield Steele, councilman from Wounded Knee District, pushed forward a complaint against Walt Big Crow, Wakpamni District representative.

Citing disloyalty and dishonesty, malfeasance and misconduct, Peters referred to the issue of C&W Construction, an attempt to circumvent formal arbitration to decide just compensation for work completed by C&W Construction, a road construction company out of Sioux Falls.

According to Lyle Jack, chairman of economic and business development committee, the committee had voted to send the dispute to formal arbitration, Big Crow is accused of pursuing informal arbitration in attempt to pay off the contractor.

C&W construction has been accused of not paying TERO fees, failing to pay local contractors and completing work that failed the review of BIA inspectors.

In addition to complaints to be filed against Big Crow, there is a possibility of complaints being filed against Juanita Sherich, of Medicine Root District, and Rhonda Two Eagle, secretary of the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

The meeting is scheduled to get underway at 10 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 6 at Billy Mills Hall.

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Little Wound sweeps Platte in Snowball Classic



WINNER - Little Wound Mustangs topped Platte Black Panthers in the boys and girls Snowball Classic last Tuesday. The Mustangs rallied with 99-75 over the Panthers and the Lady Mustangs scored 73-45 in the girls games. Jeremy Buckman, a senior guard for Little Wound. shoots over the top of the Panthers. (Photo courtesy of Randy Bachelor) For story SEE PAGE 3.

Fire Thunder reinstated after 66 days

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - On Friday, the Oglala Sioux tribal council ended the 66 day suspension of OST president Cecelia Fire Thunder by first voting 12 to 5 with one not voting to dismiss with prejudice all of the charges brought by William Bird necklace Tate. They then, voted 13 to 0 to reinstate Fire Thunder with all of the power and authority of the president's office.

The day opened with Fire

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Cecelia Fire Thunder

RST council urged to adopt meth laws

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

ROSEBUD - In a special session on Thursday, Dec. 29, the Rosebud Tribal Council listened to a three hour presentation by Tammy Scott, meth prevention coordinator for the MAPP-SD Mission Office. MAPP-SD is a project of Prairie View Prevention Services, Inc., a private owned business. MAPP-SD established a coalition presently consisting of 15 members representing 10 different local agencies.

MAPP-SD is funded by direct set aside funding from the U.S. Congress. Scott, a member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, is the only MAPP-SD Coordinator located on a reservation and the demand is very high for presentations on methamphetamine, which are free.

Scott said that she had been trying to address the RST tribal council since the summer of 2003 and felt that it was very important to her work. It is also important to have the support of the "powers that be" to build a solid foundation so that people in our communities will understand what they are buying into.

According to the MAPPS "Signs and Symptoms: Meth is a synethetic manmade form of methamphetamine. Its effects can last anywhere from 8-72 hours. One is addicted after first use. Clinical studies have proven that meth caused permanent brain damage and permanent memory loss."

Scott spoke of the creation of a Drug Endangered Children Team comprised of the fire department, law enforcement services, emer-

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New Years St. Francis powwow attracts a large three day crowd

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
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Masquerade dancers surround "2005" (center) shortly before midnight Saturday at the community powwow in St. Francis, SD on the Rosebud Reservation. Old "2005" was driven out of the arena at midnight. (Photo courtesy by N. Hancock)

ST. FRANCIS - The relatively mild winter weather in south central South Dakota and the Rosebud reservation was responsible, in part, for a packed house at the old Veterans gym at St. Francis. The 2006 New Years Powwow attracted visitors from North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa and other states, as well as up to nineteen singing groups in the three days from December 30-January.

Sam Wounded Head did the Lakota invocation and the Red Leaf Singers sang the Lakota flag and Veterans songs. Tyrone Big Crow served as the president for the 2005 New Year's powwow committee, and Mary Bad Hand was the vice president. The treasurer was Tre Larvie and Kaylene Makes Room was the secretary.

The emcees were Albert White Hat, Sr. of St. Francis and Garrin Coons of Winnebago, NE. Marty Makes Room was the arena director.

The masquerade and unmasking of participants during the stroke of midnight on December 31 was a large part of the draw and anticipation of this year's powwow. Pat Bad Hand of Two Strike said that from a traditional perspective those who participate in the masquerade are prepared to talk to the people and provide them with a relevant message when unmasked. This year Robert Fisher was dressed as a cowboy and apparently was dancing with a lot of finesse and energy. His message to the people was directed at those afflicted with diabetes, high blood pressure and other ailments. He said he was dancing in the masquerade so that the people would have good health and healing in the New Year.

Some of the singing groups in attendance included, Red Leaf, Kiukanpi, Thunder River, Eagle Creek, Lakota Tribe, Little Wind, Thunder Ridge, Buffalo Medicine, NDN Express, Eagle Voice, High Spirit, White River Crossing, and Young Nation.

Pat Bad Hand said that he served in several capacities from hand drum judge to clean up to singing with his Red Leaf singers. He noted that with wife, Mary, on the committee he wanted to help wherever he could, including holding his son's "fancy dance" special. Bad Hand said that serving on the powwow committee obligates one for a lot of important work that committee members plan for a year advance. He said "In the

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gency staff, and child protection workers.

Their work is to establish a local protocol in the event a methamphetamine lab is "taken down" or one has exploded. As first responders, there are certain dangers that one might be exposed to and there should be a decontamination site for their use.

Methamphetamine is a significant problem on the Rosebud reservation, as one startling statistic revealed from a survey conducted by the Safe Trails Drug Task Force in 2003, that three out of fie of people are either selling or using the illegal drug. That statistic was questioned by one council representative who made note of its high number. Nationwide successful treatment of addicts to Methamphetamine is only at six percent; the lowest percentage for any drug.

Chief Charles Red Crow of Rosebud Law Enforcement Services explained to the council that available statistics on drug use are routinely collected from those arrested and it is difficult to collect data on the general public.

Scott noted that methamphetamine users are treated successfully in small numbers and it is becoming a public health problem. The materials that are used to illegally "cook" methamphetamine in a lab are routinely discarded in ditches, motel rooms, and vacant buildings. People who engage in the production of such illegal drugs do not always have to have their lab hooked up to electricity, so it can be very deceptive as vehicles, rental type trailers, and vacant buildings are often used.

Methamphetamine contains an assortment of ingredients that are combined with the active ingredients in Sudafed.

Once "cooked" at home the residue is absorbed into any porous surface in the home; carpeting, walls, countertops, furniture, and drapes. Scott says that the house can be cleaned to a certain extent but one will never fully remove all toxic residue. In order to clean a previous meth lab 100%, the home/building would most likely have to be demolished as it could represent a hazard to any future occupants.

There was also some discussion about an article which appeared in the Lakota Country Times about the "Mexican Mafia" having infiltrated the Wind River reservation. During this investigation, a Fortune 500 business plan was unveiled, which targets all of the Sioux reservations in South Dakota. She said, "They want to change addictions from alcohol to methamphetamine."

Scott further made the observation that information on methamphetamine is changing and being updated all the time; there was new information as of Dec. 5 to share. She told the council that RST needs methamphetamine specific laws. "It is important for our tribe to create and implement specific laws on methamphetamine, since the state of South Dakota is changing their laws to address illegal amphetamine use, as well as surrounding states, we are becoming a safe haven for manufacturers and dealers." They know about the legal loopholes and jurisdictional problems we face on the reservation, since the surrounding states are "tightening up" their laws; they are fleeing to our reservations to avoid punishment. The implementation and enforcement of laws is crucial to the safety and well-being of our people." Law enforcement is key in the war against this deadly drug.

Scott said, "You are charged with protecting our tribe and its members. If we don't get involved, take action yesterday, twenty years from now we may not have a tribe to protect. This drug is killing our population."

During the afternoon session of the RST tribal council, there was discussion on the motion passed last week to require the casino, law enforcement services, the court house and the tribal council to be drug tested.

There were ten council representatives who took the drug test, along with three officers and one tribal attorney. A couple of council representatives said they would want their names published as having been drug tested, and this information will be available through the tribal secretary's office. There seemed to be general agreement that test results for tribal employees would not be published as it was a confidentiality issue that had been discussed and clarified during previous administrations.

On sharing test results with the tribal membership, Antelope councilman Robert Moore said, "It should be up to the individual councilman, themselves, if they want their results published." St. Francis council representatives Mike Boltz interjected a bit of humor when he said, "I and Russell are worried about the Viagra. The public wants to know if we were drug tested."

Grass Mountain/Upper Cut Meat council representative Marion Young-One Star said that the U.S. Government only tests those who have to operate a motor vehicle. She cited the standing RST resolution that had been passed in 1996.

It had two readings and had been passed without a disciplinary portion to it. The tribe's personnel handbook is being revised and any punitive measures for not passing a drug test might be included in that version.



Traditonal dancers who danced in the Annabel One Star Memorial contest: Millie Black Bear, Audrey Makes Room, Linda One Feather, Demerina One Feather, Ashely Phelps and Ms. Rencountre.

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old days, the head committee was responsible for all aspects of the New Year's powwow. They even had to shovel snow and start the fire if it was snowing and cold."

Bad Hand provided a listing of the winners from the teen and special categories. In the "David Bad Hand fancy dance special" the first place winner was Shorty Crawford of Aberdeen, 2nd Chaske Hemminger, Sisseton, 3nd Clayton Crawford, Aberdeen, and 4th Garrin Coons of Winnebago, NE.

In the "Annabelle One Star Memorial Women's Traditional," the winners were: 1st Millie Black Bear, Allen, 2nd Audrey Makes Room, 3rd Linda One Feather. In the Makes Room/Gunhammer hand drum contest the winners were: 1st Scott Means, Porcupine, 2nd Les Makes Room, Mission, 3rd Ernie New Holy, Mission.

In the teen girls fancy the winners were: 1st Kathleen Jackson, 2nd Olowan Win Bad Hand, 3rd Prairie DeCory.

In the teen girls jingle the winners were: 1st Lindsey New Holy, 2nd Toni Tamayo, 3rd Markisha Eagle Hunter. In the teens girls traditional the winners were: Daisa One Feather, Angel Broken Nose and T. Makes Room.

In the teen boys fancy one winner was listed: Marquel Crawford.

In the boys teen grass dance, the winners were: Julian One Star, Isaac Little Wind and John Black Bear, III. In the boys traditional the winners were: Devon Cross Dog, Gentry St. Cyr, and Dakota McKirks.

In the Letha Horse Looking memorial hand drum contest, one winner was listed as Calvin White Buffalo. In the "chicken dance" two winners were listed as Chaske Hemminger and Mike One Star, Jr. In the junior girls fancy the winners were: Roxy Pushetonequa, Oskate Win, and Deanna Black Bear. In the junior girls traditional the winners were: Tamera Rooks and Rosemary Broken Nose. In the junior girls jingle the winners were: Tara Makes Room, Alexandra Hunter and Justice Young.

In the junior boys fancy the winners were: Lane Makes Room. In the junior boys traditional the winners were: Isiah Weasel Bear, James Bear Heels and Dalingo Tamayo. In the junior boys grass the winners were: Darrin Makes Room, Char White Feather and Maurice Broken Nose.

Fire Thunder

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Thunder being escorted into Billy Mills Hall behind a banner, that read "Lakota Women for Change," and surrounded by many of her supporters. Wilmer Mesteth and the Cheyenne Creek singers sang an honoring song as Fire Thunder was escorted to her chair.

Dave Pourier, OST fifth member, opened the special session of the tribal council schedule to hear the complaints against the tribal president. Will Peters, tribal council representatvive form Pine Ridge, immediately asked for the floor and introduced a resolution to impeach and remove Walt Big Crow, council representative from Wakpamni district. The resolution was seconded by Garfield Steele, councilman from Wounded Knee district.

Citing dishonesty, disloyalty, malfeasance and misconduct, Peters demanded quick action on this complaint before the hearing on Fire Thunder's complaint could proceed.

Big Crow responded that there was a time and place for such complaints and they needed to be submitted to the secretary and then put on the agenda. He said he never ran away from any attacks or accusations and that he would stand up and respond to all of them.

After sharp discussion, the issue was resolved by Pourier deciding not to accept the motion that had nothing to do with the hearing for Fire Thunder.

Steele asked that a special session of the tribal council be scheduled to hear the complaints against Big Crow.

A tentative date was set for Thursday, Jan. 5 in Pine Ridge at Billy Mills Hall.

Pourier then turned the meeting over to special judge Leroy Greaves to conduct the hearing on the complaints to be heard against Fire Thunder.

Fire Thunder was originally suspended on Oct. 25 at a council meeting in Kyle; the original hearing was scheduled for Nov. 28, postponed to Dec. 12 and postponed again due to the death of Lamoyne Pulliam, executive director, to Dec. 30.

William Birdnecklace Tate opened the hearing with an objection against one of the tribal council representatives: citing a Robert Rules of Order, Tate expressed concerns about allowing an illegal council member to listen and to vote during the hearing. The problem with allowing an illegal member to participate and vote in the hearing is that it might lead to an appeal. Tate accused Tom Poor Bear, council representative from Eagle Nest district of being guilty of a dishonest act of being tried and convicted of a DWI in Jackson County in the summer of 2005.

The objection from Tate brought an uproar from the tribal council, some council representatives demanded that the hearing begin immediately and that this was just another stalling tactic.

Poor Bear and other council representatives stated that this had no place in the hearing for Fire Thunder as it was a separate issue.

Greaves asked the council to vote on the objection, and the council voted 17 to 0, with one not voting to deny the objection.

Tate then brought up a second objection: he stated that Walt Big Crow, because of pending charges and complaints, if allowed to continue to participate in the hearing would represent a conflict of interest and would taint any decision.

On this objection the council did not even bother to take a vote and urged the special judge to move immediately into the hearing.

Craig Dillon, Lacreek council "We have heard enough,' said Craig. "This hearing has been delayed too long and these charges are frivolous and we need to deal with this and move ahead. I make a motion right now to dismiss all of the charges brought by Bird Necklace Tate with prejudice."

The motion was seconded by Austin Watkins, council representative from Medicine Root district.

Instead of running the vote immediately, several council representatives felt strongly that many of the elders that had came to the meeting should be heard and asked the council to delay the vote until the number of people in the audience could be heard. The compromise opened the microphone, and those who spoke included, Myrna White Face Young Bear, Marie Randall, Ester White Face, Anita Ecoffey, Chauncey Loafer, Sandra Old Horse, Frank Bob Eccoffey, and Kiva Sam, a high school student from Little Wound.

At this point in the hearing, everyone who supported Fire Thunder stood up to show their support for the return of the duly elected tribal president.

"We need to stand against corruption in our tribal government and if we stand by and allow it, we are contributing to corruption." said Will Peters during his long talk. "You will never find any of the people's money in my pocket and I will continue to work hard as I can to eliminate corruption in tribal government."

"It has been 66 days and each day after the original 20 days is about hurting the people," said Fire Thunder. "I am not mad at any of you. I do not have bad feelings of any of you, we need to move ahead, we need to take care of our people. We have unsolved homicides; we have people going to bed hungry."

If I ever violated you trust or my oath of office, I would resign. But this complaint is frivolous and has no merit. We don't' have to like each other but let's work together for the people."

Everyone in the audience had a chance to speak and Greaves ran the vote; the council voted 12 in favor of dismissing all charges with prejudice, five against and one not voting.

Those voting for the dismissal of the charges included Paul Little, Maxine Lakota, Walt Big Crow, Lyle Jack, Ella John Carlow, Craig Dillon, Mary Poor Thunder, Ruth Brown, Tom Poor Bear, Austin Watkins, Phillip Good Crow, and Bernard White Face; voting against dismissal was Valeria Janis, Will Peters, Lydia Bear Killer, Kathy Janis, and Garfied Steele. Juanita Scherich did not vote.

Garfield Steele made a motion to dismiss the complaint filed by Scherich against Fire Thunder. Before the council was allowed to run the vote Fire Thunder's family, her sister Shirley Murphy conducting a making of amends ceremony.

Fire Thunder, lead by Murphy asked Scherich to come up front and offered sincere apologies from the family. Jay Taken Alive, past tribal chairman from Standing Rock said a prayer and Carol Iron Rope Herrera.

"Both Cecelia and Shirley are my aunties," said Scherich, "Cecelia and I both came in to work for the tribe and to improve conditions for the Oglala people and to fight corruption in tribal government, I know that we can work together."

Following the amends and apologies between the two families, Scherich stated she would withdraw her complaints against fire Thunder.

The council unanimously voted to reinstate Fire Thunder as president of the Oglala Sioux tribe with all the power and authority of president.

Over the last two months, Fire Thunder stated she has been working on the finances and she will continue to refocus on working hard on the negotiations with the I.H.S and the BIA and working towards the goal of getting off high risk. She also stated that work will continue on negotiations to write down FFA loan or have the value of the loan written off or reduce the payments to the amount generated by the lease of the land purchased by the original loan.

"We need to work immediately work on a new recall procedure and I plan to move on it right away with the representatives from the judiciary committee, we are going to hammer out recall procedures that is more representative of today's government and present it to the tribal council.We need to finish that and the separation of power and move ahead a secretarial election to amend the constitution" said Fire Thunder.

Fire thunder plans to meet with the chairman of each of the council's standing committees, work on getting legislation ready for the new congress and to work on changing the census numbers used by all of the agencies that work with the Oglala Sioux tribe.

"This is a victory for women, for too long, women have been pushed down and held down," said Fire Thunder.

Women bring strength to our communities and to the nation and we all must work together to build a more positive nation."

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OPINION PAGE

Our views

Continuing forward in time 'with less stress'

In Lakota life, time isn't always of the essence, nor is time "money."

With an incredible unemployment rate on most Lakota reservations that isn't going anywhere in the New Year, we don't seem in a rush to do anything drastic to reduce it significantly.

In the business world time really does represent money as a product must be marketed and sold, so that the cash flow is constant and a profit is made.

As we attend to the clock and get anxious over the passing of time, it can cause signficant anxiety.

Stress is a natural by product when we worry about always adhering to the clock.

It isn't always to our benefit as we worry about time, and traditionally Lakota people probably felt the same way.

There is something to be said for taking a relaxed approach to conducting our affairs and being indifferent to the passing of time, and marching to the ticking clocks of the world.

Until we create more jobs and there is more industry and people are bustling to and fro, let's just commit ourselves to a continuing relaxed approach to life in the new year.

Lakota people knew that stress, anxiety, and all of the technological advances would make for a world that runs around at a frantic pace and goes against the grain of Lakota thought.

The Lakota term "wahwala" is a term that implies peace, quiet and calm and has great application to our lives today.

Be nice to yourself.



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Special Column

She also served: a column for and about women veterans

Dear SAS:

I have problems with nightmares. My husband tells me that I cry out in my sleep a lot. I never used to do this, but it has been happening since I got back from the war.

There were things that happened while I was in the Army that are hard to talk about. My dreams are about these things. Will they ever go away?

Dear Reader:

First of all, you are not alone when you say you are having bad dreams that are based on military experiences. Many soldiers and veterans of war have experienced these things. Some speak of dreams that are so real it is like living a bad event all over again.

Sometimes one dream may keep coming back to you and you might question why it does. This is a very real problem because it robs you of sleep, and the bad dreams have a way of re-traumatizing you.

People find their own ways of coping with this problem. Some individuals avoid going to sleep because they are afraid they will have more nightmares.

They stay up for long periods and try to stay busy thinking that if they get exhausted enough, they will sleep without dreaming. Some individuals have used alcohol to the extent they pass out because they feel it is the only way they can sleep without dreaming. These are unhealthy ways to cope with this problem.

You did not say which war was a part of your military experience. If the dreams have been going on for many months, or years, and are not lessening in frequency; it would be a good idea for you to contact a mental health counselor.

You say that you experienced some things that are hard to talk about and the dreams are about those things. Meeting with a counselor who is trained to treat trauma can help.

A trained counselor will respect your need for confidentiality, and can offer you education and healthy coping skills that will help you with the stress you experience because of the dreams. There is professional staff at VA clinics and Vet Centers who are trained to treat problems such as yours.

Not only do they treat persons who have experienced trauma in combat situations, but they are also trained to help individuals who may have been traumatized by sexual assault while in the military. I encourage you to contact your local VA clinic or Vet Center for help.

Dear SAS:

Ever since I got out of the military I have felt nervous. My family keeps asking me why I am so jumpy all the time.

I don't have a good answer. Sometimes I am so nervous that my heart starts pounding and I feel like I am having a heart attack.

My family gets angry because I have been drinking to calm myself down. But I don't know what else to do.

Dear Reader:

Anxiety can be frightening, especially when it becomes as severe as you describe. You may feel like you can never have a calm spirit.

You have also chosen a path that many use to "calm their nerves." Using alcohol or drugs for this is called self-medicating. It is a dangerous way to treat your symptoms because it often leads to a cycle of addiction.

One of the reasons why you are nervous is because you were trained to be on alert in the military. You were taught that danger lurked and safety for yourself and for those with whom you served was of high importance.

For some women, there was even the added perspective that because they were women they were treated differently by their male counterparts.

Some have said they felt they needed to work twice as hard to be considered half as good as male soldiers. This added another layer of anxiety.

Anxiety can be treated with good stress management. This includes healthy diet and exercise. Physical activity, such as walking, using exercise equipment, dancing, or participating in ball games, can help reduce the nervousness you feel.

Using relaxation techniques is also very helpful. These include breathing exercises and muscle relaxation. There are CD's and audio tapes available in stores that are specifically made to help people relax.

In cases as severe as yours, professional intervention is generally required.

This would involve working with a counselor to learn and practice good stress management. It might also involve being prescribed medications specifically for anxiety.

It is important for you to learn other ways to treat your anxiety other than using alcohol.

Not only is addiction a potential problem, but abusing alcohol can lead to many other physical problems which result in loss of good health.

If veterans have a topic they would like addressed, please contact one of the following individuals:

Dr. Sally Weyer at the VA Black Hills Health Care System
3625 5th St., Rapid City, SD 57701

Arvine Standing Elk at the Martin Vet Center
PO Box 910, Martin, SD 57551

You may also e-mail your suggested topics to vetcenter@gwtc.net.

Guest Editorial

Resolutions worth keeping regarding addictions

BY KARI DARON
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It's that time again: A new year, new beginnings and new resolutions. How many of us have started each January with the same promise of eating less, getting more organized or quitting a bad habit like smoking, drinking or even doing drugs, only to find that after a week or two, the resolutions and that resolve to change some-how lose their luster. Reality sets in that change is hard. Without allowing our-selves to admit defeat, we subtly slide back into our old habits.

Some resolutions, however, are more than worth the extra effort to keep:

The resolution to quit using the drugs (including nicotine and alcohol) that can lead to life-shattering addictions. The other resolution that is imperative to keep is getting help for any dependency on a chemical substance.

The first, and often the most difficult step is admitting that an addiction exists. Denial is a major problem for those who have become dependent on alcohol or other drugs.

Those who are dependent will experience some of the following things:

1. An insatiable craving for the substance upon first waking and at other times during the day and night.
2. Prefer it over eating or other activities
3. Lie to others about it and/or hide it from others
4. Spend money on it before other important purchases or payments
5. Borrow or take money from friends/family to purchase it
6. Care more about using it than family, friends, work or other responsibilities
7. Feel restless, irritated, nauseated or even panicky without it

Because addiction causes bio-psychosocial changes in the body, brain and social interactions, it is actually a disease.

Like any disease, it must be treated or it gets worse.

Chemical and biological changes have happened that make "just stopping" next to impossible. It's like a diabetic saying "I'm going to stop being a diabetic!" It doesn't work that way. Just as a diabetic needs help to keep their disease in check, so does the addict.

If you are one of those who has made a New Year's Resolution to quit smoking, drinking or doing drugs, the first step is seeking help. Tell your family and friends what you want to do and ask for their support. Stay clear of those who won't support you.

Set a "quit date". Dispose of the drug and stay out/ away from people and places where it's available. Level with yourself that you are going to feel bad for awhile and it will be difficult, but NOT impossible. Remain committed. Talk to a doctor or drug counselor and ask for the help you will need to get you through it. Don't try to do it alone; that's the quickest path to relapse.

Take the steps to quit today!

Make 2006 your happiest year ever!

Looking for George Bad Heart Bull

Dear Editor:

I was stationed with a fellow Marine in Vietnam, I have been trying for awhile to contact him, we were friends.

Do you have any idea where I could obtain a list of Sioux Marines who serverd in Nam with any Tank Units.

His name was George Bad Heart Bull. Would really like to talk to him.

Joseph R. Consentino
Master Sgt of Marines
roccousmc@comcast.net

We should never forget those who made the sacrifice at Wounded Knee

Dear Editor:

By way of introduction, I am Belva Hollow Horn-Emery, a full-blood member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe born and raised at Wounded Knee. Dec. 29, 2005, as I stood with my family next to the Mass Grave at Wounded Knee, my thoughts were of the day of the actual Wounded Knee Massacre in 1890.

I looked across the valley down to the Owicakte or Killing Fields on the prairie near Wounded Knee Creek and began to relive the terror and pain my ancestors felt just before they were slaughtered by the remnants of the 7th U.S. Cavalry.

I remember stories I was told of my great grandfather Toka Kokipapi or "His Enemies Fear Him." His name was erroneously translated as Afraid of Enemy by the employees at the Cheyenne River Agency when they recorded the names of the members of Big Foot's Band. During the Massacre, he was shot nine times and lived in pain the rest of his life from

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Northern Perspectives

A vision of Rosebud Cafe' and the mystique of the Lakota



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

The New Year reminds me of all of the good things I should have done in my lifetime. Maybe this year I will do at least some of them. I have greatly enjoyed this forum for expressing my ideas.

If I were younger I would re-open the Rosebud Café and we would have some fine dining for all of the Rosebud to enjoy. You see, there used to be a Rosebud Cafe in the 1970s. I remember going to a dance at night there and afterward writing a poem called "Slow dancing at the Rosebud Café." I bet many of the younger people didn't know there was a café there or much care. I wonder if they are curious to know who the subject of that poem was. I think it was the night I got kicked in the shin.

Anyway, my version of the Rosebud Café would be dedicated to the mystique of the Lakota. It would have beautiful artifacts and the motif would be dripping with nuances of Lakota life.

It would have private booths were couples could talk in private or travelers could tell tall tales and others simply might want some privacy. Or young men could try to woo their young lady friends and slow dance in the aisles if they wished. There used to be a restaurant in Denver called Stuart Anderson's and they had such private booths and it was kind of fun. It would have paintings by Martin Red Bear, Bobby Penn, and Daniel Little Soldier. I have met each of those artists and was duly impressed with their work.

My café would be a great model of small business ownership and it would be visited by food critics the world over. It would be designated a five star establishment by the connoisseurs of the world and I would be slowly headed for retirement while laughing all the way to the bank.

Actually, that's all funny now, as I live in a mobile home and will have to rely on an old age pension to help support my child's college education one day. Oh well, that's what I get for being an older daddy. We're hoping that his grades are good enough to get into an Ivy League school and then he can be all the things I never was. It's funny how we long for material things and such accomplishments when those are things that don't make any difference when we pass on. Go figure!

The atmosphere in my café would be interesting and exciting all wrapped up in one. It would be the place where deals are closed and old friends congregated at times. In the old days, I bet there were places that always had the coffee pot on and people could stop by anytime. The Rosebud Café would be like that; it would be a place where you could get an occasional free meal because the owner knew you or they might even give you a ride home if you were stranded on a cold night.

In my café, there would be no envy or jealousy and certainly no talk of methamphetamine. My patrons would be upstanding young Lakota gentlemen and ladies who were concerned about the preservation of our Lakota language, the care of our elders, the education of our very young and the future of our tribe. It would be an idyllic place where time occasionally stood still and we had time to be nice to each other. No one would care if you went to Harvard or if you had a big snooty job where your underlings or your board worked to protect you.

It would be a place where you might see "Whose who in Sioux country" dining out. You might see John Around Him, Bat Pourier or Cecilia Fire Thunder from Oglala country eating their favorite sub sandwich. If you were lucky you might catch a glimpse of Rosebud's own Lionel Bordeaux, Pat Bad Hand, or our old friend Floyd Westerman trying their hand at an Indian taco.

Who knows, you might even see Orval Looking Horse, Ivan Looking Horse, or even Emmanuel Red Bear or Manny Iron Hawk from up Cheyenne Eagle Butte way slurping wahanpi and wojapi. Actually, I would want to see Shania Twain eating a salad at my café, but that's another story.

Yes, the New Year is always a time of hope and re-examination of where we are going. It doesn't matter what we conclude as we are moving forward in time anyway.

The only thing we need to remember is that no matter what we do, we only have one chance to come this way and we should do it right. We need to cherish our friends, feed the hungry, care for the young children, protect our tribal land base and hope that tunkasila sees fit to give us good health and healing each day.

It's been fun to write for the Lakota Country Times as I have gotten to know a lot of fine Lakota people whom I would have otherwise never met. I hope the journey continues in the New Year.

Waniyetu teca wan he elo ca iyuskinyan unpo.

Dr. Archie Beauvais (nagik sapa) Sicangu Lakota, is a decorated Vietnam Veteran with a Doctor of Education (Ed.D) degree from Harvard University. He resides on the Rosebud with his son Beaux and is also the proud father of Yvonne and Anthony.

Things to empower yourself

A different take to New Year's resolutions



By Patty Pourier

Did you make a New Years Resolution? Have you broken it yet?

I did not make a New Years Resolution this year. Not because my life is going great and needs no resolve, but more because of lack of performance on past New Years Resolution- failures. I am not alone in bombing out on a well-intentioned New Years Resolution. Most of us break our resolution by the end of January.

New Years is a time when we STOP our busy lives for a moment and reflect on the past and look forward to the future. A resolution is another way of saying you are setting goals for yourself. I, for one, have done this countless time in the past. Sometimes on New Years in the form of a resolution, or in high school when trying to determine what I wanted to be when I grew up. I have attended countless self-help workshops that required setting goals. One workshop was called "Falling Awake" where you had these little 3 x 5 cards and you constantly were writing down things you wanted in your life.

I do believe that may have worked to some degree. What has been the most successful for me is put out the positive energy toward something good. Negative energy never works. I also have to decide if I want this, or if someone else wants me to do this. For instance, quitting smoking. I had to ask myself, do I want to quit, or do I just want to make my spouse stop bugging me. Then, I realize that if I could have done this on my own, I would have, and that I need help. Prayer and enlisting God as part of my support staff, is a good decision. (I don't always do it.)

Other support is also important, like a support group, or a commitment to a friend that I will do this or that and they can help make me accountable. The real test is using the support, not just determining what the support will be. Spraining your ankle, going to the drug store to get a brace, purchasing it, then never putting it on. Support does not work very well unless you use it!

The last thing I have found to help, I learned almost 25 years ago. And that is taking it one day at a time. I could never have quit drinking or smoking for the rest of my life.

But I could quit for one day. I remember in the early days of quitting where I had to take it one hour at a time. I would tell myself, I cannot quit forever, but I can quit for this next hour. Then I would go the next hour and so on and so forth.

If I were to make a resolution this year, it would have been to lose weight. But instead, I am trying a new approach.

I am committing to a weekly nutritional meeting, exercise at least once week and to modify my diet, with healthier food. You will notice I did use the word "diet". I have done every diet you can think of and they all work as long as you stay on them. Then when you go off they do not work any longer.

Life changes and old habits are not easy to change. Sometimes bad habits started from observing our parents.

If these behaviors that are detrimental to our well-being have taken years to form, they will not go away over night either.

Trying to change is the key. And to keep trying and not giving up is important. Being kind to our selves and not beating ourselves up when we slip is what will help to facilitate success.

Patience, love and kindness to ourselves, mixed with determination and resolve for real change, can help us reach our goals.

Best to you for this New Year.

Wounded Knee

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the wounds he received at the Owicakte.

My husband, little girls and I stood, cold and shivering in the sleet, as the Oomaka Tokatakiya or Future Generations Riders passed by and shook our hands. I felt truly honored by the riders who sacrificed themselves to travel in the extreme cold, horseback, from the Land of Sitting Bull and Spotted Elk to Wounded Knee.

Each year these brave Lakota men and women endure the elements to commemorate the journey of Sitting Bull's People and that of Chief Big Foot and his Band as they did their best to find a safe place for the old people, women and children.

I have listened to recordings my husband's grandfather, James E. Emery, made of Chief Dewey Beard telling of his personal experiences before during and after the Wounded Knee Massacre. As Beard tells it in Lakota:

Chief Big Foot was lying in a buckboard, sick unto the death from pneumonia and bleeding from the lungs as he and his wife, and the rest of their relatives were escorted by armed guard from Porcupine Butte down to the Wounded Knee Valley.

December 29, 2005 was extremely cold and I couldn't help but think of how my ancestors suffered from the elements; they didn't have the choice of getting warm in a heated vehicle.

They were cold, thirsty and hungry; some were literally in rags. Many were sick. Surely, they were terrified. After Sitting Bull was assassinated, Big Foot and his people knew they were all in great danger.

I am proud that my husband, a descendant of the Itazipco Leader Wa-a-natan or Charger who survived the Massacre, our girls and I, a descendant of Toka Kokipapi and He Hlogeca Win or Hollow Horn Woman who was killed at the Massacre, were there at the Owicakte to share prayers, ceremony and fellowship with all our relatives.

I pray for the Riders and all our people will have long lives, good health and happiness. I also pray that we will never forget those who made the supreme sacrifice at Wounded Knee and elsewhere so that the Lakota Oyate could survive.

Mitakuye Oyasin,
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Oyate General Council Meeting Saturday, Jan. 7 at the Wanblee CAP office from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information call Floyd Hand at 867-5762. Meetings have been held in the different districts and will be hosted by Eagle Nest this Saturday.

19th Annual Kiyaska Omaka Teca Wacipi Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 14 and 15 at Little Wound School. Grand entry at 1 and 7 p.m. on Saturday and at 1 p.m. on Sunday. Family specials in the categories of junior, teen and adult. Fore more information call Marcell Bull Bear at 455-2690.

Porcupine District New Year's meal Wednesday, Jan. 4 at the Porcupine District CAP Office at 1 p.m.

OST Council Special Session Thursday, Jan. 5 in Pine Ridge at 10 a.m. to hear the complaints against Wakpamni District Council representative, Walt Big Crow.

OST Food Distribution/Commodity Issue Thursday, Jan. 5 in Kyle at the CAP office; Monday, Jan. 9 in Manderson and Wounded Knee and Wednesday, Jan. 11 in Martin.

Indian Taco Sale Friday, Jan. 6 from 11 a.m. until sold out at the Bethel Assembly of God in Rapid City as a fundraiser for the American Indian Business Leaders. Contact Gloria at 391-0770 or Cheyenne at 209-5871.

New Year's Pow wow Friday and Saturday, Jan. 6 & 7 at the Bill C. Bear Memorial gymnasium at Batesland School with specials including Boot and Hat Special, Iron Man, Men's traditional with a Masquerade Contest on Friday night, for information contact Robert or Sharon Two Crow at 288-1873 or Wilma Standing Bear at 288-1922.

Rosebud Shootout Saturday, Jan. 7 in Mission at the Ben Reifel Auditorium at Todd County High School, featuring boy's basketball games with Red Cloud, McLaughlin, Pine Ridge, Little Wound, Todd County, St. Francis.

OST Council Regular Session Tuesday, Jan. 10 in Pine Ridge.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye Friday, Jan. 13 at Wounded Knee District School in Manderson, grand entries 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with supper at 5 p.m.

Customer Appreciation at Prairie Wind Casino Monday, Jan. 16 at the Prairie Wind Casino, west of Oglala, starting at 6 p.m.

Dakota Oyate Challenge Wednesday-Saturday, Jan. 25-28 in Huron at the Huron Arena featuring girl's basketball teams from Little Wound, Pine Ridge and Crazy Horse and boy's teams from Little Wound, Crazy Horse and Pine Ridge with girl's and boy's championship set for Saturday evening at 7 and 9 p.m.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye Friday, Jan. 27 at Loneman School in Oglala with grand entries set for 1 and 6:30 p.m. with supper scheduled for 5 p.m.

Bear Butte land trust fund started

RAPID CITY - After years of concern, a Bear Butte Land Trust Fund was opened at Wells Fargo Bank by a volunteer group, Defenders of the Black Hills.

Three years ago, the idea for a land trust fund was brought to the organization at one of their regular meetings. The idea was triggered by the encroaching development upon the sacred mountain, Bear Butte. People from more than 60 Native American Tribes from the North American continent travel to Bear Butte on a yearly basis to conduct prayer ceremonies. The encroaching development is beginning to disturb the peace and quiet that is necessary for the ceremonies.

A land trust fund was seen as the only permanent solution to stopping the selling of land surrounding the small sacred mountain. The organization was able to stop the building of an outdoor shooting range that was planned for four miles north of the Butte. The businessmen planning the venture had illegally received federal funds slated for use by low and middle-income people. The illegality was uncovered in a lawsuit filed by Defenders and seven Native American tribes. But now, a private operator is planning on building a biker bar and outdoor concert arena just one and a half miles from the base of the mountain.

Since many people want to help protect the land surrounding Bear Butte, the organization decided that opening a land trust fund would allow everyone the opportunity to do fund raising events and contribute to the fund. The price of the land surrounding the Butte is high as realtors use the sacred mountain in their advertisements.

Defenders plan on keeping any land that they are able to purchase in a natural state to insure the sacredness of Bear Butte is not disturbed.

They work on environmental and sacred site issues in the Midwest with no paid staff. Donations to the Bear Butte Land Trust Fund may be sent to Wells Fargo Bank, 825 St. Joseph St., Rapid City, SD 57701. Bank transfers are also available by contacting any Wells Fargo Bank.

For more information contact Charmaine White Face, Coordinator, at (605) 399-1868.

Veterans services available for veterans at Pine Ridge

PINE RIDGE -The Veterans Administration Black Hills Health Care System offeres mental health services the veterans at the VA Wellness Center located in Pine Ridge.

The center is located next to the dialysis building across from the former Indian Health Service Hospital under the blue water tower) Services include education, medication management, and counseling for individuals, married couples and families. Group therapy is also available.

Kate Baumiller, NP, is available at the VA Wellness Center twice a month on Tuesdays for assessment, medication management, and counseling. Sally Weyer, Ph.D., is available every Wednesday to provide education, assessment, and counseling.

Visits through video conferencing are also available with these providers at other times of the week. Group therapy sessions are held weekly; veterans are asked to contact Dr. Weyer about participating.

Also, women veterans are invited to a monthly pot luck lunch on the second Wednesday of each month. Contact Dr. Weyer for more information.

Veterans interested in vocational rehabilitation and VA Compensated Work Therapy can contact Rodger Woeppel, MA, at the VA Wellness Center in Pine Ridge.

To ask questions or request services, veterans can contact:

Kate Baumiller at her Hot Springs office - (605) 745-2000, ext. 2440;

"Sally Weyer, Ph.D. at her Rapid City office - (605) 718-1095, ext 3020;

"Rodger Woeppel, at the VA Wellness Center in Pine Ridge - (605) 867-2393.

Women's potluck

Women veterans are cordially invited to a pot luck lunch on the second Wednesday of each month at the VA Wellness Center in Pine Ridge, located next to the dialysis building across from the IHS Hospital under the blue water tower.

Bring your favorite dish to share with others from 12:00 - 1:00 pm. This will be a time of gathering together to meet one another and share a common bond.

For information contact Arvine Standing Elk, Martin Vet Center, 685-1300; Dr. Sally Weyer, VA Black Hills Health Care System, (605) 718-1095; or Iva Good Voice Flute, Oglala.

Plans taking shape for pow wow grounds and art market in Rapid City

RAPID CITY (AP) - Plans are taking shape for a project here that would feature a powwow grounds, living history village and an outdoor market showcasing American Indian art.

The nonprofit Alliance of Tribal Tourism Advocates, which represents all nine Indian tribes in South Dakota, is proposing the project and expects to soon begin looking for land around Rapid City.

Last November, the city council approved an $812,000 request from the group to the build the market and powwow grounds.

``This year, we will be moving forward into finding land and design of the powwow garden and markets,'' said Daphne Richards Cook, executive director of ATTA.

The city will release the money in 2007 for project construction, she said.

Wyss Associates has been working with the organization on an architectural design.

``It's a place for learning, a place for entrepreneurship, and a great place to develop friends,'' said Patrick Wyss, a spokesman for the firm.

Michael Stanley, a landscape architect with Wyss Associates, said the group is looking for a site between 6 acres and 8 acres in size.

As proposed, the project would feature a large entrance plaza, a landmark tipi, seating for 5,000 people, and performance stage, said Stanley.

``On the south side of the arena, we have the actual open market,'' he said.

The permanent structure will house 38 artists and their wares.

A berm surrounding the arena would include native plants that would tie into the living history area of the center, said Stanley.

The living history area is planned as a way for visitors to learn firsthand about Indian culture, officials said.

``It will be a way to teach our children the different cultural preservation pieces, but it will teach the audience that comes into center, too,'' Richards Cook said.

Dr. Bea Medicine, well known Lakota anthropologist dies

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

BISMARCK, N.D. - Dr. Bea Medicine (Hinsha Waste Agli Win) of the Standing Rock Sioux reservation died on December 19, 2005 in Bismarck, ND at the age of 82. Medicine was well known on the northern plains as one of the early advocates of Native education. She tirelessly worked to advance her ideas through her teaching and writing. Her works were published by the University of Illinois entitled, "Learning to be an Anthropologist and remaining Native" in 2001. Born on the Standing Rock Sioux reservation in 1923, she earned a bachelor's degree at South Dakota State University in 1945. Her field of study, anthropology, is a discipline that studies the relationships and customs of many cultures. Her master's degree was earned at Michigan State University in 1954, while her doctoral degree from the University of Wisconsin was completed in 1983. She was teaching there at that time.

Medicine had a very rich background as her varied writings will attest. Her work in pedagogy took her to the Haskell Institute in the early days, and then to Santa Domingo Pueblo in New Mexico to Flandreau Indian School in South Dakota. She taught at some of the leading universities across the nation and influenced the lives of other Native educators in her travels. She often could be seen at a reception in Washington, DC or a seminar at a leading university.



Dr. Bea Medicine

She also had a great interest in working with Native people of Canada, and with her training in the social sciences, she was able to give testimony on behalf of Native people in a variety of settings. She was also known for her leadership in advocating for Indian centers in the United States and Canada, as they were an important and novel idea during the 1960's for urban Indians.

Medicine traveled the world over and continued to touch people's lives with her teaching and writing. This work over a lifetime brought her much recognition and several honorary doctorates. In the Malinowski Award Monographs "Bea Medicine; Culture Broker among Indians and Anthropologist" Thomas Weaver wrote, "In addition to studying such topics as contemporary religious movements, pan-Indianism, Dakotaethnohistory, and reservation culture, she acted as a go-between for tribes and governments and served as a representative for American Indian and women's interests in many national and international meetings. In her 1996 Malinowski Award address, Medicine explored the often ambivalent relationship between anthropologist and American Indians, a relationship that she spent much of her career mediating."

The Bronislaw Malisnowsi Lifetime Achievement Award was awarded by the society of applied anthropology. Among her other awards were, the Outstanding Woman of Color Award from the National Insitute of Women of Color, and the Ohana Award from the American Counseling Association.

It was reported that she was also advocating for a new pubic community school in her home community of Wakpala after she returned home from her long career in teaching and learning.

Native American Business Enterprise receives $155,000 grant

WASHINGTON, DC – Native American Business Enterprise Center that serves both North and South Dakota will receive $155,000 in funding to provide business assistance services.

"Economic hardship and high unemployment rates are unfortunate realities on many reservations in South Dakota," said Sen. Tim Johnson.

"The Native American Business Enterprise Center provides important services to combat these negative trends by helping to generate more Native-owned and operated businesses," Johnson said.

The Native American Business Enterprise Center will provide standardized business assistance to minority-owned firms in North and South Dakota in order to increase the financing and contracts awarded to the firms. Services provided by the center include marketing, general management, personnel, administration, financing, and accounting.

The grant is being awarded by the U.S. Department of Commerce's Minority Business Development Agency, which funds the center.

Woman pleads guilty in Wind River meth bust

CASPER, Wyo. (AP) A woman has pleaded guilty to charges related to distribution of methamphetamine and other drugs on the Wind River Indian Reservation.

In U.S. District Court on Friday, Donna Goodman acknowledged buying drugs and selling them out of her home on the reservation. She also acknowledged making threats against a federal agent.

Goodman is one of 19 people arrested last May as part of a federal drug investigation. Many of those arrested are related to one another.

Goodman told Chief U.S. District Judge William Downes that the threats were intended as a hoax. Agents monitoring Goodman's telephone line apparently heard the threats.

`We knew our phones were tapped," Goodman said. ``We were going to see what was going to happen."

Goodman insisted the threats she made over the phone were not serious, but she acknowledged the agent hearing them would not be aware of her intent.

She gave brief responses to questions aimed at establishing the basis for her guilty pleas. Goodman said she and her husband, John Goodman, bought large quantities of prescription pills, consumed some of them and sold others.

``I had arthritis, and he had arthritis," Goodman said.

Goodman also recounted how her family sold drugs out of their home, often selling to more than 20 people in a day.

A sentencing hearing is tentatively scheduled for March 20.

Others arrested included Goodman's husband and other relatives, including Lynda Munnell-Noah, a tribal judge. The investigation eventually resulted in 25 arrests.

Several, including Munnell-Noah, were named only in an indictment reporting a scheme to purchase and sell prescription drugs, mostly painkillers such as hydrocodone.

Munnell-Noah has pleaded innocent to conspiracy and drug distribution charges.

Munnell-Noah was scheduled for a change of plea hearing earlier in December. That hearing was delayed, apparently as a result of her need for medical treatment.

Debate swirls as wind power grows rapidly across country

BY JOHN CHRISOFFERSEN
AP Business Writer

STAMFORD, Conn. (AP) - Giant windmills are popping up on farms, scenic mountain ridges, prairie grass and now an Indian reservation, dramatically changing the nation's landscape and spinning a debate about where they belong.

Wind power grew rapidly in 2005, becoming more competitive as natural gas prices jumped and crude oil prices reached record highs. Improved technology, a federal tax credit and pressure on utilities to use clean energy sources helped fuel the growth from coast to coast.

Officials in Atlantic City, N.J., in December dedicated the nation's first coastal wind farm. And last week, General Electric Co. announced a start-up near San Diego of the largest wind power farm on Indian land.

Last year, Klickitat County in south-central Washington state took a bold step by creating a so-called Energy Overlay Zone, a planning tool aimed at expediting renewable energy development.

Wind developers, who often face bitter battles with locals who object to massive turbine farms, say it's the first such zone in the country.

A green energy company plans to build a $100 million wind farm in Eastern Oregon. As many as 70 turbines will generate up to 104 megawatts of power, enough to serve 25,000 homes. Zilkha Renewable Energy's power will be delivered via Idaho Power's high-voltage transmission lines that run near the site.

Wind power still makes up less than 1 percent of the nation's electricity, but experts expect wind to generate at least 5 percent by 2020.

``The wind resource in the United States is comparable to the oil resource in Saudi Arabia," said Tom Gray, deputy executive director of the American Wind Energy Association, an industry trade group. ``It's a major strategic national resource we should be making every effort to develop."

While windmills may evoke quaint images of yesteryear, they're sparking growing debate, particularly as the first offshore projects are proposed in popular tourist areas, such as Cape Cod, Long Island, N.Y., and the New Jersey shore. Critics, including a member of the influential Kennedy family, worry that some projects could harm national treasures.

``All of a sudden you're transferring an asset used by 5 million people into the hands of private industrial speculators," said Robert F. Kennedy Jr., an environmentalist who has objected to the Cape Cod proposal.

The industry added about 2,500 megawatts of wind power this year, a record 35 percent increase, according to the association. The country's wind capacity is more than 9,200 megawatts in 30 states, enough for 2.4 million average U.S homes.

In September, a report by the Government Accountability Office, Congress' investigative arm, found that the federal government offers minimal oversight in approving wind power plants. The report urged federal officials to take a more active role in weighing the impact of wind power farms on bird and bat deaths, saying local and state regulators sometimes lack the necessary expertise.

Wind projects have sparked complaints around the country that the windmills cause noise, obstruct scenic views and kill wildlife, including thousands of federally protected birds in California.

In Maryland, state officials have sought to limit 420-foot windmills atop the state's highest mountain ridge because of concerns about the impact to rare species.

A proposal to build offshore wind turbine towers along the New Jersey shore led to a 15-month moratorium on such projects while a special panel studies the issue.

A wind farm planned in a small town in Vermont has sparked criticism that the nearly 400-foot towers would ruin the rural landscape and hurt tourism.

In Kansas, conservation groups have asked state officials to create guidelines for wind energy developments, citing concerns that more wind farms will harm the last remnants of the nation's prairie grass and prairie chicken populations.

Proponents say bird kills have been minimal at most wind farms, though Gray acknowledged some bird kills. They say the visual impact is far less severe than other forms of energy such as oil drilling.

Wind power helps lower skyrocketing home heating and electric bills by reducing the demand for natural gas and brings new jobs, rural economic development and tax revenue to cash-strapped states, proponents say.

In McCamey, Tex., Mayor Sherry Phillips said the population has dwindled over the decades from about 10,000 to 1,800 as oil dried up. But these days the area is remaking itself as the wind farm capital of Texas, collecting millions of dollars in taxes and creating 40 to 50 jobs from 860 wind turbines, she said.

The wind power added this year will offset the emission of about 7 billion pounds of carbon dioxide, equivalent to keeping nearly 500,000 SUVs off the road, the association said.

``If we could just find a way to make them invisible," Gray said, ``we'd have something everybody could get behind."

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Aloysius T. Tail

PORCUPINE - Aloysius T. Tail, 69, Porcupine, died Friday, Dec. 30, at Scottsbluff Regional West Hospital in Scottsbluff, Neb.

Survivors include five sons, Richard Tail and Lester Tail, both of Porcupine, Steve Tail, Longmont, Colo., Paul Thew, Fort Collins, Colo., and Robert Mallory, Boulder Creek, Calif.; three daughters, Twila Iron Boy, Diane Iron Cloud and Alicia Tail, all of Porcupine; two brothers, Cleveland Tail, Porcupine, and Frederick Tail, Gordon, Neb.; and 17 grandchildren.

A two-night wake will begin at 1 p.m. today at Christ the King Church Hall in Porcupine.

Funeral services will Thursday, Jan. 5, at the church hall, with the Rev. Ernest Tail officiating. Burial will be at Tail Family Burial Grounds in Porcupine. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.

Gloria G. Bradshaw

DENVER - Gloria G. Bradshaw, 58, Denver, died Friday, Dec. 23, in Denver. Survivors include her husband, John Bradshaw Sr., Denver; four sons, Tony DeSersa, Donald Hernandez, Alvin Hernandez and John Bradshaw Jr., all of Denver; six daughters, Shelly Hernandez, Brenda Hernandez, Misty Rooks, Nadine Bradshaw, Sunshine Bradshaw and Cherita Bradshaw, all of Denver; two brothers, Donald Long Pumpkin, Denver, and David DeSersa, Manderson; six sisters, Rosalind DeSersa, Denver, Brenda Lofton, Albuquerque, N.M., Geraldine Valdez and Emily Newson, both of South Sioux City, Neb., Phyllis DeSersa, Wanblee and Dovaline DeSersa, Allen; and 14 grandchildren.

Wake services were at Martin CAP Office in Martin.

Funeral services were Friday, Dec. 30, at Martin CAP Office, with the Rev. Lyle Noisy Hawk officiating.

Burial was at Inestimable Gift Episcopal Cemetery in Allen. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Raymond E. Traversie

FORT MEADE - Raymond E. Traversie, 78, Fort Meade and formerly of Pierre, died Saturday, Dec. 31, at the Fort Meade Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

Arrangements are pending with Black Hills Funeral Home & Cremation Services of Sturgis.

Jeffrey Ray Cuny

RAPID CITY - Jeffrey Ray Cuny, 45, Rapid City, died Saturday, Dec. 31, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Survivors include his father, Ray Cuny, Rapid City; four brothers, Dennis Fleury, Colorado Springs, Colo., Robert Cuny and Terry Cuny, both of Rapid City, and Chris Cuny, Lake Andes; two sisters, Stacie Winters, Rapid City, and Candace Collabolletta, Black Hawk; one stepbrother, Vince Cuny, Phoenix; and his stepfather, Ray Winters. Arrangements are pending with Serenity Springs Funeral Chapel in Rapid City.

Minnie Thunder Hawk-Taylor

WANBLEE - Minnie Thunder Hawk-Taylor, 70, Wanblee, died Saturday, Dec. 31, at Creighton Medical Center in Omaha, Neb. Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge.

Anthony Joseph Long Chase

BULLHEAD - Anthony Joseph Long Chase, stillborn son of Marvella Starr and Cody Long Chase of Bullhead, was born Thursday, Dec. 29, 2005, at Medical Center One in Bismarck, N.D. Arrangements are pending with Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge.

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In our special way, we are taking good care of your beautiful children, we love them unconditionally as they are a part of you. They're treated with such compassionate relatives and especially from their lovely Unci's and families.

And they knowing that their Daddy is a Guardian Angel looking over them and safe in his blessings up in heaven with the rest of our family and relatives whom have passed on into the Spirit World.

During this holiday time you're in our thoughts and prayers, we will cherish all the fond memories of you I our hearts.

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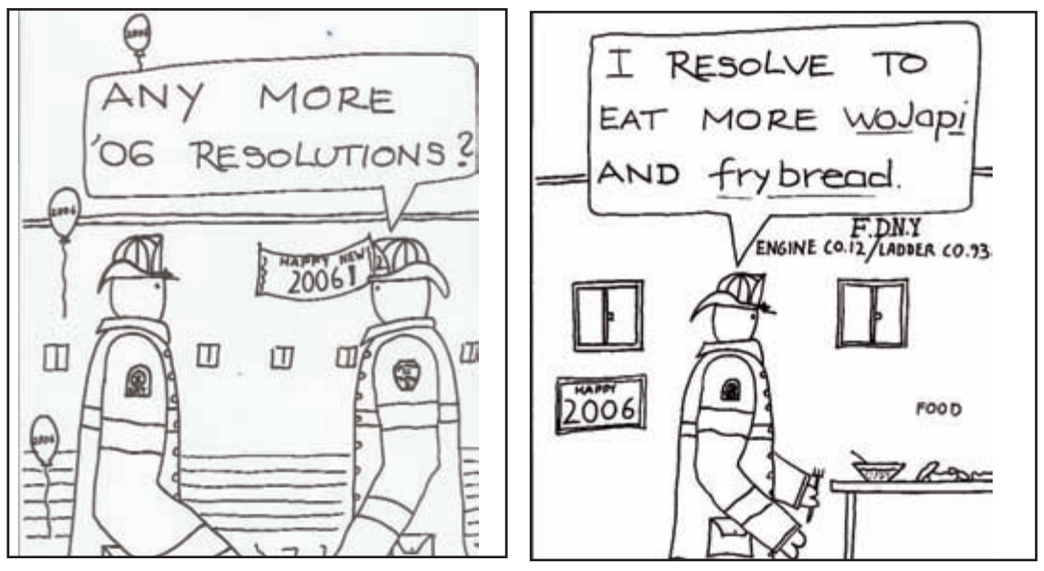
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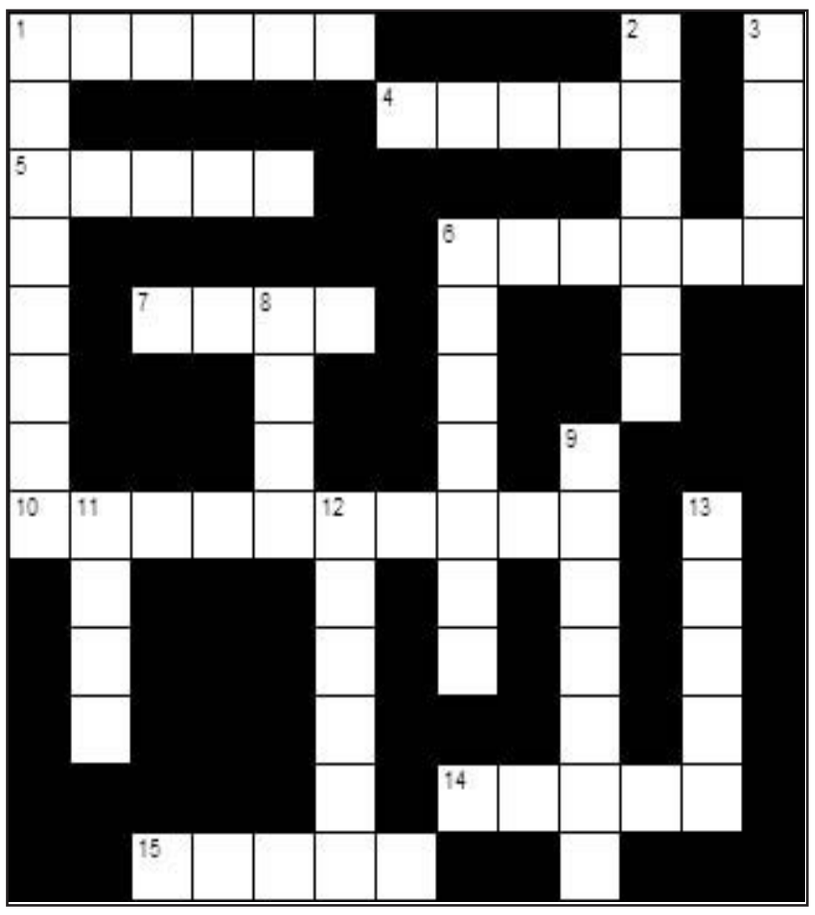
Lakota Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)

English words below, Lakota words in puzzle

Across
1. female to male cousin
4. stone
5. lost something
6. to fish
7. he or she is reading
10. nine
14. female to female friend
15. both

Down
1. eight
2. we are coming
3. male to male friend
6. in the morning
8. I live
9. male to female cousin
11. dawn
12. you all are here
13. cut something



ASK ANNA

Psychic - Clairvoyant

Dear Anna:

Hello, Happy New Year and hope your year is a great one. I try to make an effort to read your columns every week and right now I am in need of your advice and guidance. I am with a man right now and he's with me every day as we live together and we have a child together. But I'm not happy in this relationship, I feel like I wasn't happy for a long time because of something that happened awhile ago.

Now I have been having conversations with a different man and we have even seen each other a few times. Sometimes I feel bad because of what I'm doing but the man I've been talking to does make me happy and he makes me feel good when I'm with him.

However he does have kids and I know he has his priorities to them and it doesn't bother me but now I'm wishing I never got myself into this. I'm so confused in my life right now and if I could I wish I could get away from both of them and stay away.

But I feel like I'm stuck here. But I know nobody is to blame except me. I put myself in this position and now I want to get out. What do you see for me and how do you think I should approach this in my life?

Feels Stuck

Dear Stuck:

Simply put, your life is in your control as is your happiness. Relationships are complex and have many layers of reasons, understandings, agreements, lessons, endurance, and emotional inticacies.

Every relationship with others is based on a reflection of our own true nature. When you are "trapped" in a non-fulfilling relationship because of a sense of obligation or fear the relationships itself will not work because those are the strongest elements holding it together. Those two elements do not provide a sound foundation for a good relationship, but do provide a sound foundation for the ending of a relationship.

One of the strongest working forces around you is the central theme of "looking" or "searching" for happiness outside of self. This means you expect others to "make you happy." Fortunately for all of us, our happiness cannot depend on others ability to amuse us and keep us placated and amused - because if it does, then others dissapointments and frustrations with their lives and us within their lives becomes the souce of your internal identity and emotional well-being.

This leaves you defenseless to enjoy your own life. The point is, understand that your symptomatic happiness in the relationship is just your internal decision to get out - without the practical excuse of it being somebody's fault for some reason or another. It is just over, and you are just realizing it, the damage is done and you can't reconcile your life with living in that shadow. The new man is just a toy girl - an amusement - somebody to keep you occupied and to show you that you are not content in your relationship - that you want something - someone - different. He is a catalyst don't assign him some other unattainable role. You will be single in the near future. You will struggle with this decision for a while and will invite some grief and chaos into the separation.

You will find yourself seeking more understanding through a University connection and will enhance your career goals and energy.

I see you in the future working with the legal aspects of business and life, two major ex's in your life and several inconsiquential ones, a new man with children, a different home and surroundings.

It will all work out. This uncomfortable time in your life is one of personal growth and is where you learn to take control of your own happiness through your own perspective and creation of your own dream.

It is where you truly learn your are responsible for self and self-awareness; that all problems that are within your life are drawn to you through your own energy and relationship with your own assessment of how you are creating your life. Blessings, It's a rough journey right now, but it is with purpose and you will survive.

Dear Anna:

I'm seriously thinking about having a long distance relationship in hopes that if this works for us that he would relocate to California. What do you think? Thank you!!!

Looking for him to move

Dear Looking:

What if he wrote the same letter but is hoping that you will relocate to where he wants to be? How do you see it then? It won't work unless you decide the amount of personal flexibility you have - what you are willing and want to do - how much you would change for a different outcome. He can't move to California, he just can't. He has too many logistical and business issues to be able to move within your timeframe.

He could move, comfortably, say in three to five years. You could move too, it's just a decision not an obstacle. This relationship depends on your ability to be flexible without resentment or a sense of "doing all the giving." Good Luck.

Dear Anna:

My boyfriend and I went to a New Year's party with a bunch of friends. My boyfriend disappeared around 11 p.m. for about an hour and came back just before midnight. He said he was hanging out with some of the guys in the garage but I don't think so. Where was he?

Don't Trust Him

Dear Don't Trust Him:

In the garage, hanging out with five or six guys and two or three women, smoking and joking - just like he said. Why didn't you search for him? Ask yourself that question. Are you so insecure in the relationship that you felt he would resent you looking for him? I am not talking about stalking him - you went with him to a party, after fifteen minutes of a disappearance it is quite acceptable to go and find him - and if you are so desperate for his approval that you wouldn't dare "search" for him, because it might aggravate him, then look at that insecurity and fix it before it fixes you.

And, if you are correct and he would resent you searching for him then you are correct, he is up to something - so dump his butt - who needs it?

Dear Anna:

I am 15 year old. I am a pretty good student and althlete, and I am a pretty good kid. I know that sooner or later I am going to want to have sex, mostly right now because of curiousity. I don't want to get pregnant but I don't feel free to talk to my mom about this. What can I do?

Want to prepare

Dear Wants to prepare:

Talk with your mother's sister, she will talk with your mom...your mom will talk with you. She will be okay with your honesty and although she will worry about the pitfalls of emotional injury and entaglement of an adult relationship by someone she considers less than an adult - it will all work out. You will get an appointment with a clinic with your mom, and I'm sorry to say, a small lecture (they forget that you have been thinking about this for a long time, and considering what could happen and what it means). Sorry about the lecture part, but you will live through it. Blessings to you.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @ gwtc.net or fax to (605) 455-1870, or write to PO Box 406, Kyle, S.D. 57750. Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request.

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Around The Rez

By Joe Flying Horse



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Happy ADS

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In Loving Memory of My Daughter
Lori C. Kills Crow Indian
December 5, 1984 - August 26, 2003

Another Christmas Came and went, without you.
Our Hearts are heavy with sorrow, always missing you, silent tears still flow.
I'll lend you for a little time, a child of mine, God said,
For you to love while she lives and mourn when she dies.
It may be 2 or 4 years or maybe 18 years, but you will love her 'til I call her back.
Take care of her for me.
She'll bring you charms to gladden you,
and shall her stay be brief,
you'll have her lovely memories as solace for your grief.
I can't promise she will stay, since all from Earth return,
but there are lessons taught down there, I want this Child to learn.
I've looked the wide work over, In my search for teacher's true,
and from the crowd of life's lane, I have selected her,
How you give her all your love, not think the labor in vain, nor hate me when I came to take her back. I fancied that I heard them say. "Dear Lord, thy will be done" for all the Joy they child shall bring, the risk of grief well run.
I will shelter her with tenderness, I will love her while here on earth, and for the happiness I have known. Forever, grateful stay. but when the Angels called her much sooner than planned I'll brave the bitter grief that comes and surely I will try to understand so whenever I am troubled and when everything goes wrong,
It is just God working in me to make my spirit strong.
Missing you always
Your Mother, With Love,
Kathy Kills Warrior

I want to wish my family a Belated
Merry Ch ristmas to:
Ron & Joy Bush,
Ron & Linda Kills Warrior,
Don & Vienna Kills Warrior,
Catherine (Gypsy) Kills Warrior
Ron Kills Warrior, Jr.
Ronelle Bush & Hobie Pourier
James & Mona Twiss
Adienne White Bull
Rude Jude Kills Warrior
and my children:
Betty , Jody, Viola,
Larry Kills Crow Indian Jr.
also my grandaughter
Anissa Ballonena.
Also Happy New Year!
I hope the New Year brings you good health and happiness
Thank you for your support and understanding. I know I am a problem at times.
Sorry, but things will get better.
With Love,
Kathy Kills Warrior

Happy 4th Birthday to my granddaughter, RaJuanna Rose O'Rourke on January 1st.
Love you,
Grandma Jeanette Crazy Thunder

Happy Birthday to my Auntie
Lori Ann Dixon
on January 1st.
From your birthday present,
RaJuanna Rose

Happy New Year
to all my guzs at work, you really are there for me when I need you.
Cuz that counts!
Yazi

Happy 4th Birthday to our Little Princess on January 1st, RaJuanna Rose
We love you, From Mom and Dad

We would like to wish our Uncle & Auntie Diane & Danielle Spotted Eagle a Merry Christmas!
Thank you for the great time we had at LNI.
We are lucky to have you in our lives.
Love Always, Shanay, Shantay and Jordan

We would like to wish our Mommy Alyce, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Mommy, thank your for everything you do for us, we love you and we know that you will never walk out on us. Merry Christmas Mommy,
Love Always,
Shantay & Jordan

Happy Birthday
Bill SuBray
Hope you can find time to celebrate in between all your busy jobs!
From all your Family & Friends and the Lakota Country Times Staff

Happy Birthday to our little sister and Auntie RaJuanna on January 1st, 2006.
We love you even though you like to terrorize us.
From
Matt, Alycia, Tyra, Amber and Joseph
Rocky, DaJuanna, Joe, Kristin and Ali Joe, Bobette, Lil Rob, Eileen and DJ

Happy New Year to my cousin and buddy, Cornell Conroy
Hope you're done reading that paper!
I'll share my issue with you.

To "Aunties"
Michelle & Holly
Hope you both have a very good New year and all your wishes comes true.
You both deserve the best beeuase you are the best!
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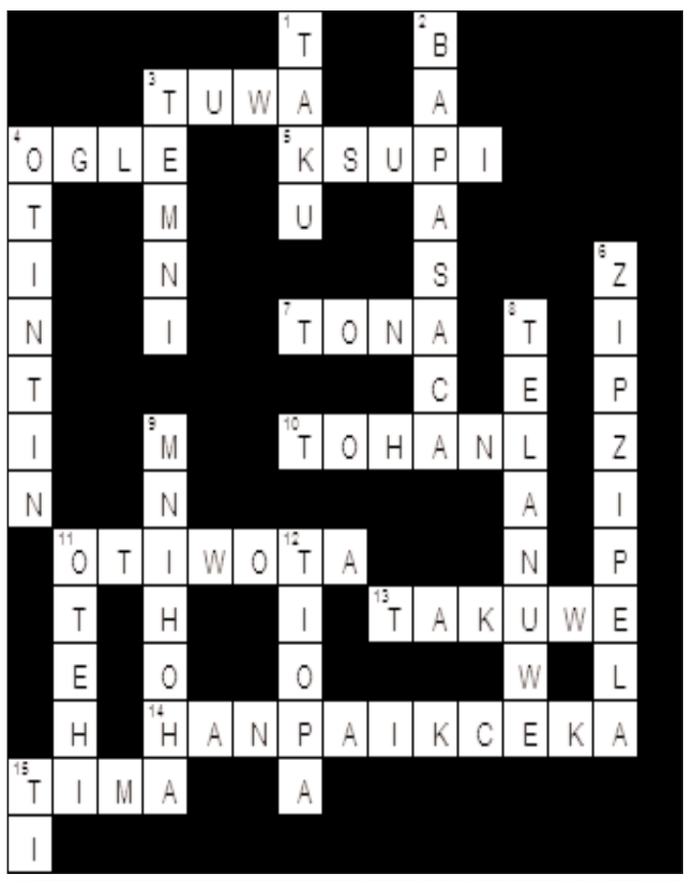
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Dale & Jessica.
I Love You
Rhonda

S.J.
You know what you mean to me, and always will, don't forget!
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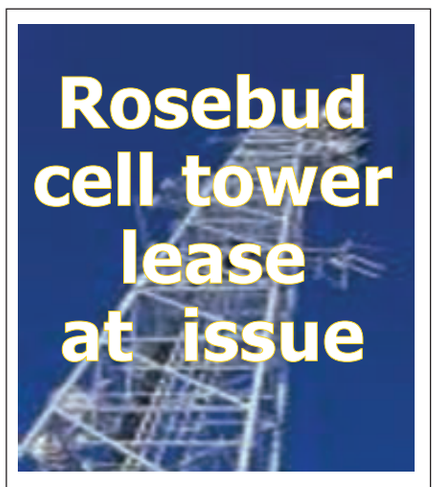


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QUICK HITS

Tribes to get money for heating assistance

SIOUX FALLS (AP) _ South Dakota will get $639,000 from the federal government to help low-income households pay heating and energy bills, the Department of Health and Human Services said Thursday.

The funds are part of $100 million nationwide that will go to states, tribes and territories as part of the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, the department said.

South Dakota's congressional delegation applauded the decision.

About $517,000 is expected to go to the state and about $112,000 will go to American Indian tribes, according to Sen. Tim Johnson's office.

St. Francis woman admits to stealing $57,000 from town

PIERRE (AP) - A former finance officer for St. Francis has admitted stealing more than $57,000 from the Rosebud Indian Reservation town, the U.S. Attorney's Office said in a release.

Mercy Red Crow of St. Francis, also known as Mercy Arcoren, pleaded guilty to larceny in U.S. District Court in Pierre.

Prosecutors said she wrote numerous checks to herself from the town's bank accounts between July and August.

Red Crow could get up to five years in prison and a fine when she is sentenced in April.

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TWO SECTIONS

Lakota warrior killed in Iraq

Returns home on Saturday to Kyle

BY TIMES STAFF

KYLE - A young Oglala Sioux, Lance Corporal Brett Lundstrom was killed while on patrol in Iraq.

Lundstrom served with Echo Company, 2nd Battalion of the 6th Marines and was shot in the shoulder while patrolling with two others Marines who were also killed. The small arms attack occurred in Anbar Province near Fallujah, Iraq on Sunday, Jan. 8.

Lundstrom is the son of Doyla Carol (Underbaggage) Lundstrom of the Medicine Root district on the Pine Ridge reservation. According to his mother, "Brent loved being a Marine. He died believing in the cause he was fighting for."

The Associated Press maintains a running tabulation of military deaths in Iraq. As of Saturday, 2,199 members of the U.S. military have died since the war began in March 2003. This count does not include the 12 soldiers who were killed on Saturday when their Blackhawk helicopter crashed. The AP reported that three Marines were killed by small arms attacks in Fallujah and at the time, were not releasing any names. Fallujah is located 35 miles west of Baghdad.

Lundstrom was born on June 12, 1983 in Vermillion. He joined the U.S. Marine Corps in January 2003 and had tours of duty in Afghanistan as well as Iraq. His parents are Ed and Doyla (Underbaggage) Lundstrom. His father Edward Lundstrom lives in Detroit, Mich. and his mother, Doyla, is from Black Hawk.

Brett was charismatic, with a kind and generous soul; always humorous with a smile that lit up any room or place he entered. Brett, an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, whole-heartedly served his country.

Brett loved spending time with his family, friends and relatives and enjoyed his time in the Marines. He also loved his Washington Capitals and a variety of other sporting events.

Brett attended many schools, as his father was a career Marine Officer. The family moved to many places

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(Right) Lance Corporal Brett Lundstrom died in Iraq on Sunday, Jan. 8 while on patrol.



Big Crow suspended by OST council

Iron Cloud-Miller hired as Attorney General; Patton, Balanco hired as tribal attorneys

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - "Mr Big Crow has been violating his oath of office and the tribal constitution and by-laws by not looking out for the best interests of the tribe and instead looking out for the best interests of C&W Enterprises," said Jeff Whalen, Oglala Sioux Tribe Transportation director in a complaint against the council representative from Wakpamni District, "Big Crow violated ordinance 41-26 by use of corrupt conduct and gross incompetence against the tribe and the OST Transportation department by providing false and misleading information and 92-12 by attempting to micro manage a tribal program and circumvent the tribe and the tribal program financial system and entering into a conspiracy against the tribe. The complaint asked for a full unconditional and immediate impeachment of Big Crow and recommended that in the future that Big Crow be disqualified from holding any office of trust or profit under the tribal council.

In a special session of the tribal council held at the SuAnne Big Crow Boy's and Girl's Club outside of Pine Ridge on Thursday, the council voted 8-6 with one not voting to suspend Big Crow and set up a hearing to listen to the charges. Those council reps voting to accept the complaint included: Austin Watkins, Garfield Steele, Juanita Scherich, Mary Poor Thunder, Valerie Janis, Kathy Janis, Will Peters and Lydia Bear Killer; voting against included Tom Poor Bear, Paul Little, Maxine Lakota, Lyle Jack, Philip Good Crow and Craig Dillon. The council voted 13-1 with one not voting to set the hearing for 21 days on Thursday, Jan. 26 and

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BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

MISSION - The Sicangu Heritage Center on the campus of Sinte Gleska University is housed in a beautiful log cabin with a basement and a second floor. Its Lakota Archives and Historical Research Center has been a part of the organizational structure of SGU since 1984 when the university had its administration headquarters in Rosebud.

Volunteers erected the log structure during November of 1998 and the staff moved in the following year. The

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(Top) Justice, Norah and Jaden Herman view displays of parflech. (Left) The Hertiage Center in Mission.

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Lakota warrior to return

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and Brett made friends very easily, He had a wealth of knowledge from all his travels.

He is survived by his father, Edward Daniel Lundstrom of Detroit, Michigan, Mother, Doyla Carol (Underbaggage) Lundstrom of Black Hawk, SD and brother, Eddy Lundstrom of Ft. Sill, Oklahoma, maternal foster grandparents, Lynn Rapp and Darrell Campbell of Buffalo Gap, Jim and Jackie Boensch of Rapid City; paternal grandmother; Donna Mae Munoz of Gering, Neb.,

Brett was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Richard H. Lundstrom, maternal grandfather, Norman Underbaggage, and maternal grandmother, Hazel Theresa (Kill Straight) Underbaggage.

Wake services will be held on Saturday, Jan. 14, at 4 p.m. and concludes Monday, Jan. 16, at 10 a.m. Wake services will be conducted at Little Wound School Gymnasium in Kyle. The Ellsworth Air Force and state units will provide an escort to the reservation line where he will be met by family and tribal members.

A Catholic Funeral Mass will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 18, at 10 a.m. at the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Northglenn, Colo., burial to follow at 1 p.m. at the National Cemetery in Ft. Logan, Colo. with full military honors.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society in memory of CPL Brett Lee Lundstrom. Make check payable to NMCRS or Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, mail to 875 N. Randolph Street, Suite 225, Arlington, VA 22203-1977.

Serenity Springs Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements in South Dakota and Horan & McConaty Funeral Home in Denver Colorado will be in charge of arrangements in Colorado.

Big Crow hearing

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voted 12-1 with two not voting to suspend Big Crow with pay.

The council meeting opened with a similar complaint Thursday against Walt Big Crow, brought by Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge Village citing misconduct, disloyalty, malfeasance and dishonesty and asking for Big Crow's suspension and impeachment. The council originally voted 8-7 to accept the complaint, a vote that did not include Big Crow's vote. After a review by the tribal attorney, Russell Zephier, the council decided not to accept the vote of Will Peters since it was a council representative making the complaint The result was a 7-7 tie which was broken by Cecelia Fire Thunder, OST president when she voted not to accept the complaint.

The bulk of the complaint centers around the construction company, C&W Enterprises, a Native American owned road construction firm that had been given four road construction, maintenance and gravel hauling contracts on Pine Ridge Reservation since 2003.

"On the strength of a recommendation made by OST transportation director, Jeff Whalen, we terminated C&W's base and blotter contract worth about $2.5 million during a committee meeting on Oct. 16," said Big Crow, who serves on the economic an business development committee, "but we are still waiting for documentation to be submitted."

According to Big Crow, the committee approved a payment of $754,000 for work completed and sent it on to finance for approval and agreed to move on to arbitration an additional $900,000 that was still in dispute. Lyle Jack, council representative from Pine Ridge Village and chairman of the committee, stated that the payment was approved during a committee meeting chaired by Big Crow but the move was rescinded during the next meeting chaired by Jack and that the finance committee did not approve of any payment to C&W.

"Part of the problem lies with the committee and the direction we chose to go," said Jack, "if C&W wanted to pursue action, we voted to have the C&W issue heard by the American Arbitration Association where they would select experienced engineers to review the case whereas Walt discussed the issue with C&W and decided to set up an informal arbitration with a past South Dakota Supreme Court Justice Robert Miller and as for as the quality of their work, we heard from both our engineering firm and BIA inspectors that C&W's work was not up to standards."

In his complaint, Whelan discussed Big Crow's tendency to work around both the committee and the transportation department he felt that was not in the best interests of the tribe.

Overall, there could be as much as $4.5 million in dispute between the tribe and C&W involving the four projects that the road construction firm has been working on since 2003 with the tribe refusing to send the final payment on the first three projects and up to $2.5 million on the base and blotter project all based on questions about work left to be completed and the quality of work that was completed.

By a vote of 8-0 with five not voting the council voted to support a resolution that stated that during the suspension, councilman Big Crow not participate in any council activities or any activities connected to his office and in particular anything to do with the construction of the new casino.

"The confusion surrounding this entire C&W Enterprises issue jeopardizes the sovereignty of the Oglala Sioux Tribe," said outgoing tribal attorney, Pete Caposella, "especially when the attorneys for C&W are prepared to argue that if Mr. Big Crow held himself out as a tribal council member with signature authority, they would litigate that the tribe is bound by it."

Council hires new attorney general and tribal attorneys

PINE RIDGE - With no other applicant in attendance at the council meeting, the tribal council voted Thursday 13-0 to select Alberta Iron Cloud Miller as the attorney general of the Oglala Sioux Tribe dependent upon successful completion of both a background check and a drug test. The council passed a resolution to terminate Dawn Muir, OST attorney general due to job abandonment, by a vote of 13-0.

"It is good to be back in this position," said Iron Cloud Miller, "I really want to work hard to put together a ten year block of funding to support the development of a more stable criminal justice system on the reservation with stronger and more stable funding for both public safety and the tribal court."

Most recently, Iron Cloud Miller worked as director of the tribe's headstart program and previously worked as an associate judge and attorney general as well as a director for the center for substance abuse prevention and director of the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine. Miller has a BA in Criminal Justice from Chadron State, a masters in adult, community and higher education from Montana State University and has completed all the work except the dissertation for a Doctor of Education degree also from MSU.

The death of Marvin Amiotte and the resignation of Peter Caposella created a need for additional tribal attorneys and on Thursday in Pine Ridge, the council voted 10-1 with 1 abstention and one not voting to hire George Patton as a tribal attorney and by a vote of 11-1 with one not voting to hire Thomas Ballanco as a tribal attorney.

Patton, an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, just completed his law degree at Arizona State University and earned some experience writing tribal codes for California tribes, working as a clerk for the Hopi Appellate Court and working on tribal federal recognition.

After earning a degree in psychology from West Point, the U.S. Military Academy. He completed ranger training then completed his law degree form the University of Colorado in 1995 and now has nine years of experience in private practice.

The council also voted to rescind an earlier action and to have the judiciary committee come to the next council meeting with a recommendation for a temporary chief judge.

The council also selected John Hussman as a temporary prosecutor for seven weeks while Theresa Two Bulls is in Pierre working as a state senator.

Heritage Center

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building was the pilot project for the American Indian Higher Education Consortium's Cultural Learning Centers Initiative. Gail Bruce coordinated the project, which succeeded in putting similar log structures on some of the other AIHEC campuses. The New York Institute of Technology designed the log structure, while the American Log Homes Council donated the logs. Dedication ceremonies were held on August 24, 2000. The bronze dedication plaque at the entrance to the center lists some 90 individuals and organizations including the American Indian College Fund, the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, Kevin Costner as well as the present staff at the Heritage Center.

The staff at the SGU Heritage Center includes, Marcella Cash, Director, Keli Herman, Museum Collections Manager, Terry Gray, General Assistant, Don Moccasin, Oral Historian and Jennifer Galindo, Registrar and Archeologist.

Cash noted that, "The SGU Heritage Center seeks to collect and preserve the photographs, diaries, personal papers, oral histories and cultural items which have meaning to the Sicangu people. They will then be here to tell our story to future generations." The most frequently used manuscript collection is the Frank LaPointe Collection of papers relating to his service on the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council and as editor of the Rosebud Sioux Herald. Other collections were donated by or in memory of tribal members, for example the Rufus Eagle Bear Collection, the Francis Bordeaux, Sr. Collection, and the Nellie Menard Collection. Persons who have lived and worked on the reservation or who have otherwise shared our history have also donated their papers and photographs. For example, the Ruth Elizabeth Newberry Photograph Collection consists of photographs taken by a teacher at the Rosebud Boarding School 1926-1928. The center serves as the official repository for the historical records of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and Sinte Gleska University.

The Center has an ongoing project to scan photographs depicting reservation life from the remote past to the present. The images are then available to researchers or for display in the museum. The staff invites everyone to participate in documenting history by bringing in their images.

Herman summed up the work of the SGU Heritage Center very well when she commented, "We scan images that people donate in order to preserve the history of the Rosebud Sioux people. Donating an image is a good way to honor someone, preserve a memory.

"We have a copy of the image. We give the donor one free copy and we teach them to preserve the original image. More recent images are important too because we try to portray us as we are, as a living, growing and changing culture."

Cash said, "Individuals may place restrictions on use of their donated items. And privacy laws prevent access to some personal materials. However our goal is to provide research materials to all interested persons. Eventually everything we hold will be open to researchers. We have no interest in preserving something no one will ever be able to see."

Cash demonstrated some of the computer data bases maintained at the Heritage Center to assist people with their research. Volunteers have begun transferring information from the Rosebud Agency Census into a computer database. These records start in 1875 and volunteers have entered information through 1903. There is an index to the Records of the Rosebud Mission of the Episcopal Church. One of the databases that the public will find very practical is the "Family Tree Maker." One can enter genealogical data and then have it plotted in several different formats, including a traditional family tree. These data bases are available to cultural and academic researchers and the staff will gladly assist in navigating through some of this material.

There is no admission fee for visiting the museum or archives. Prints and copies are available at a price that allows them to recoup some of their cost.

The center maintains a sign-in book for visitors and attracts individuals doing genealogy research, as well as serious academic scholars conducting a variety of research activities. -

Cash noted that the Heritage Center is open for research and visitors and they would like to see more people utilizing their facilities.

The stated mission of the museum is to "collect, preserve, interpret and exhibit historical, cultural or aesthetic objects that were made or were used by members of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, or that are associated with a person, place or event on the Rosebud Sioux Reservation." The first floor of the Heritage Center is adorned with several glass cases which display cultural objects central to Sicangu life by theme. For example, one case contains beadwork with floral Rosebud designs. Another displays plants and foods used by the Sicangu people such as sage, wild tea, tobacco, turnips, chokecherries, and sweet grass.

Yet another case has a peach colored star quilt by Ollie Napesni, a buckskin dress from the Bedford Collection dated 1936 by Pete Big Hawk of Pine Ridge, quilled moccasin from the Bedford Collection dated 1940, and a quilled tipi bags collected in the 1930s and a quilled U shaped bag.

The interior of the Heritage Center is very attractive and is able to host small gatherings for talks and seminars. The most recent scholar to present his research was Dick Miller of Boston, MA who shared his research on his great uncle a former BIA Agent at Rosebud in the late 1880s.

The Heritage Center cosponsors the He Sapa Dance Troupe, a group of young people who sang carols and danced for the visitors during Christmas open house. The next open house will occur during the SGU Founder's Day celebration in February.

The staff are committed to "preserving the past for the future." All have pursued academic degrees to help them better carry out their duties. Cash has a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Master of Arts degree from the University of South Dakota. She has completed all but the dissertation requirement for the PhD degree in history from Texas Christian University. Herman has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Art with a minor in Museum Studies from SGU. Gray is working toward a Bachelor of Arts degree from SGU. Galindo holds a Bachelor of Science degree in archeology from the University of New Mexico and a Master of Arts degree from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in anthropology. Moccasin is working toward a degree in Art from SGU.

Cash, as director of the Heritage Center, is knowledgeable in a comprehensive way as to the functions of the center from archival work to museum administration to personnel supervision. As a Sicangu Lakota, she knows the area and Sicangu people and this is an advantage in her work. The Center is part of the larger preservation community. She said, "If we want to know how to clean a cradleboard for example, we can always get good advice from the Smithsonian's conservation department."

Gray is a long time employee of SGU and is going on twenty years service. He is a student in the cultural resource management program at the university and, as such, is involved in archeological assessment training with Dr. William Akard. Herman has designed the museum exhibits since 2000. She is an artist whose published works include illustrations in a book authored by Lydia Whirlwind Soldier entitled, "Memory Songs." Moccasin has been with the Heritage Center since 2003 and has interviewed many elders about their life experiences.

Galindo is the official Registrar and archeologist for the Heritage Center. An archives and museum is an organized collection of materials and her job is to keep the Center organized using a Past Perfect database to track all items. She has been with the Heritage Center since 1999. For the first five years she received National Park Service funding to locate and document cultural and historical sites on the reservation.

The information is maintained in a Geographic Information System database. The documented sites speak to the long term presence of Sicangu Lakota people in an earlier age when many still lived in tipis.

The Heritage Center can be accessed via the internet as a link through SGU's website. There are pictures of some of the beautiful collections as well as descriptions of other features of the center.

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-VACANCY -

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe is advertising for a In-house Attorney to work with the Tribal President and the Tribal Council.

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RST council discusses contract with cellular company

The rights of land assignee at issue

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The RST tribal council convened in regular session on Jan. 4 at council headquarters and immediately listened to tribal attorney Steve Emery, and two other attorneys, Terry Pechota and Amanda Wilbur discuss the relevancy of two previous tribal resolutions which heretofore have governed the "right of way" for Western Wireless cellular company which is owned by Altel. Western Wireless has had two cell towers on the reservation since 2004 and today's session was to finalize a lease agreement which would allow full access to a site in Rosebud and one in Mission. Once the lease was approved by RST and Western Wireless, the tribe would be due back lease pay.

Emery said, "Last July, I brought a lease here and ultimately the council determined that it was going to wait. I would like the Rosebud issue settled today." He also said, "Some of the things in the lease are good for the tribe with Western Wireless. The regulations have to be adhered to by those doing business with the tribe."

Emery further noted, "Thirty thousand dollars a year is not much, but it will help to pay legal expenses. I'm not part of the Colombe case. The lease goes back to 2004. I hope you will authorize this with Western Wireless with retroactive fees."

A number of relevant issues came to light during the ensuing discussion, including the fact that the Bureau of Indian Affairs had not conducted an appraisal of the lease acreage in question. Elton Hawk of the BIA Rosebud Agency confirmed this when he said, "We have not done the appraisals and have not pursued the trespass issue. We want to get the leases approved for both sites. We need the sites for the emergency preparedness program."

Richard "Skinny" Colombe is the assignee of the two acres that the cell tower is located in Mission. In the original agreement under discussion RST would receive a fee, as would Colombe from the lease. Fern Bordeaux-Boltz, Rosebud council representative said that Western Wireless was on the reservation illegally and wanted the BIA to pursue trespass litigation against the company.

Attorney Pechota could be heard discussing two resolutions, one dating back to 1986 and the other from 2004. It was the 2004 resolution that was to be re-considered and amended during today's session.

Bordeaux-Boltz took the floor on a number of occasions and discussed a number of issues that have implications for RST land assignees as well as the integrity of the tribe's land holdings. She said, "When a tribal member is given a land assignment the title is always in the name of the Rosebud Sioux tribe. The tribe itself has reserved rights, and the BIA also has regulatory rights." She noted that the tribe has a right to take back an assignment and make a refund to the assignee, pointing out that the land is meant for agricultural use and not to start a business.

Bordeaux-Boltz illustrated an example where an individual who held the original casino housing land assignment agreed to a land exchange with the tribe, so that the current Sicangu Village housing could be built. The assignee knew that the tribe could cancel her assignment, so she took the initiative and agreed to the exchange.

Tony Rogers was given the floor and he said that originally Verizon and AT&T had been contacted about bringing cellular service to the Rosebud, and they had expressed some interest. He said, "It wasn't the intent to cause confusion, but provide cell service. If mistakes were made, I will take responsibility for that. The tribe is entitled to a lot of money going back to 2004 for the Rosebud and Mission site."

Rosebud council representative Ken LaDeaux noted that the engineers specified that the cell towers were to be over a certain height. He said, "The poor cell service is due to incorrect design. If the coverage is not good, why not move it. It is an inconvenience for customers who are paying. If we move it ,this situation is moot."

Rogers said moving the tower is an option. He said, "I want to bring them here and have this body ask them. The FCC is holding up additional towers." Boreaux-Boltz said that she had spoken with Mr. Rieman of Western Wireless and he said he wished he knew that there were other sites available. Finally, Rogers noted that REDCO, the tribal utility commission and the Resource Development office were looking at the possibility of the tribe owning its own cellular service.

The mornings tribal council session was carried live on KINI FM radio, however the afternoon session was not. During the afternoon session there was a resolution passed and an agreement settled on with Western Wireless for the Rosebud cell tower site. The lease which was to be signed by RST president Rodney Bordeaux and RST tribal secretary Gerri Night Pipe contains the land descriptions.

The land is described is described as, "T-11391/TLE Ref. #418 as a Metes and Bounds description within the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of Section 10, Township 37 North, Range 30 West containing 5.00 acres more or less."

The issue with the Mission site on the Colombe assignment remained unsettled. It will be addressed in a future council session on Jan. 17.

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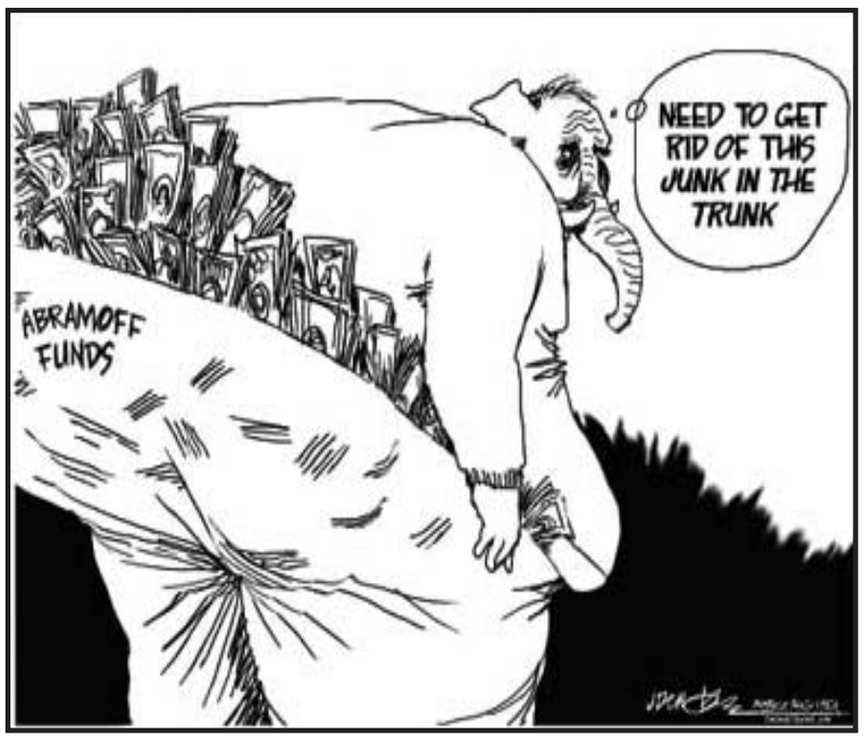
Our views

Remember our Iraq warriors

Lakota country received bad news again from the Iraq war with the loss of Brett Lee Lundstrom. He served with the U.S. Marine Corps and died while on patrol in Fallujah. The price of freedom and of living in a democracy is costly, and it goes up each time a Lakota soldier loses their life in a faraway land. We understand the ultimate sacrifices that are being made by our country, but it does not make it any better when one of your own is brought home in a casket. Lakota people have always proudly served to protect our homeland and that of America. Brett Lee Lundstrom most likely understood the risks and ultimate sacrifice. Many more Lakota people will continue to go to war one day to uphold the security of our nation. The reasons to honor our veterans and active duty soldiers are perfectly clear as we share in the grief and loss of the proud families who have lost loved ones overseas.

It is frightening to speculate on the number of young Lakota men and women who have been detailed to Iraq. Our prayers are with them as the nation assesses the best exit strategy to employ when bringing the troops home. The task of reducing the troop levels in Iraq are best left to the war planners, and in the meantime, the best we can do is say special Lakota prayers and ask that no more Lakota youngsters come home in a coffin.

We are going to estimate that there have been a several hundred Lakota soldiers who have gone to Iraq and returned, or standing by.



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Notes From Indian Country

Cecelia Fire Thunder is reinstated as president



By Tim Giago
(Nanwica Kciji)

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The sixty-six day stay in limbo for Cecelia Fire Thunder, the first lady president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, is over.

At a special tribal council meeting held to determine whether to proceed with impeachment or to allow the president to resume her duties, a raft of accusers and supporters turned the proceedings into something that was near comical, or so it would seem if it did not have such serious connotations to the tribal government.

One antagonist even accused Ms. Fire Thunder of genocide. This fabrication even brought smiles to the faces of the grimmest observers. Genocide? This accusation was skimmed from the false assumption that Ms. Fire Thunder had placed all of the tribal lands as collateral for a $38 million loan from the Shakopee of Minnesota. The assumption was that if the tribe failed to pay off the loan and the land was lost, the people would die. Of course the premise was all wrong, but the stretch was beyond the imagination.

The only collateral for the loan was the income the tribe would receive for the leasing of the land. It is hard to bury a rumor on the Pine Ridge Reservation. Perhaps Ms. Fire Thunder needs a good press agent to get the facts out to the tribal members before they become distorted. It couldn't hurt.

The meeting of the tribal council to determine the future of the president dragged on for no apparent reason. Every time a session was scheduled, the incumbent council found a way to postpone it. If it wasn't canceled because of bad weather it was canceled because of the death of a member of the tribe. In the meantime the government of the Oglala Sioux Tribe was rudderless.

What made this special session of the council more ridiculous was apparent from the beginning when Councilman Will Peters brought up impeachment charges against Councilman Walt Big Crow. Another council representative then brought charges against Webster Poor Bear alleging that he should not be a part of the impeachment proceedings since he was a convicted felon. Poor Bear is my hunkake Lakota brother and I know he has a good heart and is trying to find his way to the Good Red Road.

He was stopped for a DUI and is under "suspended imposition" which means he is not charged as a felon, but his record will be permanently sealed if he completes one year without another offense. I know he will make it.

Now, mind you, these were charges that had not been filed with the Tribal Secretary and were not a part of the agenda and had no business being presented at this special session of the council. As a matter of fact, the Tribal Council should have never suspended Ms. Fire Thunder to start with, but instead should have brought allegations against her before a special committee set up to handle such complaints. If the charges had substance then and only then should the Council have put it on their agenda.

I suggest that the Council set up a special committee to sift through allegations against any tribal president or any member of the tribal council or executive committee before it is ever brought to the council floor. To suspend any president or council representative without a hearing should be totally out of the question. In fact, it is probably downright unconstitutional.

Anyhow, Ms. Fire Thunder is now back at the helm and is working around the clock to catch up on the lost 66 days. The OST Council needs to be careful of days with so many sixes in them or they could end up with a spooky 666.

Bea Medicine makes journey to the Spirit World

She could be "hell on wheels" sometimes, but her integrity and personal convictions to justice were unquestionable. Bea Medicine had been my friend for more than 30 years.

Whenever we would run into each other at a convention she would grab my arm and say, "Let's find a place to dance." She loved to dance whether it was the old fashioned two-step or a traditional dance in her full regalia.

She would rather be called "Bea" than by her full name of "Beatrice." She would say, "That name is just a bit too formal for an informal person like me."

Born on the Standing Rock Reservation that straddles North and South Dakota, Bea earned a Master's Degree at Michigan State and a doctorate at the University of Wisconsin. Her major was anthropology and at one time in this country Native American anthropologists could be counted on one hand. She wrote two books about indigenous women and in 2001 her book "Learning to be an Anthropologist and Remaining Indian" was published by the University of Illinois Press.

Bea was the head of the Women's Branch of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples for the Canadian government and she helped to draft legislation to protect the legal rights of Indian families.

She returned to her home reservation after retiring from a career of teaching that carried her to Stanford, Dartmouth, San Francisco State University, University of Washington, University of Montana and finally to the University of South Dakota.

Bea was one of my best friends and one of my staunchest boosters. I never knew when a letter from her would come along just at the right time to encourage me or to praise me for something I had written.

Bea Medicine was a true Lakota woman and her loss is not only personal, but it is a loss that will be felt by all of the Indian people of Standing Rock for years to come.

They don't make them like her anymore. She was a one-of-a-kind woman who could be fierce and gentle, oftentimes at the same time. I will miss you my friend. I pray that your Journey to the Spirit World is filled with wonders.

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Guest Editorial

Inmate seeks guidance in sweatlodge ways

Dear Editor:

My name is Robert Duane Liebe. I am a 21 year old native. I am Stockbridge Munsee Band of the Mohicans and Oneida Nation. I am not enrolled due to being half or more white.

There are a few reasons I am writing this letter to Lakota Country Times, one of them being that I am in search of help. I know the ways of Onieda and Ojibwe Nations. I also know some of the Lakota Sioux Nation way. I am trying to learn these ways so that I can help these brothers here and in the world.

We have had two different people do the sweatlodge (inipi) here one was 100 percent white who said his teachings are White Earth Ojibwe wolf clan, but he ran the lodge sitting in between the north and west door. They guy now just comes and sit in the east, but does nothing at all while in the lodge.

I got real sick at the last sweat I went to in August 2005 and stopped going to the lodge here. I know the guy from the streets. I used to help my uncle with the lodge at this other person's house in Caledonia, Wis. The brothers here deserve better spiritual guidance.

The other reason is that I will be getting released from the confinements of this prison walls and bars in 264 or 263 days and I want to be able to come back and help these brothers that are still going to be locked in the Iron Lodge for some long time.

Well, sir, if at all possible could my information be passed on to another to elder who could help me. It would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your time on this.

Robert Duane Liebe
Portage, Wisconsin

Guest Editorial

Best gifts for kids

BY KARI DARON
Preventionist Southern Hills Alcohol and Drug Hot Springs, S.D.

It's easy to believe that giving things to kids will make them love you more or want to obey you more, but the truth is kids don't need "things" nearly as much as they need their parents' love and attention!

A parent's undivided attention, even for a short period of time each day, is the best gift kids can get! The other part of that gift is having parents who talk to and ask questions of their kids! It shows kids that their parents care and are interested in their lives. Every kid needs to know that!

These days, most parents would be startled, if not shocked, to see the pressure our teens are under at school to look perfect, do what everyone else is doing, be like the roll models on MTV and the movies; drink, smoke, do drugs, have sex, etc.

Teens are constantly being tempted and the peer pressure is fierce at times. Teens are not emotionally mature enough to know how to deal with all that's thrown at them every day.

They need the guidance and direction of their parents, whether they act like they do or not!

Kids may moan and groan when given guidelines, curfews, restrictions and chores, but under all the grumbling is a kid that knows he/she's loved.

The best thing you can do is talk WITH your kids… not AT them! Listen to them, put yourself in their shoes, but be the grown-up, setting guidelines and giving advice that you know will be beneficial to them in the long run. Be realistic about consequences if kids don't follow through:

The last part of the equation is follow-through! If you tell your teen to do something, tell them up front what the consequences of not doing it are, and stick to it! Don't cave in! You can also give your teen ownership of the consequences by giving him/her a choice, such as… 'You can either take out the trash before noon today or you can plan on no T.V. tonight. It's your choice!' Then, if he/she doesn't take out the trash by noon, make sure you follow through with the "no T.V." part! It will teach the kids that you mean business!

What does all this have to do with substance abuse? A lot! Parents not only have to be good role models for their kids, but they have to set up guidelines early, so kids know what to expect. They have to know that when you say something, you mean it! They have to know that they can come to you and tell you their problems and you will listen and be fair with them. They have to know that when you tell them why smoking, drinking and drugs are very bad news and that you don't want them trying any of them, they'll respect and believe you. They have to know that you won't degrade them by calling them stupid, a "royal pain" or worse!

They also have to know that when you say you will be checking up on them, calling their friends' parents whenever sleepovers and other get-togethers have been planned, or expecting them to respect curfew times, you mean what you say.

It's not a democracy and it shouldn't be. You are in charge and they need to know that up front.

Making the extra effort to quit smoking, drinking, etc. yourself only adds to the positive ways your child will respond to your rules.

The majority of kids who have gotten hooked on cigarettes, alcohol or drugs will tell you that they wish their parents had paid more attention to what they were doing and set down firm guidelines.

Talk to your kids and set up the rules early (4th to 5th grade), then stick to them!

It's the best gift you could ever give your kids!

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Northern Perspectives

KILI radio's broadcast voiced tribal elder's unrehearsed remarks



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

I finally wrote a column last week that my Mother enjoyed. Usually, she doesn't comment on my writing and she especially doesn't want me writing anything about her. When I do that, she says, "Wan, okay, my turn to get you back." One time I was giving an interview to the tribune news and happened to make reference to my Mom and she told me son that they better not print anything about her, or she was going to go down there and raise cane. I thought that was cute, but ever since that time I respect my Mom's privacy.

I wrote about the old Rosebud Café and some of what one might expect to see if I reopened it. It was kind of a cute piece and did a lot of fantasizing as to what it might look like and some of the people who might stop by for a meal. I think I watched one of my favorite movies, "Casablanca" the night before I wrote that.

I wrote an article for Tim Giago's "Indian Education Today" on Lakota story telling and I don't want to give that away, but it was fun to do. It is one of those subjects that we kind of pay attention to, but not to any large degree. We have some rather good storytellers here on the Rosebud reservation, and it is comforting to know that the stories are being kept alive.

Speaking of elders, I attended the St. Francis New Year's eve powwow and I noticed that the crowd, the dancers and those on the committee seemed to be getting younger.

Years ago, when one attended a powwow, you could always count on the same elders to preside over the gathering. I could count on one hand the elders I saw that night, but then they may have come in later during the masquerade at midnight. I think I'm the one who is getting older, and everyone is staying at age 29.

I listened to a number of elders over the Internet on KILI 90.1 last week. It still amazes me that there are still many Lakota elders who are very expressive and can speak their mind in Lakota.

The Oglala elders were talking very spontaneously during the President Fire Thunder special council session.

No matter what the object of their concerns were, I was duly impressed that those elders would get up in front of the people and express themselves.

First of all, it is challenging to get up in front of any group, let alone a tension filled packed house. I am making the assumption that the house was packed. Second, it is even more admirable when some of the elders would speak Lakota, and then switch to English because they didn't want to offend anyone who couldn't understand Lakota. They didn't have to do that as it was their homeland and if anyone wanted to know what they were saying, they could simply ask. I wished I had recorded their unrehearsed remarks, as many were very eloquent.

Many of the elders spoke of the real Lakota people being at a disadvantage when it comes to jobs, assistance and good housing. One elder said that the 'iyeska' are like white people in that they get the best jobs and when all is said and done they go home to their nice homes. The elders and those most in need have to wait a long time for much needed services.

Another elder noted that Lakota people have an oral tradition when it came to such proceedings. Traditionally, they didn't carry all kinds of papers with them. She said that all those newspapers out there with the printed word could all blow away and Lakota people would still have their cultural knowledge to carry around.

From the broadcast, I believe that the elders present, especially those who were diabetic, were given a meal and that was a very culturally sensitive and wise thing to do. I understand it is common practice at such meetings.

I think I realized how much we need to legitimately tend to our elders. There should be a liaison that goes out everyday and assesses the needs of the elderly. They shouldn't have to be scrambling for propane or money for their electricity. As we listen to the elders, we may or may not agree with their complaints or concerns, but we certainly need to treat them with all the respect that we can muster.

I was in the outer office of the RST president's office today trying to catch a word with tribal attorney Steve Emery or Chief of Staff Michael LaPointe and one of our highly respected elders, Alice Four Horns, sat visiting with my niece, Lisa, who is one of the executive assistants.

I almost fell over when she said that at 87 years old, she got onto to the highway today in St. Francis and hitchhiked to Rosebud. It was a fairly nice day and she caught a ride to the tribal building to meet with the president.

In my mind, I was trying to figure out how to feed her and maybe give her a ride home, later, but Mondays are always so busy that I didn't follow through.

If you were to meet Alice, she would cause you to think of your own Mom and you would want to help her in any way that you could.

Anyway, I developed a new appreciation for the elders, after hearing their very articulate and sincere pleas. I think we need to continue a concerted effort to appropriate significant line item funding that is earmarked solely for them.

They are a cultural resource, just like our veterans, and we need to stop the rhetoric when it comes to using them to justify certain funding requests. The task is to deal with the elders case by case and continue with a database that will explain their current circumstances and needs.

Dr. Archie Beauvais (nagik sapa) Sicangu Lakota, is a decorated Vietnam Veteran with a Doctor of Education (Ed.D) degree from Harvard University. He resides on the Rosebud with his son Beaux and is also the proud father of Yvonne and Anthony.

Wiyukcan Wica Cante Ogna Heyu

Thoughts that come from the heart

Taking the time to learn how to walk for good health



By Amanda Takes War Bonnett

EDITOR AND PUBLISHER
LAKOTA COUNTRY TIMES

More and more we are gaining awareness on how to take care of ourselves so we don't get diabetes and the other health problems that plague us.

As I have grown older, I started to realize that I wanted to be healthier in my late years and in order to do that, I needed to start learning how to take care of myself.

Obesity is a big issue with Natives and sometimes we tend to avoid it and accept it as part of our lifestyle on the reservation.

As young adults we work to keep a good image of ourselves and then as we reach that point in our lifes where we reach some sort of fulfillment, we grow content and let go of ourselves.

Several years ago, I realized I needed to do something to take care of my weight and to get exercise and watch my diet. It wasn't easy, and it still isn't easy.

First of all, I had to figure out a way to make myself to want to walk and get exercise, just having the desire to be healthy wasn't enough. It seems that comes with resolutions that we get that we want to lose weight, get healthier, stop addictions or other dreams and they quickly go fly out the door after we struggle with them for awhile.

Walking was something I knew I had to start doing. It's a well known fact plus just common sense that if we walk then that is a sure method to prevent diabetes, especially if it runs in the family.

At first, I had to force myself to want to walk, begining with the track at Kyle and then eventually to just walking anywhere and everywhere. I started with 20 minutes a day and then as time went on, I found I could walk up to three miles a day without huffing and puffling.

It felt good, it took some time to get my mental and emotional desire to keep doing it but eventually it became a normal part of my routine.

I still don't have it perfected, I still am overweight from where I should be but the point is that I came a long way and I am working to be healthier. In developing the stamina to do a regular exercice routine, I realized that I had to do other exercises too in order to work with other parts of my body.

By just walking, I didnt' pay attention to my upper torso and soon I was taking on the image of a buffalo, bulky on top. It took some adjusting and figuring out ways to do other exercises to fix that but in all it was a learniing process. I know I will never be to a vision I would like to be but the point is that .. I am walking and everyday I do, it means a healthier me sometime in the future.

The benefits is walking is very immense, as Hippocrates said that "walking is man's best medicine," he didn't realize that thousands of years later, new benefits of walking would be discovered daily.

What I discovered is that walking burns almost as many calories as jogging, eases back pains, prevents diabetes, slims the waist, lowers my blood pressure, reduces levels of bad cholesterol, reduces risk of heart attack, enhances stamina and energy, lessons my anxiety and tension, improves my muscle tone, reduces my appetite, increases aerobic capactiy, can be done on short bouts, slows down osteoporosis bone loss, can be done while traveling.

Walking can be done anywhere, not just in a structured daily exercise but canbe done when you visit the mall, try walking around Walmart several times, or walking to the post office or to someone's house to visit instead of driving.

Most important, visit your doctor, especially if you have any health problems.

Drink water, before, during and after your walk.

Eat well, avoid food with high fat and cholesterol.

Choose a good path to follow if you are waling outdoors. Be careful how you walk if you walk in cold weather.

If you experience any chest pains or discomforts, stop walking.

Goal setting is an important part of walking, set a goal, whether it be a short goal of just walking up and down the steps or around the house, it is a start.

A start is what counts.



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Rowland, Andrews complete requirements, dance club update

PORCUPINE - Two students recently completed the requirements to graduate from eighth grade at Porcupine School.

Clarence Rowland completed the 8th grade in December of 2005. Rowland resides in Wounded Knee District and will be attending Pine Ridge High School. He is the son of Genola Rowland.

Deanna Andrews completed the 8th grade in November of 2005. Andrews resides in Porcupine District. Deanna will be attending Pine Ridge High School and is the daughter Vina Andrews and the late Dean Andrews.





Clarence Rowland and Deanna Andrews recently completed the requirements to graduate from eighth grade.

Pahin Sinte Owayawa Dance Club news

Leann Iron Hawk, Donette Lone Hill, and Russell Blacksmith would like to thank the Pahin Sinte Owayawa Royalty for attending Lakota Nation Invitational Grand Entry:

Miss Pahin Sinte Owayawa (Jamie White Face)

Jr. Miss Pahin Sinte Owayawa (Kateri Means)

Unable to attend but her name was announced

Lil' Miss Pahin Sinte Owayawa (Katie New Holy)

Test taking strategy and lesson planning workshp held for staff

The workshop was hosted by Dan Matthews from Utah State University on Jan. 3.

The test taking strategy was based on getting the students ready for the SAT testing and/or other tests that the students need to take and explaining to the child what the expectations are from a test.

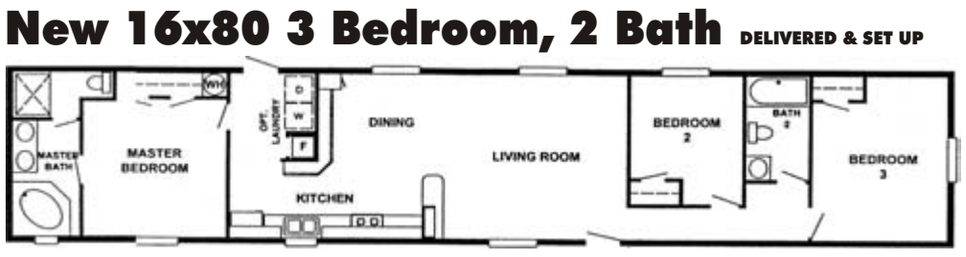
Lesson planning was to refresh the teachers on how to have their lesson planned and ready for the students so that the teacher and student will be ready to begin the subject when it's time.

Students are top priority and we have to have a plan each and every day throughout the school year so that we know and they know the teachers are ready to teach and they're ready to learn. A handout was given to each of the teaching staff and in the handouts there were examples of how correct and incorrect ways of completing a lesson plan was shown.

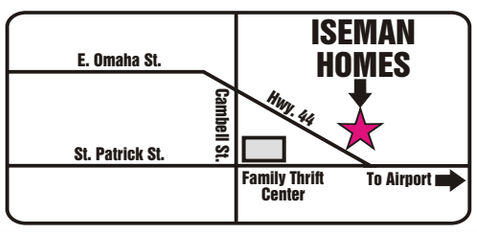
No Child Left Behind Act was also discussed on how schools make their Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP).

If some schools don't make the AYP then there are steps to take to make that status. There are a total of seven steps that we have read through.

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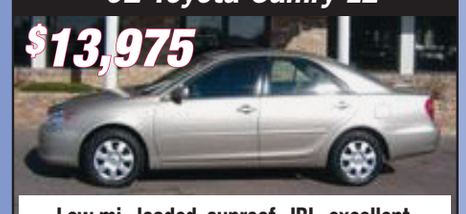
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01 Honda Accord EX, low mi., loaded, leather, sunroof, excellent $13,475
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AA meetings -
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. at the Kateri Hall at St. Agnes Church in Manderson, everyone is welcome.

Oglala Lakota College Spring Semester Registration -
Monday - Friday, Jan. 9 through the 13 at reservation wide college centers, the nursing building in Pine Ridge, Piya Wiconi, He Sapa Center in Rapid City; 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day except Porcupine on Tuesday until 7 p.m. and in Kyle 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day.

OST Food Distribution/Commodity Issue -
Wednesday, Jan. 11 in Martin at the Sunrise Housing; Friday, Jan. 13 in Porcupine District in Evergreen and at the CAP office and Wednesday, Jan. 18 in Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni at the housing entrances.

Substitute Orientation at Little Wound School -
Friday, Jan. 13 at 10 a.m. in the elementary auditorium, for information call 455-6150, ext. 6179.

New Year's Hoop Fest -
Men's open and 30 and over basketball tournament on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 13 , 14 & 15 at the Bill C. Bear Memorial gymnasium at Batesland School. For information contact Woodzy at 867-5161 or 862-6347 or BeBop at 867-5172 or Donnie at 867-2427.

Warriors and Lady Warriors Benefit Men's 16 team Double E basketball tourney -
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 13-15 at the Lakota Veteran's gym in St. Francis, contact Jay Claymore at 747-2298 ext 263 or Roger Crow Eagle at 747-2297.

Rosebud Shootout -
Saturday, Jan. 14 in Mission at the Ben Reifel Auditorium at Todd County H.S. featuring girl's basketball games starting at 2 p.m. with Rapid City Christian vs. Little Wound, Pine Ridge vs. Todd County vs. St. Francis.

Oglala Sioux Lakota Housing Board Election -
Petitions issued on Tuesday, Jan. 17 with deadline for submission set for Tuesday, Jan. 31.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye -
Friday, Jan. 13 at Wounded Knee District School in Manderson, grand entries 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with supper at 5 p.m.

Customer Appreciation at Prairie Wind Casino -
Monday, Jan. 16 at the Prairie Wind Casino, west of Oglala, starting at 6 p.m.

OST Healthy Start Program Parenting Class - Saturday, Jan. 21 at 10 a.m. in the Wounded Knee Community Center.

OST Council Regular Session -
Monday, Jan. 23 in Pine Ridge.

Dakota Oyate Challenge -
Wednesday-Saturday, Jan. 25-28 in Huron at the Huron Arena featuring girl's basketball teams from Little Wound, Pine Ridge and Crazy Horse and boy's teams from Little Wound, Crazy Horse and Pine Ridge with girl's and boy's championship set for Saturday evening at 7 and 9 p.m.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye -
Friday, Jan. 27th at Loneman School in Oglala with grand entries set for 1 and 6:30 p.m. with supper scheduled for 5 p..m

"Motivation for Success: Education and Expanding Options",
Education Conference - Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 28 and 29 in Martin at the grade school from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day featuring Dr. Hap Gilliland and Dr. Kathleen Pickering combining education, workforce needs and career options.

Great Plains Indian Shootout Rodeo -
Saturday, Jan. 28 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center Arena in Rapid City at 1:30 p.m.

Friends help elder with repairs on her home in time for Christmas

BY AMANDA TAKES WAR BONNETT
Times Editor

KYLE - Roslyn Spotted Eagle, an elder of Medicine Root District, was overwhelmed with gratitude and said she received one of her best Christmas presents ever when a group of caring people made it easier for her to stay warm during the cold winter.

The Lakota Fund staff, along with area businesses and people who wanted to help went to Spotted Eagle's mobile home, east of Kyle, on Friday, Dec. 23 and fixed her home so she could have a warm home, which meant, repairing her furnace, a new stove, getting her electrical outlets fixed, water pipes repaired, the skirting on her trailer repaired and installed her front door.

Last year during Christmas, Lakota Fund begin their adopt a family for Christmas project, by helping Fern Garrett and her children with a nice vehicle. This year, they chose to help a local entrepreneur Spotted Eagle fix her home, said Kathy Stover of the Lakota Fund.

Spotted Eagle has been a client of Lakota Fund since 1991 when she said she had attended their small business courses, enabling her to borrow money to purchase the materials she needed to get her quilting, beading and crafts business started. Since that time she has been one of their entrepreneurs.

Two years ago, Spotted Eagle's furnace stopped working and she couldn't get it repaired. She then used electric heaters but eventually her electrical outlets stopped working. Heat then came from her cook stove, then her oven soon wore out and she was down to three burners on her stove, when Lakota Fund found out they decided to surprise her with a repair package they put together from donations from various individuals and businesses which included some monetary and mostly labor and parts.

Surprised she was, Spotted Eagle said, "It was a surprise. I wasn't even ready for it." She said they told her someone was coming to look at the furnace. "It is the best Christmas present I got, I just cried, I was sitting at the table, doing a puzzle when Kathy opened the door and I went outside and they had cameras out there." She said workers came and put in a different stove, fixed her furnace, fixed her water pipes, redid her electrical outlets and repaired the skirting on her trailer.



Kathy Stover (left) of Lakota Fund helped coordinate the efforts to repair the furnace and others parts of the home of Roselyn Spotted Eagle. The event was a surprise gift for Spotted Eagle. The Christmas tree cake was a part of the surprise also. Photo courtesy of Stephanie Sorbel.

"I want to thank all the workers that helped me out, the Lakota Fund and the businesses that donated," Spotted Eagle said.

Butch Ceplecha of Butch's Heating and Cooling of Martin repaired the furnace, Duane Babby of Babby's Well Drilling worked on her water; George Freeman of Dakota Electric replaced the electrical wiring;

Karlene Hunter of Lakota Express, donated a stove which Raphael and Theresa Mendoza of La Oyate helped put in the stove; Rusty Puckett and Kathy Stover of Lakota Prairie Ranch Resort and Medicine Root Development donated the labor to repair the skirting and put in a door Spotted Eagle received some time ago.

Other donations came from Avery (Joe) & Liz May of Kyle Grocery, Bob and Billi Hornbeck of Bob's Video, Angie and Jesse Reyes of La India Bonita Burrito, Kim Carlbom of Cellular One, Karlene Hunter & Mark Tilsen of Lakota Express, Steve Fredricks, Arie Shiroma of Earth Study, Michael and Kaylee Utter of Rural Community Innovations (RCI), Ross Olson of Modern Movers, Staff of The Lakota Fund and its programs: Wawokiya Business Institute, Oyate Waobleza Ititpi Project and Eagle Nest Homes.

Insulin resistance: your wake-up call for life

BY NATASHA D. BORDEAUX
Rosebud Sioux Tribe Diabetes Prevention Program
Public Relations Specialist

ROSEBUD - Insulin Resistance -- it's one of those new, 50-cent buzz words that health professionals seem to throw around a lot lately.

But what does it mean and why is it important to your health?

With the steep rise in number of overweight and obese in our population, more and more are being diagnosed as insulin resistant.

Knowing you are insulin resistant is important because that information gives you the power to prevent the consequences of insulin resistance -- which can be development of cardiac disease, type 2 diabetes, a shortening of your life span and lowering of the quality of your life.



Knowing you are insulin resistant puts your health and future back in your hands. If you decide to do nothing about your health once you are diagnosed, you do so with the full knowledge that you are sentencing yourself to a life of debilitation and disease.

If you decide to accept the challenge of improving your health, you can look forward to a healthy and long life, since it is well-known that insulin resistance CAN be reversed!

The first step to doing so is learning about what insulin resistance is and what causes it.

What exactly is Insulin Resistance?

First and foremost, Insulin Resistance IS NOT the same thing as type 2 diabetes. While people with type 2 diabetes may have insulin resistance, it does not mean that all people with insulin resistance have diabetes.

In fact, science has not yet determined why some people with insulin resistance eventually develop diabetes and others do not. By maintaining an appropriate weight and a physically

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Regional firefighters help with Oklahoma, Texas fires

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) _ Several groups of firefighters and trucks from South Dakota and Nebraska have traveled to Texas and Oklahoma to help battle major grass fires.

Jim Strain of the South Dakota Wildland Fire Suppression office in Rapid City said the crews are trained to handle grass fires, so they're well qualified.

``They're used to fighting fast-moving grass fires up here in the Great Plains and when they get down to Texas and Oklahoma, it's nothing new for them.

They're already experts at fighting grass fires,'' he said.

The teams will be in the South at least two weeks, and more people could go if conditions get worse, Strain said.

`If they feel like they need to go this far north again to pull more resources, we'll be more than happy to send more folks down south to help them out,'' he said.

Agencies taking part include the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Standing Rock and Cheyenne River tribes, Badlands National Park, Black Hills National Forest and Nebraska National Forest, Strain said.

State officials said it's unusual to send out crews this time of the year.

The last time they had to help with extreme grass fires during the winter was in 1994.

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active lifestyle many individuals are able to reduce their chances of becoming insulin resistant and developing diabetes.

To understand insulin resistance, one must first understand what insulin does.

Insulin is a hormone secreted by the pancreas. It helps the body utilize blood sugar by binding with receptors on cells like a key would fit into a lock. Once the key insulin-has unlocked the door to the cell, the sugar can pass from the blood into the cell where it is used for energy or stored for future use in the form of glycogen in liver or muscle cells.

Insulin resistance occurs when the normal amount of insulin secreted by the pancreas is not able to unlock the door to cells.

To maintain normal blood sugar levels, the pancreas secretes more insulin.

In some cases (about 1/3 of the people with insulin resistance), when the body cells resist or do not respond to even high levels of insulin, glucose builds up in the blood resulting in high blood glucose or type 2 diabetes.

There are no outward physical signs of insulin resistance. A glucose tolerance test, during which insulin and blood glucose are measured, can help determine if someone is insulin resistant. Many people who are insulin resistant produce large enough quantities of insulin to maintain near normal blood glucose levels.

Even if you have tested negative for type 2 diabetes, that does not mean you are in the clear for insulin resistance. Most doctors do not test for insulin resistance unless it is requested so make sure you request a specific test for insulin resistance.

Keeping insulin resistance at bay

According to the National Diabetes Information Clearinghouse, Insulin resistance is a "silent condition that increases the chances of developing diabetes and heart disease."

Many are left wondering, "If the condition is silent, how do we keep ourselves from getting it?"

The best thing to do is to maintain a healthy weight. If you are already overweight or obese, the best thing to do is to lose a few pounds and keep them off. Even losing 10 pounds can improve your health and reduce your chances of disease.

Exercise is a great way to improve your body's use of insulin and to lose weight. Exercise makes your cells more receptive to insulin. Simple daily walking is the best way to start.

By losing weight and remaining physically active (with 30 minutes/day, 5 days/week of heart-raising exercise) you can avoid developing type 2 diabetes and even reverse the effects of insulin resistance.

You should maintain a diet low in fat and concentrated sweets.

Avoid foods like French fries, onion rings, candy, slushees, donuts and other high-sugar snacks. Things like sausage and pepperoni pizza, cheeseburgers, and fast foods should be eaten in small amounts and then, only on occasion.

Other recommendations are to stop smoking and to drink alcohol in moderation (1 drink per day for women, 1 to 2 per day for men).

Your Wake-up Call

If you are diagnosed with insulin resistance, think of it as your wake-up call. If you do nothing, chances are you may develop heart disease and type 2 diabetes as well as all the debilitating complications that go along with those diseases.

The good news is you can turn it all around starting now. Start a light exercise routine. Even a simple walk around the block can get you started in the right direction.

Make one small change in your diet and stick with it. Start by not drinking pop, or by switching to diet. Increase your water intake to at least 8 glasses per day.

If you don't drink pop then start by cutting fried or high-sugar foods from your diet. Remember to replace them with high-fiber, healthy foods like veggies, fruits and whole grains. Foods like oatmeal, brown rice, whole-wheat bread (make sure the first ingredient is 100% whole wheat flour) and whole-wheat pastas are easy substitutes.

Try to maintain your one dietary change until it becomes a habit.

Then slowly add one more change, like reducing your portion sizes or eating the recommended amount of fruits and vegetables. Maintain each change until it becomes second nature.

Remember your goal is not to simply lose weight, rather it is to make lifestyle changes that you maintain for the rest of your life.

When making healthy lifestyle changes the best advice is to seek help and support. Talk to your family and friends and enlist their support. Seek out someone who may have lost weight or who has already established a healthy routine and ask for guidance, chances are they will be glad to help. Also start reading healthy magazines like Self, Prevention, Healthy Woman, or Healthy Man and Cooking Light for ideas and inspiration.

Talk with your doctor and ask for recommendations and a referral to a dietician.

The RST Diabetes Prevention Program offers a free exercise facility and personal training services to all who wish to utilize their services.

Call 747-4600 for more information.

Little Wound Elementary perfect attendance students listed

KYLE - Little Wound Elementary congratulates their perfect attendance for the second quarter as follows:

Kindergarten

Norma Brown Bull's class
Kaylynn Ceron
Josephine Janis
Pte San Win Little Whiteman
Trenton Old Horse
Brent Tallman

Eunice LeValdo's class
Gerald Two Crow
Rayna LeBeaux
Ivan Reddest
Miya Grosz

Mrs. Gulbranson's class
Helena Fool Head
Shadow Red Owl
Johnny Ferguson

First Grade

Ruby Weston's class
Jesse Red Feather
Wankinyan Young
Jqyden Richards
Raylynn Old Horse

Clara Whipple's class
Chantee Ferguson

Second Grade

Norma Ceron's class
Rodolfo Ceron
Shania Feather Earrring
Geena Janis

Matilda Montileaux's class
Lindsay Brave Heart
Tianna Christensen
Laquel Ferguson
Lacey Good Eagle
Amanda Iron Rope
Paulina Shangreaux
Marissa Zimiga

Theresa Ferguson's class
Trinstin Ferguson
Jared Richards
Sammie Little Whiteman

Third Grade

Ms. Engling's class
Shay Old Horse
Arianna Red Feather
Richard Red Owl
Tyrees Red Owl
Titan Red Water

Mrs. White Face
Ellen Little Whiteman
Jheaton Old Horse
Shawn Richards
Randlyn Tobacco
Sydney Smith

Fourth Grade

Ms. Apple's class
Cody Cedar Face
Tyler Hairy Bird
Brandon Little Whiteman
Julio No Neck
Jesse Trueblood
Shivalo Soldier Wolf

Mrs. Fox's classroom
Tiana Featherman
Rikki Randall
Kiona Gay
Brandon Iron Hawk
Shantell Soldier Wolf

Mr. Fox's classroom
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Loretta Ferguson
Sabian Hernandez
Jared Old Horse
Jeremy Red Owl

Fifth Grade

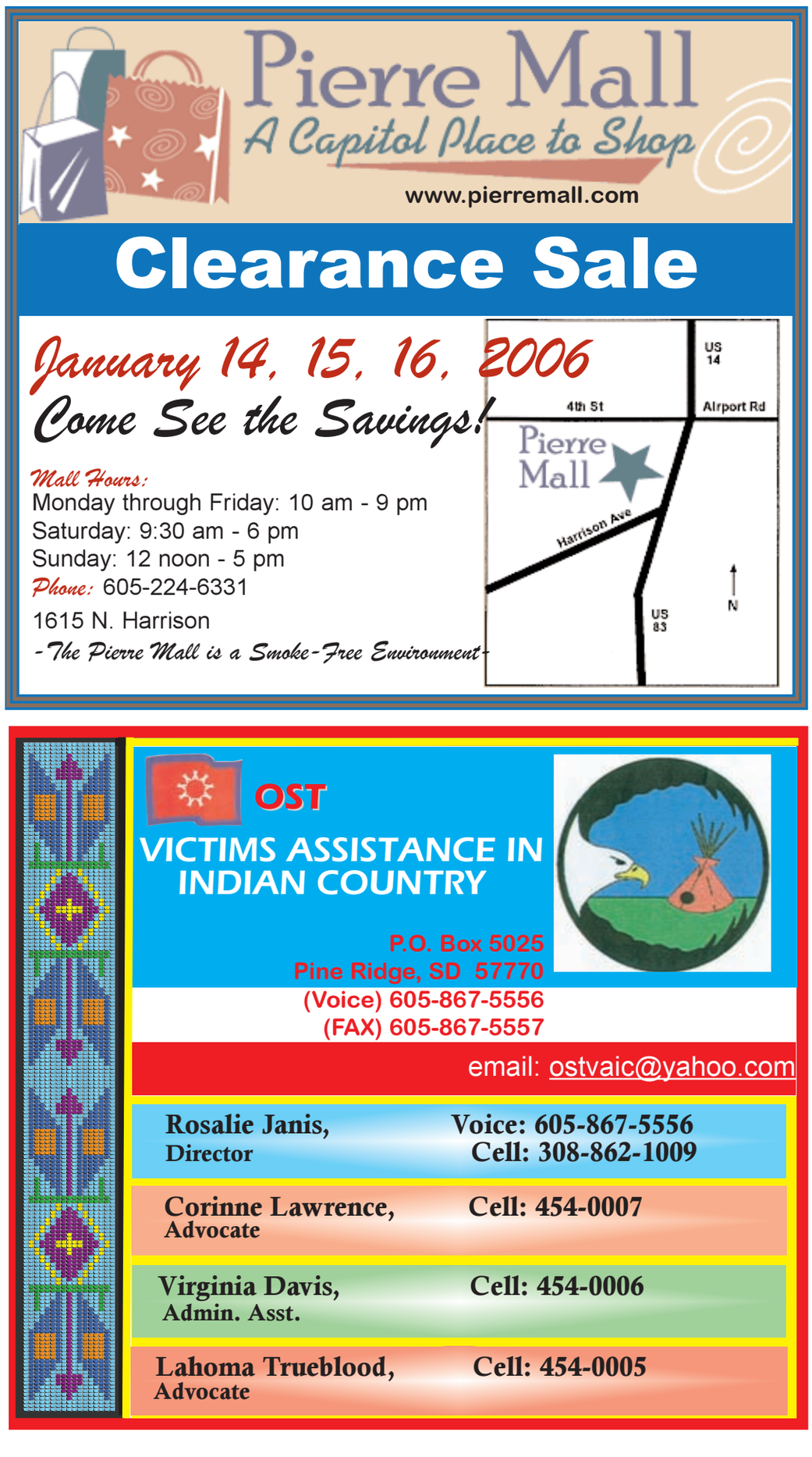
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Lakota Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)

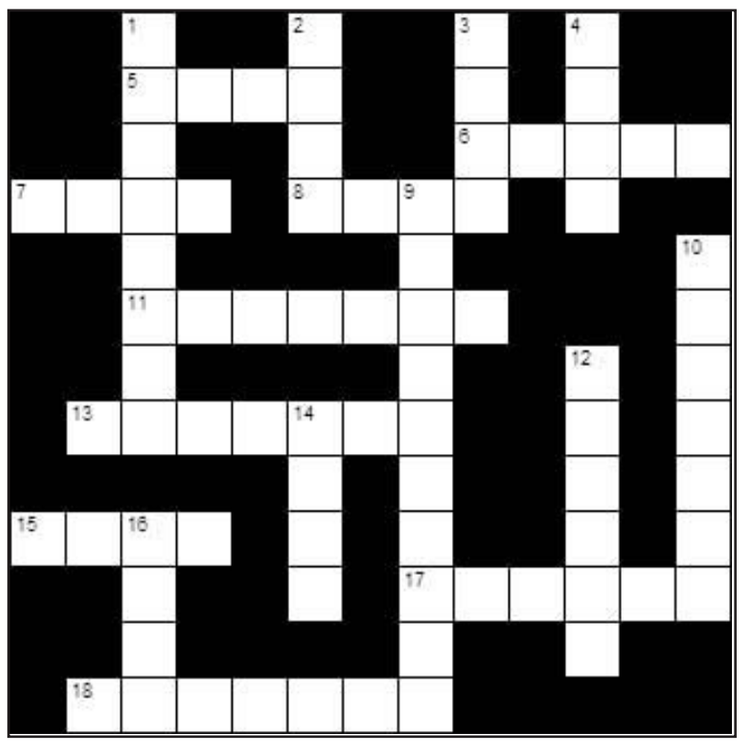
English words below, Lakota words in puzzle

Across

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6 some (5)
7 ask for (4)
8 cold (4)
11 last night (7)
13 we want (7)
15 chubby (4)
17 your name (6)
18 earthworm (7)

Down

1 yesterday (8)
2 male gender ending (4)
3 you and I are here (4)
4 female gender ending (4)
9 nine (10)
10 I went (7)
12 five (6)
14 me (4)
16 loudly (4)



ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna:

Happy new year and lots of luck for you.I used to live near Pine Ridge struggled a lot to be in the area as I love the Lakota people.

I moved a year ago to the the western part of the country, but my heart still in South Dakota. I know I have to keep my journey and I have this strong call to actually keep going and acomplish what I really came here to do, I mean what is my reason to be on this planet? Right now I am confused. I have no job and this urge to put in practice what I have been studying and working on, but fearing what is going to come next.

I wish all the best,

Seeker

Dear Seeker:

Your prayers have been heard so that your future as a "giver" is being arranged. There is much self-healing to come first however, so you are being given this time to complete your own personal emotional, spiritual, and physical healing. Trusting yourself to have made and make the right decisions for your future is your first step. Trusting that the doors of opportunity will open in accordance with the highest good of all is your second step. I have emailed you my cell phone number so that we may talk. Please call me. You will be returning to South Dakota in a while to refresh and restart your personal journey.

Dear Anna:

I really enjoy reading your column in the newspaper. Okay where do I start? I have three wonderful children and a supportive family. My boyfriend and I have been going with each other for over a year now. I trust him completely, but lately he's been going to Rapid City and I want to know if he's cheating on me or not.

Also my uncle has just recently returned home from the drug world and I thinks it is the drugs that make him talk the way he does. I have seen him and he was acting crazy and talking out of his mind will he ever be normal and will my life be better then it is now? Thanks for your time.

Is He Cheating?

Dear Is He Cheating?

I hate that question so let me reflect it back to you: what besides going to Rapid City would make you question his loyalty, especially since you say you trust him completely? Obviously, you don't trust him completely - although you want to. I really feel that this is more of a question of being and feeling "left out."

The one thing that is true is that this man is not ready for marriage and all that goes with it. He still feels a need to party-down with his friends without you on occassion. I know this much, and it's not even psychic: any relationship is most certainly doomed for failure if it involves too much separation in social and spiritual lives. When two people are together and either one or both of them focus on their own amusement more than they focus on the feelings of their partner it's on its way to being over. It is also a sign of vast emotional immaturity. Partying as a focus beyond high school is a symptom of immaturity.

Your uncle is confused and it is the direct result of drug use. He may require a visit to a mental health professional and some medication to begin to get his "brain" back. He is paranoid and what happened to him is a direct result of a chemical "burn" within his brain. The thought process within him feels to him that it has vastly sped up, and this results in too much sensory in-put. What happens is that things that are in subtle reference in our normal world become excited and exagerated in the altered brain. If he will not go to mental health for treatment, then encourage him to drink a lot of soda pop for awhile. The sodium within it is similar to lithium (in effect) and can help ease his paranoia.

He will eventually be all right, a little strange (but then who isn't?) but okay. It will take at least two years for him to find some balance. Hopefully, his journey may serve to help somebody who is about to take the meth road will read this letter and stop - because they value their brain and want to have one in the future.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @ gwtc.net or fax to (605) 455-1870, or write to PO Box 406, Kyle, S.D. 57750. Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

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Minnie K. Thunder Hawk-Taylor

OMAHA, Neb. - Minnie K. Thunder Hawk-Taylor, 70, Omaha, died Saturday, Dec. 31, 2005in Omaha. Survivors include one son, Michael Thunder Hawk, Omaha; three daughters, Debra Taylor and Barbara Raven, both of Omaha, and Carolyn Taylor, Boca Raton, Fla.; and five grandchildren.

A one-night wake was Thursday, Jan. 5, at Wanblee CAP Office.

Funeral services were. Friday, Jan. 6, at Wanblee CAP Office, with the Rev. Daniel Makes Good officiating.

Burial was at Gethsemane Episcopal Cemetery in Wanblee. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Carmen L. Salway

MARTIN - Carmen L. Salway, 37, Martin, died Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2006, at Bennett County Health Care Center in Martin. Survivors include her mother, Joyce Salway, Albuquerque, N.M., and one brother, Irvin Salway, Martin. A one-night wake was Jan. 6 at Martin CAP Office.

Funeral services were Saturday, Jan. 7, at Martin CAP Office, with the Rev. Larry Salway and the Rev. Jeff Ciscoe officiating. Burial was at Grace Episcopal Cemetery in Martin. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Patrick Two Bears, Sr. *Wonyakka Mah.he (Sea Walker)*



WAKPALA - Patrick Two Bears, 78, died Jan. 5 at Mobridge Regional Hospital. Funeral services will be Jan. 14, at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church in Wakpala. Mother Danny Westerlund, Rev. Leslie Campbell and Rev. Norman Blue Coat will be officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery under the direction of Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge. There will be a family prayer service held at Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge on Friday.

Marcel Martinez

MINNEAPOLIS - Marcel Martinez, 30, Minneapolis, died Sunday, Jan. 1, 2006, in Minneapolis. A wake service was Sunday, Jan. 8, at the community center in Bullhead.

Funeral services were Monday, Jan. 9, at the community center, with Mother Danny Westerlund officiating.

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MINUTES

Shannon County School Board Minutes December 27, 2006

The Shannon County School Board held the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, December 27, 2005 at Batesland, South Dakota. President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.

Board Members Present: Angie Eagle Bull, Todd O'Bryan, Melvin Cummings, Ruth Cummings

Member Absent: Laticia DeCory

Others Present: Dr. Margo Heinert, Superintendent, Mauric Twiss, Special Services Coordinator, Don Wince, Wolf Creek Asst. Principal, Darrell Eagle Bull, Wolf Creek Dean of Students, Robert Two Crow, Technology Director, Bob Hall, Rockyford Principal, Monica Whirlwind Horse, Rockyford Dean of Students, Wayne Goff, Batesland Principal, Vickie Grant, Assessment Coordinator, Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

6099 Approval of Agenda: Motion by M. Cummings to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

6100 Approval of Minutes: Motion by R. Cummings to approve minutes of the 11/29/05 regular meeting. Motion carried.

6101 Executive Session: Motion by O'Bryan to go into executive session at 5:19 p.m. to discuss personnel. Motion carried.

President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 5:28 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

6102 Personnel: Motion by M. Cummings to approve all personnel recommendations, with changes as listed, adding Rockyford basketball coaches and cheerleading sponsors. Motion carried.

All recommendations are made by the Building Administrators and are submitted to the Personnel Office.

Resignation: Terry Bettelyoun-Batesland Custodian-effective 12-8-05, Lloyd Bianas-Rockyford Bus Driver-effective 12-2-05, Gwendolyn Young Bear-Rockyford Special Education Aide-effective 12-19-05, Garry Janis-Wolf Creek Special Education Aide-effective 12-19-05.

Termination recommendations: Linda Fire Thunder-Wolf Creek Preschool Aide

Contracts for Approval: Margaret Iron Cloud-Rockyford School Busdriver-from 11-24-05 to 5-25-06-$6,480.00, Duane Pourier, Jr.-Rockyford School Busdriver-from 11-24-05 to 5-25-06-$6,480.00, Charles Pourier-Rockyford School Social Worker-from 11-24-05 to 5-26-06-$15,029.76, Nancy Shedeed-District Receptionist-from 12-9-05 to 6-30-06-$9,020.00

45 day probationary period completion: Tyson Mills, ISS Aide (RF)

6103 High School Tuition Requests; Motion by O'Bryan to approve the applications for public school exemption, as listed on file. Motion carried.

6105 Financial: Motion by O'Bryan to approve all financials, as listed. Motion carried.

Revenue Report November 30, 2005

FINANCIALS

General Fund:

Total Revenue for Fund: $426,604.10. Revenue Sources - Local Sources-Taxes-$10,720.29; Other-$32,528.91; County Sources-County Apportionment-$100.00; State Sources-State Aid-$337,337.00; Other-Federal Sources-$45,917.90; Other-$0.00

Capital Outlay:

Total Revenue for Fund: $ 8,493.01.Revenue Sources-Local Sources-Taxes-$8,482.71; Other-$10.30; County Sources-County Apportionment- $0.00; State Sources-State Aid-$0.00; Federal Sources-Other-$0.00;

Special Education Fund:

Revenue Sources-Local Sources-Taxes-$3,958.01; Other-$0.00; County Sources-County Apportionment-$0.00; State Sources-State Aid-$106,310.17; Other-$0.00; Federal Sources-$155,638.35; Other-$0.00;

Pension Fund:

Revenue Sources-Local Sources-Taxes-$846.85; Other-$0.00; County Sources-County Apportionment-$0.00; State Sources-State Aid-$0.00; Other-$0.00; Federal Sources-$0.00; Other-$0.00;

Food Service:

Revenue Sources-Local Sources-Taxes-$0.00; Other-$0.00; County Sources-$0.00; County Apportionment-$0.00; State Sources-State Aid-$0.00; Other-$0.00; Federal Sources-$0.00; Other-$0.00;

T/A Service:

Revenue Sources-Local Sources-Taxes-$0.00; Other-$7,075.00; County Sources-County Apportionment-$0.00; State Sources-State Aid-$0.00; Other-$0.00; Federal Sources-$0.00; Other-$0.00;

Impact Aid:

Revenue Sources-Local Sources-Taxes-$0.00; Other-$0.00; County Sources-$0.00; County Apportionment-$0.00; State Sources-State Aid-$0.00; Other-$0.00; Federal Sources-$0.00; Other $0.00;

Payroll Report November 30, 2005 Types of Service-

1000 Instruction Service Salaries-$400,961.04, Benefits-$98,867.76, Total-$499,828.80.

2000 Instruction Service Salaries-$197,281.81, Benefits-$43,805.89, Total-$241,087.70

3000 Other Community Serv Salarie-$5,930.30, Benefits-$719.26, Total-$11,161.16

General Fund Total Salaries-$614,443.42, Benefits-$144,283.80, Total-$758,727.22

Special Education Salaries-$156,872.28, Benefits-$34,747.37, Total-$191,619.65

Food Services Salaries- $22,975.06; Benefits-$4,616.91; Total-$977,938.84

Salaries-$794,290.76; Benefits-$183,648.08; Total-$977,938.84

Disbursement Report November 30, 2005

Fund/Account-General Fund-$257,235.85; Capital Outlay Fund-$256,635.34; Special Education Fund-$$15,920.35; Food Service Fund-$$75,417.57; T/A Support Services-$6,907.45; T/A Batesland-$$0.00; T/A Batesland-$0.00; T/A Rockyford-$0.00-Total of All Funds-$612,116.56

Claim Vouchers: John Witt-$150.00; SPED Parent-$79.40; RC Med Clinic-100.00; All Season Sports-$1,500;Same Day Surgery-$100.00; AFLAC-$91.02; Darrell Eagle Bull-$200.00; Rory Williams-$250.00; SPED Parent-$401.92; AUL-$104.13; Hacienda-$95.35; Internal Revenue-$131.93; Marilyn Halverson-$34.56; Troy Heinert-$300.00; Shawna Runnels-$157.40; Ted Hanson-$50.00; Barbara Blaney-$25.00; SPED Parent-$220.80; Linda Rees Seger-$151.00; Jean Heir-$50.00; AUL-$69.40; Total-$4,261.91 Checks to be processed: Temp Tech-Maintenance-$4745.00; Fence Connection-(Red Shirt project)-$20,898.21; West River International-Transportation-$4,145.53; Delta Education-Curriculum-$20,202.87.

Disbursements General Fund:

Vendor name, Description, Amount-4Imprint-Supplies-$1,316.70; A & B Welding Supply-Supplies-$214.69; ASBSD-Fall Area Mtg.-Heinert-$25.00; AT&T-Long Distance-$984.17; Abourezk & Zephier PC-Attorney Fees-$129.69; AdPad (The)-Supplies-$40.00; Advanced Business & Computing-Services-$4,355.00; Albers, Terry-Consulting-$569.00. Alco Store #204-Supplies-$32.96; Alsco-Supplies-$1,107.38, Supplies, $139.12-Supplies-$378.52-Supplies-$957.53-Supplies-$36.30-Vendor Total: $2,618.85;Anduja, Angela L.-Expense-$100.00, Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total: $125.00; Apple Computer, Inc.-Computer Supplies-$852.00; August, Ann-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total: $125.00; Bad Mocassin, Lenore-Expense-$134.36; Bad Warrior, Deqey-Consulting-$50.00; Ballhagen, Renee-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$20.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Barnett, Robert-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Bauer, Shawna-Expense-$128.60; Ben Franklin #2138-Supplies-$10.43; Bertram, Beverly-Expense-$100.00; Big Crow, Francis-Expense-$151.00; Big Crow, Lloydell-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total: $125.00; Black Crow, Debra-Expense-$100.00, Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Black Feather, William-Expense-$25.00. Expense-$25.00; Black Hills Electric-Utilities-$382.07; Black Hills People's News-Job Adv's-$400.00; Black Hills Reception & Rental-Sullies/LNI-$731.40; Black Hills Reception & Rental-Supplies-$96.68; Black Hills Special Services-Dec. Pymt-Reading Services-$13,000.00Blacksmith, Sandra Kay-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Blaney, Barbara-Expense-$100.00; Bohlender, melody-Expense-$157.40; Bordeaux, Roger-Consulting-%569.00; Borders, Inc.-Books-$744.79-Supplies-$199.74-Vendor Total-$944.53; Bowen-Raymond, Karen-Expense-$157.40; Bowes, Judie-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00; Bowman, Jiles-Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; bowman, Sherri-Expense-$50.00; Boyle, Edward-Expense-$50.00; BP-Gasoline-$578.33; Bradford, James-Expense-$100.00-Expense $25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Brave Heart, Evaleen-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Brewer, Brent-Expense-Vendor Total-$125.00; Brewer, Lisa-Expense-$156.12; Brewer, Jr. Vincent-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Briggs, John, Briggs-Expense-$100.00-Expenses-$25.00-Vendor total-$125.00; Briggs, Monte-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Brown, Bryan-Expense-$151.00; Brown, Bryan-Expense-$151.00; Buckman, Wilbert-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Buresh, Cindy-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;;Buresh, Lorine-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Business & Legal Reports-Subscription-$195.25; Carrick,Marcia-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Carrick, Tim-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Caton-Johnson, Jill-Services-$3,146.28; CDW Government, Inc.,-computer supplies-$42.91-Computer supplies-$32.09-Vendor Total-$75.00; Cedar Shore Resort-Travel-$45.00; Chaney, Stephanie-Expense-$100.00; Chase, Teve-Expense-$50.00; Child, Sandra-Expense-$100.00; Childcraft Education Corp-Supplies-$20.79; Cholak, Stephanie-expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00, Christensen, Dana-Travel-$84.40-Travel-$164.72-Vendor Total-$249.12; Classroon Direct Com-supplies-$399.19-Clifford, Patrick-expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00-Vendor total-$125.00; Clifford-Briggs, Annemarie-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor total-$125.00; Cole Pest Control-Pest control-$110.00; $139.00; $138.00; $253.00-Vendor Total-$640.00; Computer Village-Computer repairs-$99.00; $500.00; $100.00-Vendor Total-$699.00; Condon, Sharon-Expense-$157.40; Conroy, Elizabeth Ann-Expense-$100.00; Cope, Stacy-Expense-$50.00; Corporate Card-credit card pmt-$6,894.24; Cottier, daphne-expense-$134.36; Crazy Horse School-reimbursement-$4.00; Cross, Norma-expense-$128.60; Culligan Water Conditioning-Shannon water-$932.15-Cummings, Charlotte-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-vendor total-$125.00; Cummings, George-Travel-$17.28; Cummings, Melvin-mileage-$23.68-expense-$87.00-Vendor Total-$110.68; Cunningham, Gina-expense-$100.00; Dakota Supply Group-supplies-$406.28; $48.95; $193.50; $102.32-Vendor Total-$751.05; Dakota Transmission, Inc.-WC-Repairs-$73.13; Daktronics, Inc.-scoreboard part-$632.37; Datacomputer products-computer supplies-$978.97; Debbies' Cakes & Florals-supplies-$54.00; $89.00; $22.50-Vendor Total-$165.50; Decory, Leticia-expense-$151.00-$Dick, Cara-expense-$100.00; Division of criminal investigation-fingerprints-$39.00; Donovan, Mark-expense-$174.40-Dorsey,Judy-Expense-$100.00; Expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Eagle Bull, Andre-miliage-$16.64; Eagle Bull, Angie-Expense-$87.00; Eagle Bull, Darrell-Expense-$151.00; Early Childhood Teachers-Subscription-$15.98; East & West Coast Supplies-computer supplies-$528.68;$510.72;$494.76-Vendor Total-$1,534.16; Ecoffey, Alan-expense-$100.00; Emerson, Janette-expense-$100.00; Emery, Michael Tim-expense-$100.00;expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Environmental Products Co.-supplies-$66.36; Supplies-$611.40-Vendor Total-$677.76; Evans Plunge-field trip-$90.82; Evergreen office-supplies-$9.42;$9.42; $9.42;$18.84;$9.42;$508.19;$25.14;$118.93; $78.00;$14.41;$48.26; $78.10;$4.99; $276.28;$123.13;$5.63-Vendor total-$1,337.58; family Life Council Great Greensboro-supplies-$166.00-Vendor Total-$166.00; Family Thrift Center-supplies-$260.04; supplies-$4.15; $26.30; $7.98; $38.49-Vendor Total-$336.96; Feather Earring, Chrystal-expense-$100.00;expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00

Feather Earring, Eli-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Ferley Jewelers-supplies-$1,025.09; Foltz-Hall, Candance-expense-$50.00; Foreman Sales and Service-WC-Parts-$117.73;$163.28;$89.63-Vendor Total-$370.64; Fortin, Tracey-expense-$157.40; Frazier, keith-expense-$156.12; French Flowers-supplies-$26.63; Fribley, Jonathan-services-$26.63; Fribley, Jonathan-services-$4,771.48; Ghost, Stephanie-expense-$128.60; Giago, Loretta-expense-$151.00; Biggons, Terri Jo-expense-$174.40; Godfrey Brake Service-RF Repairs-$51.66; Goff,f Wayne-reimbursement-$210.64-expense-$157.46-vendor total-$368.10; Goings, Sharon-expense-$157.40; Golden Corral Family Steakhouse-travel-$56.45; Golden West Technologies, Inc.-phone maint-$462.00;phone maint-$462.00-phone maint-$462.00;phone maint-$462.00-Vendor Total-$1,848.00; Golden West Telephone Co.-Telephone-$2,083.35; Gomex, Porfirio-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Gomex, Sini-expense-$100.00; expense-$25.00-Vendor Totall-$125.00; Gordon Senior Center-services-$1,032.00; Graham, Donna-expense-$50.00; Grant, Christopher M.-consulting-$500.00; Grant Vickie-expense-$157.40; Great Plains Communications-telephone-$890.97; Grimm;s Pump Service-BS supplies-$91.00; Grinnell,Meralle Eileen-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Grocery mart-supplies-$32.05-supplies-$180.00-Vendor Total-$212.05; Hall, jane-expense-$100.00; Hall Robert-expense-$50.00;Haller, Kim-expense-$50.00-expense-25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Halverson, Marilyn-mileage-$47.36-expense-$174.40-Vendor total-$221.76;Hamilton, Ted-expense-$128.60; Handi Stop-Supplies-$53.59; Hanneman, Gerald Allen-expense-$157.40; Harcout Achieve-supplies-$2,861.25; Hardee's Hot Springs-supplies-$299.40-Field Trip-$90.80-Vendor total-$390.20;Harlow's Bus Sales-BS Parts-$299.75; Has No Horses, Regina-Expense-$100.00-Expense-$25.00; Hauff Mid-America Sports-supplies-$225.75-supplies-$271.20-Vendor Total-$496.95;Hawk Jr. Steve-Expense-$125.00; Heathershaw Designs-Supplies-$75.50-supplies-$85.00-Vendor Total-$160.50; Heesacker, Jerene-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor total-$125.00; Heinert, Kaylee-supplies-$40.18-expense-$50.00-Vendor Total-$90.18; Heinert, Margo-expense-$174.40; Hernandez, Floyd-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Hernandez, Lynn-expense-$128.60; Hiere, Shawna-expense-$50.00; Hillman, Doris-expense-$134.36; Hills Tire & Supply-WC Parts-$208.00; Hillyard-supplies-$78.67; $2,593.32; $430.34-Vendor Totall-$3,102.33; Hines. Larry-consulting-$700.00; Hinn's Gordon Auto Supply-BS Parts-$109.99; Hirning, Marie-expense-$100.00; Hobart Sales & Service-$484.53; Holiday Inn-Spearfish-Shannon Travel-$433.45; Holiday, Terry-expense-$125.00; Holiday, Vina-expense-$125.00; Holtmier, Paula-travel-$25.60-expense-$100.00-Vendor Total-$125.60; Homestead Building-supplies-$137.55; Hoyt, Bonnie-expense-$100.00; Husker Auto Parts- BS parts-$796.83; Hutcheson, Louise-mileage-$103.68; IELE- supplies-service-$1,318.11-contract-$2,250.00-Vendor Total-$3,568.11; Ideal Super Market-Supplies-$149.83; Indian Country Today-supplies-$371.25; Indian Education Today-Adv-$225.00; International Laser Group-supplies-$338.00; $432.45;$113.40; $313.20; $356.00; $149.50; $497.70;$159.00-Vendor Total-$2,359.25; Iron Cloud-April-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Iron Cloud, Margaret-expense-$100.00; Iron Cloud, Margaret-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Iron Cloud, Roberta-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00; Jackson,Nona-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Janis, Garry-expense-$100.00-expense$25.00-Vendor Totall-$125.00; Jaymar Business Forms-supplies-$143.40; Jefco Glass-BS repairs-$40.00; Johnson Machine-RF Parts-$663.64; Jones, Veronica-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Jordan, Dixie-consulting-$500.00; Jumping Eagle, Donna-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Jumping Eagle,Starlette-expense-$100.00-expense-$50.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Junior Library Guild-supplies-$143.40; Kadlecek, Patsy R.-expense-$100.00; Kadlecek,Tara-expense-$100.00; Keegan, Cindy-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Keiser, Krista D.-expense-$100.00-expense-$50.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Kili Radio-Final Payment services-$2,276.00; kills Small, Tiffany-expense-$134.36;' Kosters, Henry-consulting-$500.00; Krotz, Carol-expense-$156.12;Krul, Courtney-expense-$100.00; La Roche, Del Rae-expense-$50.00; Labcorp, Laboratory corporation-drug testing-$10.00; Lacreek Electric Ass'n-utilities-$10,910.96; Laker Chemical, Inc. Team lab-supplies-$812.50;Lakeshore Learning Materials-supplies-$939.75; Lakota, Cindy-expense-$125.00; Lakota Times-Thunderbird Media, Inc.-$15.36; $425.60;$368.00-Vendor Total-$808.96; Lawrence,Virginia-expense-$151.00; Le Beau, Connie-mileage-$88.64; Lebeaux,Feather-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Lefthand, Delores-expense-$100.00-expense$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Lefthand, Levi-expense-$157.40; Lefthand,Shirley-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Lemmon, Emily-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Lindsey Angel-expense-$100.00; Link, Peggy A. -Expense-$100.00; Lithia Automotive-WC Parts-$195.40; Little Bear, Belnita-expense-$157.40; Little Bear, Richard-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Little Moon, Pam-expense-$100.00-expense$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00' Little Wound School-reimbursement-$24.00-Supplies-$1,600.24.00; Locke, Sandra-expense-$128.60; Lonberger, Dawn-expense-$100.00; Lone Elk, Sandra-expense-$100.00; Lone Hill, Geneva-expense-$157.40; Loneman School Isna Wica Owayawa-WC Tourney-$100.00; Looking Elk, David-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Love & Logic Institute, Inc.-Consulting-$2,750.00; Luden, Gaylel-supplies-$40.84-expense-$100.00-Vendor Total-$1140.84; M. Lee Smith Publisher-subscription-$197.00; Mailbox-subscriptions-WC preschool-$29.95; Makes Him First, Valentina-expense-$128.60; Martin Flfloral-arrangement-%2.50; McDonalds-field trip-$385.00; McGaa,Dawn-expense-$156.12; Means, Kathy-Expense-$100.00; Medco Supply-supplies-$415.74; Menards-supplies-$206.02;$943.50; $718.07;$413.61;$350.38-Vendor Total-$2,631.58; Mesteth, Brenda-expense-$151.00; Mesteth, James-expense-$100.00-expenswe-$50.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Mesteth, Lisa-expense-$100.00-expense-$50.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Metzger, Jeanine-expense-$151.00; Mike's Heating & Air Condition-supplies-$122.44-supplies-$886.00-Vendor total-$1,088.44;Miles-Judy-expense-$157.40; Miller,Lynette-expense-$50.00;Moon, Jim M.-expense-$174.40;Moran, Clarinda-Expense-$100.00-expense-$50.00-Vendor Totall-$125.00; Mt. Rushmore Telephone Co.-telephone-$156.50; telephone-$201.64-Vendor Total-$358.14; Muddy Creek Oil & Gas-$15,783.81; National Laboratories-supplies-$195.98-supplies-$95.66; Newkirk;s Hardware East-$89.05;Newsweek-BS subscription-$42.00; Nichols, Temple-expense-$50.00-Ninas,Robert-expense-$151.00; No Neck, Ladonna-expense-$134.36; Norm's Carquest Auto Parts-WC Parts-$13.81; North Central Supply-Supply-$500.00-supply-$420.00-Vendor Total-$920.00; OST Water & Sewer-Utilities-#100.00; O'Bryan, Todd-mileage-$16.00-expense-$128.60; Occupational Health Nework-drug testing-$1,507.50;O'Daniel(St oddard),Jodi-expense-$156.12;O'Donnell, Christine-Expense-$151.00; Office Max Credit Plan-supplies-$44.49;8.74;$235.13;$208.86-Vendor Total-$497.26; Ohrtman, Susan-expense-$50.00; Olson, Margaret Renee expense-$157.40;Omnigraphics-$212.92; One Feather-Delmar-Expense-$151.00; One Feather,Linda-$87.00; Oriental Trading Company-supplies-$91.25; Orthman, Susan-supplies-$26.22; Palmer, Mary-expense-$128.60; Parmenter, Michelle-expense-d$100.00-expense$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Patton, Tom-expense-$100-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Pearson Education, Inc.-supplies-$78.36; Peneaux, carol-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Peterson,David-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Peterson, Madonna-expense-$157.40;Petty Cash-Batesland School-reimburse Acct-$451.15;Phelps, Alice-expense-$134.36; Phelps, Ted-expense-$100.00;Pine Ridge School-BS Volleyball-$125.00;Pine Ridge Village Garbage-Garbage service-$1,000.00; Pino, Erma-expense-$100.00; expense-$25.00-Vendor total-$125.00;Plenty Wounds, Cindy-expense-$100.00; expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Poor Bear, Pteskahinapawin-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Porcupine School-BS BB Tourney-$125.00; Pourier, Charles-expense-$128.60; Pourier, Jeannie-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor total-$125.00; Pourier, Myron-expense-$4o.oo; Pourier, Tona-mileage-$141.44; Przybyla, Ann-expense-$50.00; Quality Inn-rapid City-travel-$289.95; Quill Corporation-supplies-$208.57; Ramkota-Rapid City-travel-$9,783.57; Rapid Chevrolet-WC repairs-$402.02; Really Good Stuff-supplies-$42.95; Red Cloud, Alfrred-Bernard-expense-$156.12; Red Cloud, Kathy-expense-$100.00-expense-$25-Vendor total-$125.00; Red Cloud,Toni-expense-$111.00; Red Owl, Ann-expense-$122.40;Red Shirt, Ramona-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor toal-$125.00;Reeves,Marvel-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Reinhart Institutional Foods-food service-$42.58; Ribitsch, Genevieve-expense-$151.00; Richards, Gary-$151.00; Richards, Ton-expense-$128.60;Richards, Wanda-expense-$128.60;Rininger, Clifford E.-expense-$157.40; Ross, Margaret-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Ross, Ryan-expense-$151.00;Ross, Winona-expense-$157.40; Roth, Jackie-expense-$174.40; Rowland, Sharon-expense-$151.00; Runnels, Ettamae-expense-$157.40; Running Hawk, Phoebe-expense-$100.00-expense $25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;SD Dept. Revenue-Motor Vehicle-2000 Chev. SUV-$13.00; Sally Northway Ogden, ED consulting Services-consulting-$3,500.00; Salomon Sanitation-garbage service-$780.00; garbage service-$260.00;Garbage service-$780.00;DEC Garbage service-$780.00-DEC Garbage Service-$260.00;DEC Garbage Service-$780.00-Vendor Total-$3,640.00; Salway, Deann-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor total-$125.00; Sam's Club-supplies-$22.71;$266.05;$123.95;$40.23;$359.28;$399.70;$79.54;$15.71;$271.51;Fees-$127.20-Fees-$148.05-Vendor total-$1,853.93; Sandoz, Cindy-expense-$100.00; Sauder, Susan-expense-$100.00; Scholastic, Inc.-supplies-$24.26-supplies-$771.39-Vendor Total-$795.65; School Health corporation-supplies-$155.25; School Specialty-Beckley-supplies-$163.07; Schulz, Denise-expense-$100.00; Schumacher, Trish-supplies-$22.80-expense-$100.00; expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$147,.80; SDN Communications-hone-$1,870.22; Seger, ginny-expense-$128.60; Sether, Darlene-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Shannon Country School Imprest-Reimburse Acct-$3464.44; Shedeed, Deborah-expense-$125.00;Shepard, Patrick-expense-$133.00; Sierra, Jenny-expense-$156.12;Silva, Michelle-expense-$151.00; Sioux Nation Shopping Center-supplies-$683.20-supplies-$39.76-Vendor Total-$722.96; Skanadore, Linds-expense-$100.00; Skeie,Doug-expense-$50.00; Slow Bear, Paulette-expense-$157.40; Smith, Bryan-expense-$100.00;expense-$25.00-Vendor total-$125.00; smoker, marsha-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Software Unlimited-end of Year Training-$300.00;speed, Ryan-expense-$50.00; Standing Soldier, Patricia-expense-$151.00; Steele, Julia-expense-$100.00; Steele, Tammy-expense-$128.60; Stein, Lynnp0expense-$100.00;Stein, Marcia-expense-$50.00; Sterkel, Patricia-expense-$100.00;Stern Oil Co. Inc.-Propane-BS-$12,604.88;RF-Propane-$12,603.50-WC-Propane-$12,603.50; Stiff Arm, James-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;stout, marlene-expense-$50.00; Sullivan, Bobbie-expense-$125.00; Super 8 Motel-Rapid City-LNEC Travel-$2,990.00; super Chevy-Subscription-$19.97; Swallow, Elilzabeth-expense-$100.00; Swallow, Gene-expense-$50.00; Swallow, Lorraine-expense-$100.00;Swallow, Mary-expense-$125.00; Tatonka Capital Corporation-copier Lease-$584.00;Temperature Technology-supplies-$540.00; Ten Fingers, Gayla-expense-$100.00; Think Elk, Babette-expense-$128.60; Thunder Bull, Marla-expense-$134.36; Tibbits, Tucki-expense-$156.12;Tieszen law Office. LLP-Attorney fees-$175.00;Town of Batesland-utilities-$500.00;True Value-

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supplies-$76.55; Trueblood, Jesse (JL)-consulting-$300.00; Tullis, Karen-expense-$50.00; Turn Around Publishing-consult-$3,000.00; Turnbull, Charles-expense-$100.00; Turnbull, Vickie-expense-$100.00; Twiss, Linda-expense-$128.60;Twiss, Maurice-expense-$174.40; Two Bulls, Darwin-expense-$125.00;Two Bulls, Dorothy-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor total-$125.00; Two Crow, Robert-expense-$157.40;Two Elk,Carmelita-expense-$156.12; Two Lance, Josephine-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor total-$125.00; Type Emporium Printing-supplies-$3,243.42;UPS-shipping charges-$14.47; Valentine Office Supply-supplies-$43.06; Van Briggle, Marilyn-expense-$156.123; Vitalis, Bessie-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Vitalis, Margerette-expense-$151.00; Vocu, Lucy-expense-$100.00; Vocu, Michelle-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor total-$125.00; Vocu, Thomas-expense-$151.00; Wagner, Jobie-expense-$157.40;Wakpamni Bed & Breakfast-lodging-$249.60; Walmart Community-supplies-$870.65;Walton, Amy-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Waters, Loren-expense-$151.00; Watters, Kelli-expense-$156.12; Weisz, Jodi-expense-$100.00;Wellnitz, Lois Joy-expense-$100.00; West river International-WC parts-$3.16;WC parts-$25.61-WC Parts-$21.65-Vendor total-$50.42; West River-Parent Teacher Outlet-supplies-$166.29; WestCo-Gasoline-$8,431.93; Western Communications-WC Parts-$532.04; Western Psychological Services-supplies-$207.68;Western States Industries-supplies-$245.34; Whipple, Regina-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Whirlwind Horse, John-expense-$87.00; Whirwind Horse, Monica-expense-$128.60; White, Audrey-consulting-$350.00; White Bear Claws, Leaha-expense-$151.00; White Bear Claws,Marge-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; White Bobbie-expense-$350.00; White Clay Grocery-supplies-$33.88-supplies-$50.00-Vendor Total-$83.88; White Eyes, Lisa-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; White Face, Dori-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor total-$125.00;White, Terri-$100.00-expense$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00; Wiles, Selena-expense-$100.00; Wince, Don-expense-$151.00; Winkler, Karla-expense-$100.00; Winters, Karla-expense-$128.60; Wipf, Lilsa-expense-$50.00; Woman Dress, Francene-expense-$151.00; World Almanac Education-supplies-$564.85-supplies-$11.66-Vendor Total-$576.51;World book, Inc.-Bush Grant-$829.00;Yankton, Debbie-expense-$174.40; Yankton, Tory-expense-$174.40; Yellow Hair, Audrey-expense-$87.00; Youel, Janell-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Young Bear, Gwendolyn-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Young Bear-Melvin-expense-$100.00;expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Zanner-Bloser Ed Publishers-supplies-$91.53; Ziegler, Mary-expense-$100.00-expense-$25.00-Vendor Total-$125.00;Zimiga, Carolyn-expense-$100.00; Zimmerman, LeeAnn-expense-$50.00; Fund Total-$250,057.67

Fund: 21 Capital Outlay Fund

Best Business Products-copier Lease-$160.60-copier lease-$506.69; CDW Government, Inc.-Computer Equip.$1,075.00; Computer Equip.-$2,250.00; Computer Equip-$9,000.00-Vendor Total-$12,325.00; corner Construction Corporation-Red Shirt Project-$192,519.90; Gateway Companies, Inc.-Computer Equip-$4,875.03;Computer Equip.-$569-Vendor Total-$5445.00; Harcourt Achieve-Curriculum-$5,476.16; Pearson Education, Inc.-supplies-$532.32; SD Federal Property Agency-2000 Gold-Suburban-$10,950.00; Tatonka Capital Corporation-Copier Lease-$4,166.00;

Fund 22 Special Education Fund

ASHA-membership-$200.00; Bennett Country Health Care-services-$1,665.00; Black Hills Special Services-Tuition RM & BD-$5,303.36; Childrens Care & Rehab Development-services-$6,504.00; Children's Care Hospital & School-Tuition-$5,839.65; Donovan, Mark-travel-$70.00; Harcourt Assessment, inc.-supplies-$1295.08; Ross, Dona Ruth-services-$1,112.64; Shannon Country School Imprest-Reimburse Acct.-$702.12; USD-School of Medicine-services/expenses-$150.00; Services/Expenses-$546.44-Services/Expenses-$196.44-Services/Expenses-$200.00-vendor Total-$1.92.88; Wellspring, Inc.-services-$246.48; Fund Total-$24,031.21;

Fund: 51 Food Service Fund

Blue Ribbon Maintenance Supply-Food service-$300.53; Family Thrift Center-Food Service-$6.98-Food Service-$9.00-Vendor Total-$15.98; Food Services of America-Food service-$1,572.71-Food Service-$1398.45-Food Service-$1,929.39; Food service-$1,422.84-Vendor Total-$6,323.39; Grocery mart-Food service-$4.45; Harker's-Food Service-$389.15; Food service-$3,381.76-Food Service-$2,092.41-Food Service-$4,249.03-Vendor total-$10,112.35; HRS Food Service-Food service-$782.23-Food service-$1,769.11-Food Service-$2,879.55-Vendor Total-$5,430.89; Reinhart Institutional Foods-Food service-$4,282.64-Food Service-$57.07-Food Service-$,485.87-Food Service-$6,398.69-Vendor total-$15,224.26; Storhaug, Annette-Registration-$50.00; True Value-supplies-$10.99; Fund Total $40,366.74;

Fund: 73 Federal Programs Special Services

Heathershaw Designs-supplies-$672.00; fund Total-$672.00

Fund: 76 BS Trust/Agency Account

Bohlender, Melody-supplies-$43.75; Corporate Card-Credit Card PMT- $153.89; Sam's Club-Supplies-$345.07; Shannon Country School Imprest-Reimburse Acct-$95.35-Fund Total-$638.06

Checking Account Total-$547,847.35

6106 American Drug and Alcohol Survey: Motion by O'Bryan to approve and support the follow-up and implementation of the American Drug and Alcohol Survey for 6th,7th & 8th grade students, notifying parents and giving them the opportunity to decline. Motion carried.

6107 School Improvement Plan Evaluations: Administration presented the district's School Improvement Plan Evaluations for the board's review. Motion by R. Cummings to table for further discussion. Motion carried.

6108 School Board Election: Motion by M. Cummings to set the date for the annual school board election to be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2006. Motion carried.

6109 Manderson/Wounded Knee Bus Route: Motion by R. Cummings to request administration to develop bus boundaries for 2006-07 and present the plan to the board in April, 2006. Motion carried, O"Brian voted no.

6110 Amendment to Drug & Alcohol Testing Policy: Motion by R. Cummings to approve amending the district's Drug & Alcohol Testing Policy, as presented. Motion carried.

6111 Classified Staff Bargaining Unit: Motion by M. Cummings to accept the election results and recognize the Shanon County Classified Education Association as the formally recognized representative for the purpose of meeting and negotiating with the Shannon County School Board, with respect to grievance procedures and conditions of employment. Motion carried, three voted yes. O'Bryan abstained.

6112 Truancy Policy: The Truancy Policy was presented for the first reading.

6113 January Board Meeting; The January school board meeting will be held on Monday, January 23, 2006 beginning at 5:00 p.m. at Batesland.

6114 Parent Request: A request was received in regard to the board's consideration of constructing a football field at Wolf Creek School and establishing a contact football program within the school district. Administration will present a proposal to the board regarding the cost prior to establishing the 2006-07 budget.

6115 Adjournment Motion by O'Bryan to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 p.m. Motion carried. Signed Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary

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Porcupine Day School Complete Re-Roofing Project.

Porcupine Day School is receiving bids for the complete re-roofing of the school facility located in Porcupine, Shannon Country, South Dakota.

A single contract will be awarded. The roof is approximately 37,000 square ft. with portions which are flat. Prospective bidders are advised to visually inspect the scope of work to be performed. For a list of details, please contact Leslie Johnson, Business Manager, Porcupine Day School or Lenny Lone Hill, Temporary Facility Manager, Porcupine Day School.

Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed to School Board chairman, P.O. box 180, Porcupine, South Dakota, 57772. Bid envelopes shall be clearly marked on the outside lower left hand corner Porcupine Day School, Roofing Project. Full responsibility for the delivery of mailed bids prior to the deadline for receiving bids rests with the bidder.

The successful bidder must comply with the Tribal TERO ordinances, including any licensing requirements and TERO fees. T hey must also comply with the Department of Labor's Davis Bacon Act. Bid price must include all taxes and fees.

No bidder may withdraw a bid until 30 days after the bid opening, without a written request explaining the cause for withdrawal and without a written consent of the Owner after reviewing the cause.

The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids or parts thereof, and to waive any irregularities of any bid. The Owner also reserves the right to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder as may be determined by the Owner.

Bids will be accepted until noon, local time, February 3, 2006. Bids will be opened and read aloud, and accepted for consideration at the Board of Directors Budget meeting on February 15, 2006 at the Porcupine Day School, Porcupine South Dakota. Indian Preference will be given.

Request for Proposal (RFP)

The Prairie Wind casino is soliciting proposals for development of Financial Policies and Procedures for the Business Office Department.

The development of financial policy and procedures must be in accordance with the National Indian Gaming Minimum Internal Control Standard 542.3. Policy and Procedures development must comply with Financial Management Internal Control Standards for the following departments: Accounts Payable, Receiving Office, Payroll Accounting, and Comptrollers office. Revenue Auditing & Purchasing.

The proposal must state your understanding of the work to be done and must include the qualifications and experience of your firm and staff.

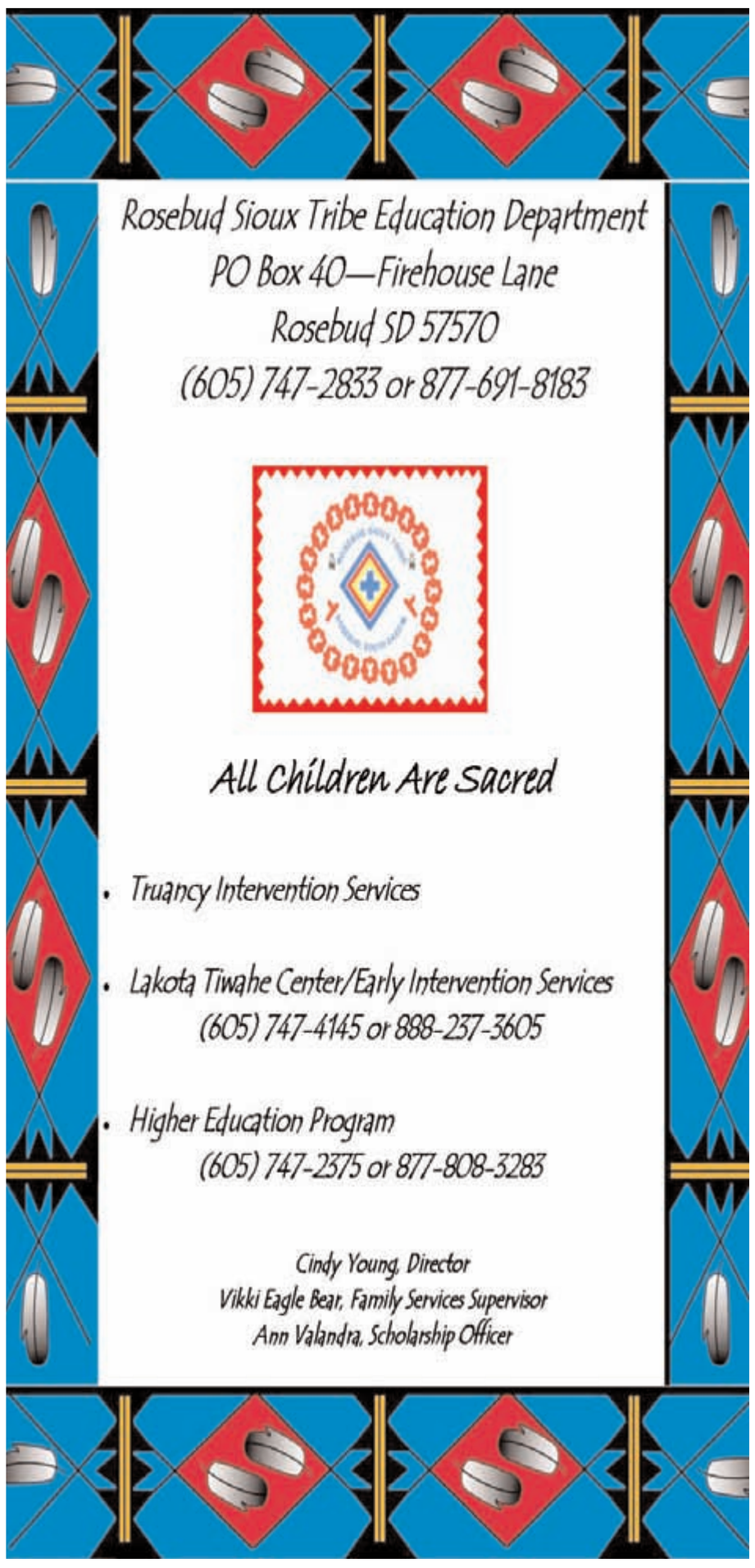
If applicable, minority and Indian preference must be requested in the proposal.

Cost will not be the only determining factor in awarding the proposal. The Prairie Wind Casino reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Proposals must be sealed and marked "Policy Bid" at the left of the envelope and postmarked no later than 1-30-06 at 5:00 p.m.

Please address to ATTN: Comptroller's Office, Prairie Wind Casino, HC 49 Box 10, Pine Ridge, South Dakota,. 57770.

Call (605) 867-6300 Ext 134 for more information.



Happy ADS

Happy Birthday to my brother Bruce Kills In Water in Little Eagle SD I hope you had a good one, Love you take care and many more to come, Love your lil sis Carmelita Mesteth and Family

Happy Birthday To Our Son who will be turning 14 years old on January 21,2006. Hey son we would just like to say hope you enjoy your day we love you very much and so very proud of you for all your winnings at the New Years Pow-Wow,keep practicing those Hand-Drum songs,and someday it will pay off.Hope you have a wonderful day on your day!
Happy Birthday Charles Good Voice ELk Jr.rom your,Mom& Dad--Charles & Devona

Happy Birthday To our Brother C.J. we would just like to say hope you have fun on your day, although you can be a pest, we like to say Have a wonderful 14th Birthday on January 21,2006 love you lots,from your little brother Lyndon,Sisters-Vanessa,Danie,Chelsea.

To my Honey (Jack Long)
Love always From your
Honey (Kelly).

To my two boys Hunter and Eric Have a good New Year!
Love always Kelly.

To my mommy I love you much!
Tommy Cummings.

Thank you to the guy who brings us this paper at Big Bat's!
Tommy (cashier).

We would like to wish our daughter and sister
Dakota Rayne Means
a Happy Belated 1st Birthday on Dec. 30, 2005 we love her very, very much
From mom, dad, Tessa, Reuben and Freedom.

We would like to wish my husband and our dad a Happy Birthday on Jan. 8,
We love him very much and enjoy your day
Love your wife , Reuben, Freedom and Dakota.

Happy New Year Bobbi and Lyle Blue Legs.

New Arrival
Lyle D Blue Legs

Happy Birthday to our Papa Art on 1/10/06.
We love you very much and were so happy you are in our lives and thank you for taking care of us
and loving us the way you do.
Hope you enjoy your birthday Papa and all the
years to come.
Love,
Teron "Goodboy" and Myra

Happy 17th Birthday to our Auntie Hannah on 1/11/06.
We hope you have a good birthday this year and
all the years to come.
Remember us when your’re taking that
dive at Evans Plunge (or wherever your going). We love you
auntie and thanks for watching us when you do. Tell Tylia we love her too!!

Love always,
Teron and Myra

Happy Birthday Way-J 1-4-05
Sorry I missed it.
Hope you had a good one
Love Paulette.

Happy Holidays to my girls Mackenzsie and Tricia
from Stove.

Happy Birthday booboo Michelle Randall.
Thank you for being the friend you are. God Bless you with many more to come
Love Christina.

We would like to thank the Little Finger family for their wonderful hospitality on Jaeza's first Christmas. There was such love and warmth this holiday season. Jaeza is Leonard and Terri Little Finger's first granddaughter,
from oldest son
John Little Finger.
He is attending college at SFCC in Santa Fe. Also Happy first Birthday to Jaeza Little Finger 2-7-05 Good Luck John Little Finger in college. To many more Happy Holidays Zanyan Montaocean.

Congratulations to
Jerry Brewer and
Samuel Arcoren
and their baby boy
Kenneth Samuel Lee.
Your family.

To my mom
Delphine L.T
Happy New Year,
I love you
from Sunni Dawn.

Happy New Year
to all our people and many more years to come,
Alvine Eagle Bull
Big Bat's
12-31-05

Happy 17th Birthday to our Auntie Hannah on 1/11/06.
We hope you have a good birthday this year and
all the years to come.
Remember us when you take that dive at Evans Plunge (or wherever your going). We love you
auntie and thanks for watching us when you do.
Tell Tylia we
love her too!!
Love always,
Teron and Myra



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RST council seeks investigation of past mismanagement of hospital

Creating millions of dollars of debt

CEO provides regular report to council

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The Rosebud Sioux tribal council met in a regular monthly session on Jan. 11 and took action on several agenda items, including a regular update on the Rosebud Hospital's progress in making administrative, patient care and fiscal improvements. It was the hospital's January 2006 report to the council. The tribal council passed resolution 06-04 which calls for an investigation of the Rosebud I.H.S. hospital by the Inspector General during the hospital's previous administrations in which there was a severe budget shortfall.


With the new administration in place, the Rosebud I.H.S. is making positive gains in patient care and third party collections.

The resolution read, in part; "Whereas I.H.S. has mismanaged funding up to the year 2005, creating millions of dollars in debt, which resulted in cutbacks in already underfunded programs." The apparent deficit caused many local concerns and rumors about the hospital's contract health program, patient care, and ability to serve Sicangu people in the long term.

Eli Wicks from Senator Tim Johnson's office was present during the afternoon session. When asked by Antelope council representative, Robert Moore, what form the request for investigation should take, she said that the Senator's office did not have the authority to conduct an investigation, but that the request should go to the Inspector General. She also

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QUICK HITS

Gaming to be impacted by Department of Justice

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

WASHINGTON - Last September the Department of Justice unveiled a proposal which is proving controversial in Indian Country. The Department of Justice is proposing to clarify the difference between Class II gaming and Class III games which refer to slot machines.

It seeks to punish tribes if they offer Class II gaming devices that resemble slot machine and do not fit into new proposed standards. In the past, the Department of Justice has lost all of its bids to challenge tribes in court over machines that the National Indian Gaming determined were Class II machines. Class II games are primarily bingo games.

In October 2005, the DOJ and the NIGC, despite their differences, were to hold joint consultations with tribes at two locations in Oklahoma and Florida in November. Phil Hogen, Chairman of the NIGC was quoted as saying that NIGC had plenty of input into the proposal; however he had not seen the final version.

Some see the proposal as an attempt to limit machine numbers and subject them to state control, while essentially forcing more revenue sharing with states.

The proposal which will be presented to both the House and Senate judiciary committees was

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Group raising money to buy land around Bear Butte

RAPID CITY - After years of concern, a Bear Butte Land Trust Fund was opened at Wells Fargo Bank by a volunteer group, Defenders of the Black Hills.

The idea was triggered by the encroaching development upon the sacred mountain, Bear Butte. People from more than 60 Native American tribes from the North American continent travel to Bear Butte on a yearly basis to conduct prayer ceremonies. The encroaching development is begin to disturb the peace and quiet that is necessary for the ceremonies.

A land trust fund was seen as the only permanent solution to stopping the selling of land surrounding the small sacred mountain. The organization was able to stop the building of an outdoor shooting range that was planned for four miles north of the Butte. A private operator is planning on building a biker bar and outdoor concert arena just one and a half miles from the base of the mountain.

Since many people want to help protect the land surrounding Bear Butte, the organization decided that opening a land trust fund would allow everyone the opportunity to do fund raising events and contribute to the fund. The price of the land surrounding the Butte is high as realtors use the sacred mountain in their advertisements.

The organization recently received their designation as a tax-exempt non-profit organization capable of receiving gifts and donations.

They work on environmental and sacred site issues in the Midwest with no paid staff.

Donations to the Bear Butte Land Trust Fund may be sent to Wells Fargo Bank, 825 St. Joseph St., Rapid City, SD 57701.

Bank transfers are also available by contacting any Wells Fargo Bank.



Warrior honored

KYLE -Marine Corps Lance Corporal Brett Lundstrom, Oglala Sioux, who was killed in Iraq, was escorted from the Oglala Sioux reservation line to Little Wound School by a U.S. Marine Color Guard, and tribal dignitaries and community people, alike, from many Lakota nations. Military veterans from Rosebud, Pine Ridge and other communities stood by as the body was escorted into the gym. Officers from OST Public Safety, traditional Lakota chiefs and tribal presidents were also in attendance. People from all over came to honor Lunderstrom as his casket was placed in a wagon just west of Kyle and slowly moved to LWS gym. (Photo courtesy of Vonnie Bush)

Rosebud is not prepared for winter weather disaster

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

MISSION - The very intense and bitter cold winter weather in December impacted almost half of the Rosebud Sioux population in one way or another, according to Bryan Herman, who is the volunteer RST Director of the Emergency Preparedness Program and the Todd County Emergency Manager. Herman said the major storms in December caught many people off guard who should have been prepared. Fortunately the program was provided tribal funds to distribute enough propane and wood to those who needed it most.


Bryan Herman

The Rosebud is not fully prepared to tackle winter weather, which could result in many people being without food and heat, according to Herman. That fact makes his volunteer work in emergency preparedness all the more crucial to the public health of the people.

RST has a "Disaster Relief Operations" manual, which was written in 1984 and last revised in 1995. Much of the personnel and addresses have changed, but the procedures are still relevant and followed. The manual outlines the purposes and priorities of disaster relief and spells out the process and administrative duties of each entity involved. Herman says the plan definitely needs to be updated, but time has not yet allowed this to happen. The RST Council would also have to review it and give approval.

The program is one that should be funded to a significant degree, as it is a legitimate entity that should be visible at all times, not just during disaster situations. Although the Council does provide funding for wood, propane, emergency shelter, etc., it is on a case by case basis and a permanent budget is not in place. If funding runs out, Herman says he must go before the Budget and Finance committee for approval. Herman noted that it is important for the Tribal Council to understand the significance of the Emergency Preparedness Program. He would like to see it be a full time, paid position. "There just aren't enough hours in the day to accomplish everything needed to make this program run smoothly," said Herman. All volunteers of the program hold full time

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Tribal gaming proposal

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labeled as a 'criminal' bill since it will be reviewed by the judiciary committees.

The Department of Justice is closing hearing on the proposal after just three meeting and it will be sponsored as bill in March or April. Some have accused the administration of playing politics with the proposal as it would hurt the $19 billion Indian gaming industry.

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The original contract funded OLC for 531 children in Headstart and 100 in Early Headstart.

Today, vacancies with Headstart include a teacher in Oglala, a cook in Wanblee and four bus drivers, two in Porcupine, one in Porcupine and one in Wounded Knee.

Those interested need to complete an Oglala Lakota College application, complete a background check with public safety and a physical with a TB skin test and be ready to pass a drug test.

"We also need subs across the reservation, for each center so we have people ready to step in if someone is sick or has a death in the family," added Pourier, "and in looking ahead we need to still deal with the curriculum, additional training and having every teacher and assistant working on a CDA or a bachelors degree."

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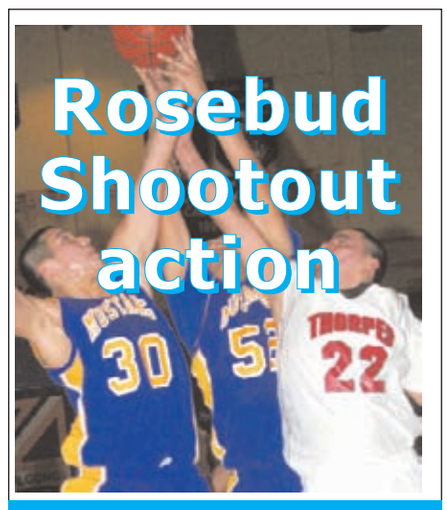
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Gaming to be impacted by Department of Justice

WASHINGTON - Last September the Department of Justice unveiled a proposal which is proving controversial in Indian Country. The Department of Justice is proposing to clarify the difference between Class II gaming and Class III games which refer to slot machines.

It seeks to punish tribes if they offer Class II gaming devices that resemble slot machine and do not fit into new proposed standards. In the past, the Department of Justice has lost all of its bids to challenge tribes in court over machines that the National Indian Gaming determined were Class II machines. Class II games are primarily bingo games.

In October 2005, the DOJ and the NIGC, despite their differences, were to hold joint consultations with tribes at two locations in Oklahoma and Florida in November. Phil Hogen, Chairman of the NIGC was quoted as saying that NIGC had plenty of input into the proposal; however he had not seen the final version.

Some see the proposal as an attempt to limit machine numbers and subject them to state control, while essentially forcing more revenue sharing with states.

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RST council seeks investigation of past mismanagement of hospital

Creating millions of dollars of debt

CEO provides regular report to council

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ROSEBUD - The Rosebud Sioux tribal council met in a regular monthly session on Jan. 11 and took action on several agenda items, including a regular update on the Rosebud Hospital's progress in making administrative, patient care and fiscal improvements. It was the hospital's January 2006 report to the council. The tribal council passed resolution 06-04 which calls for an investigation of the Rosebud I.H.S. hospital by the Inspector General during the hospital's previous administrations in which there was a severe budget shortfall.



With the new administration in place, the Rosebud I.H.S. is making positive gains in patient care and third party collections.

The resolution read, in part; "Whereas I.H.S. has mismanaged funding up to the year 2005, creating millions of dollars in debt, which resulted in cutbacks in already underfunded programs." The apparent deficit caused many local concerns and rumors about the hospital's contract health program, patient care, and ability to serve Sicangu people in the long term.

Eli Wicks from Senator Tim Johnson's office was present during the afternoon session. When asked by Antelope council representative, Robert Moore, what form the request for investigation should take, she said that the Senator's office did not have the authority to conduct an investigation, but that the request should go to the Inspector General. She also

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Group raising money to buy land around Bear Butte

RAPID CITY - After years of concern, a Bear Butte Land Trust Fund was opened at Wells Fargo Bank by a volunteer group, Defenders of the Black Hills.

Three years ago, the idea for a land trust fund was brought to the organization at one of their regular meetings. The idea was triggered by the encroaching development upon the sacred mountain, Bear Butte. People from more than 60 Native American Tribes from the North American continent travel to Bear Butte on a yearly basis to conduct prayer ceremonies. The encroaching development is begin to disturb the peace and quiet that is necessary for the ceremonies.

A land trust fund was seen as the only permanent solution to stopping the selling of land surrounding the small sacred mountain. The organization was able to stop the building of an outdoor shooting range that was planned for four miles north of the Butte. The businessmen planning the venture had illegally received federal funds slated for use by low and middle-income people. The illegality was uncovered in a lawsuit filed by Defenders and seven Native American tribes. But now, a private operator is planning on building a biker bar and outdoor concert arena just one and a half miles from the base of the mountain.

Since many people want to help protect the land surrounding Bear Butte, the organization decided that opening a land trust fund would allow everyone the

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Warrior honored

KYLE -Marine Corps Lance Corporal Brett Lundstrom, Oglala Sioux, who was killed in Iraq, was escorted from the Oglala Sioux reservation line to Little Wound School by a U.S. Marine Color Guard, and tribal dignitaries and community people, alike, from many Lakota nations. Military veterans from Rosebud, Pine Ridge and other communities stood by as the body was escorted into the gym. Officers from OST Public Safety, traditional Lakota chiefs and tribal presidents were also in attendance. People from all over came to honor Lunderstrom as his casket was placed in a wagon just west of Kyle and slowly moved to LWS gym. (Photo courtesy of Vonnie Bush)

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The Rosebud is not fully prepared to tackle winter weather, which could result in many people being without food and heat, according to Herman. That fact makes his volunteer work in emergency preparedness all the more crucial to the public health of the people.

RST has a "Disaster Relief Operations" manual, which was written in 1984 and last revised in 1995. Much of the personnel and addresses have changed, but the procedures are still relevant and followed. The manual outlines the purposes and priorities of disaster relief and spells out the process and administrative duties of each entity involved. Herman says the plan definitely needs to be updated, but time has not yet allowed this to happen. The RST Council would also have to review it and give approval.

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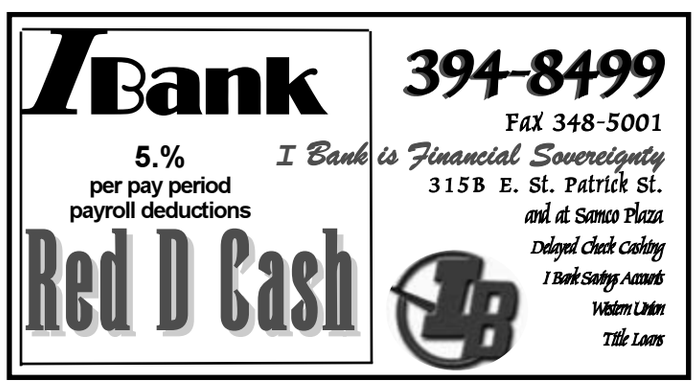
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WINNER/EAGLE BUTTE - After losing to Pine Ridge in the throwback game on Dec. 30, at the Civic Center in Rapid City, the Red Cloud Crusaders have put together four straight wins with back to back 51-44 wins over Winner and Cheyenne Eagle Butte on Friday and Saturday.

Overcoming Daelan High Wolf's 25 points and 10 rebounds, Red Cloud used balanced scoring with three ballplayers in double figures to lead at every quarter break to pick up their fourth straight win and move their record to 7-3. Johnny Crow led the way with 12 points, Christian McGhee and Billy Scott each had 10 points while Lester Gotheridge chipped in nine and Chris Red Bear led the way on the boards with six rebounds.

On Friday in Winner, the Warriors were up by one at the end of the first quarter and it was tied at the half but Red Cloud started to pull away in the third and finished off a seven point win 51-44 in the fourth. Crow led the way with 12 points and eight rebounds, Christin McGhee and Billy Scott each had nine while Lester Gotheridge led the team with nine rebounds.

"We are getting it down," said Matt Rama, Red Cloud coach in his third year at Red Cloud, "we're playing better as a team, improving on defense and showing more patience on offense, but we still have a lot of work to do."

The Crusaders started the roll with a 70-53 win over McLaughlin at the Rosebud Shootout on Jan. 7 in Mission and followed it up on Monday with a 76-67 overtime win over Wall on the road.

Johnny Crow hit for 19 points and grabbed five steals to lead three Crusaders in double figures against McLaughlin. Red Cloud led from the first quarter on as Christian McGhee drilled four threes and scored 14 points while Chris Red Bear added 14 points and had five rebounds. Eric Archambault scored 17 opoints and grabbed 14 rebounds to lead the Midgets, Tyson Maxon added 12 and Francis Eaglestaff helped with 11 points.

After going up early 18-10 against Wall on the road, the Eagles came storming back to make it a one point game at the end of three; Wall made it closer in the fourth forcing an overtime period before Johnny Crow jammed in seven points in the OT to lead the Crusaders to the win.

Crow finished with 24 points and seven rebounds while McGhee hit three threes and 18 points and Mitch Bagola added 11 points and five rebounds.

St. Francis rides a roller coaster since LNI championship game with St. Thomas More

ST. FRANCIS - "It was our first home game and the crowd was really into it , we couldn't miss as we hit 17 threes and played everyone on our bench," said Roger Crow Eagle, St. Francis coach when asked about his team's 135-62 win over Bennett County, "the crowd was really excited to see our team and we just had to put our best game out there."

After a 82-53 loss to White River on the road with Louie Krogman burning the nets for 40 points, the Warriors have put together four straight wins, most recently a 53-49 come from behind win Monday night over Cheyenne Eagle Butte. Add a 61-46 win over Crow Creek and a 75-65 win over Todd County during the Rosebud Shootout.

JJ Arcoren led the way last night with 27 points against Eagle Butte and was helped by Kris Leroy who chipped in 11 points. Arcoren also led St. Francis over Bennett County with 28 points as five Warriors hit double figures.

Area boy's basketball scores

Chamberlain 66-41 Cheyenne Eagle Butte
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Red Cloud 76-67OT Wall
Red Cloud 70-53 McLaughlin

Lady Mustangs roll up four wins including Platte and Todd County

MISSION - Little Wound cruised to their fourth straight win Saturday during the Rosebud Shootout as Nichelle Red Owl and Tyann Pourier each hit two threes as Red Owl hit for 20 points, Pourier had 17 along with Sadie In The Wood 17 to down Rapid City Christian 72-23.

Little Wound started the streak with a 73-45 win over Platte at the Snowball Classic in Winner but the jewel of the run was a 56-51 victory over Todd County on Tuesday. Down 31-25 at the half, Nichelle Red Owl led the charge for Little Wound with two threes and a deuce in the third quarter as Little Wound grabbed the lead 47-38 and never looked back.

"We played good defense against Todd County, came out in the third with good energy and played good team ball," said Mary Tobacco, in her first year as head girls coach after four years at Red Cloud, "we still need more work on defense but we are showing progress."

In the Woods helped out with nine points and nine rebounds, Pourier finished with 18 points and Red Owl added 13 in the win over Todd County.

With an 83-34 win over Takini, Little Wound moves their record to 8-2 and hosts Pine Ridge on Friday.

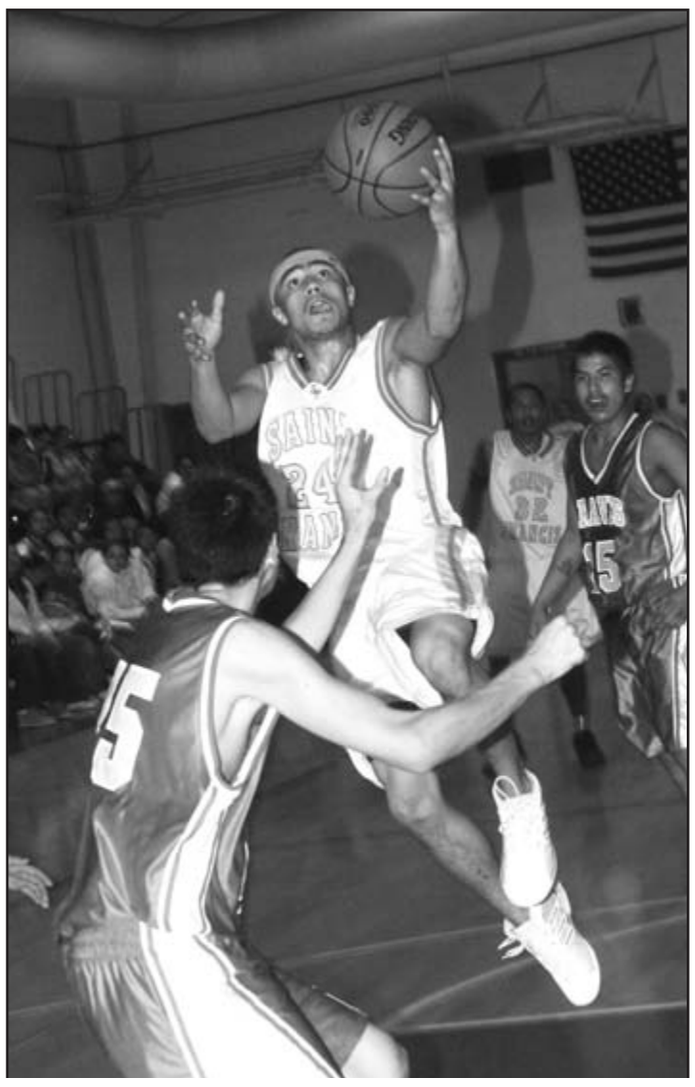
Pine Ridge rolls over Wall for their fifth win

MISSION - Wall came out strong in the first quarter taking a 15-13 lead but Pine Ridge warmed up after that as Robin Webber hit three threes and Deana Big Crow added a couple as the Lady Thorpes took the lead at the half and never gave it up winning their fifth game of the year 67-53.

Keisha Brewer on the inside and Webber on the outside both hit for 16 points to lead the way, Big Crow added 10 as Pine Ridge was too much for Wall to handle both inside and outside. Pine Ridge wore the Lady Eagle down with their running game as both Webber and Big Crow lead a never ending fast break for the Lady Thorpes. Pine Ridge hit the road traveling to Custer on Tuesday, Lead-Deadwood on Thursday and Little Wound on Friday.

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Stickney-Mount Vernon 52-50 Bennett County
RC Christian 57-56 Takini



Randy Arcoren drives for a layup against Cheyenne Eagle Butte Monday as he led St. Francis with 27 points to a 53-49 come from behind win for their fourth straight victory and a 9-2 record. Photo by Double M Studio of Hay Springs.

"Bulldawg" named outstanding tournament wrestler for third time

Lyman added to Lakota Nation and Crawford honors

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Dave "Bulldawg" Michaud, a junior at Pine Ridge, won the Mid-Dakota Monster Lyman Invitational 171 pound division with a decision over Rio Reeves of Stanley County in the championship match. Michaud opened the tourney in Presho with pins in his first two matches, 1:24 over Chase Hill of Sully Buttes and a fall in 1:21 over Dustin Gould of Lead-Deadwood and cleared the semis with a decision over Nick Lopez of Hot Springs. Michaud was selected the Outstanding Wrestler of the tournament.

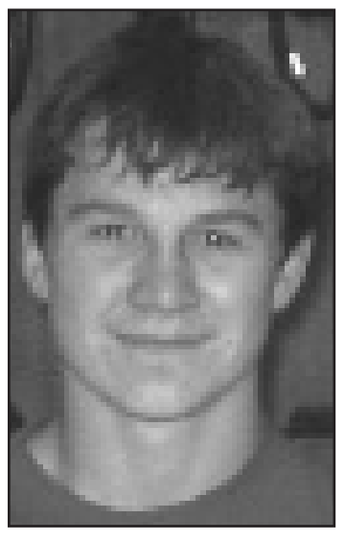
Both Trevor Jacobs and Bulldawg earned two outstanding tourney honors last year," said Dave Michaud, Pine Ridge wrestling coach, "after LNI and Crawford, this is his third tournament honor of the year, he has set a new standard for Pine Ridge wrestlers."

Hot Springs took the team title with 250.5 points, Stanley County was second with 233.5 and Philip was third with 205.5 while Todd County was 12th with 66.5 and Pine Ridge was 14th with 60.

Cheyenne Eagle Butte-Faith finished in a tie for 18th with 30 and Red Cloud and Little Wound tied for 22nd place.

Chris Rahn/Todd County took fourth in 275/HWT, Ty Hale/Faith-CEB was 4th in 125, Charles Janis/Pine Ridge was 5th in 275 while Kellie Pulliam/Pine Ridge was 6th in 140.

After looking over the competition at the Bennett County Invitational in Martin on Saturday, Michaud decided to move up two weight classes to 215; it did not matter as Bulldawg pinned Mark Calburn of Valentine in 5:56 for the championship, moving his season record to 22-1. Currently, Michaud is ranked number two in Class A at 171 pounds behind Andy Johnson/Yankton who is the defending 171 champ. Michaud took second at 160 last year as a sophomore.



Dave Michaud

Winner JV won the Bennett County Invitational 160 to 146.5 over the host Bennett County team. Rapid City Central JV were third, Valentine JV took 4th and Pine Ridge was fifth with 95; Todd County was 6th with 85.5, Red Cloud was 9th with 80 and Little Wound took 11th.

"At the beginning of the year, I would have said we would have been in the running to win the team title," said Dave Michaud, "but we had three of our senior wrestlers drop out of the program, JD Two Bulls, Travis Red Owl and Phil Rowland, all state qualifiers from last year."

Red Cloud's Catlin Clifford pinned Jacob McClure of Hill City in 1:40 to win the 140 division, Tanner O'Daniel took second in 103, Andrew Twiss took fourth in 189 and Darrin Merrival took second in 189.

Todd County had three winners as Jarret Allen won at 119, Albert Hert Many Horses took the 125 and Chris Rahn won the 275 division while Jim Colombe took third at 215 and Cody Short Bull was fourth at 130.

In addition to Michaud for Pine Ridge, Kellie Pulliam won the 135 pound division, Charles Janis took second at 275, Tex Wells was second at 171 and Bruce Jacobs was fourth at 112.

Next up for the area wrestlers is the Winner Invitational on Jan. 21st and Red Cloud's Invitational on the 28th.

'Double-double' Big Crow leads Williston State at conference play begins

WILLISTON, N. Dak. - Following a long holiday break from school which included three games in Arizona, the Williston State Lady Tetons opened Mon-DAK conference play with two strong wins with Pine Ridge's Laura Big Crow leading the way hitting double-doubles in their last three games, the last two were conference wins, 66-62 over North Dakota State College of Science and 85-58 over Minot State University-Bottineau.

Down 12-8 early in the game against MSU-Bottineau, Thursday at home in Williston, Big Crow scored seven straight points to help her team to a 15-12 lead. Big Crow picked up three quick fouls in the first half and spent some time on the bench but came out in the second half to hit a quick bucket and help her team pick up their second straight conference win. For the third straight game, Laura finished with a double-double, hitting for 17 points and grabbing 13 rebounds.

Normally pounding it into Big Crow, the Lady Tetons took advantage of a hot outside game, hitting 12 threes while Lacy Heiar hit five threes and led the team with 27 points, Tate Locust chipped in two points in the win. The Lady Tetons upped their season record to 13-4 and 2-0 in conference play.

Williston State opened their conference play on Friday, Jan. 6th in Wahpeton and came out with a hard fought 66-62 win.

The Pine Ridge connection provided a one-two punch as Big Crow scored 20 points and added 11 boards and Tate Locust chipped in nine points hitting on four of six from the field. Williston won each half with a balanced attack, scoring from the perimeter and from down in the paint.

Williston State finished off their three game holiday tourney in Scottsdale, Ariz. at the end of December with a tough loss to Mesa Community College 77-72 despite Laura Big Crow's 33 points and 13 rebounds.

Mesa held a 34-30 lead at the end of the first half and the Lady Tetons couldn't close the gap even with Big Crow's super game; turnovers spelled the difference as Williston turned the ball over 25 times compared to just 12 for Mesa.

Williston heads for Bismarck this week taking on Bismarck State on Thursday evening and United Tribes on Friday night. Big Crow is averaging 24.5 points and 10 rebounds per game which puts her among the leaders of the conference and also in the National Junior College Athletic Association which has generated a lot of interest from four year schools around the country.



OPINION PAGE

Our views

Tribal politics: How fear is involved in not knowing

The age old questions and concerns that tribal members often speak about with much intensity and conviction have to do with 'communication' more than anything else. Through out our modern history, our tribal government has entered into contracts and agreements which have prompted debate and discussion.

Surely there were business transactions and initiatives which made tribal members uneasy and agitated in past administrations. Many times, the people had no say or no control over the events that impacted the tribe, and yet there did not seem to a lot of outcry.

For the Lakota tribes along the Missouri, the federal government and the state has had incursions which had tribal members up in arms, but it still never changed the eventual course of history which resulted in Lakota lands being taken.

During the Rosebud court case, Kneip V. Rosebud Sioux Tribe, many people were probably angered, land was taken and everyone was upset but at the end result and despite their protests the matter was settled and people moved on.

On the Pine Ridge, many people are still leery and suspicious that the tribe may have put at risk tribal land in exchange for a $38 million loan package.

There is concern, it centers around fear and confusion on the loan package and tribal politics. When that is mixed with the daily basis to survive, and to worry about money it leads to fear of what is going on and what may happen in the future. People are concerned about the land base, sovereignty, about loss of money in the budgets, locally and on a national level.

It points up the need to 'communicate' with the people as to the exact nature of transactions.

Open government and good 'communication' in many forms is a good practice.

Leadership is in all parts of our tribal structure, whether it be our grass roots people, elected tribal leaders or just being a parent. And communication and information are keys to success.

Northern Perspectives

Translating Lakota words that Mom used to call 'jawbreakers'



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

I grew up during a time in the 1950's and 60's when people already began to discriminate against those who spoke Lakota. Many of the town kids of mixed blood heritage would invariably say something about the full blood kids who attended Todd County or the old Rosebud boarding school.

This was true especially about the kids who were bussed in from Soldier Creek or Parmelee. At that time, there were a lot of white families who lived in and around Mission town, as some people called it.

The town was bustling with a couple of bars and liquor stores and there seemed to be racial tensions among the grown ups and people passing through. This extended to the white kids who represented the last remnants of families who settled the town. There was trouble sometimes between the Lakota kids and the white kids.

My brother Harvey was bad for picking fights with white students, who might have been dependents of teachers or families from the BIA. I can remember him boxing with a teacher's son who could wrestle quite well, but couldn't box for nothing.

It was not good when he would grab Harvey and then, they would proceed to wrestle. When Harvey would pull himself out of the others guy's hold, he would demonstrate his boxing skills by smacking the other guy with several quick jabs before they would tumble down in a heap again. I admired Harvey for his determination to teach the other guy a lesson, but then it never got completely resolved as they might go at it again months later.

It's funny because my late brother's best friend is Gregg Grimshaw of the NAPA auto store and his children were like Harvey's kids.

The two were like brothers at the time of his passing and we still mourn his senseless passing each day. I came to realize that many deaths fit in the accidental or senseless category as many can be prevented with quick intervention and proper follow-up care.

The period I am describing was a time that the government policies of extermination, relocation, and paternalism were not working and Lakota people were struggling to find their place in a slowly changing world; never mind the local racial tensions with people in Valentine, Winner, or even the white folks in Mission.

There didn't seem to be a deep appreciation for the Lakota language, although there were many notable Sicangu people who kept it alive and passed it on. When I was a youngster I didn't know a lot of the more prominent older Lakota people on the Rosebud, but I knew of people like Sam and Nancy White Horse, Bill Menard, Al Larvie, grandma Julie Larvie, my grandma Charlotte Hawkins, old Bill Jordan, Ed and Cecilia Stands, Moses and Julie Marshall, grandma Night Pipe who spoke Lakota with a 'D' accent, all of my aunties and uncles, and Johnny and Cleveland Clairmont to name but a few. These folks spoke primarily Lakota amongst themselves and there was no anxiety about the language disappearing.

When someone would use a Lakota word with many syllables, my Mom would call them 'jawbreakers' and without her defining what that meant, I kind of knew. When I was a youngster I remember someone saying the word, *"bohiyake"* and hearing some discussion about its meaning. I think it meant something that is kind of exaggerated. I recall Sam White Horse teasing my Carl when he played in a basketball game and made the last shot. Sam said, *"Scabola ohiye"* as he described the game. I never knew what *'scabola'* meant, but it sounded funny and the phrase was often talked about.

Another time, one of my cousins was trying to define the difference between 'tehicila' and 'waste ci laka.' She came up with the idea that 'tehicila' could mean, 'I am stingy with you' rather than I value you or I care about you. We had a good laugh at her efforts to come up with an acceptable meaning.

I don't think many young people during that time really appreciated Lakota because it wasn't taught in the schools.

There was no mention of the beauty of the Lakota culture and philosophy, much less talk of it one day slowly slipping away. One of my lasting memories of Lakota was when my grandma was visiting with Dicky Leneaugh's grandma next door. I heard her in Lakota say to my grandma, "*Takoja nitawa Lakota nuhumpi he?*' My grandma replied in Lakota that her grandchildren didn't understand Lakota and I was amazed because I understood what they had said to each other. I didn't know how to tell my grandma in Lakota that I understood.

What my grandma didn't realize was that some of us grandchildren had learned to understand Lakota, while we taught her English in the process. One time she said she didn't know what 'concern' meant but wanted to use it in a sentence. So, she says, "I concern I am going to make some bread" and we chuckled.

There are so many complex words in Lakota that it makes you realize that Lakota people were very intelligent.

I heard one lady talking over KINI at the council meeting and she said that there was evidence that Lakota people had occupied this one site in northeastern South Dakota called Northgate Hills, I think, 6,000 years ago.

It confirms what many of us guess in terms of a timeframe, that the Lakota people occupied the area.

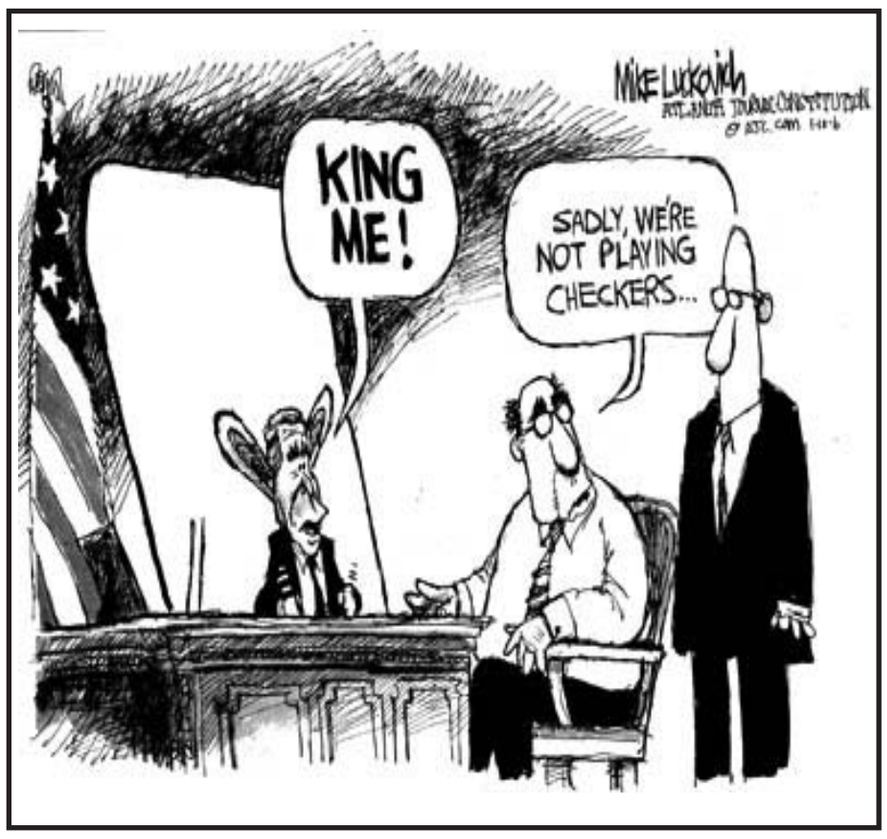
There are some wonderful sounding words in Lakota, like oicage, itoka, or inyukala. I like the word for 'wake' which is *wihankiktapi*.

The word for throwing your hat in the ring and running for office is *caje oehpekiyapi* and it literally translates throwing your name out there. Tahansi Ned Metcalf told me the Lakota word for 'oppression' but I didn't write down, as I try to do with many words I hear.

The word *eyecunsica* describes something that is hard to do. Anyway, Lakota word study is an ongoing thing, as I often quiz my kola, Pat Bad Hand, about certain words.

If Lakota isn't your primary language, then it is difficult to retain all the rules and words that my Mom took the liberty of calling 'jawbreakers.'

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Guest Column

A tribute to peace makers, it takes courage

BY RICHARD IRON CLOUD
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At a time when humankind is in such a dark place, we are definitely in need of the light of the peace makers, people like the late Martin Luther King, Jr.

Most recently Gold Star Mother Cindy Sheehan, Chief Arvol Looking Horse, and the four members of Christian Peacemaker Teams who were taken captive in Iraq - these people possess a higher passion for peace.

They were willing to put themselves in harm's way to wage peace. If Martin Luther King, Jr., were here, he would be speaking out in his loud voice against the war. He would once again tell the leaders of this country that the initiative to go to war with Iraq was ours, and the initiative to the stop the senseless bloodshed is ours.

When Cindy Sheehan camped out in front of George W. Bush's ranch in Crawford, TX, she only had one question: "What was the noble cause that my son died for?" George Bush refused to see her.

When Chief Arvol Looking Horse started the World Prayer for Peace Day on June 21st of every year during the summer solstice, he did this because of prophesies that said that if we do not unite spiritually then we are in for a lot of chaos and destruction.

Every one of us has the capability to be a peace maker, and every one of us matters. Nobody's voice is unimportant. We can all make a difference if we choose to take the risk to be a peacemaker.

The following story by an unknown author illustrates that fact.

"Tell me the weight of a snowflake," a robin asked a wild dove. "Nothing more than nothing," was the answer. "In that case I must tell you a marvelous story," the robin said. "I sat on the branch of a fir, close to its trunk, when it began to snow -- not heavily, not in a raging blizzard, no, just like in a dream, without any violence. Since I didn't have anything better to do, I counted the snowflakes settling on the twigs and needles of my branch.

Their number was exactly 3,741,952. When the next snowflake dropped onto the branch - nothing more than nothing, as you say - the branch broke off." Having said that, the robin flew away. The dove, since Noah's time an authority on the matter, thought for awhile and said to herself: "Perhaps there is only one person's voice lacking for peace to come to the world."

I accept as true that we all possess the light of the peacemaker; we have the potential to be peacemakers.

We must reach within ourselves to wage peace in our communities.

One of the supreme acts of peace making is apologizing for ones transgressions. One such act was made here on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation when our President Cecilia Fire Thunder's older sister, Shirley Murphy, told her little sister to apologize to all the people that she hurt.

She did this on the council floor, and this was a courageous act of healing. If all of us were to apologize to all the people who we hurt, either intentionally or unintentionally, this world would be a more peaceful place.

People of the Islamic faith must call everyone they know and ask for their forgiveness before they go on the Hajj or pilgrimage to Mecca, so when they stand before Allah they will have a clean slate, and they can be forgiven for their sins.

They say, "An angry people can never have peace." I believe this to be so.

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Things to empower yourself

We have a choice when our body outlives our minds



By Patty Pourier

Has modern medicine taken our dignity to die a natural death? I have had the unfortunate experience of having both of my grandmothers suffer from Alzheimer's.

My Grandma Pich was in the nursing home in Rushville for 15 years, knowing no one. She lived until she was 92. She was a wonderful woman. She was spunky, and full of wit. Grandma worked hard.

When she was young she worked on a thrashing crew. Her hands were big and strong. She loved her takojas. We would go down the road with her singing patriotic songs. One of her sons was in Patton's army during WWII. She was a naturalized citizen of the United States, and her love for America was deep.

What you saw was what you got with Grandma Pich. She was not afraid to tell you what was what. As a child there was great security in that. You always knew where you stood. Grandma saw no colors when it came to people. She treated everyone as to the character they put forth, not by their ethnicity.

After my grandparents grew older they lived in Custer. Their garden was three acres of bottomland right on French Creek. They raised TONS of food. She canned vegetables for the winter, and the extra food they gave away.

Grandma was a proud woman, in a way that was real and unpretentious. She always wore a housedress, and apron, with stockings that tied at the knee. She was very clean, but never fancy in anyway. She was a person for whom a child could learn honesty, compassion and selflessness.

Grandma Pich had a big heart and knew how to be a friend. She sat with Mr. Swett (the gentlemen "Swett, S.D." is named after) daily when he was suffering from cancer and his wife Hazel had to run the store. She sat with Mrs. Buresh from Batesland over a month, until she succumb to her illness.

And yet, she did not have the dignity she granted others when they died at home, with people who were by their bed because they cared. Her body outlived her mind. She laid for 15 years in the Rushville nursing home. I remember going to see her and the stench that would hit me at the door. I hated to see grandma die that way.

Today, my Grandma Henschel lays in the Bennett County Nursing Home. She is 95 years old. She was a schoolteacher. Grandma Henschel was the "Beaver Cleavers" grandma. Her house was spotless. Her hair looked liked she had just stepped out of a beauty shop.

When we stayed at her house, on ironed sheets and pillow cases, we awoke to the smell of fresh baked cinnamon knots, bacon frying, several kinds of cereal, fruit all cut up, and half and half laid out on the table, and we felt like princesses.

Grandma Henschel could make an apple pie to die for. She always had fresh baked homemade cookies in her cookie drawer. She lived to serve others. She loved being a schoolteacher, and loved to serve my grandfather, even with his demanding demeanor.

If you could define a lady, she would be it! I once sent her a homemade card with the Bible's definition of love, as she possessed all of these traits. When she was well she was patient, kind, not proud or rude, she was not self-seeking and did not anger easily, she kept no record of wrongs, and she did not wish anything bad on anyone. She always hoped and looked for the good in others.

I was shocked as I entered grandma's room. It did not look like her. She was a pasty gray color. It appeared her teeth were to big for her face, as she had lost so much weight.

Her hair was clean, but combed straight back with no style at all. She did not open her matted eyes. Grandmas right knee was swollen several times it normal size. When the nursing staff moved her, she would yell, "How could you be so mean, that hurts!"

The Tylenol they gave her had to be given rectally. And her diaper was changed when needed. Every movement caused great anguish. When the nurse tried to move her, Grandma was cantankerous and grabbed a hold of the nurses finger so hard she grimaced.

The grandma I knew would have absolutely hated to be in that bed in that way. According to an article Posted in Alzheimer's ARTICLES, Facts About Alzheimers, "One of the most distressing aspects of Alzheimer's disease is the complete change of personality many people suffer. This is especially distressing for their relatives and friends. The personality and general behavior of Alzheimer sufferers in the later stages often seems to be in complete contrast to the usual behavior they have always exhibited in their previous life."

This is certainly true of my Grandma Henschel. Do we really want to live to this stage of our life? Grandma had two pace makers so her heart would beat steadily. One 20 years ago. The second one after the Alzheimer's was well advanced. Would she have wanted the second one, if it had been her decision? I do not blame my family for the decisions they have made with Grandma's health, they did the best they could, and I appreciate the fact they have tried to help her. But, seeing her die in the last stages of Alzheimer's, suffering with years of pain, and no dignity what so ever, is hard. Is this humane? Have we manipulated Gods plan for our lives.

Modern medicine has helped our bodies to out live our minds. We do not have a choice when and how we die, unless we take our life. But we can choose how much care we wish to have on this journey from birth to death, if we choose to write it down, so others know our wishes. It is hard to do, but not near as hard as suffering for years, with no dignity.

Your wishes can be written down in a living will. If you do not have one, I suggest you get one. If not for you, then for your family.

Notes From Indian Country

When is a war considered a just war?



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When I turned 17 years old there was a war going on. Like many young men of that era, I didn't wait to be drafted, I volunteered.

The year was 1951 and the war was called a "Police Action" but more than 40,000 Americans gave up their lives while serving as this country's policemen in Korea.

I never really thought about the politics of the war. I was told that the Communist North Korea had invaded the free country of South Korea and it was our duty to stop and drive them back across the 38th Parallel. Not once did I doubt the integrity of our Nation's leaders or question their reasons for going to war. Was this a just war? When can a war be called just?

I suppose Korea could be called a just war. After all, we were fighting to keep an invading army from taking away the freedom of another nation. We were young, we were fearless, and above all, we were patriotic. Without a shred of a doubt we trusted and respected our government. Would President Harry Truman lie to us? Never!

And we walked away from Korea with our heads held high. Despite the intervention of the Communist China, we had driven the enemy back to the 38th Parallel. Perhaps the war was a stalemate, but a stalemate is better than a loss.

But everything seemed to go awry in Vietnam. When we returned from Korea there were no protestors calling us baby killers and worse. But during the Vietnam Conflict it seemed that the entire nation was against the war and in their anger and hate for the war they turned on the troops fighting the war.

A war is personal when one is actively involved, but it is also personal when a close friend or relative loses his life. This week the war in Iraq took a personal turn for me and for many Lakota people.

Cpl. Brett Lee Lundstrum, USMC, was just 22 years old when he was killed by enemy fire at Fallujah, Iraq. He was an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. His mother, Doyla Carol (Underbaggage) Lundstrum was the foster daughter of Lynn Rapp my ex-wife, and during the years we were together Doyla and her two sons, Brett and Eddy, spend many holidays and many happy hours at our house.

They even attended the Christmas parties we held for the staff of my newspaper, *Indian Country Today.*

At one Christmas party, my step-daughter Susie, a very blonde young lady, looked around the room at the mixture of children attending the party and asked the band to play "The Brady Bunch." It was her tribute to her Lakota brothers and sisters in the room.

We watched this awkward teenager grow into a strapping young man. But all of a sudden, his life is over before it has even begun. In his obituary it reads, "Brett was charismatic with a kind and generous soul; always humorous, with a smile, he lit up any room or place he entered." That's Brett. His laugh and smile were contagious. He loved the Marines and he loved serving his country. And just as I when I was 17-years old, he never questioned the reasons he was sent to Iraq. He considered it his duty as a United States Marine to follow the orders of his commanding officer.

When one serves in the military it seems we do not question the reasons we are at war. We only do our duty and try to serve as best we can. It is only when we are older and have witnessed the devastation of war and have seen firsthand the political implications, then war takes on a different light.

Far be it for me to ever question the integrity and courage of those men and women serving today in Iraq and Afghanistan. They are in the military and they obey orders. They also take great pride in the job they are doing. But it seems that President George W. Bush has intertwined honest criticism of the war with disrespect for those serving in combat. From my heart I can tell you that they are not the same.

We are in a war that began with a dark lie that has taken on different hues of dishonesty as the war has dragged on. We are in a war that can end in only one of two ways: either the new Iraqi government will stabilize as a theocracy or the Nation of Iraq will dissolve into a civil war that will pit the Shiite and Kurds against the once controlling Sunni forces.

In either case the end product will not be what the chicken hawks that led us into this war intended. If Iraq becomes another Iran with mullahs as leaders or deteriorates into a civil war costing thousands of lives, who is the winner? It will not be the people of Iraq and certainly not the brave, young men and women that are dying every day in pursuit of a victorious ending. And it will not be the politicians responsible for the war.

I feel the loss of Brett as do all of the people of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. He was one of us and he gave his life for a cause in which he truly believed. I honor and respect his courage, but that does not preclude me from questioning the wisdom of those elected leaders who sent him into this unjust war.

May Brett rest in peace and may his Journey to the Spirit World be filled with wonder.

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Lakota Oyate Wakanyeja Owicakiyapi is accepting resumes for the following positions in Pine Ridge:

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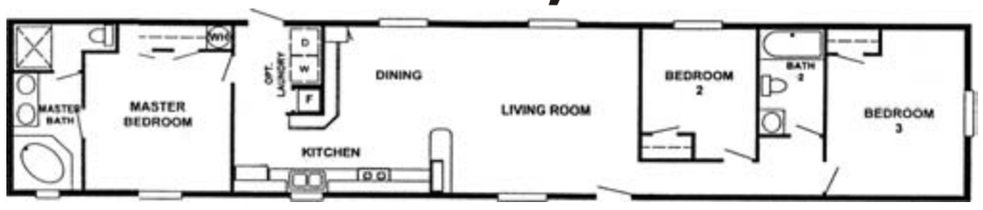
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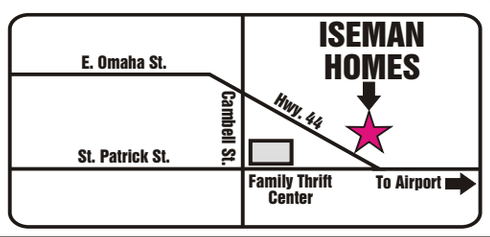
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New state law enforcement building dedicated

More room for officer training

PIERRE (AP) _ The new state law enforcement building at the north edge of the capital city was dedicated last Wednesday in honor of the late Gov. George Mickelson.

Attorney General Larry Long said the $25 million building will improve the efficiency of several state agencies that are involved in law enforcement operations. Those agencies, in turn, assist local law enforcement across the state, he said.

The building houses the attorney general's office, the Division of Criminal Investigation, the state crime lab, law enforcement training, state radio communications, and emergency operations.

Doug Lake, former DCI head, proposed the facility seven years ago, and current DCI Director Kevin Thom and state Public Safety Secretary Tom Dravland convinced Long to ask the Legislature for funding.

The George S. Mickelson Criminal Justice Center replaces facilities that had been inadequate for years, Long said.

``These facilities were too small and too old," he said.

While criminal investigators and specialists in the old crime lab were able to keep up with the latest technology, including sophisticated DNA testing and computer sleuthing, the lab itself fell far short of needs, the attorney general said.

Mickelson, who died in a 1993 plane crash during his second term as governor, was a former prosecutor and former head of the state Parole Board.

As governor, he convinced the Legislature to approve the Crime Victims Compensation Fund, a bill of rights for crime victims and create drug-free zones around schools, Long said.

Mickelson's widow, who remarried several years ago, told the crowd of about 500 that her late husband dearly loved South Dakota and being governor.

``It is an incredible honor to have this building carry George's name," Linda Mickelson Graham said.

Mike Leidholt, Hughes County sheriff, said the new building will be especially beneficial for police training, not only for new recruits who must complete 12 weeks of instruction, but also experienced officers who wish to advance their training.

Long said the state has helped American Indian police officers for years, but it had limited openings for them.

The old cramped facilities could handle no more than 40 people at a time. The new dormitory has 65 rooms, each of which can house two people.

Long said the academy handles about 120 officers a year in the basic 12-week training program, but more than 4,000 people go through special or refresher training each year.

Lt. Mitch Wisecarver, an Oglala Sioux Tribe lawman, said most tribal officers have had to go to New Mexico for training in the past.

Two indoor firing ranges, classrooms, an exercise room, a gymnasium, and a cafeteria also are located in the Mickelson Center.

The massive building also houses the state Emergency Operations Center for use in times of tornadoes, blizzards and floods. It allows the governor and officials from various agencies to gather in a fortified amphitheater where they can coordinate response efforts to both natural disasters and terrorism.

The state received $5 million in federal money, and the Legislature provided $8 million in direct appropriations and authorized $12.8 million in bonding for the building.

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Crow Creek Middle School lists student achievements

FT. THOMPSON - Crow Creek Middle School has announced the Honor list and Perfect Attendance list. **(second quarter)**

"A" Honor Roll
Sixth grade
Dominique Stands On Top
Michaela Swanson
Jacey Estes

"B" Honor Roll
Sixth grade
Erica Red Bear
Ryan Two Hawks
Skylar Windsor
Wakiya Jewett
Sierra Goodlow
John Wayne Abernathy
Kyle Curley
Darla Voice
Elliot Medicine Crow
Jonathan Thompson
Maria Cruz/ Navarro

Seventh grade
Tangi Taylor
Leland Hare Jr.
Janelle Koster
Amber Touche
Calvin Hawk
Waba Seaboy
Adrian Abernathy
Judson Burgee
Ambrose Traversie
Kenisha Kirkie
Rebecca Tuttle
Lakota Sepulveda
Jason Driving Hawk Jr.

8th grade
Pam Jordan
Tauni Kirkie
Tyler McBride
Leigha Koster
Koren Crow
Kaylan Curley
Erin Plenty Chief
Sasha Ross
Andrea Hawk
Robyn Head
Keenan World Turner

Crow Creek Middle School Honor Roll **(1st Quarter)**

"A" Honor Roll
6th grade
Dominique Stands On Top
Jacey Estes
Michaela Swanson
Tyson Langdeau
Jonathan Thompson
Maria Cruz/ Navarro

"B" Honor Roll
6th grade
Elliot Medicine Crow
Kristeana Touche
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Lakota Sepulveda
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Janelle Koster
Waba Seaboy
Alisa Martin
Patrick Azure
Tangi Taylor
Adrian Abernathy

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at which time no money should be owed to Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing by rent or debt. Back rent agreements will not be made for the purpose of meeting this condition.

Petitions may be obtained at the Housing Office in Pine Ridge between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.
PETITIONS MUST BE TURNED IN NO LATER THAN JANUARY 31, 2006.

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7. Tribal employees who become candidates for office shall be permitted to continue on their jobs, but shall be prohibited from campaigning during working hours.
8. No employee of the tribe shall use tribal vehicles, equipment, or materials, or incur any form of expense to the tribe for political purposes.

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Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Weekly Flu Clinic -
Every Thursday at the Public Health Nursing Office in Pine Ridge for high risk adult population call Kendra at 867-3297 for additional information.

AA Meetings -
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

OST Food Distribution/Commodity Issue -
Wednesday, Jan. 18 in Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni at the housing entrances and Thursday, Jan. 19 in Oglala.

Public Safety Open Forum -
Thursday, Jan. 19 in Manderson at the CAP Office at 5 p.m. set up to help generate a positive dialogue between community members and OST Department of Public Safety and to provide an opportunity to address questions about complaints, concerns and grievances; Saturday, Jan. 21 at 5 p.m. in Red Shirt Village, Tuesday, Jan. 24 in Wounded Knee at the community center at 5 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 26 at 5 p.m. at the Wakpamni CAP Office, Sunday, Jan. 29 in Pine Ridge at Billy Mills Hall at 5 p.m. and Monday, Jan. 30 in Oglala at the Rec Center at 5 p.m. for info call Will Peters at 685-5589 or 867-5039 or Garfield Steele at 867-2766 or 685-5326.

Warriors and Lady Warriors Benefit Eight Team Men's Double E basketball tourney and Eight Team Women's double E basketball tourney - Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 20-22 at the Lakota Veteran's gym in St. Francis, contact Jay Claymore at 747-2298 ext 263 or Roger Crow Eagle at 747-2297.

Seven Wives for Dracula, a Play in one act - Friday, Jan. 20 in the old gym on the Red Cloud School campus at 7 p.m., $1 admission

Oglala Sioux Lakota Housing Board Election -
Petitions issued on Tuesday, Jan. 17 with deadline for submission set for Tuesday, Jan. 31st .

Women's Volleyball League in Martin - Final lineups due Sunday, Jan. 22, call Tammy Greg at 685-6247 for information.

Private Pesticide Application Training - Thursday, Jan. 19 and Tuesday, Jan. 24 from 1-4 p.m. at the Library Learning Center in Martin for providing certification for ag producers who will be applying pesticide on land they own or operate in South Dakota - no charge, call Sandy Huber at 685-6972 for info.

YO Dance - Friday, Jan. 20 at the Porcupine YO Center from 8 p.m.-1 a.m. with 14-17 youth from 8-10pm and 28-21 youth from 10 p.m.-1 a.m., call 455-2415 for info.

OST Healthy Start Program Parenting Class -
Saturday, Jan. 21 at 10 a.m. in the Wounded Knee Community Center.

OST Council Regular Session -
Monday, Jan. 23 through Wednesday, Jan. 25 in Porcupine at the CAP Office with a hearing set for Walt Big Crow, council representative from Wakpamni District in Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge.

Exposures Youth Opportunity -
A cross cultural photography and art program for youth ages 14-22 with two sessions, two weeks in length set for Pine Ridge and Red Cloud high schools in June and July but deadline to apply is Tuesday, Jan. 24, call Henry Brown at 867-2153, In-Sight Photography Project at 802 251-9960 or Melanie at KILI at 867-5002.

Dakota Oyate Challenge -
Wednesday-Saturday, Jan. 25-28 in Huron at the Huron Arena featuring girl's basketball teams from Little Wound, Pine Ridge and Crazy Horse and boy's teams from Little Wound, Crazy Horse and Pine Ridge with girl's and boy's championship set for Saturday evening at 7 and 9 p.m.

Entrepreneurial Training Sessions -
Starting Thursday Jan. 27 at the college center in Manderson and to continue every Thursday night from 5-8 p.m. with community members from all districts interested in starting a business welcome to attend, call 455-6080.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye - Friday, Jan. 27 at Loneman School in Oglala with grand entries set for 1 and 6:30 p.m. with supper scheduled for 5 p.m.

RST Veterans Affairs sponsors housing needs forum

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The RST Veterans Affairs program sponsored a housing needs forum that was convened at the Rosebud Sioux Tribe Veterans building on Jan. 11. In a continuing effort to be responsive to Sicangu veterans the Veterans affairs program brought several entities together that described their programs, while fielding appropriate questions relative to veterans housing needs. Housing has been a critical need for homeless, single and married military veterans and today's forum highlighted some of the programs that are targeted specifically for veterans.

Orlando Morrison, RST veteran's service officer, initiated the forum. Morrison said, "We finally came together, SWA, TLE, BIA, and the VA. They need to work together as it takes awhile to get a home site. I wished there could have been more vets. There are a lot of good questions from the veterans here - this is a good start."

The Sicangu Wicoti Awanyakape Corporation was represented by Connie Bordeaux, acting coordinator of their veterans program, Emily Widow, secretary, Monica Hunger Larvie, contracting officer, and Larry Wright, environmental compliance officer. SWA director, Amos Prue spoke to the gathering toward the end of the day.

Nick Russo and Jocelyn Johnson, from the Regional Loan Center for Veterans in St. Paul, Minn. were in attendance to encourage more military veterans on the Rosebud to complete their application for a VA home loan. Russo said, "We have about 150 veterans, but only about eight have completed their applications for a VA loan. We are here to clear up misunderstandings about the program so more will apply. We can help fill out the packet, and you have to take care of the lease, the land, and the water. We can help by talking to the contractor."



SGU's Rodney Bordeaux questions Regional VA loan specialists Jocelyn Johnson and Nick Russo about VA eligibility.
Photo by Archie B. Beauvais

Russo said that the upper limit for a VA loan is $80,000.00 over 30 years. A veteran can also purchase an existing home or have one constructed. Morrison made

Please turn to Veterans: B2

Chippewa-Cree tribe launches get-tough meth campaign

ROCKY BOY, Mont. (AP) - Alarmed by "epidemic" methamphetamine addiction here, the Chippewa-Cree Business Committee last week adopted a get-tough plan to curtail the drug and treat those who become addicted.

Leading the charge is the newly created tribal meth advisory committee. The 12-member panel is tasked with curbing meth's spread across the reservation, using a combination of prevention, intervention, treatment and increased law enforcement.

The panel also is working to forge alliances with other area tribes and existing anti-meth groups.

The project will require participation by every tribal department, said tribal councilman and state lawmaker Jonathan Windy Boy.

"We want a more unified approach," said Windy Boy, who serves on the panel with other council members, department heads and local leaders.

Meth is a growing problem on the reservation, said Brenda Guardipee, director of the tribe's social services program.

The drug has caused client numbers



at the reservation's outpatient drug treatment center to rise. The number of meth-related child welfare cases also is growing.

In addition, more tribal welfare recipients are failing mandatory drug testing. And children as young as 12 have tested positive for the drug in the juvenile justice program.

"If it's accessible (to) a 12-year-old, it's easily accessible for anyone else," Guardipee said.

Large-scale drug dealers sometimes target reservations like Rocky Boy's as distribution hubs, according to the 9-page community action plan approved by the tribal council.

A federal court last year sentenced a drug runner for selling meth on reservations in Wyoming, Washington State, South Dakota and Nebraska. The man apparently exploited jurisdictional loopholes in law enforcement by targeting reservations.

Stories like that have Rocky Boy's officials on the offensive.

The Chippewa-Cree meth plan includes a lengthy list of goals. The get-tough strategies include an ordinance that would allow tribal housing officials to evict tenants who sell or distribute drugs.

Here are other highlights:

Workshops and community forums to educate the public about meth.

Please turn to Meth: B2

Old 1878 Buffalo Bill billboard restored, descendants of John Nelson invited to ceremony

BY MARIROSE MORRIS
Special to the Times

JAMESTOWN, N.Y - John Y. Nelson, Sr. is back in the news! In the mid 1860's, Nelson married Jenny Lone Wolf, daughter of Chief Smoke of the Oglala Lakota (Sioux) and sister of Red Cloud. He was a close friend of William "Buffalo Bill" Cody, a scout for the U.S. Army, a guide for Morman emigrants on their way to Utah, an interpreter for the Lakota, the Sheriff in Sidney, Nebraska, a teller of tall tales, and an otherwise impressive character.

In late spring of 2002, an exterior brick facade wall came loose from a building owned by the Civic Center Development Corporation in Jamestown, New York and was about to collapse. As a construction crew removed the last of the bricks on June 6, 2002, they discovered that the wood sheathing behind it had a 26'x10' billboard on it advertising a William Cody (Buffalo Bill) show in Jamestown. The largest single image that was still glued to the exterior wooden wall was approximtely 8' x 3.5" of a man standing, holding a rifle. Research identified him as John Y. Nelson, a "mountain man" who had a major role in the show.

The billboard was announcing the show "Buffalo Bill in his new theatrical drama.... May Cody" at the old Allen Opera House on March 14,



(L-R) Jim Nelson, Tom Nelson, Jenny Lone Wolf Nelson, John Y. Nelson with daughter Rose Nelson Ecoffey (later know as "Princess Blue Water."), Julia Nelson Goings, and John Y. Nelson, Jr.

1878. The images under these words include that of a young Buffalo Bill, waving his hat to an admiring crowd. A couple of prancing horses and a mule. Keith Schmitt, Acting Director of the Jamestown Arts Council was contacted and restoration of the billboard began. "We knew we had to act quickly,"

Please turn to Nelson: B2

Forum for veteran's housing needs

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the point that some veterans prefer to purchase a manufactured home so that there is minimal waiting for a home.

There is a strong desire by the Regional Loan Center for Veterans to collaborate with SWA to see if existing HUD homes can be purchased by veterans. Veteran, Cornell "Jack" Menard, asked if a veteran could purchase an existing HUD home through the VA and Monica Hunger Larvie said, "It can be explored. It is feasible. We are a tribal entity program with HUD money and regulations which we must follow. There are enrollment and income guidelines."

Kevin Boyd of RST Water Resources said that his office works to ensure that a homesite is located close to the Mni Wiconi pipeline. He said, "We make sure that it is a good place to put a house and that there is no contaminated sites." Russo noted that the VA does not contract for laying pipe, trenching or water; however it is something that the I.H.S. environmental office will do. Jerry Dillon, construction inspector at the environmental office said that I.H.S. requires an application, a legal description of the site, and proof of ownership or a BIA lease. Proof of tribal enrollment is also required. He said, "We do an MOA to do the contract work with the Rosebud Sioux tribe. We also do a design inspection." I.H.S. also ensures that an archeological assessment is completed so that the integrity of any cultural objects is left intact. Once the work is done, which is free of charge, it becomes the property of the home owner.

Larry Wright, SWA environmental compliance officer explained that a prospective home site assignee should actually go onsite and visually examine his assignment. When a home site is selected it is somewhat deceptive because it is done, initially, using a map and one cannot tell if the site is on the side of a hill or any other spot that maybe objectionable to the assignee.

Connie Bordeaux of SWA explained that they have a "Core" program for veterans. It is a single unit structure that has been designed for single and homeless veterans in mind. The value of the core unit is $40.000.00, however they are available to veterans at a cost of $10,000.00 to be paid over 15 years. A veteran can also add a bedroom or two after one year of occupancy.

Phyllis Whiteshield-Iyotte of White River who is the vice-chairperson of the SWA Corporation further explained the rationale for the Core program. She said, "Single veterans needed a place to go, and Orlando Morrison had a vision for the homeless veterans, veterans who did not want to be a bother to their families."

Robert Joe Moore, a U.S. Marine with the 5th Artillery Group served in the military from 1968-72 and was stationed in Twenty Nine Palms, Calif. and the Marine Barracks in Hawaii. He was at the Veterans forum to see if the 'Core' home or a VA loan to buy his own house was suited for his needs. He had been assigned a home site and it was partially fenced off.

The Veterans housing forum was successful in convening several entities on the Rosebud, including the regional VA office. It was an opportunity for RST Veterans Affairs director, Orlando Morrison to see what an initial effort to hold these kinds of meetings would look like. Given the long wait in applying for a home site to finally closing a VA loan and moving into a house, future meetings such as this one may attract many more Veterans who are in need of housing. It will take a good public relations effort to get the rest of the Veterans to a meeting, but it will be well worth it given the end product of adequate shelter for Veterans.

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The Lakota Oyate Wakanyeja Owicakiyapi, Oglala Lakota Integrated Child Welfare Services, is seeking two board positions for Lacreek and Wounded Knee Districts that will govern the OST chartered organization. Regularly scheduled Board of Directors meetings are held quarterly, and more often if necessary.

Are you committed to serving the children of the Oglala Sioux Tribe in an alcohol, drug free leadership position? Are you interested in working in a collective manner to seek a better way for the families and children of the Pine Ridge Reservation? Are you ready to participate in innovative development work to strengthen the infrastructure of the Oglala Sioux Tribal system that serves children and families? Can you commit to a two to four year term of office? Will you serve on a volunteer basis until funding is secured? Can you attend pre-selection Orientation?

Application packets can be picked up at the Casey Family Programs office in Pine Ridge or can be mailed by calling 867-5752. Closing date for completed application packets will be February 28, 2005 and must be turned in at the Casey Family Programs office in Pine Ridge.

Required attachments to the application include:

- **An alcohol assessment**
- **Drug test**
- **Tribal enrollment**
- **Three letters of references**
- **Letter of Intent**
- **Completed Application Form**

A background check will be required for all applicants.

If you are interested in serving in a strength-based way as a team player with true vision for the children of our tribe, please call 867-5752 for Tammy Red Owl or Emily Iron Cloud-Koenen if you have any questions or need more information.

New Lakota film group to meet Jan. 28

KYLE - The Lakota Film and Television Group will meet on Saturday, Jan. 28 at 11 a.m. at Piya Wiconi Center at the Oglala Lakota College, Kyle.

The Lakota Film and Television Group, a newly organized association of Native American and non-Native American film professionals, politicians, businessman and others that are working to build a more viable film and television industry in South Dakota.

Through networking, sharing resources, ideas and artistry the group's goals are to gain a higher profile for participating in film projects in the state and local region. New members are invited and welcomed.

"Motivation for Success: Education and Expanding Options", an education conference - Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 28 and 29 in Martin at the grade school from 8am to 4pm each day featuring Dr. Hap Gilliland and Dr. Kathleen Pickering combining education, workforce needs and career options.

Great Plains Indian Shootout Rodeo - Saturday, Jan. 28 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center Arena in Rapid City at 1:30 p.m.

Huge Flea Market -
Wednesday, Thursday, Feb 1 and 2 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day at the Porcupine CAP, call 455-24515 for more info.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye - Friday, Feb. 3 at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee, grand entries 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with supper at 5 p.m.

Meth campaign

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Public reports on the impact meth is having on tribal programs.

Programs to help communities police themselves, including forums where local churches, schools and groups can become involved.

Outreach assistance from other reservations.

Creation of a meth lab clean-up program, which the reservation lacks.

Development of a toll-free hotline so residents can anonymously report meth crimes.

Creation of a centralized registry to track meth offenders from one reservation to the next.

Development of a drug court, similar to a pilot program operating in Great Falls, as part of the treatment component.

Expanded traditional and contemporary drug treatment programs at the reservation's White Sky Hope Center outpatient drug treatment center.

All this is needed, Guardipee said, to prevent one of her biggest fears, that meth addiction will become an accepted part of the reservation landscape.

"We can't look at it like that," she said.

The key, said Windy Boy, is to create an environment where everyone is working together against methamphetamine.

It's also important to brainstorm innovative ways to fight the drug and provide effective addiction treatment, he said.

"We've been touched by this for a long time, and I think that fresh ideas and a new approach need to be done," Windy Boy added. "This is not going to go away."

The tribe plans to pay for the project with tribal funds and grants.

The next step is a Jan. 31 meeting with officials from a local meth task force, and later with the Fort Belknap Reservation tribal council.

Nelson find

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said Mr. Schmitt. "Some of the pieces were already coming away from the wall and blowing away".

John Y. Nelson, his wife Jenny and their five children traveled with Cody's theatre troupe and the Buffalo Bill Wild West Show. The children were John Y. Nelson, Jr., Julia Nelson Goings, Jim Nelson, Tom Nelson and Rose Nelson Ecoffey, also know as "Princess Blue Water."

Many of Nelson's descendants still live on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota and others are scattered throughout the Black Hills and the nation, including Roland "Schope" Goings, Charlotte Pulliam Anderson, Avalon "Happy" Marcillis, Tom Nelson, Ida Nelson Amiotte, Robert Ecoffey, Raymond High Eagle, Gwen Ecoffey Minhas, Nora Ecoffey Dowty, Iris Merrival Wilson, Darlyne Matthews Clements, Evelyn Ecoffey Eagle Bull, Mary Keith Page, Bonnie Goings Crawford and Midget Goings Coomes, Patrick Nelson, Frank "Popo" Means, Williamina Cottier White Eyes and Crystal Cottier Eagle Elk, Theda, Vivian, Norma and Buzz Nelson and many others. Well-known and now deceased celebrity James Coburn of Hollywood movie fame was also a descendant of John Y. Nelson, Sr.

Pat Anzideo, the Buffalo Bill Project Director, expressed the hope that members of the Nelson family will be able to attend the ceremony at 5 p.m. on Feb. 10, when the recently restored billboard image of John Y. Nelson Sr. is installed at the Reg Lenna Civic Center in Jamestown. For more information on this story and the upcoming ceremony, contact Pat Anzideo at flaxman@netsync.net or go to www.reglenna.com/buffalobill.html. Or you may contact Marirose Morris, granddaughter of Rose Nelson Ecoffey, at marirosemorris@yahoo.com.

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Standing Soldier and Black Bull excellent students



Kimmy Standing Soldier and Daylon Black Bull

PORCUPINE - The Porcupine School will be spotlighting their students on a weekly basis. This week's spotlight is Kimmy Standing Soldier and Daylon Black Bull.

Standing Soldier was born in Pine Ridge on Nov.10, 1989. She lives north of Porcupine Butte. Her parents are Mary Standing Soldier of Martin and Steve Hernandez of Kyle.

Standing Soldier has two brothers and four sisters. She enjoys hanging out with friends, watching her little brother play ball, and helps her sister with homework. Her favorite music is Mike Jones and 50 Cent. Her favorite animals are birds and cats.

Standing Soldier plans on going to high school at Little Wound High School, from there she would like to go to college to be a doctor. Her ultimate dream is to be the president of the United States. Black Bull was born in Pine Ridge on Aug. 18. His parents are Lamar and Dawn Black Bull of Porcupine.

Daylon has one brother and one sister. He enjoys playing basketball, his favorite music is rap, and he also enjoys watching Pimp My Ride on MTV. Black Bull has two dogs, and their names are Max and Big Boy.

After high school, he plans on attending college off the reservation to be either a lawyer or electrician.

Porcupine School teacher spotlight

Gifted and talented teacher dedicated to teaching



Ruth Weston

PORCUPINE - Ruth Weston attended college at Black Hills State in Spearfish. When she graduated college, she taught at Porcupine Day School from 1978-1986. Ruth then went to Pine Ridge for two years, Loneman for three years, and Little Wound School for seven years. She then returned to Porcupine in 1996 as the Gifted and Talented teacher and still holds this position.

In 1996, before Ruth went back to Porcupine, she went to school at University of South Dakota where she received her teaching certificate in Gifted and Talented, then applied for the Gifted and Talented position in Porcupine.

Weston enjoys going to bingo and attending rodeos. She lost her only son to an automobile accident. Ruth has no grandchildren.



Porcupine School Quills Boys Basketball A Team: Back row from the left: Jordan Spotted Eagle, Derek Marshall, James Flye, Derek Richards, Daylon Black Bull, coach Bodie Weston, Bottom Row: Charles Black Eyes Jr., Jacob Garnier, Ethan Tail, Joseph Marshall Jr.,



Porcupine School Quills Boys Basketball B Team: Back Row from the left: Shawn Tail, Byron White Dress, Jesse Pack, Cody Hornbeck, Jimmy Lucero, coach: Weldon Spotted Eagle, Bottom row: Pernell Running Shield, Austin Cummings, and Joe Thunder Hawk.



Porcupine School Quills Boys Basketball C Team: Back Row from the left: Nicholas White Bull, Ernest Weston, Randy Marks, Daniel Pawnee Leggins, Tylo American Horse, coach Andrew Cottier, Middle Row: Armad American Horse, Trevon Spotted Eagle, TJ Hollow Horn, Cody White Pipe, Bottom Row: Joseph Shangreaux, Delane Ghost, Robert Gay , Martin Mesteth.

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Clifton J. Apple, 48.....Kyle

CPL Brett Lee Lundstrom

BLACK HAWK - CPL Brett Lee Lundstrom, 22, USMC, of Black Hawk, died while serving with the United States Marine Corps on Saturday, Jan. 7, in Fallujah, Iraq. Brett was born on June 12, 1983, in Vermillion, to Ed and Doyla (Underbaggage) Lundstrom. He joined the Marine Corps in January 2003 and served in Afghanistan and Iraq. Brett was charismatic, with a kind and generous soul; always humorous with a smile that lit up any room or place he entered. Brett, an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, whole-heartedly served his country. Brett loved spending time with his family, friends and relatives and enjoyed his time in the Marines. He also loved his Washington Capitals and a variety of other sporting events. Brett attended many schools, as his father was a career Marine Officer. The family moved to many places and Brett made friends very easily.

He had a wealth of knowledge from all his travels. He is survived by his father, Edward Daniel Lundstrom of Detroit, Michigan; his mother, Doyla Carol (Underbaggage) Lundstrom of Black Hawk,; and his brother, Eddy Lundstrom of Fort Sill, Oklahoma; his maternal foster grandparents, Lynn Rapp and Darrell Campbell of Buffalo Gap;

Jim and Jackie Boensch of Rapid City; and his paternal grandmother, Donna Mae Munoz of Gering, NE. Brett was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Richard H. Lundstrom, maternal grandfather, Norman Underbaggage; and maternal grandmother, Hazel Theresa (Kill Straight) Underbaggage.

Wake services were held Saturday, Jan. 14. Rosary Service conducted at the Little Wound School Gymnasium in Kyle. Wake services will conclude on Monday, Jan. 16.

Visitation was Tuesday, Jan. 17, with a Rosary Service with Deacon Leo Oehrle officiating at Horan & McConaty Family Chapel in Thornton, Colo.

A Catholic Funeral Mass was held on Wednesday, Jan. 18, at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Northglenn, Colo., with the Rev. Joy Mathew Vazhackapara officiating with concelebrant Deacon Leo Oehrle.

Interment with a Committal Service was held at the Fort Logan National Cemetery with full military honors by the U.S. Marine Corps. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society in Memory of CPL Brett Lee Lundstrom.

Make checks payable to NMCRS or Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, and mail to 875 N. Randolph Street, Suite 225, Arlington, VA 22203-1977.

Serenity Springs Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements in South Dakota and Horan & McConaty Funeral Services was in charge of arrangements in Denver, Colo.

Jacob "Jake" Poor Elk Jr.

OGLALA - Jacob "Jake" Poor Elk Jr., 57, Oglala, died Sunday, Jan. 8, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Survivors include one sister, Marlena Blacksmith, Oglala.

Wake services were Thursday, Jan. 12, at Brother Rene Church Hall in Oglala. Funeral services were. Saturday, Jan. 14, at the church hall, with the Rev. Agnes Tyon officiating. Burial will be at St. John's Episcopal Cemetery in Oglala.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Dante Black Tail Deer

MANDERSON - Dante Black M. Tail Deer, infant, was stillborn on Jan. 11 at the Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include father Alton Black Tail Deer, Sr., Manderson and mother Amber Kills Crow, Cherry Creek, and a brother Alton Black Tail Deer, Jr., Manderson

Paternal grandparents are Martin are Christine Black Tail Deer, Manderson.

Wake services were Sunday, Jan.15at St. Agnes Church Hall, Manderson. Funeral services were Monday, Jan. 16 at St. Agnes Church Hall.

Officiating was Rev. Wendell Ghost Bear with traditonal Lakota services by Ricky Gray Grass. Burial was at the Black Tail Deer Family Cemetery in Manderson.

Arrangements were placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Brandon Joseph LaRoche

ABERDEEN - Brandon Joseph LaRoche, 19, Aberdeen, died Thursday, Jan. 12, , as the result of a car accident in Aberdeen.

Survivors include his mother, Alyce LaRoche, Aberdeen; his father, Martin LaRoche Sr., Aberdeen; three brothers, Shane LeBeau, Minneapolis, Marty LaRoche Jr. and Thomas LaRoche, both of Aberdeen; four sisters, Amber Laundreaux, of Eagle Butte, Michelle LaRoche, Cassandra LaRoche and Sarah LaRoche, all of Aberdeen.

Visitation was Jan. 17, at Spitzer Funeral Home in Aberdeen, followed by an all-night.

Funeral services were Wednesday, Jan. 18, at Melgaard Park Baptist Church, with the Rev. Neil Hannahs officiating. Burial was at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Aberdeen.

Trayzon Joseph Taken Alive

CHERRY CREEK - Trayzon Joseph Taken Alive, infant son of Toni Taken Alive and Marvin Bringsplenty, both of Cherry Creek, was stillborn Monday, Jan. 9, at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls.

Wake services were Jan. 15, at the UCC Church in Cherry Creek.

Funeral services were Monday, Jan. 16, at the church.

Burial was at UCC Cemetery. Luce Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Clifton J. Apple

KYLE - Clifton J. Apple, 48, died Jan. 13 at the Rapid City Regional Hospital of natural causes.

Survivors include brothers James Fast Horse, Wolf Creek; Everett Fast Horse, San Carlos, Ariz.; Dennis Apple, Cecil Apple and Farrell John Apple all of Pine Ridge.

Sisters Madeline Little White Man, Phoenix, Ariz.; Twila Hopkins, Kyle; Carla Apple, Pine Ridge.

Wake services begin Wednesday, January 18 at the Billy Mills Hall, Pine Ridge; a second night wake begins 1 p.m. Thursday at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Kyle.

Funeral services are 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 20 at Our Lady of Sorrows Church.

Officiating Rev. Rob Kroll and Rev. Francis Apple.

Burial at St. Stephen's Catholic Cemetery, Kyle

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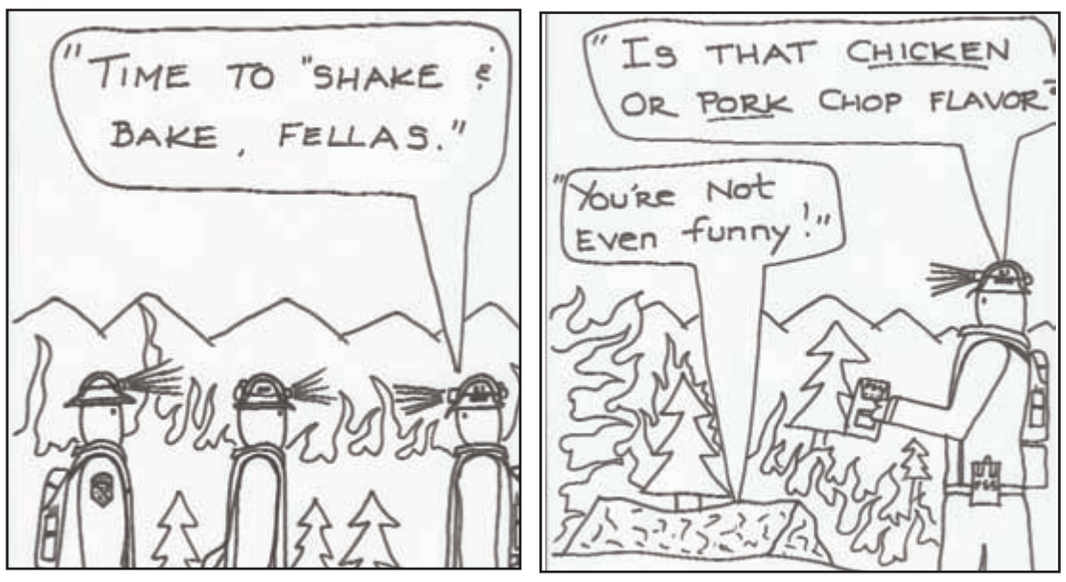
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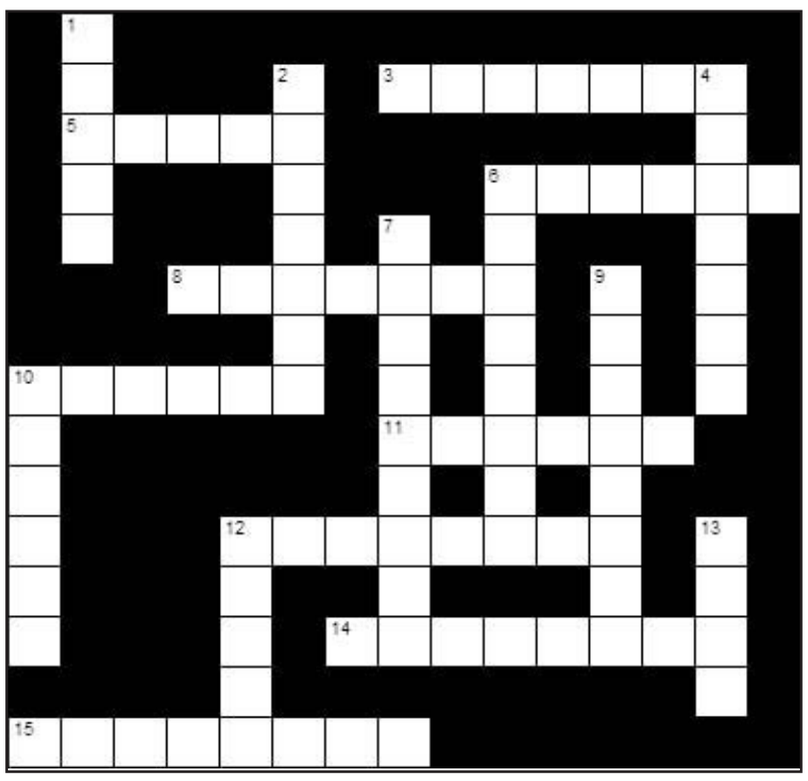
Lakota Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)

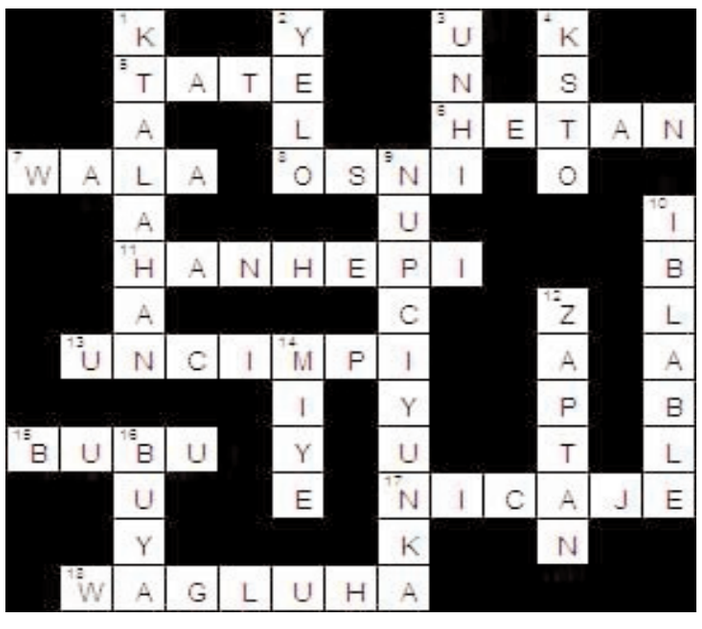
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5. half dollar
6. store
8. female cousin
10. penny
11. aunt
12. we eat
14. about then
15. orange

Down
1. law
2. frost
4. change
6. ocean
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Psychic - Clairvoyant

Dear Anna:

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We want to know why he is there with us. We need to know so we could get on with our lives. There is two of us women living there and we would like to know what he wants?

Sincerely Native Angel

Dear Native Angel:

I have talked with your visitor. He tells me that he is there to create understanding that we walk in more than one world.

He says that he is there to remind you of times that have gone by. He says, "I want them to pay attention to me, to give me a plate of food, to offer me a cigarette and coffee, and then I will go. I am here to remind them of their relatives that still are here but gone." He also says that he is not there to pester anyone, but to remind them that life never ends. Please, when you feed him and offer him tobacco pray and ask that the Spirits come and lead him home - that will help him. Sometimes people need help especially when they temporarily get "lost."

He means no harm.

Dear Anna:

I have noticed that some Lakota men have a tendency to pout and withhold affection. I have had to two relationships with Lakota men and they both have pouted on me when we didn't agree on something. I am a person that enjoys peace and compassion and don't like confrontation but more like good communication to work things out. I get discouraged when I try to get past that behavior and understand why they do that. I have talked to several other women and we agreed that this is a behavior that is more in older Lakota men, than the younger generation. Why is this?

Discouraged

Dear Discouraged:

I have noticed in my four years of counseling Lakota people, that there probably are more "pouters" among the Lakota men than I have seen elsewhere. It is a technique used to control someone else's behavior without verbalization. It is manipulative behavior. I am a white woman, so I cannot speak as a Lakota, but I feel that I do understand some of the roots of this common behavior.

It is a direct result (in my opinion) of oppression and the methods of control specifically related to the boarding school experience or learned behavior. It is a direct result of the dehumanizing treatment by the white European toward the Indian people. That treatment accurately reflects the horrible attitudes of the church and white government that the Indian people, especially the males, were "less than" their white counterparts. It was meant to dehumanize and de-spirit the Indian, and, sadly, it worked.

If the men would understand that pouting behavior is the behavior of a victim - not a man of balance and power, they would stop. If further, they would recognize it as an enforced pattern (designed on purpose) to destroy the mental well-being of the Indian people, they would stop. It is part of the genocide energy design to destroy a people by disrupting their ability to live in a graceful and loving way. Manipulation of children's behavior through disapproval, especially silence is abuse. It was a design with the intention to subvert the spirit of a person, through disapproval.

The Lakota woman have reacted a little differently in their response to this abuse.

They have become vocal, verbal, and sometimes when it is misdirected it is demonstrated through back-stabbing and gossip to try and control the outcome of someone else's experience, especially when they feel powerless or less-than in their own lives.

Men have taken it to the level of the "silent treatment." This behavior is so foul because it is not easily corrected. It is hard to discuss in person and in therapy because it is sometimes perceived as passive - but it is aggressive. Nonetheless, anyway you look at it, it is abuse. A woman that receives the pouting treatment will respond through frustration, a precursor to violence (even if suppressed).

The woman usually responds by trying to rectify the situation through getting to the "root" of the problem.

Usually, the "root" is a manufactured (mentally and emotionally manufactured) wrong - based on the understanding that the man is not powerful in his own life, that any disagreement with him or any personal path pursued with passion that does not include him, means he is not loved, and that your behavior that preceded his pout somehow means you don't give a rip what he thinks.

It is a good time for the mothers and fathers of boys in particular to help the children when they are young to release this nasty trait (passed on from generation to generation through dysfunction).

It is a parent's responsibility to teach their children that just because they don't always get their way, or you are not always in agreement with them, they are loved. Lakota men do not trust (generally) that they are truly loved, or for that matter, deserving of the love they have.

There is an additional note however, sometimes a pouty male may indicate the on-set of physical problems such as diabetes. In the meantime, we are all self-healers.

If you are a man, and you pout more than once a year, then heal yourself. You are being self-indulgent, spoiled, and unreasonable - and worse, you are participating in the energy of genocide.

You are destroying the love in your life. Women are people, and they will disagree with you (some think that IS their job). Please contribute to the woman you love's life by allowing her the freedom to be herself, understanding that her personal goals, her attention to others, her very nature to be compassionate (a reflection of the Mother Earth) and to support her friends does not mean she doesn't love you.

So quit trying to change her through silence, or she will be one of the many casualties in your life. Lakota men and women need to remember who they are, they have the four virtues and the seven values, the tools to become whole.

Dear Anna:

My grand father is very sick. He is very old, almost 60. Will he live? I don't want him to die, I want him to see me graduate someday.

Crying hard for my grandpa

Dear Crying:

I do see him recovering. He has a heart problem that will be corrected. He will see you graduate, both from grade-school and high school. Talk to him on the phone when he is in the hospital and see him a lot when he is home recovering. You will help him live a little longer. 60, sheesh, that is old, almost the same as me.

Dear Anna:

I lost my wallet. I have had everything duplicated and taken care of now, but I am crying over the pictures of my parents that I had - and there are no duplicates.

It may seem like a small thing, but can you help me find it? Do you see it being returned to me?

Still Looking

Dear Still Looking:

I do see your wallet near a dirty-clothes basket, beside a dresser near a cold air return (a grate in the floor).

It will fall out of some tangled clothes. It may be at your mother's house or your aunties - not at your house. You will find it - when you do - let me know.

Dear Anna:

I am a sophomore. When I graduate I want to leave the rez and this area. I want to go to school on the west coast.

The trouble is that my mom needs me to help with my younger brothers and sisters - and I want to go off and take care of myself to build a better financial future so that I can help my mom and my brothers and sisters. What do you see? Am I stuck here forever?

Feels like I'm gonna be stuck

Dear Feels Stuck:

Two years from now, when you graduate, I see you going to school in North Dakota for awhile - and then you may transfer to the west coast and continue until you graduate (or you may opt to go to school in Rapid City until you graduate).

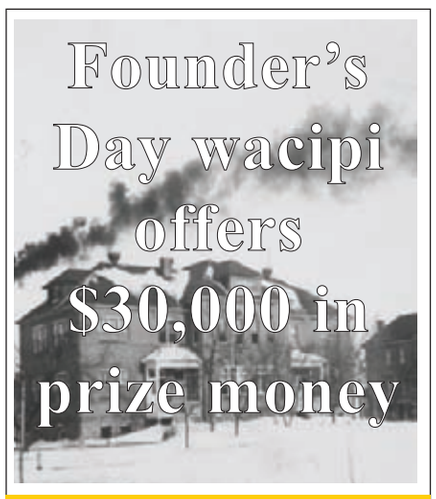
The Creator has special blessings in store for you for helping your mother and your siblings. I do see a time when you are able to help your family a lot financially and emotionally. Blessings to you.

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Council dismisses complaint on Scherich

Hires Adams as chief judge, Emery as associate judge and Roberts as tribal attorney

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent

PORCUPINE - Following council procedures, the council voted 9-7 with one not voting, to dismiss a complaint filed against Juanita Scherich, council representative from Medicine Root District, by the district. The Oglala Sioux Tribal Council met for their regular quarterly meeting on Monday in Porcupine.

Medicine Root District's complaint cited no written reports to the district, documented statements stating Scherich does not have to honor district resolutions and micromanaging of tribal programs, especially the TWEP program. Voting to dismiss the complaint included Garfield Steele, Mary Poor Thunder, Tom Poor Bear, Will Peters, Maxine Lakota, Valerie Janis, Kathy Janis, Craig Dillon and Lydia Bear Killer. Voting not to dismiss included, Bernard White Face, Austin Watkins, Paul Little, Philip Good Crow, Ella John Carlow and Ruth Brown.

A motion by Oglala council representative, Paul Little, to dismiss the complaint filed against Walt Big Crow was not recognized by tribal president, Cecelia Fire Thunder.

"A complaint against councilman Big Crow has already been accepted by the council and set for a hearing," said Fire Thunder, "I cannot recognize a motion to dismiss at this time."

Garfield Steele made a motion to move the hearing for Big Crow from Jan. 26 to Jan. 31 in Porcupine at the CAP Office and that the suspension remain in place until the hearing. Council voted 14-3 in approval.

After interviewing three candidates to fill out the unexpired term of OST chief judge, Cheryl Three Stars Valandra, the council voted seven for Lisa Adams and seven for George Patton and one for Judith Roberts. Patton decided to withdraw his name from the selection process, stating that he would be better suited to the tribal attorney position that he had already been chosen for and that he needed the rest of January and most of February to study for the SD state bar exam.

Over the concerns of Juanita Scherich about having someone who has federal Indian law experience and is a tribal member, the council entertained a motion by Lyle Jack and seconded by Kathy Janis to select Lisa Adams as

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QUICK HITS

Eyre to co-produce supernatural thriller 'Imprint' on Pine Ridge

RAPID CITY - Chris Eyre and the Linn Productions Company have issued a casting call for the movie 'Imprint' which will be a supernatural Native American thriller.

It will be a feature length movie which will be shot on the Pine Ridge reservation and the Black Hills area.

The storyline originally had been written about non-Indians living in a farmhouse somewhere in South Dakota, but was later changed to be about Native people living in a house.

Apparently, it was in response to Native actors claiming that there are relatively few contemporary acting parts for them.

The casting call is asking for Native actors age eighteen and up and other Native people fifteen and up to serve as extras for the movie.

Actors are encouraged to go to the Black Hills Community Arts Resource Center at 1202 E. St. Francis Street in Rapid City between the hours of 9:00 am and noon on January 28.

The Black Hills Film Resource Council and the Lakota Film and Television Group will also be at the casting call for 'Imprint' to register Native actors and production personnel for the BHFRC's new website according to the casting call.



Horse whisperer?

MARTIN - Unpo Wicahpi, daughter of Vonnie Bush and granddaughter of John and Devonna Bush enjoys a beautiful morning last week making a new friend by the name of Baby. Baby, the horse, belongs to Eldon Cassidy of Martin. Times staff photo.

Valandra to retire as state legislator after 16 years

BY TOM KATUS
Time's Correspondent



Paul Valandra

PIERRE - As a result of the American Civil Liberties Union suits filed on behalf of tribal litigants, there will be three new South Dakota Senate and two new House districts in Indian Country.

In District 27, formerly Shannon, lower Bennett and Todd counties will include all of the Pine Ridge Reservation and the counties of Shannon, Bennett, Jackson and Haakon (Philip); 26-A (A House district) will include the Rosebud Reservation and the counties of Todd and Mellette. Together with Tripp and Gregory counties, Todd and Millette will make up the new Senate District 26. The new District 21 Senate and House districts will include the Crow Creek, Lower Brule and Yankton Sioux Tribes in the counties of

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Public Safety releases information about surcharge

Tribal ordinances will allow dispatch to keep part of fee

BY WINONA L. RICHARDS-CRAZY THUNDER
Special to the Times

PINE RIDGE - Under a Public Law 93-638 contract with the Bureau of Indian Affairs the OST Department of Public Safety has upgraded the technology used to respond to 911 calls to the dispatch center. The dispatch center has ten dispatchers and two positions which are funded by 911 surcharge monies collected.

In May of 2004, OST ordinance 04-05 authorized the identification of telephone companies serving Oglala tribal members and the collection of a $1.00 fee for each customer per month. The surcharge would be divided up with seventy-five percent going to public safety and twenty-five percent going back to OST. The OST-DPS did exactly what intended to do and kept the technology in place.

Telephone companies were taxing the people living with the exterior boundaries of the Pine Ridge reservation. These taxes were then sent off reservation to other counties, like Jackson and Bennett County. The tax money collected from Lakota people was never sent back to the tribe. Jackson country used the 911 money to contract with Pennington County Dispatching Services. If you lived in the Wanblee area, for example, and called 911 Pennington County they would answer and call the OST-DPS dispatch and provide them with the information and tribal officers would respond. Bennett County did the same, as they contracted with the Winner Police Department which is 148 miles away. Bennett County collected the 911 surcharge money and sent it to Winner. If you lived in Allen, for example, Winner dispatch would call the Porcupine Dispatch center. All the money collected has not come back to the tribe, even though it was the OST-DPS tribal employees who did the work.

OST ordinance 05-32 was passed by the OST tribal council in August 2005 to address the issue of the money being sent off the reservation. The new ordinance which supersedes ordinance 04-05 changed the OST surcharge from $1.00 to $3.00. The money is put back into to OST-DPS dispatching services. It also stopped the fees collected by Bennett and Jackson counties. If you live on the reservation you only pay the tribal surcharge. Some phone companies even doubled charged customers for 911 fees, in the past.

If you will examine your phone bill, you will see a public utility tax and a state tax. Ordinance 05-32 stopped the flow of these taxes off the reservation and directed them back to the tribe. To date, there are four phone companies on the reservation. They are still having trouble collecting the tribe's surcharge fee, when they had no trouble collecting the fees when it was for Jackson and Bennett counties.

OST-DPS is working to keep the New World Computer Aided Dispatching system in place.

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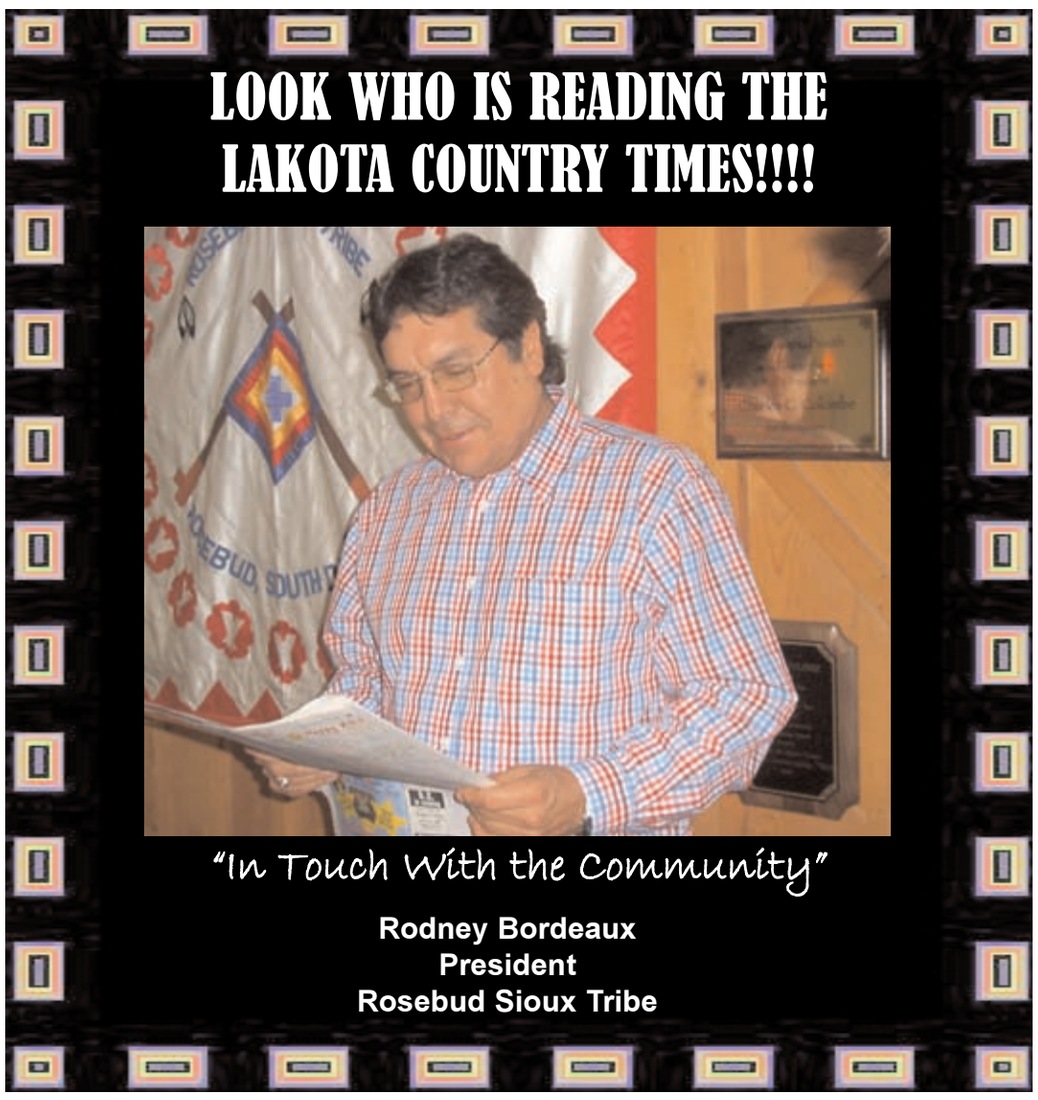
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OST council action

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a chief judge to fill the unexpired term of Three Stars Valandra and passed it 14-1.

Adams, a 1990 graduate of the Willamette University College of Law, has been the senior attorney for the Yurok Tribe of Klamath California since October of 2002.

From 1996 through 2002 Adams worked for the city of Newark as an assistant municipal prosecutor and community prosecutor and for the last 15 years has been married to Melvin Adams, a member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

A number of council representatives expressed frustration at not having a tribal attorney present for the council meetings, especially since the council had just hired two new attorneys. George Patton's contract was to be negotiated with the judiciary committee and approved by the executive board with the understanding that he would not be able to go to work until after the bar exam on Feb. 21 and 22.

Ruth Brown made a motion to hire Judith Roberts as a tribal attorney as long as she would be able to start on Tuesday; seconded by Mary Poor Thunder, the resolution passed 12-2. After earning a law degree from the University of North Dakota School of Law in 2004, Roberts worked as a managing attorney for the Dakota Plains Legal Service office in Ft. Yates, N. Dak. Although Roberts availability for work only three days a week due to a growing private law practice in Chadron, Neb. virtually eliminated her from consideration as chief judge, did not appear as a negative in her potential role as a tribal attorney.

Getting late in the day and with no other candidates in attendance to interview for the eastern side of Pine Ridge Reservation associate judge, the council voted 13-0 with two not voting to accept Steve Emery as an associate judge for the Oglala Sioux Tribal Court.

"For the youth, I would really like to make a difference," said Steve Emery, "I have worked for Dakota Plains for the last two years with a number of juvenile cases and that's where I would really like to make an impact."

Juanita Scherich made a motion to advertise the chief of police position with the OST Department of Public Safety, seconded by Garfield Steele and it was passed 12-0 with two not voting.

Congresswoman Stephanie Herseth made a special presentation to the council to talk about relations between the tribe and the federal government, about economic development, health care, tribal gaming, education, elders, wind energy and methamphetamines.

Council representatives expressed concern about the Bureau's roadblocks to the tribe's wind energy plans, wanted to know about investment in education, resources for health care and the state's unwillingness to negotiate in good faith a fair gaming compact.

The council was to continue Tuesday and Wednesday in Porcupine, return the following Tuesday for the hearing for Big Crow and have a special session to deal with economic and business development committee issues on Feb. 1.

Henry "Clyde" Red Shirt dies at age 70

PINE RIDGE - Henry "Clyde" Red Shirt, age 70, died at the Ft. Meade Medical Center in Sturgis on January 22 of natural causes. Red Shirt was a Korean War veteran having served in the U.S. Army. He lived most of his life on the Pine Ridge reservation, having served for a time as an Oglala Sioux Tribal judge. He also lived for a time in the 1960's in Casper, WY.

Wake services for Red Shirt will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 28 at the Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge. A second night wake will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 29 at Red Shirt School. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday January 30 at Red Shirt School. Rev. Webster Two Hawk, Sr. will officiate with burial at the Christ Church Episcopal Cemetery in Red Shirt.







Valandra to retire after 16 years

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Brule, Buffalo, Charles Mix, Jones and Lyman.

"Because we've been redistricted, I'm retiring," announced state representative Paul Valandra. Valandra is the dean of Native American Legislators. He has served eight years in the South Dakota senate and eight in the house, for a total of 16 years. Only the late Dick Hagen served longer. "We need to get fresh new folks in the legislature," concluded Valandra.

He did not agree with ACLU's redistricting suits. Instead of the 65 percent Native population required for pre-clearance under Federal law to develop new districts 27 and 26-a, he felt ACLU should have pushed for at least 70 percent native population. He pointed out that only in recent years have reservations began to register and vote in large numbers. "This was at least partially due to the millions of dollars pumped in by the Democratic candidates and non-partisan tribal voter organizations the past two election cycles, due to the tight Johnson-Thune and Daschle-Thune races.

"This year with no major statewide races, are our people going to vote or revert to their earlier patterns. If they do revert, we may actually lose tribal representation for our people. Also, I do not believe it was a good idea to split up Pine Ridge and Rosebud into two separate districts. Our two tribes need to work more closely together," said Valandra.

Valandra is a quiet, unassuming representative and former senator. Some of his detractors, Indian and whites, accuse him of becoming one of the, "Good Ol' Boys." However, it is the good ol' boys who run the legislature. Being accused of being one of them may well make Valandra's behind the scenes low key style quite effective.

This style has already been helpful in lining up support for the Tribal College Bill. While senators Two Bulls, Adelstein, and Dempster will co-sponsor the bill, Valandra's behind the scenes lobbying and educating the respective senators has much to do with their sponsorship.

In addition to his 16 years in representing Pine Ride and Rosebud in the state legislature, Paul has long worked for both tribes. He was born in 1953 and bounced around the world with his military family.

His father, a US Airborne paratrooper, was stationed in Ft. Bragg, N.C., Ft. Campbell, Ky..; and France. As a child, Paul learned French while his dad was stationed in France. He still speaks some French today.

He returned to Rosebud at age 13 and graduated from Todd County High School. He volunteered and served in the marines, rising to Sargeant in the mid seventies. Following his military service, he served as a counselor at Oglala Lakota College. He took some courses at OLC and later enrolled at Black Hills State University and the University of South Dakota. In 1984, he was elected to the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council. He later worked for RST's JTPA program and is currently a faculty member at Sinte Gleska University's Scott Bordeaux Leadership Institute teaching American Government. He has a small ranch outside of Mission and owns the "Eight Mile Road" trailer court in Mission. Paul has four grown children: Elijah, who lives in Mission, Teri and Rachel, who are attending Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell and Sarah, who is attending culinary school in Sioux Falls.

When asked what was his greatest legislative accomplishment, he stated it was getting the racist Blashfield Mural at the entrance to the Governor's office covered. The press claimed that then Governor Janklow agreed to cover it after being embarrassed by a Rosebud elder. Paul felt that story peddled by the press was simply to provide Janklow some cover.

"The real reason he backed down was because of the activism of the OLC students who came to the Capital repeatedly in large numbers to protest. CNN was covering the confederate flag protest as a symbol of racism in the South. Janklow got wind that they were coming to South Dakota to give national coverage to the racist mural. That's the real reason he backed off and it was the OLC student activism that led to the legislation to cover the mural. It was my honor to support them," he concluded.

When asked what was his greatest disappointment he stated, "While the mural is covered, it is still there".

He did not agree with Tom Shortbull that nothing of significance for Native Americans has been accomplished in the state legislature. "I was first elected to the senate in 1990 the same year as senator Rounds. We became good friends. He is like night and day compared to Janklow. If you work quietly with him and his staff much can be accomplished. In addition to changing the tone of the dialogue and demonstrating true respect to tribal initiatives, the Governor has delivered.

For example, the late Dick Hagen, he and others worked annually to support a nursing home on one of the reservations. The passage of the bill in Hagen's name to provide $500,000 toward a pilot nursing home on CRST is significant.

"In the early nineties, the balance of power was much closer. From 1993-1995 we even had a majority of Democrats in the senate. That majority made legislation like the tribal college bills, at $50,000 passed annually for three successive sessions possible. Unfortunately, Janklow never allowed any of these funds to be dispersed. These days we have to find friends on the other side of the aisle to move our agenda forward. Governor Rounds, Senator Adelstein, and others would certainly qualify as among these Republican allies," he said.

Surcharge

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Ordinance 05-32 has directed all calls from Bennett, Jackson and Shannon counties to the Porcupine Dispatch center. The ordinance also says that the communications center shall be provided with GPS locator ANI/ALI trunks to become Phase II wireless and mapping for the reservation. This will enable dispatch to find out where you are calling from. The trunks cost $1,500 per month for each of the four phone companies. This is where the $3.00 surcharge is applied as it helps to pay for the trunks so we can become Phase II. Dispatch also has its own phone bills to pay, as well as other associated costs.

OST-DPS feels that the people of the Pine Ridge reservation deserve the same quality of service as non-Indians off the reservation. The dispatchers entered into an estimated 70,000 calls for service from Jan. 2005 to Jan. 2006. The average number of calls per month to 911 dispatch average 400-700 calls.

Our OST-DPS tribal dispatchers have a very challenging job and it is proud to have the dispatch personnel and supervisors on board. Both OST ordinances 04-05 and 05-32 have helped to protect our tribal sovereignty.

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The Lakota Film and Television Group is increasing its profile

RAPID CITY - The Lakota Film and Television Group is a new organization of Native American and non-Native professionals, businessman and politicians who are committed to building a better film industry in the state. The goal of the group is achieve a higher public profile, thus better access to film projects which may be shot in the state and local region.

Karla R. LaRive one of the spokespeople for the Lakota film group wrote, "The Lakota Film and Television Group is a collective of Native and non-Native people whose goals are to empower themselves in the film and television industry. The group has 30 plus members and meets once a month to network, share resources, ideas and artistry in order to gain higher profile for participating in film and television projects in the state." She

LaRive of Studio West Management explained that she has been working closely with Moses Brings Plenty in advancing the film group. She said, "Moses' intent was to start a group that would look out for Native interests. It is a working name at this point. We need to expand the name to include different tribes." The Lakota Film group will be at the casting call for the movie "Imprint" and will be working with the Black Hills Film Resource Council to sign up actors, extras, directors and production personnel. She noted that Buzz Two Lance understands the organization well as far as its ideas and philosophy were concerned.

LaRive said that she and Brings Plenty have testified before the state's tribal-state relations committee on the need to elevate the profile of the Native film industry in the state. She said,"We rely on the talents of all people in South Dakota. The big interest is Native people. The state should not ignore this fact. We have made a lot of headway with the committees."

FEMA adding up storm damage

ABERDEEN (AP) - The Federal Emergency Management Agency has 17 field officers in South Dakota to verify damage reports from the November ice and snow storms.

Another 50 or so support people are processing the field officers' reports, said Dennis Lowery of FEMA's regional office in Denver.

The field work is expected to last well into February, but some federal money to replace damaged property is expected to begin flowing into South Dakota by the end of January, Lowery said. Preliminary estimates indicate $18 million in damages in 25 counties and two Indian reservations that were declared a disaster area.

FEMA will reimburse 75 percent of the cost of eligible damages, with the money funneled to the state.

There was not enough damage to private property to qualify for a federal disaster, Lowery said.



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OPINION PAGE

Our views

Success of our tribe is our family, community structures

The *Lakota Country Times* is committed to preserving and transmitting positive cultural values and behavior to the younger Lakota generations to come.

We have a viable and living culture that is still very much alive in the elders who are sometimes very articulate in their pleas and perspectives. We are fortunate that we have elders who will share in Lakota their fears and dreams.

The media, the schools, parents, and other role models are charged with the responsiblity of sharing positive and desirable values. When it comes to violence, drugs and drinking and other unacceptable behavior, it is a responsiblity that we all share in.

We need to find ways to inspire our youth and discourage them from engaging in such behaviors.

The answer may be in giving out good incentives to those who are striving to be good all around tribal citizens.

When we are informed about those things that are plaguing our communities, it is up to all of us to share in the solutions.

The schools should be dreaming up new lessons to expose children to excellent role models and careers which are exciting and within the grasp of all Lakota children. We really do need to improve the quality of life on the Rosebud and Pine Ridge reservations as we all live here and we are not going anywhere soon.

Frank King III wrote a 'forum' piece in the *Rapid City Journal* in which he says that violence is embedded in reservation life and that it is a slap in the face for those who are doing good to blame it on the system.

He says that if one commits a crime against a tribal member, then that person should be banished from the reservation. That is an excellent idea.

He also says that Lakota families need to take hold of their families and discipline them at a young age.

Finally, he writes that, "If anyone is killing our people, it's our own people. And we when we understand this and stop blaming others and stop playing victim, only then can we stand in true liberation."

In all the success of our tribe, is the success of our family structures and our communities and finding ways to strengthen them.



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Other Views

A racial incident: what would you do?

Dear Editor:

This happened to my daughter-in-law recently at a local grocery store here in Rapid City where she works. (I won't identify the store because this probably could have happened (and does happen) at any store here in Rapid City.)

My daughter-in-law is a cashier, a very good one, with several years of experience and a very professional attitude, though she is only 21.

They love her at the store because she always has a big smile and can bag really quickly on her own. Customers are served, out of the store and on their way with little delay.

She is however, the only Indian cashier.

Two men, dressed in cowboy hats and western clothing, deliberately chose her line to pay for their items. There were three other cashiers working, but these cashiers were about three or four checkstands away from her.

My daughter-in-law immediately smiled and asked them if they found everything they needed, as she always does.

One (white) man remarked, "look, they let wild Indians work here." My daughter in law was upset, but continued to smile and remain professional, scanning their items. She told them how much they owed, while the other white man remarked, "look she even knows how to count!"

The first cowboy threw down a $20 bill, which the moving rubber counter immediately swept under the counter.

She found it and picked up the $20, rang up their purchases and proceeded to try to give them their change. The first white man refused to let her put the change in his hand, telling her he didn't want her to touch him. He told her to put it on the counter. She then put the money down on the counter, still smiling like a professional, and the two men grabbed their change and walked away, calling her names which I can't even type for you, but I am sure you can imagine...

The man behind these two @#$%@!! noted to my daughter-in-law how rude these men were. She agreed and still held her head high, smiled, and served the rest of her customers before asking someone for some time to go to the break room, where she proceeded to cry her eyes out.

She called her mother, who of course (as I would say the same thing) told her to leave, no job is worth that kind of humiliation. But my daughter in law is a professional, she has integrity, and she didn't want to leave her employer shorthanded or leave the job in such a bad way. She wanted to stay and finish her shift, so her mother told her to go tell the shift manager.

The shift manager was very surprised and I believe upset for her also. Not one of the other checkers or the manager were aware this had happened.

They immediately instructed her she had the right to refuse service to those men at that time, and refuse in the future if they came in again. They instructed her to turn off her light, refuse service, and call the manager and/or security. They did allow her to go home early. Still, my daughter-in-law is reconsidering whether a job at that grocery store is worth it.

When my daughter-in-law told me we both cried. It still makes me cry to think that our children can still be treated like this, in 2006, here in Rapid City!

I know there are other instances...I have heard...Racism and prejudice are alive and well here in Rapid City.

We need to encourage and teach our children not only how to hold their heads up high with integrity and pride in heritage, but also how to utilize every available process to address these situations immediately. My daughter-in-law and my boys are all pretty vocal and speak up when they see someone being treated wrong. But when this type of thing is perpetrated upon you, and in public, and at work, what do you do? What if you get fired because you did something about it?

We also need to encourage others to speak up when they see someone suffering racial slurs and recriminations. (Like the man standing behind these guys!) And if they are too afraid to speak up, at least go tell someone in charge!

Please pass this around to everyone you can. And send your suggestions or comments to me, especially encouraging ones - I would like to show them to my daughter-in-law!

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Northern Perspectives

It's a powerful experience to pray in the Lakota language



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

In Lakota life, when you ask someone to offer a prayer, protocol says that everyone should extend honor to that person. Duwe Lakol wicokan e t i k i y e wocekiya usipi, hantas he wicasa ki iyuha g l u o n i h a n p i waste.

It is a powerful experience to be able to pray in Lakota, as the ability to do that is diminishing just a little. Lakota un wocekiya oyakihi hantas he lila wasake. Lehan ota hecun unkokipsni. We should not have to be told that we need to treat that person with genuine respect. When one offers an invocation he or she is speaking on behalf of the people. It is an honor for them to represent the people before tunkasila. Duwe Lakol wacekiyapi cansna oyate eyuha wacecunkiciciyapelo.

It is one of those unwritten rules that Lakota people adhere to, but in this newer age people simply choose to ignore such cultural rules. One time when in 1977 (Not that good of a memory) I interrupted a conversation by Bill Schweigman and Stanley Red Bird, Sr. to ask a definition of a word and I learned a cultural rule right then.

I could hear Mr. Scheigmann tell Stanley in Lakota that if one wants to learn a Lakota word, protocol dictates that you sit and listen and learn.

That was a cool lesson for me, as it taught me not only to respect them as elders, but also not to be interrupting. I wrote about that experience during my first semester at Harvard University in a class called 'ethnography' and the professor thought it was noteworthy.

Ehani, 1977 hehan c'ele, Bill Schweigmann nahan Stanley Red Bird woglakahanp. Slolowasni ca,oglanaka wiyunge wanji wahotin.

Hecamu ca Schweigmann ki, lesto; duwa Lakota wicoiye sloliye cin, hantas owanjiyankapi nahan anagohptan yankapi hantas hecela Lakota unspekiyapikte.

We often hear of a sacred circle or hoop in Lakota life that includes all the people.

Some say that if anyone within that circle is absent, saddened or abused then the rest of the circle is able to share in their loss. The circle is a powerful way to explain the connection that the people have to each other. As each of us is able to think about our relatives, past and present, we can see how that circle widens.

The belief in a continuing hocoka is a view that many Lakota work to understand and see its relevance. Many of those who practice Lakota spirituality already know of its existence and importance to Lakota people.

It is crucial to think of how this connection encircles each of us in order for us to feel apart of it. Some who do not put much stock in its relevance to daily life seem to be the ones who choose to ignore its cultural application.

So, when we ask Lakota people of offer up prayers or do an invocation, it is culturally inappropriate to criticize them in other settings or work together to negatively impact their lives or their family.

For example, you can see how such negativity impacts a father who is trying to lead his family. If a father is somehow impacted then it filters down to his family and affects their quality of life.

We have to conclude then, that not everyone believes in the 'circle' as central to Lakota life. That leads us to think that either they are not Lakota or Lakota in their belief systems even though they may work amongst us.

The 'circle' is an enduring concept that is simple in its design, but as a cultural symbol it unites those who believe in like ways.

Hocoka ki Lakol wicohan hetan han. Duwa hecunse iyukcan hantas he lila wasake. Duwa hocoka opa cansna he ungluonihanpi waste.

Congrats! To President Lionel R. Bordeaux for celebrating 35 years at Sinte Gleska University. Tahansi Lionel will host a number of Lakota nations during the SGU Founders Day celebration and it should be a grand event. I was proud to do my part for 20 years and utilize my credentials to further SGU's university status.

I look forward to the next generation of young Lakota people to lead in educating the people of the Rosebud.

We need more of our own to lead our own, as Lionel has, and help future generations to foster a greater degree of self-determination.

Waniyetu ota owayawa wankatuya ki he oinitacan ca le anpetu ki ungluonihanpi.

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The need for accurate journalism

Dear Editor:

Change! This seems to be the battle cry of a majority of the Oglala Lakota adversely affected by the aspects of poverty and dysfunctional tribal government. The solution to correcting this appears in the form of a double-edged sword. The need to implement change is more than evident, however, there are those from the "old guard" who are content to just maintain the status quo.

When the media enter the fray, it makes a tough job ten times harder. I have always asked of this current administration to put their self-centered thinking aside and to focus on the big picture. In my mind I'm not asking for too much, but I might as well be asking for the moon

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Things to empower yourself

Respecting elders should be taught as a traditon in all families



By Patty Pourier

Lakota culture has a wonderful tradition of respecting elders. So what does that mean, "respecting elders".

I grew up in a white middle class child in a racially mixed community of Martin. As a child, I was taught that children should be seen and not heard. I was taught not to "back talk" to my parents or teachers. I have friends that address elders formally with, "Mr. or Mrs.". I have a nephew (who's dad is from Texas) that addresses elders "Sir and Ma'am".

I attend a church where the Ten commandments are taught, "Honor your father and your mother" being one of them. However, every second Sunday is potluck, and all the children rush to the front of the line, college kids go next, followed by young adults and middle aged and dead last are the gray haired grandmas and grandpas, some of which are barely able to walk. I have attended countless gatherings on the Pine Ridge Reservation, and I cannot remember a time the elders did not eat first.

I was fortunate enough to see elder respect, in the traditional Lakota way, in action at the Bennett County Nursing Home last week.

My Grandma has been in the facility for about five years. She suffers from Alzheimer's. The disease has changed her personality from a soft, kind, reserved, proper school teacher type to a feisty, naughty, sometimes, old person. She has not known anyone for quite some time.

Taking care of her has become more and more difficult, as her personality has become more difficult and her body gives up. She has relied on the staff and my Aunt Nadine to keep her fed and bathed. These two basic tasks, I take for granted, have become monumental tasks with Grandma.

Last week when I was there, the staff tried to move her and she yelled, "How can you be so mean, that hurts!"

And yet, the two Lakota women, who moved Grandma to the recliner so they could change her bed, were kind, and gracious with their care. One of them called her Miss Fosse, which was her maiden name over 60 years ago.

It was an enduring name; respecting the fact Grandma's mind is sometimes living in the time warp of over 60 years ago. I am sure, it was difficult many times to treat Grandma the way the two women did, as she has become very difficult over the years.

It wasn't just Grandma the staff was respectful to; it was the rest of the residents as well.

It seemed to make no difference if the person was Native, or Norwegian, male or female, capable of walking or bed ridden, the respectful treatment was given to all, equally. Both Lakota and non-Indian staff members seemed to work together with unity.

In contrast, my Uncle Jim, who also in the same nursing home, is 90 years old and can still play cards. So, I assume he has most of his mind. He takes all of his meals in his room. When asked why, he told me it is because he does not want to eat with a bunch of Indians.

I am ashamed of his response.

I salute the staff at Bennett County Nursing Home and give them my heartfelt thanks for the thankless job they do day and night.

I think "respecting elders" should be taught as a tradition in every family, no matter what you ethnicity might be.

Notes From Indian Country

When did politics and religion become one?



By Tim Giago
(Nanwica Kciji)

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When I was young and living on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation at the Pejuta Haka (Medicine Root) Community my father said to me, "There are two arguments you will never win and they are about politics and religion." Never in my wildest dream did I ever think that in the 21st Century those two arguments would be reduced to one. It seems to me that today politics and religion are interchangeable.

From the history books I learned that in years past nations were ruled by Popes and great battles were fought between Christians and Muslims. Now let me see; on which side were the infidels? No matter how it is sugar-coated, there is still a war going on between Christians and Muslims.

One would be a fool to believe that the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan are political wars only. It seems that the enemy of the Americans is using religious battle cries of Jihad or God is Great before pulling the switch on their suicide belts. Their martyrdom opens the gates of Heaven to them immediately.

And yet the reasons the suicide bombers kill and maim are firmly rooted in politics because, in their minds, religion and politics cannot be separated. In the lands where Mullahs rule, the politics of the nation are solidly based upon religious beliefs. In other words, the laws of politics are the laws of the Quran.

Ironically, in America, we now are faced with a leadership that leans heavily upon religious convictions when making political decisions. President George W. Bush publicly flaunts his deep religious feelings perhaps assuming that all Americans believe exactly as he feels. And once again we are observing the infringement upon the rights of individuals by those who believe that the laws of the land should be based upon the laws of the Bible. Should our laws be based on the Bible just as the laws of Islam are based upon the Quran?

Even in a sparsely populated state like South Dakota the religious right has assumed control of the legislative body and too often inserts its religious opinions into legal or political decisions. In America a "red state" can be labeled as "God fearing," while a "blue state" can be accused of being "Godless." When did this Nation come to this ridiculous condition?

History tells us that the Indian people of the Southwest, the Pueblo, were deeply religious, but it was the wrong kind of religiosity. It wasn't Christian enough. The Spanish conquistadors murdered, maimed and indoctrinated those who did not embrace Catholicism.

The Pueblo men and women were reduced to slavery while their children were forced into schools where their language and customs were beaten out of them, or so the conquerors believed. But some religious beliefs die hard, and the people of the Pueblos kept their spiritual beliefs underground until it was safe to bring them into the light.

What happened to the indigenous people of the Western Hemisphere should be used as a lesson to the rest of America. The new religious leaders scoffed at their spiritual beliefs and forced conversion became the law of the land.

One of the fastest growing religions with the youngest population now thrives in the Muslim world. They believe their religion is the only true religion. Sound familiar? They believe it is not only all right, but a religious duty for young Muslims to sacrifice their lives to kill non-believers.

Sixty years ago the Americans first encountered those who believed it was their religious responsibility to crash their planes into the war ships off the coast of Okinawa. The word Kamikaze literally means "Divine Wind." It was perplexing to the ideologies of the Americans then and it is perplexing to the Americans of today.

Americans are not trained by religion or politics to take their own lives to destroy an enemy. It is a totally foreign concept. Muslims are taught at a very young age that martyrdom is a state of honor.

To read a newspaper today or watch a television newscast creates an almost surreal world. The suicide attacks upon Iraqi civilians and upon American soldiers seem to run together so that it is hard to separate one attack from the other. And of late the attacks are becoming too numerous to register as real. But from the photos of the burned out cars and mangled bodies, we know that they are only too real.

When American politicians decided to tackle the Muslim world they grabbed a tiger by the tail and now they cannot decide how to let go. If they let go too soon the tiger will surely kill them.

Unforeseen circumstances have turned Iraq and Afghanistan into religious wars. After all, weren't the Taliban Muslim fundamentalists?

My father could never have known that when he advised me many years ago to never argue politics or religion that they would eventually become one and the same.

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Councilman responds

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for all the good it does.

What is responsible journalism? Is it unbiased? Is it fair? Do you present both sides or do you just make things up as you go along depending on your own personal views? How much of a story is dictated by the writers own ulterior motives? Or most accurately, what is the writer's personal stake in the story? Is he/she contributing to the well being of the people?

Or are they forsaking accurate journalism to take the opportunity to appear holier than thou to bash the truth and replace it with outright lies? Is this done unknowingly? Or is it done with purpose?

A good case in point, Tim Giago's version of what transpired is the impeachment proceeding of president Fire Thunder.

Well first of all, the man was not physically there, how can you presume to make the readers think that they are getting an eye witness account? Looking at that simple fact, one can only assume that the article was written on here-say.

If he were actually there, he would have seen that it was not Webster Poor Bear's presence that was being questioned, but rather his brother, Councilman Tom Poor Bear. I have known these twobe like many of us, warriors for the people, enough said.

If Mr. Giago were actually there, he would have seen that it was not a council representative who made the argument that argument came from the complaintant, William Bird Necklace.

On a sad note, the "dragging on for no apparent reason" as Mr. Giago so ignorantly termed it, was so that we could hear from the Lakota elders, we have every reason to listen to our elders, and they are the keepers of the wisdom and truth. For that, I believe Mr. Giago owes the elderly an apology.

As for the "serious connotations to tribal government," come now sir, get real, I can't believe you even went there. I am not going to even try to enlighten you.

These things you should already carry in your heart, if you are indeed what you present yourself to be. Lakolya Ta Chunku Luta Wasunspewicakiya emaciyapi, nis, taku eniciyapi hwo?

Now I know you know your Lakota name, but what is the essence of the person carrying that name? One with such a name should not be so out of touch with his people.

And finally, if indeed Mr. Giago took a little more time to research his topic, he would have found that the complaint I presented had indeed gone through the process laid forth by the rules of impeachment in accordance with the relevant tribal ordinance. In short, all the I's were dotted and all the T's were crossed. I will supply you sir, the document pertaining to the rules of impeachment and you will see that I was without a doubt legitimate in my actions. I did not make these rules sir, but I try to follow them even though I know that many do not.

To term the action as "ridiculous" is just a smart man's way of using his intelligence to assist those whose only concern is to maintain the negative status quo which enjoys political power and access to Tribal funds. However, what is ridiculous beyond belief is the fact that there has been corruption associated with tribal government for decades now. If one is in touch with his people, then he knows this.

What truly saddens me is in this case, is Mr. Giago's frivolous and inaccurate reporting of the facts. I once admired this man, now he stands as a question mark. As I reflect on Mr. Giago, I recall that he once made a good challenge to the late governor George Mickelson. Now I wonder, is this man as good at accepting challenges as he is at issuing them?

If so, then on behalf of the Lakota Oyate and the true integrity of tribal government, I now bring forth a "good challenge" of my own.

I challenge you Sir, as though I was staking myself to Unci Maka, to meet me face to face. Sit down with me in a good way and let me discuss and show you, that of which I speak. After which, we will see you and I as Lakota are up to the greater challenge of stopping corruption so that our people will live a better life.

Stopping corruption is the single hardest task adversely affecting our people now. Many good Lakota people have tried, and many have failed.

So I challenge you Sir to walk with me, I pray that your heart is as strong as mine for I love my people. In the end, let us see if we are both worthy of being called Lakota. Ta Chunku Luta Waunspewicakiya he miyelo, hece tu welo!

And oh, the 666 thing, teach me about that, for my spiritual beliefs do not cover that. Show me what 666 means, if it means something to do with wakan sica, I think I can help you see were it truly lays. Are you up for the challenge?

Will Peters
Pine Ridge Tribal Councilman
Pine Ridge, S.D.

Other Views

Return of the sacred calf Pipe to be discussed on Feb. 3

Dear Editor:

When "Pte San Win" brought the buffalo calf pipe bundle to the "Itacipa Cola" band of the Lakotas she gave specific instructions only to pray to Tunkasila to stop the worst of anything that will cause destruction to the natives of this country. Even the present buffalo calf pipe keeper does not know this as well as all of the natives so they misused this very sacred ceremony in performing marriages, naming ceremonies, even praying for snow for the skiers, sweat lodges, world peace, churches and worst of all, praying for bad things to happen to someone. These are not the intent of the buffalo calf pipe.

My reason for writing about this important sacred ceremony is there are some bad things coming to our people and if we cant do anything to stop it then everyone will suffer. When something really bad is happening to us what are we going to do? Let our people die? When "Peta San Win" brought the bundle, she gave seven special instructions of praying with the pipe and seven instructions of life. I know the present buffalo calf pipe keeper does not know the instructions and now it is time to return the buffalo calf pipe to the original band of the Lakotas, the "Itacipa Cola."

The Lakotas have a traditional law that when a woman marries into another band of natives, her children and herself will become members of those natives.

Our grandfathers made this traditional law before the white man's law was brought to us, the buffalo calf pipe bundle was brought to us before the white man came and this traditional law will be one of the most important issues before the Lakotas. Whether we honor and respect our grandfathers law depends on whether we honor and respect ourselves. I know returning the sacred buffalo calf pipe bundle to the Itacipo Cola will be very hard to do because it has become his livelihood and he will not give up easy.

Chief Arvol Looking Horse has been misleading everyone about his role as the keeper of pipe and to those that doesn't speak or understand the Lakota language and doesn't know the Lakota traditions and customs, you would believe him and become one of his followers. It is now the time to really see him as the person who took advantage of the situation.

As a member of the Itacipa Cola band, I am requesting other members to discuss the return of the sacred buffalo calf pipe bundle to the Itazipa Cola on Febuary 3, 2006. Beginning at 1:00 p.m at the H.V. Cultural Center in Eagle Butte, SD. Agenda: Roles and Responsibilities of the keeper

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The events will feature Kakes Tibbitt from Pine Ridge, the 2000 Indian National Finals all around women's champion, Sullivan "Quick Draw" White Wolf, Great Plains Indian and South Dakota Rodeo Association Senior Pro Breakaway roping champion.

Also, two time Indian World Champion heeler Terri Fisher of Fort Yates, North Dakota will be there, along with Trevor Jacobs from Pine Ridge, who is the young bull riding Great Plains champion to qualify for the Indian National Finals and the 2005 State Champion wrestler.

The contestants, who compete for the title of Great Plains Champion throughout the year, also will earn the right to compete in the Indian National Finals to be held in San Carlos, Arizona this October. Contestants from Canada to Texas are able to compete against other cowboys and cowgirls for the title of Indian Nation World champion.The standards events are bareback, saddle bronc, bull riding, steer wrestling, calf roping, senior pro breakaway, ladies breakaway, and ladies barrel racing.

The Great Plains Indian Rodeo shootout will be held at 1:30 p.m. with prices set at $12 for adults, $10.00 for senior citizens, and five tickets for a family day pack at $30.00. The PRCA rodeo tour will be held from February 2-5 with 7 performances, while a host of other events will occur, including a chili cook-off, a buffalo sale, a bull sale and the 'PRCA Extreme Bulls.' Sutton and Associates will provide the stock.

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WAGNER (AP) - Barring a last-ditch effort, Wagner's Indian Health Service emergency room will become an urgent care clinic at the end of the month, no longer operating overnight.

It's a move that many Yankton Sioux tribal members say will cost lives.

It also could inundate the ER at nearby Wagner Community Memorial Hospital, as IHS patients seek treatment there during the nighttime hours.

The Indian Health Service ER has survived two deadlines in the past four months - one on Oct. 1, the beginning of the fiscal year, and another at the end of the calendar year. Both times, IHS extended the 24-hour service.

The effort to close the facility between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. nightly and all day on Sunday is the latest in a decade-long dispute between the tribe and IHS over the Wagner Service Unit's ER.

In 1994, when the tribe won a permanent injunction in federal court requiring IHS to keep the facility open, Joyce Golus thought the ER was safe.

As tribal health director for the Yankton Sioux Tribe in 1994, Golus was the plaintiff named in the lawsuit the tribe brought against IHS and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

The word ``permanent,'' she said, is not as ironclad as it sounds.

The halls and offices and examination rooms of the Wagner Service Unit look much like those in any small-town hospital, a far cry from the stories of Third World health care that often echo from South Dakota's poorest reservations.

Many people in the community say IHS, the federal agency formed because of treaty obligations and charged with the medical care of the country's American Indians, is dangerously underfunded. One statistic, cited regularly in places such as Marty, where families gathered to watch junior high basketball games Thursday night, is that the federal government spends less per capita on Indians than it does on inmates.

Watching the game at Marty Indian School, Edith Fool Bull said she counted on the emergency room for asthma treatment for herself and her grandchildren.

``We're all kind of hoping that it won't happen,'' she said. ``I think after all these years, they might come up with something.''

Long-term struggle

The decision that has people here up in arms has been a source of frustration for years.

In 1994, Judge Lawrence Piersol's order forced IHS to keep Wagner's ER open until the agency submitted an impact report to Congress detailing the effects of closing. IHS submitted such a report in 1997. In 2004, IHS asked Piersol to lift the injunction, which he did.

That paved the way for IHS to cut the ER's hours, a decision that was based on an IHS-commissioned report conducted by health care consulting firm Sharpless Inc. That decision was to take effect Oct. 1, 2005, though a three-month extension and a one-month extension were granted to delay the deadline.

The same report that recommended the nighttime closure, though, also recognizes the importance of the ER.

``No one doubted that lives had been saved by virtue of the presence of the (ER), and with its potential closing, it could be forecast that lives would certainly be lost,'' the report's introduction said.

The report also finds overspending on employee overtime and other fiscal problems, ultimately recommending downgrading the ER to an urgent care clinic.

`For years, it was just catch as catch can to support this over a million-dollar service that wasn't paying for itself,'' said Nancy Davis, deputy director of Aberdeen Area IHS.

The cost of keeping the ER open, Davis said, is not in line with the services it provides.

``It was a 24-hour service, and they called it an emergency room, but the bulk of the patients ... did not fit the criteria for emergency,'' Davis said.

Funding flatlines

The tribe will not have its total appropriation cut, Davis said, but it will remain flat. The spiraling costs of health care mean that it's not possible to provide the same services with the same amount of money year to year. And without the burden of the 24-hour ER, the tribe would have more money to spend on other services.

``The care that was given late after hours was pretty minimal. They need to live within their appropriations,'' she said.

Charlie Abourezk, the Rapid City lawyer who represented the tribe in the 1994 lawsuit, says the appropriation is inadequate.

`Health care costs go up every year dramatically _ zero growth in your budget is a cut. That's why they had to partially close the emergency room,'' he said.

Glenn Drapeau, the tribe's health director, was thrust into a controversy that has been simmering since he was in high school.

``Finally,'' he said, ``it's a hot issue.''

He acknowledged that some tribal members sometimes seek emergency care when seeing a doctor in a clinic setting would be appropriate, but ``if an individual believes they have an emergency, they have a right to come,'' he said.

'Rather wait and die'

When the ER is closed, patients will be directed to Wagner Community Memorial Hospital, which has an emergency room, though it is not accredited at the same level as the IHS facility. Tribal members are reluctant to use the non-Indian hospital.

``Some people say they'd rather wait and die than go to the white hospital,'' said John Sully, the tribe's treasurer.

Jeremy Armstrong, Memorial's administrator, recognizes the often-tenuous relationship between the Indian and white populations here, where the two

communities are bound by geography and often, it seems, little else.

``Maybe there is more of a cultural tendency for Native Americans'' to use the ER, Armstrong said.

``We would prefer that the non-emergent cases be treated in the clinic setting,'' he said, but he stressed that every patient who comes in would be assessed on an equal basis.

According to Davis, IHS only pays third-party claims for the most serious cases, when a failure to treat will result in the loss of life, limb or sense.

Armstrong estimates visits to the Memorial ER will increase 325 percent overnight when the IHS ER becomes an urgent care clinic. And few of those visits will be reimbursed by IHS.

`It could run into the hundreds of thousands of dollars. It all depends on how many people show up at the ER to be treated,'' Armstrong said.

Memorial might be able to recoup some unpaid hospital bills through Charles Mix County, which provides what Armstrong calls county poor relief, though he said he hadn't yet worked out the details of that.

`They're afraid of nonpayment,'' Drapeau said. ``If it's after 11 p.m., everybody they see is the potential for nonpayment.''

Washington help

Sen. John Thune has been vocal about his desire to keep the ER open at night. He submitted last-minute legislation that would have allowed IHS to move $500,000 from another part of the Service Unit's budget.

But the tribe's leaders, Drapeau said, decided that accepting that temporary solution wasn't in their best interest. The tribe would have been left with the bill for any spending on the ER above $500,000. With three quarters left in the fiscal year, and a cost of about $330,000 per quarter to keep the ER open, it was a risk the tribe couldn't afford, Drapeau said.

In what might amount to the last real chance to keep the ER open at night, Thune last week wrote a letter to Dr. Charles Grim, director of IHS in Washington, asking that a new impact report be required because circumstances today are changed from 1997, when the previous court-ordered report was conducted.

``The clear intent behind the law requires a current assessment of the impact of any closure or partial closure,'' Thune wrote.

Stephen Cournoyer, the tribe's vice chairman, is watching from the sidelines this time. Cournoyer was the chairman when the tribe fought this fight and won, more than a decade ago. That, he thought, was the end of it. Hearing about the issue on the street and around the tribal headquarters in Marty is a daily exercise in frustration and deja vu.

``Maybe it's going to take some new people being involved,'' he said.

When the permanent injunction was lifted in 2004, Cournoyer essentially washed his hands of the matter. Too much of his own heart had been poured into it a decade ago, he said.

``I've been there too long. I'm tired of spinning my wheels,'' he said.

``Our ancestors took the government at their word,'' he said. The treaties, he said, promised them health and education forever.

``The grass continues to grow, and the river continues to flow,'' he said. ``We didn't trade 11 million acres for this.''

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For more information contact: SGU Lakota Studies Department, 856-8100

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Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

"Weekly Flu Clinic - Every Thursday at the Public Health Nursing Office in Pine Ridge for high risk adult population call Kendra at 867-3297 for additional information.

Public Safety Open Forum - Thursday, Jan. 26 at 5 p.m. at the Wakpamni CAP Office, Sunday, Jan. 29 in Pine Ridge at Billy Mills Hall at 5 p.m. and Monday, Jan. 30 in Oglala at the Rec Center at 5 p.m. for info call Will Peters at 685-5589 or 867-5039 or Garfield Steele at 867-2766 or 685-5326.

Oglala Sioux Lakota Housing Board Election - Petitions issued on Tuesday, Jan. 17 with deadline for submission set for Tuesday, Jan. 31 .

OST Council Regular Session - Monday, Jan. 23 through Wednesday, Jan. 25 in Porcupine at the CAP Office with a hearing set for Walt Big Crow, council representative from Wakpamni District in Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge on Thursday, Jan. 26.

Exposures Youth Opportunity - A cross cultural photography and art program for youth ages 14-22 with two sessions, two weeks in length set for Pine ridge and Red Cloud high schools in June and July but deadline to apply is Tuesday, Jan. 24, call Henry Brown at 867-2153, In-Sight Photography Project at 802 251-9960 or Melanie at KILI at 867-5002.

Oglala Lakota College Book Distribution - Wednesday, Jan. 25 at the Eagle Nest College Center in Wanblee from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 26 in Oglala at the Whiteclay College Center from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Friday, Jan. 27 in Martin at the LaCreek College Center from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., for information call 455-6075.

Dakota Oyate Challenge - Wednesday-Saturday, Jan. 25-28 in Huron at the Huron Arena featuring girl's basketball teams opening with Little Wound playing Flandreau Indian JV at 10 a.m. central, Pine Ridge vs. Walt Hill at 11:30 a.m., Marty vs. Heart of the Earth at 1pm, Crow Creek vs. Lac Courte Oreilles at 2:30 p.m., Tiospaye Topa vs. Wakpala at 4 p.m., Omaha Nation vs. Tiospa Zina at 5:30 p.m., Flandreau Indian vs.Todd County at 7 p.m. and Takini vs. Mandaree at 8:30 p.m. and boy's teams open with Little Wound vs. Walt Hill at 10 a.m. in the University gym,
Omaha Nation vs. Heart of the Earth at 11:30 a.m., Crow Creek vs. Lac Courtes Oreilles at 1 p.m. Tiospa Zina vs. Wakpala at 2:30 p.m., Marty vs. Flandreau Indian at 4pm, Crazy Horse vs. Pine Ridge JV at 5:30 p.m., Takini vs. Santee at 7 p.m. and Tiospaye Topa vs. Crow Creek JV at 8:30 p.m.

Free Tax Seminar - on Thursday, Jan. 26 at the Lakota Trade Center in Kyle sponsored by the South Dakota Department of Revenue, Lakota Fund and Pine Ridge Area Chamber of Commerce set for 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1-2 p.m. offering helpful state and tribal tax information to area business owners who conduct business both on and off the reservation.

Entrepreneurial Training Sessions - starting Thursday Jan. 26 at the college center in Manderson and to continue every Thursday night from 5-8 p.m. with community members from all districts interested in starting a business welcome to attend, call 455-6080.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye - Friday, Jan. 27 at Loneman School in Oglala with grand entries set for 1 and 6:30 p.m. with supper scheduled for 5 p.m.

"**Motivation for Success:** Education and Expanding Options", an education conference - Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 28 and 29 in Martin at the grade school from 8am to 4pm each day featuring Dr. Hap Gilliland and Dr. Kathleen Pickering combining education, workforce needs and career options.

Healing Service - Saturday, Jan. 28 at Our Lady of Sorrows in Kyle at 5 p.m. with all gospel singers welcome to attend.

Lineal descendants of the Minnesota Mdewakanton Dakota meeting - Saturday, Jan. 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Porcupine Clinic, for information contact Maggie Ross at 605 2555640 or 545-1222 or Clarice Mesteth at 867-5087 or at 441-3367, the meeting will be potluck.

Casting Call for "Imprint", a Native American supernatural thriller - Saturday, Jan. 28th from 9 a.m. until 12 noon in Rapid City at the Black Hills Community Theatre Arts Resource Center, 1202 E. St. Francis St. looking for Native American actors 18 and up and Native American extras 15 and up.

Falcons pick up fourth win in OT

Mustangs prepare for defending DOC title with wins at Red Cloud and Eagle Butte

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

MISSION/PINE RIDGE/EAGLE BUTTE - After six straight losses, Todd County has come back and put two quality wins together out of the last three games with the most recent being an overtime win 61-57 at home on Saturday against Crow Creek. Todd County beat McLaughlin 71-68 and lost to Lyman 58-51.

Crow Creek led the entire first half, Todd County tied it up at the end of the third and behind Gunner Krogman's game high 16 points, the Falcons broke it open in the over time period to pick up their third win of the season. Steve Antoine helped with 10 and Mark Dubray chipped in nine. Isaiah Kirkie led Crow Creek with 14 while Winston Dion had 12.

Todd County is now 3-10 on the season and will host Winner on Tuesday and Stanley County on the following Tuesday. Crow Creek got by Flandreau Indian on Saturday for their third win, they are now 3-5 on the season and open the Dakota Oyate Challenge on Wednesday against Lac Courte Oreille from Wisconsin.

Little Wound has only two losses this season, both at the hands of Pine Ridge; after the second loss, the Mustangs traveled to Red Cloud Tuesday and got strong games from Rich Big Boy and Brice Hornbeck and defeated Red Cloud for the second time this year, 69-56. Big Boy's eight points in the first quarter and Hornbeck's six pushed Little Wound to a 20-12 first quarter lead, a lead they tenaciously held onto for the duration of the game.

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Todd County defeated Crow Creek, 61-57 Saturday night in overtime action. Gunner Krogman of Todd County scores a layup against Rogan Azure of Crow Creek. Photo by Randy Bachelor.

RST legal counsel leaving the Rosebud

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Steve Emery, legal counsel for the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, has been busy since 2001 dispensing legal advice to the Sicangu people, and at the same time, connecting with his Sicangu relations. He is now leaving RST to go to work on the Standing Rock reservation. Emery, a 1989 graduate of the Harvard Law School in Cambridge, Mass. has also gained prominence on the northern plains for his music talents in Lakota and English.

His employment brought him to Sinte Gleska University in January 2001 after having served as the Attorney General for the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe from 1989 to 2000. He served as the director of the Sicangu Policy Institute and



Steve Emery

the Vice President for Business at SGU and said, "I left because I wanted to continue my work as a lawyer. I was especially please to work with the Lakota Studies Department. I knew Fred and Doris Leader Charge and was saddened at their passing."

In November 2004, he began his work as legal counsel for the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and could often be heard in tribal council proceedings giving his legal opinion on an issue directly impacting the tribe. He is proud of several cases in which he represented RST and listed those as the Rosebud highway case, the motor vehicle tax case, and the liquor case.

At Cheyenne River, Emery successfully argued several cases on behalf of the tribe involving hunting and fishing, the Homestake Mining, Co. and a case against the U. S. Secretary of Agriculture, Mike Espy.

Of his professional work in the area, he said, "It has been a marvelous opportunity to work here. The elders have

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Moon of Popping Trees book signing Jan. 27

PINE RIDGE - On Jan. 27, at 2 p.m. Oglala Lakota College Woksape Tipi-Library on Piya Wiconi Campus is hosting a reception and book signing with Rex Alan Smith, author of Moon of Popping Trees.

This work covers the events leading up to the Wounded Knee massacre, the massacre and the events following this tragedy. Smith has offered OLC Woksape Tipi-Library and Archives the research material that he based this work on. The book will be available for purchase at the library. If you have any questions please call OLC Woksape Tipi - Library at 605-455-6064/6069.

SGU's 36th Annual Founders' week offers $30,000 in prize money

ROSEBUD- Sinte Gleska University's 36th Annual Founders' Week Celebration is shaping up to be as successful as past celebrations with more than $30,000 in prize money at the Tribal Nation-Building Wacipi and Celebration and a full week of community planning and events scheduled for the friends and members of the Sicangu Oyate.

SGU President Lionel R. Bordeaux is leading the planning committee and continues to work toward the development of a Sicangu Nation Plan for the Future. President Bordeaux has led the process of developing this plan for the past years through community public forums, work with tribal government officials and council members, and through teaching of the students at the University to help envision the future of the Sicangu (Burnt Thigh Band) Lakota Oyate (Nation).

"Each year we move a step closer to knowing where we want to go and in developing a collective vision so we can ensure our tribal people and our culture will continue to be here 1000 years from now," said Bordeaux. "As in past years, this year we will ask our community to come and work with us to move the work a little further along."

"It is a continuous struggle to work toward a common voice in addressing all areas affecting the quality of our daily lives," said Bordeaux, who was recruited by SGU Founder, the late Stanley Red Bird, Sr., to lead SGU, and to specifically address the preservation of culture; the redefining and restructuring of education on the Rosebud through tribal customs and law, especially the development of our own accreditation system; a working relationship between education and economic development which includes economic education at all grade levels; and the development of an alternative form of tribal government, one based upon the treaty, for spiritual and ancestral strength

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Mustangs prepare for DOC action

from page B1

Big Boy had 21 points and 12 rebounds while Hornbeck helped with 15 points and five rebounds. Michael Apple was also in double figures with 14 points along with Devon LeBeau who helped with 10. Red Cloud was led by Johnny Crow who had 17 points and four rebounds.

Little Wound took on Cheyenne Eagle Butte on Saturday in Eagle Butte and after building a 16-10 first quarter lead, increased the lead each quarter and finished with an 82-57 victory to move their season record to 7-2.

Balanced scoring was the theme of the day as Willie Zephier led the way with 18, Devon LeBeau hit five threes and finished with 17, Big Boy helped with 16 points and seven rebounds, Hornbeck had 10 and Ty Lunderman, in his second game back finished with 10 points.

Daelan High Wolf scored 29 points and once again led his team in rebounding grabbing nine while Beau Kingfisher threw in 12. CEB is now 4-11 and travels to winner on the 27th.

Little Wound will be in Huron on Wednesday to defend their DOC championship and will play Walt Hill in a first round game.

Pine Ridge lambasted Lead-Deadwood on Thursday for their sixth win of the year as Jeff Big Crow had his best game of the year with five threes and 20 points, Michael Jack helped wqith 11 points and JC Dillon added 10.

Big Crow had another strong game on Saturday at the Dakota Valley Classic against Hinton, IA but it just wasn't enough as Hinton beat Pine Ridge 63-52. The Thorpes kept it close for three quarters but Hinton pushed out into the lead for good in the fourth quarter. Big Crow finished with 23 while Ryan Pourier added 10.

Red Cloud bounced back in the winning column on the road in Alliance, knocking off the Bulldogs 73-67. After playing good team ball, moving it around well and going up by 12 in the first half, Red Cloud saw Alliance chip away at their lead in the third closing the gap to 51-50 to start the fourth. Alliancxe put Red Cloud on the free throw line and the Crusaders came through hitting 11 of 12 in the fourth quarter and preserving a 73-67 win over a double 'A' school.

Johnny Crow led the Crusaders with 18, Billy Scott hit six free throws down the stretch and finished with 14 and Christian McGhee and Lester Gotheridge both knocked down 16 a piece.

"This was a good win for us tonight," said Matt Rama, Red Cloud coach, "we played good defense, played with patience, did not panic when they made their run and came through in the clutch to get the win."

Red Cloud moves their record to 8-4, hosts Rapid City Christian on Thursday, the first of six straight home games, an historical first for Red Cloud.

Our Lady of Lourdes runs through Wolf Creek for fourth win of the season

WOLF CREEK - OLL opened the season at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center with a 40 point win over Pine Ridge during the throwback night between OCHS and Holy Rosary and last night the story was the same as OLL raced through Wolf Creek 94-36 on Wolf Creek's home floor.

Brier Iron Cloud led the charge with 44 points, seven rebounds and six steals while his sidekick, Carl Swallow, tossed in 16 points with five rebounds, five assists, four steals and one blocked shot. Kylie Weston helped with 10 points but more importantly got seven assists, six rebounds and three steals. JD Plume scored nine points and led the team in boards, pulling down 12 and adding four steals; Truman Rossman came off the bench to contribute seven points, six steals, five rebounds and four blocked shots.

After taking third in last year's Big Foot Conference A tourney, losing to Pine Ridge in the semis, the team has been on a mission to win the conference this year. After participating in a preseason league at the YMCA in Rapid City this fall, the team has hit the ground running and hasn't stopped for anything.

"We ran and ran during the holidays," said head coach, Shane Clifford, "we developed as strong base or foundation and running is a big part of our game."

In addition to wins over Pine ridge and Wolf Creek, OLL has defeated Porcupine at home and Gordon-Rushville on the road. The Braves host Rockyford on Thursday and travel to American Horse on Feb. 1st.

Area boy's basketball scores

Little Wound 82-57 Cheyenne Eagle Butte
Todd County 61-57OT Crow Creek
Lyman 58-51 Todd County
Pine Ridge 70-49 Lead-Deadwood
Hinton,IA 63-52 Pine Ridge
Little Wound 69-55 Red Cloud
Red Cloud 73-67 Alliance
St. Francis 79-57 Marty
Tiospa Zina 59-40 Roslyn
Tiospa Zina 97-67 Grant Deuel
Tiospa Zina 89-44 G P Lutheran
White River 67-56 Mt. Vernon
Cheyenne Eagle Butte 53-50 Mobridge
Crazy Horse 87-47 Wakpala
Crazy Horse 96-41 RC Christian
Lower Brule 69-55 Takini
Lower Brule 83-63 Flandreau Indian
Lyman 51-44 Winner
Miller 73-60 Crow Creek
Madison 78-39 Flandreau Indian

Lady Falcons make it four straight

Little Wound adds an OT and road win as they head to Huron to defend their Dakota Oyate Challenge title

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

MISSION/KYLE/EAGLE BUTTE - After polishing off St. Francis 72-36 in the Rosebud Shootout, the Lady Falcons bombed Crow Creek 76-46 at home on Friday to move their record to 9-3. Todd County plays three road games this week, at Red Cloud on Tuesday, at Lyman on Thursday and down to Lake Andes on Saturday.

Although the three point shot is a strong part of their arsenal, the Lady Falcons used a strong transition game and an even stronger post game to streak by the Lady Chieftains, Friday. Tia McCloskey scored 15 points and grabbed 11 rebounds while Sunni Busch knocked down 29 points as the team shot 53 percent from the field.. Todd County did not hit a three but in turn held Crow Creek's super three point shooter, Ashley Ross to just two points and no threes.

Todd County also used balanced scoring and a domination of the boards to earn their ninth win of the season and fourth in a row; Mandi Morrisette hit for 12 and Summer Folkers added 10, Busch added seven boards, Folders six.

"We have had a tendency to look down the road and not pay attention to the game at hand," said Todd County coach, Chuck Wilson, "we need to go back to focusing on one game at a time."

After rolling to four straight wins, Little Wound hosted Pine Ridge on Friday in Kyle and despite 25 turnovers held on for a 73-63 overtime win. The Lady Mustangs traveled to Eagle Butte on Saturday and added a 60-34 win over the Cheyenne Eagle Butte Lady Braves.

Nichelle Red Owl, Little Wound's sophomore shooting guard, set the tone for the game as she hit three threes and a deuce in the first quarter as the Lady Mustangs went up 18-11. The two seniors, Sadie In The Woods with eight and Tyann Pourier with five points helped keep Little Wound up by 11 at the half 36-25.

Pine Ridge's Keisha Brewer and Lacey Brings Plenty Weston, two young girls who play extremely big helped Pine Ridge to start chipping away at the lead and it was down to five at the end of the third, 46-41. For the second game in a row, Christian Janis, an 8th grader at Pine Ridge, stepped it up, she hit eight of her ten points in the fourth quarter including a three with 20 seconds left in the game to tie it up 58-58 and send it into overtime.

The night before, Christian hit six free throws in the fourth quarter and came up with two steals to give the Lady Thorpes the edge at the finish as they squeaked out a 51-49 win over Lead-Deadwood.

In the Woods stepped up with seven of her 18 points in the OT period to lead the Lady Mustangs to the win - Sadie finished with 18 points, 18 rebounds, five assists, five steals and five blocked shots. Pourier led Little Wound with 1`9, Red Owl added 13 and Kelsey Brave Eagle helped with 11.

Brewer led the Lady Thorpes with 13 points and ten rebounds, Weston added 14 and nine boards and Janis helped with 10 points and six rebounds.

Led by Pourier and Red Owl who had five threes between them, Little Wound retook the momentum, outscoring Eagle Butte 20-4 in the fourth quarter and finishing with a 60-34 win over the Lady Braves for their tenth win of the season on Saturday on the road. Brittany Azure led CEB with nine.

Little Wound has put together six straight wins and opens the Dakota Oyate Challenge in Huron on Wednesday against Flandreau Indian JV as the number one seed and knows that it is a good possibility that they will play Pine Ridge in the championship game on Saturday night at the Huron Arena.

Pine Ridge hopes to use the DOC to get back on the winning track; after a close win over Lead-Deadwood and an overtime loss at Little Wound, the Lady Thorpes traveled to Vermillion for the Dakota Valley Classic and arrived cold and flat as they just could not get it going against Iowa power, Akron-Westfield losing it 78-51.

The Lady Thorpes are the number two seed in this year's DOC and face Walt Hill on Wednesday at the Huron Arena at 11:30am.

Red Cloud opened the week on the road at Hot Springs on Tuesday night and picked up just their third win of the season 67-46 over the Lady Bison. At 6-2, Hot Springs had just been mentioned in the honorable mention category of the top ten poll but Red Cloud was oblivious to the fact as they led at the end of each quarter and finished with four girls in double figures. Kristin Weston led the way with 16, Shaina Clifford helped with 12, Marissa O'Bryan chipped in 11.

The week got tougher for Red Cloud as they hosted fifth rated Bennett County on Thursday and lost 55-32. The Lady Crusaders finished off their week with a road loss to Alliance 56-33. Red Cloud's rough road continues this week as they host Todd County on Thursday and travel to Chadron on Saturday.

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Cheyenne Eagle Butte 42-31 Gettysburg
Faith 54-40 Tiospaye Topa
Tiospaye Topa 41-36 Grand River
Bennett County 75-37 RC Christian

Correction

In last week's Lakota Country Times, the rank for Brett Lundstrom should have been Corporal.

He was killed in action in Iraq on Saturday, Jan. 7, not Sunday, Jan. 8.

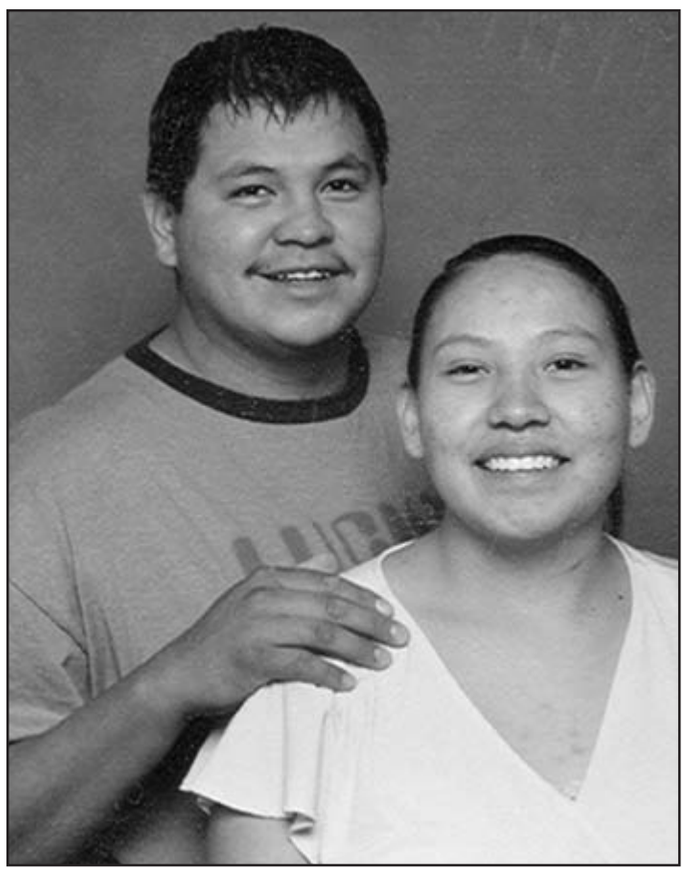
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Young Bear and Jumping Eagle to wed

WOUNDED KNEE - Lisa Marie Young Bear and William Jumping Eagle, Jr. will marry Jan. 27, 2006. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. William Jumping Eagle, Sr. and Lawrence Young Bear, Sr. and Miss Mary White Face. Young Bear (Cante Was te' Win) is a 2001 graduate of Chemawa Indian High School in Salem, Ore. and played basketball with the Oglala Lakota Women's team. Her godmother is Cynthia Thunder Hawk-Little. Her paternal grandparents are the late Benjamin Henry Young Bear and Helen Left Hand. Her maternal grandparents are Hobart White Face and Effie Big Owl. Her sisters are, Janet, Leslie, Kristy Young Bear of Porcupine, and the late Waynette White Face. She has one brother, Lawrence Young Bear, Jr. and one nephew, Donald Kills Warrior, Jr. Her 'hunka' brothers are Clyde Squirrel Cat, Dave Yellow Cloud, and Virgil Byrd, Jr. Young Bear held several royalty titles including, Miss Brotherhood, Miss Maco Sica, and Miss Mila Yatapi at Our Lady of Lourdes School and Little Wound School.

Currently, Young Bear is attending Oglala Lakota College majoring in Human Services. She was employed in a summer youth program at KILI Radio as a receptionist. She was also a student assistant at Porcupine School and Little Wound School.

William Jumping Eagle, Jr. was born at Pine Ridge on April 7 1983 to William Jumping Eagle and Donna Mousseau Jumping Eagle. His paternal grandparents are Robert (deceased) and Rebecca Looks Twice-Jumping Eagle. His maternal grandparents are Russell Mousseau, Sr. (deceased) and Fern Hollow Horn Mousseau.

Jumping Eagle, Jr. is a graduate of Little Wound High School where he received the Frank Fools Crow scholarship. He then attended Oglala Lakota College for two semesters. He always had an interest in horses since he was young and would also break horses. He has ridden in the Big Foot Memorial ride for thirteen years, during which he has also ridden with his brother, Roy.

He has also participated in the Little Big Horn ride, the Crazy Horse Ride and the Sobriety Ride.

All Little Big Horn and Sobriety Riders are invited to celebrate the wedding of William Jumping Eagle, Jr. and Lisa Marie Yong Bear at the Wounded Knee District school gym with a reception and a dance to follow.

Great Plains Indian Shootout Rodeo - Saturday, Jan. 28 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center Arena in Rapid City at 1:30 p.m.

Special Session of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council - Monday, Jan. 31 in Porcupine at the CAP Office scheduled for a hearing for Wakpamni District Tribal Council representative, Walt Big Crow.

Huge Flea Market - Wednesday, Thursday, Feb 1 and 2 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day at the Porcupine CAP, call 455-24515 for more info.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye - Friday, Feb. 3 at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee, grand entries 1pm and 6:30 p.m. with supper at 5 p.m.

Men's Basketball Tournament - Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 3-5 at the American Horse School gym in Allen, call Al Curry at 455-1360 or 441-1554.

Community Health Fair - Thursday, February 9th in Oglala at Brother Rene Hall with booths and representatives from OST Health Education, Oyate Blihelya, CHR program, Public Health nurses from Indian Health Service and the OST Employee Assistance Program.

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been loving and caring. Work gives me tremendous satisfaction. I try to learn something everyday. It is not up to anyone else to teach me how good to be at something." He also said, "I stay current by doing a daily West Law search to find out new developments involving Indian tribes."

He said in Lakota, "Oyate wawokiya waste walake ca hecamu" which translates to, "I like helping the people, that is why I do it."

Emery speaks fondly of his grandfather who gave him his Lakota name, Mato Tanka. His grandfather had killed a Kodiak grizzly bear on the Aleutian Islands off of Alaska which posed some danger to him. In Lakota life, confronting a bear and overcoming the threat is powerful.

Tribal nations are experiencing an onslaught by the federal and state governments, according to Emery and it is one of the reasons Native attorneys do not want to be involved in litigation.

He said, "In the last twenty years tribes have been the victims of judicial termination. Occasionally, we could count on Supreme Court justice Sandra Day O'Connor." He is afraid that anyone who is confirmed as the next sitting Supreme Court Justice will be much too conservative.

There are a couple of issues important to the Sicangu Nation that remain to be adopted, according to Emery that he would have like to have been apart of, and they include a version of the Uniform Commercial Code, and a garnishment ordinance. He said he was proud of his work in helping to bring a defense contract for $1.8 million to the Rosebud as well as taking a drug test with the past tribal president and current RST president, Rodney M. Bordeaux and passing it. He said, "Someone needs to set an example."

Emery says his hobbies are collecting old watches and writing and performing his music. He has published several Lakota recordings including, "Tunes From The Rez", "Tunes From The Rez II", and "Wanikiya Tonpi Anpetu T'olowan." Some of his more popular songs are regularly heard over KINI FM in St. Francis. During the holidays a couple of Emery's Christmas songs could be heard often to the enjoyment of the people, while his 'wakan cekiye olowan' are often played with memorial requests.

Infant mortality rate has risen in South Dakota

PIERRE (AP) - South Dakota's infant mortality rate is rising, according to state Health Secretary Doneen Hollingsworth, who gave an update to a legislative committee last week.

South Dakota's infant mortality rate rose in 2004 to 8.2 deaths per 1,000 live births. In 2003, the rate was 6.5 per 1,000 live births.

``We've got some further work that we need to do," Hollingsworth said.

``Unfortunately, we're heading in the wrong direction."

Laurie Gill, director of the health department's division of health and human services, said South Dakota is not doing as well as other states in the nation and that it needs to be addressed.

According to the Health Department, the main cause is inadequate prenatal care. The state medical association, Indian Health Services and the University of South Dakota medical school have formed a team to look into the issue further, Hollingsworth said. Eighty-nine 89 percent of South Dakota toddlers were up to date on standard immunizations in 2004, the department said.

That's the sixth-highest rate in the nation, Gill said.



Lends His Horse graduates from Air Force training

ABERDEEN - Tighson Lends His Horse graduated from Air Force Basic Training, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas on Dec. 23, 2005.

He is now stationed at Keesler Air Force Base, Mississippi, for training in Air Traffic Control. He would like to hear from his friends, his address is: Tighson Lends His Horse, 140 Phantom Street, Box 12751, Keesler AFB, MS 39534. Tighson is an enrolled member of the Cheyenne River Sioux tribe and the son of Humphrey and Madonna Long, both of Aberdeen and the grandson of Joseph Lends His Horse, Eagle Butte.

Founder's Day

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and direction whereby the people through their communities and tiospaye can address more of their own situations."

"With an educator as our tribal president, Rodney Bordeaux, I feel we have the tribal officials and council to begin this process," Bordeaux continued. "Sovereignty needs education, and education needs sovereignty," he said.

"It was the dream of our founders that our University would be here to grow our leaders and to keep our culture intact," said Bordeaux. "If you look at the work SGU has done over the past 36 years you can see a clear path between the vision of our founders and what we continue to do today. That vision has never been lost, and we continue to follow the path that was laid out for us by our first leaders. From Chief Spotted Tail and our many leaders till now, we continue to try and maintain 'wolakota' as our path, difficult as everything is today," said Bordeaux.

The Founders' Week Celebration will begin Monday, Jan. 25, with a sunrise ceremony, followed by blessing of the building and grounds of the University and a Wiping of Tears ceremony for those who have lost loved ones over the past year.

The SGU faculty and staff will provide presentations about their departments, and a planning process for the next year will last throughout the day. Monday will also be the Miss SGU and the Ms. SGU Winyan Royalty Pageant to crown new SGU Royalty for 2006.

Monday evening SGU will host a Family Fun Night at the Wakinyan Wanbli Multipurpose Building from 6 to 9 p.m. which will include games, free-throw contests, prizes and dinner, and a Nintendo tournament for all ages.

Tuesday the University will continue its Tribal Nation Building Forums with the presentation of a land curriculum for educators by the Sicangu Policy Institute at SGU. Lunch will be served, followed by planning sessions for SGU and the community in conjunction with SGU staff, students and faculty.

Wednesday, Feb. 1, the University will continue forums to get feedback and input from the community towards the Sicangu Nation Plan for the Future.

Thursday the Forums will continue and SGU will host its annual Student/Staff/Alumni Appreciation Dinner.

Friday the University will continue with drafting a plan for the coming year with community input and kick off the wacipi with a community dinner served by SGU, a fashion show, and several special events at the wacipi. Handgames tournaments will begin Friday night as well as registration for the contest wacipi on Saturday and Sunday.

SGU hosts the annual Founders' Week Tribal Nation Building Wacipi and Celebration as a way to thank the community and our friends for their past year's support and to bring the reservation together to celebrate education, culture, history and the future. For more information contact: SGU Lakota Studies Department, 856-8100.

- NOTICE OF ELECTION -

ALL POSITIONS ON THE OGLALA SIOUX (LAKOTA) HOUSING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARE VACANT. A RESERVATION WIDE ELECTION WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 7, 2006 TO FILL THE POSITIONS ON THE HOUSING BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

PETITIONS WILL BE ISSUED ON JANUARY 17, 2006, at which time no money should be owed to Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing by rent or debt. Back rent agreements will not be made for the purpose of meeting this condition.

Petitions may be obtained at the Housing Office in Pine Ridge between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

PETITIONS MUST BE TURNED IN NO LATER THAN JANUARY 31, 2006.

INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES: THIS INFORMATION IS TAKEN DIRECTLY FROM OST ELECTION ORDINANCES AND BY-LAWS OF OGLALA SIOUX (LAKOTA) HOUSING.

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For a Board member to be elected and to stay on the board, the board Member must meet the following conditions:

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3. Not be delinquent and owe money to either the Oglala Sioux Housing Authority, Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing, or on any project or housing assisted by either Entity, have experience or a post-high school education degree 9certified by the institution) in one of the following areas: business, health, law, construction, housing, human services or social services. Tenants, owners or homebuyers in any housing owned or assisted by Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing are eligible to apply as a candidate for office.

4. Candidates must pick up petitions in person. An Election Packet with instructions is included with the petition.

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7. Tribal employees who become candidates for office shall be permitted to continue on their jobs, but shall be prohibited from campaigning during working hours.

8. No employee of the tribe shall use tribal vehicles, equipment, or materials, or incur any form of expense to the tribe for political purposes.

Holy Road

Merle Brave Heart, 59.....Manderson
Michael N. Waters-Twiss, 59.....Sioux Falls
Bernard Means, 32.....Manderson
Valeria R. Few Tails, 60.....Kyle
Mary E. Randall, 74.....Wanblee
Carmen J. Chase Alone, 42..... Manderson
Tristen Deon Waters-Poor Bear, infant.....Allen
Henry T. Belt Jr, 6 months.....Oglala
Evelyn M. Brewer, 86..... Porcupine
Eddie M. Lays Bad Sr., 55..... Porcupine

Merle Brave Heart

MANDERSON - Merle Brave Heart, 59, Manderson, died Saturday, Jan. 21, in Manderson. Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Michael N. Waters-Twiss

SIOUX FALLS - Michael N. Waters-Twiss, 59, Sioux Falls and formerly of Pine Ridge, died Wednesday, Jan. 18, , in Sioux Falls. He served in the U.S. Army. Survivors include one son, Michael Adams, Sioux Falls; four daughters, Eva Twiss and Janelle Twiss, both of Denver, Charlene Thompson, Yuma, Ariz., and Sheila Twiss, Zuni, N.M.; two brothers, David Rodriguez, Rapid City, and Daniel Rodriguez, Joseph City, Ariz.; two sisters, Agatha Left Hand, Wheatridge, Colo., and Josephine "Jody" Rodriguez, Rapid City; three half brothers, Richard Little Hawk Jr. and Marvin Little Hawk, both of Calico, and Howard Little Hawk, Pine Ridge; eight half sisters, Elizabeth Rowland-Leftwich and Sonia Little Hawk-Weston, both of Wolf Creek, Nancy Little Hawk and Delores Little Hawk, both of Rapid City, Antonia Little Hawk, Mona Little Hawk and Connie Little Hawk, all of Pine Ridge, and Debra Little Hawk, Chadron, Neb.; and numerous grandchildren. A wake service was held Jan. 24 at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge. Funeral services were Wednesday, Jan. 25, at Billy Mills Hall, with the Rev. Steve Sanford officiating. Burial will be at White Butterfly Family Cemetery three miles north of Pine Ridge. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Bernard Means

MANDERSON - Bernard Means, 32, Manderson, died Saturday, Jan. 21, in Manderson. Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Valerie R. Few Tails

KYLE - Valerie R. Few Tails, 60, Kyle, died Thursday, Jan. 19, at Beverly Health Care Center. Survivors include four sons, Louis Few Tails Jr., Pine Ridge, and Leon Few Tails, Lowell Few Tails and Leroy Few Tails, all of Kyle; three daughters, Lynette Few Tails, Lorna Few Tails and Loris Few Tails, all of Kyle; one sister, Rena Short Horn, Kyle; and eight grandchildren. Wake services were Monday, Jan. 23, at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Hall in Kyle. Funeral services were Wednesday, Jan. 25, at the hall, with the Rev. Cordelia Red Owl officiating. Burial was at Mediator Episcopal Cemetery in Kyle. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Mary E. Randall

WANBLEE - Mary E. Randall, 74, Wanblee, died Thursday, Jan. 19 at Bennett County Health Care Center in Martin. Survivors include four daughters, Susan Randall and Sophie Chief Bear, both of Wanblee, and Jessie Randall and Fern Randall, both of Pine Ridge; one brother, Joseph Rouillard, Kyle; one sister, Rhoda Mesteth, Pine Ridge; 13 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren. Wake services were Monday, Jan. 23, at Inestimable Gift Episcopal Church in Allen. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 25, at the church, with the Rev. Patrick Barker officiating. Burial will be at Inestimable Gift Episcopal Cemetery in Allen. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.

Carmen J. Chase Alone

MANDERSON - Carmen J. Chase Alone, 42, Manderson, died Tuesday, Jan. 17, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Survivors include four sons, Jesse Red Elk, Allen, and Thomas Red Elk, Shawn Red Elk and Wilbur Red Elk Jr., all of Manderson; two daughters, Nicholette Red Elk and Faith Red Elk, both of Manderson; one brother, Marty Chase Alone, Littleton, Colo.; and two grandchildren. Wake services were Saturday, Jan. 21, at St. Agnes Church Hall in Manderson. Funeral services were Monday, Jan. 23, at the church hall, with the Rev. Bill Pauly officiating. Burial was at St. Agnes Catholic Cemetery in Manderson. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Tristin Deon Waters-Poor Bear

ALLEN - Tristin Deon Waters-Poor Bear, infant, Allen, was stillborn Tuesday, Jan. 17, at Pine Ridge Hospital. Survivors include his parents, Angelo Poor Bear and Chiffon Waters, Allen; one sister, Naudicia Waters, Allen; his maternal grandparents, Kevin Two Bulls and Kathy Waters, Allen; and his paternal grandparents, James Mousseau and Marty Poor Bear, Allen. A one-night wake began Thursday, Jan. 19, at St. John of the Cross Catholic Hall in Allen. Funeral services were Jan. 20 at the church, with Philip Waters officiating. Burial was at Waters Family Cemetery in Allen. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Henry T. Belt Jr.

OGLALA - Henry T. "Hanky" Belt Jr., 6 months, Oglala, died Friday, Jan. 13, at Pine Ridge Hospital. Survivors include his parents, Henry "Hank" Belt Sr. and Angel Corbine, Oglala; six brothers, Antonio Dreamer and William Corbine, Rapid City, Craig Dreamer Jr., Carl Shockey III, and Jeeter Shockey, all of Oglala, and Thomas Belt, Rocky Boy, Mont.; three sisters, Cierra Belt, Lame Deer, Mont., and Tristan Amos and Ampo Amos, both of Oglala; his maternal grandmother, Beverly Corbine, Rapid City; and his maternal great-grandmother, Martha Chase In Winter, Oglala. Wake services were Thursday, Jan. 19, at Brother Rene Church Hall in Oglala. Funeral services were Saturday, Jan. 21, at the church hall. Burial was at Makasan Presbyterian Cemetery in Oglala. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Evelyn M. Brewer

PORCUPINE - Evelyn M. Brewer, 86, Porcupine, died Friday, Jan. 13, , in Rapid City. Survivors include two sons, Edwin Brewer and Alden Brewer, both of Rockyford; six daughters, Cecelia White, Carol Wright, Ellen LaRoche, Donalda Brafford and Myrna Brafford, all of Rapid City, and Rose LaRose, Las Vegas; one sister, Christine Cook, Rockyford; 43 grandchildren; 130 great-grandchildren; and 57 great-great-grandchildren. A one-night wake was Friday, Jan. 20, at Rockyford School. Funeral services were. Saturday, Jan. 21, at the school, with the Rev. Bill Pauly and the Rev. Larry Salway officiating. Burial was at St. Paul's Catholic Cemetery in Porcupine. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Eddie M. Lays Bad Sr.

PORCUPINE - Eddie M. Lays Bad Sr., 55, Porcupine, died Saturday, Jan. 14, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. He served in the U.S. Army. Survivors include his wife, Linda Lays Bad, Porcupine; one son, Eddie Lays Bad Jr., Porcupine; one adopted son, Jordan Lays Bad, Porcupine; one brother, Isaac Lays Bad, Porcupine; one adopted brother, Orville Running Shield, Porcupine; and 11 grandchildren. Wake services Thursday, Jan. 19, at the Eddie Lays Bad Sr. residence in Porcupine. Funeral services were Saturday, Jan. 21, at Native American Church in Porcupine, with the Rev. Kirk Fool Bull and the Rev. Duane Shields officiating. Burial was at Native American Church Cemetery in Porcupine. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

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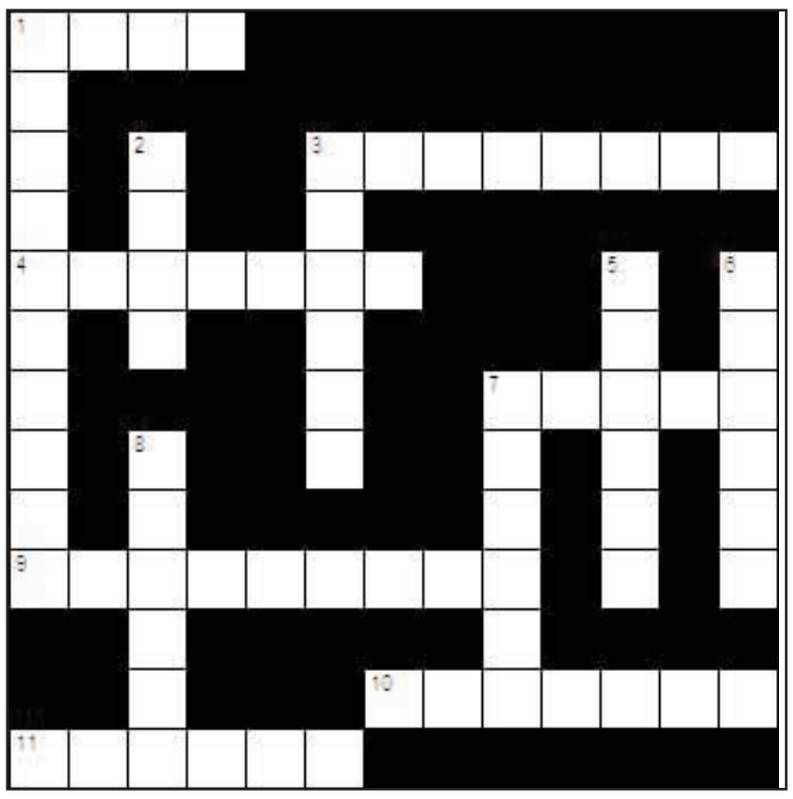
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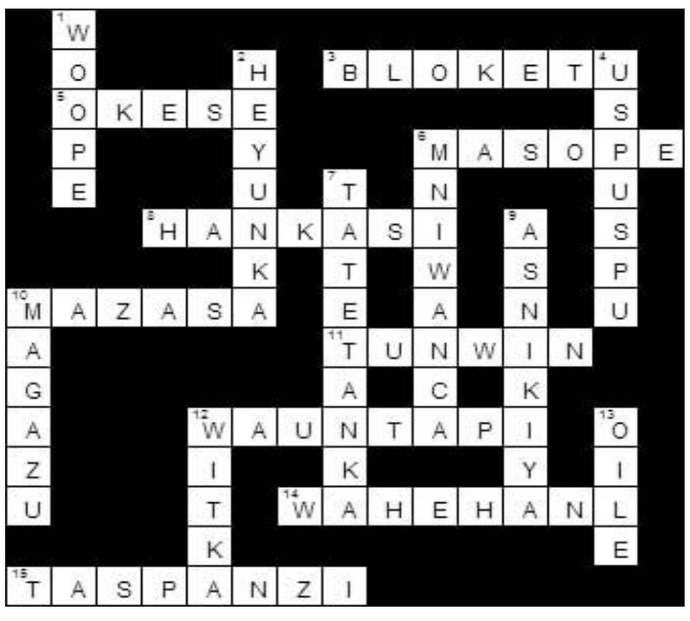
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Dear Anna,

I am going to be in the hole here until I leave this place to go back to home which is in July, after reading all your predictions in the paper for everyone, I got curious and would like to know what you have to say about me?

Curious about my future.

Dear Curious:

I do see you going back to Kyle in July. I see that your family and friends are around you and helping you. I do see a young woman coming into your life. She is Lakota and has two children (there is a possibility that there may be three - because I see her with a very small infant - but that could be further in the future and that child could be yours). I do see you working in a large green tin building where heavy equipment is stored. I also see that there is a possibility that this building is in Wyoming.

Things will be different for you when you get home, but after your readjustment to your family and your healing of wounds I see you moving with your work.

Please stay clear of alcohol and drugs or the outcome is dismal and not as I have told you. If you follow that path you will leave home again, maybe to never return. Blessings to you and call me when you get home.

Dear Anna,

I enjoy reading your responses to the many dilemmas like those who address their concerns, I too would like to know what you see for me.

For a long time, as long as I can remember, I often have difficulty staying on task and completing projects. I am disorganized and struggle to maintain balance of being a mother of four, working full time, keeping my home decent.

My spouse and I read an article from a magazine about a mother who had Attention Deficient Disorder. He asked me if I might have ADD a after much thought I hate to admit but to realize that I might have attention deficit disorder.

I haven't been to a doctor to be formally diagnosed. I thought the ability to multitask came from being a mother but learned that people with ADD can't stay on task, their mind races and we try to do everything at once. I graduated with my bachelor's degree but with great difficulty. ADD women have severe PMS because they are already on an emotional roller coaster.

I had to come to grips and take a good look at reality, especially after one of my children asked why I am happy and sad again. The truth hurt me. The feelings of being inadequate and incomplete were too much to bear. My spouse has been supportive of everything I do and together we are seeking alternatives to medicine. ADD affects the whole family, who do you see that will help and benefit us all?

Maybe there are others who may have ADD and like haven't been able to put a name on their condition. These are the symptoms: impulsive, poor financial management, depressed and stressed out, inability to stay focused to name a few.

I have my own dreams I want to fulfill but realize I have to get ahold of t his condition. I have been screened for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and have the symptoms for ADD and am at risk for becoming diabetic, having hypertension and heart disease because I am obese.

What do you see for me and my family? Are my dreams attainable or too far fetched?

Desire to change

Dear Desires to change:

Bless your heart. I too am ADD - Surprise! As a dietary supplement I have found that grape seed extract (tablets from the health store, please don't buy them at Wal Mart because they are not good enough quality) can help alleviate some of the "stress" symptoms. Also take vitamin B complex - almost any brand is fine, but try and find "cold-packed" (it means it was not cooked before capsulizing).

Also, please avoid red meat and of course sugars. Green vegatables, especially raw spinicspinachlife-saver and brings balance to the body. Do not drink caffeinated beverages, even diet sodas, because the caffeine in contra-iindicated and aggravates the body (excites it). Try to drink only de-caf coffee. If you must drink coffee in the morning (and I do) then stop at the second cup, and never after 10:00 A.M. Yoga is so very good for you that I recommend you get a DVD of Kundalini Yoga by Gurmuke (available at Borders in Rapid). This exercise routine is not hard on the body but begins to move the body into a less stressful system of energy management.

Do not get discouraged by how hard these simple exercises are, do what you can, and then one day you will be able to do the whole DVD (also available in VHS). Walk everyday. Park your car in the furthest spot from the door of the building you are going into (barring a blizzard).

Any mother of four children with a job is not going to be able to keep up with housework, any social life, work and manage her own life. There is going to be some chaos because of the stress load with time. You need help at home, and chores should be assigned to everyone, including your husband. Keep the dishes and laundry up, and create a chore list of responsibilities for your children (according to their ages) of work that must be done before they are allowed to do anything they want.

This won't kill them. Take all the clutter from your house in the areas you work and put it in one big bo x. As you place things in the box, have another one beside it for trash. When in doubt, toss it out. Only keep in front of you what you are working on (this really helps at work).

Because of the pace of your mind, it helps to separate things into three piles (paperwork you receive at work): the 'has to be done immediately' stac, the 'doesn't have to be done until later' stack, and the 'information only' stack. File the information as soon as you open your mail and you will feel better, but for time-pressed days, just stack it until you have a free hour to review and file. On Friday, totally clear your desk and place your two working piles in the top drawer. Whatever that needs to be done first should be on the very top of the file, and that is the only piece of paper you need on your desk. ADD people have to work with their "feeling like it" attitude.

We never really feel like it, we just know that we should be doing something, so we become mentally and emotionally aggravated when we are not efficient and it increase our inability to focus..

The solution is to decide that it would feel good to get it done and then do it. ADD people are really very good multi-taskers, as long as they remain sane. Frequently I have five or six projects at a time, but I only work on one at a time, and I change what I am doing when I begin to get either bored or frustrated.

Worry is a time taker of the ADD person. They churn worry out like a huge turbine. It creates disturbing energy. Trust yourself to be able to prioriprioritize yourself off the hook when not everything is done at once, and TRUST that you will recognize which is more important to focus on: the fire on the stove or the running water in the sink. You can do this!

Giver yourself total time off. Essentially, what isn't done in any one moment will wait for a few more moments or even days. Time to relax and to laugh will help you stay focused when you need to.

I am glad you recognize the pit-falls of PMS. Mark your calendar when you expect those days, beef up on vitamin B, and warn your family that this is "mommy's time." I just used to warn my family to stay away from me as much as possible for two days - because I couldn't promise them that I wouldn't eat them alive if they bugged me. It all worked out, everyone grew up, and my boys know a lot about women. Adderol, a drug commonly used for ADD is nothing I would ever consider for myself or my children.

I don't recommend that type of therapy for friends, family or foe.

Accept that ADD is not a brain stopping, life stopping problem. It is an over exicted sympathetic nervous system triggered by chemical imbalance in the body and brain. Exercise is your biggest friend. By the way, I use that facility that races my mind to be flexible and able to do many things and find many creative solutions to problems. When I "space out" on a conversation because my focus shifts, I allow myself to shift, then return my attention to the speaker. If I need too, I end the conversation at the next possible moment and excuse myself to return to what I need to do. It isn't discipline (except for diet), it is relaxation and watching myself cope that makes it for me, today, easy to live with ADD.

Nobody gets everything done, everyday, all the time. Most working mothers live with a certain casualness in their homes because they know that their own rest, relaxation and attention to family are more important than dust.

Good Luck to you, let me know how you do.

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Native American Day at the South Dakota State Legislature

Two Bulls to submit legislation for $500,000 in funding for tribal college

BY TOM KATUS
Times Correspondent

PIERRE - For the sixth consecutive year, Native American Day was held on Jan. 17 at the beginning of this year's legislation session and issues such a tribal college funding and Indian Child Welfare Act enforcement highlighted the day.

The event was co-sponsored by these State's four Native American legislators, the Wakpa Sica Reconciliation Place, First Voices, South Dakota Indian Health Board, and the American Civil Liberties Union.

The keynote address was given by Tom Shortbull, president of Oglala Lakota College and South Dakota's first Native American state senator. He addressed two themes: The history of relations with non-Indians, and the history of tribes and the state of South Dakota. He said "Post Civil War, the US was weak. Red Cloud's War was the only war the US ever lost. The US Government with famous Civil War generals Sherman and Sheridan signed the 1868 Treaty of Peace, with Red Cloud and other Tribal leaders. All our rights go back to the treaty of 1868..."

"With the war on poverty in the 60s, the US government finally started encouraging Native Americans to go to college. In 1965, I went to the University of South Dakota with 20 other Native American students. Only two of us graduated. The elders began to ask why can't we educate our own? Oglala Lakota College and Sinte Gleska University were founded in 1971. Today there are 200 teachers on Pine Ridge. More than 100 are Native American and 86 percent of those are OLC graduates."

"I have served in and subsequently observed the legislature for 23 years. I don't know of any significant legislation that has been passed by the South Dakota Legislature for Native Americans. The state of Montana has allocated $500,000 for its tribal colleges. In South Dakota, we passed allocations of $50,000 annually for three consecutive years, but nothing was never dispersed."

He concluded, "Wake up South Dakota. Do something good for the health and education of tribal people."

Issues

Tribal college funding and Indian Child Welfare Act enforcement are two legislative issues that received top attention at Native American Day. Both issues subsequently received support by key Republican West River Senators during Rapid City's Legislative cracker barrel on Jan. 21.

While Shortbull was in Pierre, Representative Paul Valandra, (D-Mission) arranged meetings with the governor's office and some key legislators on the proposed tribal college legislation. As a result, Senator Theresa Two Bulls, OST Pine Ridge Democrat will submit legislation to provide for up to $500,000 for the tribal colleges this year. Republican Senators Dempster and Adelstein have agreed to be co-sponsors of this legislation.


Theresa Two Bulls

At Rapid City's legislative cracker barrel, South Dakota senator Stan Adelstein confirmed his support for the bill. Adelstein chairs the joint legislative State-Tribal Relations Committee. He stated, " If you're an enrolled member of your tribe, the tribal colleges receive some scholarship support from the respective tribe. If that same student attends one of the State's Universities, like all students, it costs the SD taxpayer approximately $3,000 annually. Montana has allocated $500,000 to support non-Federally recognized students, both native and non-Indian, enrolled at their respective tribal colleges. I am supporting legislation that will provide $1,000 per student to those tribal colleges that are accredited. We don't yet know exactly how many students will qualify," he concluded.

Valandra stated, "I'm beginning to see a little light at the end of the tunnel on the tribal college bill." Representative Jim Bradford, (D-Pine Ridge) was more skeptical. He stated, "We will support it, but I doubt it will pass."

Rev. Webster Two Hawk, former chairman RST and former state-tribal relations coordinator, attacked the enforcement of the Indian Child Welfare Act. He stated, "South Dakota's Department of Social Services kidnapped our granddaughter twice."

At Rapid City's legislative cracker barrel, Republican Senator Napoli, who is a member of the Senate appropriations committee blasted SDDSS. " When I heard brutal testimony from grandparents, uncles and aunts who had their grandchildren, nephews and nieces taken from them without notification, I was appalled. In one case, even after three years DSS did not permit the extended family to even know where they were placed, DSS is the closest (unit of government) to a socialist outfit as I have ever seen. Attorney General Larry Long is requesting $100,000 to study DSS's heavy handed tactics. I will support him. Government cannot raise children, people (grandparents and extended family) can", he concluded.

Representative Tom Van Norman, CRST Eagle Butte Democrat, indicated he may introduce additional legislation to force DSS to implement ICWA.

Mary Ann Bear Heels McGowan, Executive Director, First Voices stated, "We have made progress with racial profiling. We are now treated with courtesy and respect."

Mike Graham, executive director of United Native Americans and an Oklahoma Cherokee addressed the group. "We want to change the name of Custer State Park to Crazy Horse."

Governor Mike Browns addressed the group. "When we first did this (Native American Day) we didn't know if people would come, but they have. (These efforts) are long term. Our children should recognize differences in culture. It's something we should celebrate", he concluded.

Following the Governor's remarks, a ceremony conducted by Chief Leonard Crow Dog honored Governor Rounds, Tom Shortbull, and Rev. Webster Two Hawk. They were all given star quilts.

Additional remarks were made by all four native Legislators; Senator Two Bulls and Representatives Valandra, Van Norman, and Bradford. Other remarks were made by Mike Jandreau, Chairman Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, Clarence Skye, Executive Director United Sioux Tribe; Jeannie Faber, aide to senator John Thune, and FST enrolled member,; Rev Two Hawks, Mrs. McGowan, Stacey LeCompte, Wakpa Sica, and Jennifer Ring, ACLU.

Indian National Finals Rodeo is organized year round

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

BROWNING, MT - With the Great Plains Indian Rodeo Shoot-out coming to the Black Hills Stock Show and Rodeo on Jan. 28, an examination of the GPIRA's place in the Indian National Finals Rodeo national organization reveals the INFR's history and stability which surpasses thirty years. Information about INFR can be accessed at www.infr.org.

The GPIRA is no stranger to the Black Hills as it is based in Rapid City and it is also a featured rodeo at the Crazy Horse Stampede which will be held this year June 16-18 on the grounds of the Custer Memorial. The Stampede is also sanctioned by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association.

The Indian National Finals Rodeo is headquartered in Browning, MT, in the heart of the Blackfoot Nation. It appears that most anyone with certain proven rodeo skills around livestock is able to join the organization by filling out a membership form along with a fee of $200 for a Tour Card. One can pay a fee of $100 for a Region Card and in both cases the fee is distributed in part to the Region and the INFR.

For members there is an entry fee of $100 to a maximum of $250, and a stock charge per event of $10 per event, with a one time administration fee of $10. At each event, the INFR provides a rodeo secretary who will ensure consistent payouts and application of rules.

For those unfamiliar with rodeo terminology, the point system, money splits, drawbacks, and added money scale are all jargon that is potentially confusing for the novice. That is where a call to the INFR office would be helpful. In addition, one can call one of the ten regional offices located primarily in the western half of the United States.

The ten regions are governed by a representative board of INFR Commissioners, while the regions are: Eastern Indian Rodeo Association (EIRA) located in Okeechobee, FL, Great Plains Indian Rodeo Association (GPIRA) in Rapid City, Indian Rodeo Cowboys Association (IRCA) located in Standoff, Alberta, Canada, Northern Alberta Native Cowboys Association (NANCA) in Browning, Mont., Northern Plains Indian Rodeo Association (NPIRA) in Garry Owen, Mont., Rocky Mountain Indian Rodeo Association (RMIRA) in Blackfoot, Idaho, the South West Indian Rodeo Association, (SWIRA) in San Carlos, AZ, United Indian Rodeo Association (UNIRA) located in Valier, MT, and the Western States Indian Rodeo Association (WSIRA) located in Casa Grande, Ariz.

The qualifiers for the Indian National Final Rodeo this year include the top 10 finishers from Tour standings, the year end champion from each Region, and Finals winners from each Region.

Each year a Miss Indian Rodeo is selected during the rodeo pageant. The current 2006 Miss Indian Rodeo is Jaci Lynn Etzkorn, a Cheyenne River Sioux from Dupree who is a student attending the University of Minnesota at Moorehead.

The Tour rodeos for 2006 which have been approved by INFR include, February: EIRA Tour Rodeo in Big Cypress, Fla., Feb. 4 and 5, Second EIRA Tour Rodeo in Brighton, Fla., February 15-17. June: NANCA Tour Rodeo in Saddle Lake, Alberta, Canada, June 23-25. July: NNRCA Tour Rodeo, Kayenta, AZ, July 1-4, WSIRA Tour Rodeo, Ely, Nev/, July 21-23. September: GPIRA Tour Rodeo in Eagle Butte, Sept. 2-4.

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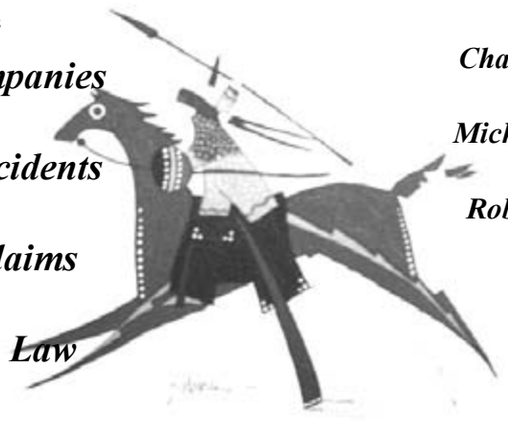
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AIDS numbers increase

PIERRE - The number of new AIDS cases in South Dakota has increased from 19 new cases the year before to 33 new cases in 2005.

Since 1985 when the first case was identified in the state 495 people have been infected with AIDS and 145 died so far. The state has 288 HIV-AIDS cases with 72 percent male and 28 percent female. South Dakota has the second lowest AIDS rate in the nation, while North Dakota is the lowest. The state's rate is 17.2 per 100,000 residents which is about one tenth the national rate of 169 per 100,000 according to the Center for Disease Control

State prepares for bird flu

RAPID CITY - Rapid City and the state of South Dakota are preparing for a deadly strain of the avian flu called H5N1. Health officials have warned that if it is found that H5N1 can be passed from person, the world could be in for a global outbreak or what is called a pandemic.

Last fall, the federal government announced a $7.1 million emergency spending program that will help to prepare for such a pandemic and the development of a new vaccine.

The Center for Disease Control is recommending ways for people to prepare for a pandemic. Basically, people are encouraged to wash their hands, educate themselves about pandemics and to have an adequate supply of medications and other health supplies.

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Council selects casino project manager, approves new probate code, reaffirms tribal prosecutors

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent

PORCUPINE - As the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council wrapped up its regular session in Porcupine, gaming and the continued work on the new Prairie Wind Casino occupied the attention of the council representatives. Lenart Brown Eyes, an independent contractor from Martin, was selected as the new project manager of the Prairie Wind Casino construction project.

"In order for construction to continue on the casino project, we need to hire a project manager," said Paul Little, council representative from Oglala, "we agreed to have Rick Shangreaux do it on a temporary basis and now we need to move ahead and select someone who is qualified and is able to finish the project."

The council approved, by a vote of 11-1 the project manager job description and the RFP. With three candidates interested in the position, the council conducted a secret ballot for the project manager position and Jess Claussen received six votes, Lenart Brown Eyes received four and Joe Locust finished with two. Following questions about hourly rates, mileage money and bonding, there was a motion to hire Jess Claussen as the temporary project manager and have the economic and busi-

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HURON - Sadie In The Woods is deep in Thorpes territory as the Lady Mustangs defeated the Pine Ridge Lady Thorpes in a close contest 64-62. It was the second straight Dakota Oyate championship for Little Wound High School as In The Woods scored 19 points. (Photo by Hottshotts Photography.)

State Equal Justice Commission issues final report on unfairness

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

PIERRE - The Supreme Court of South Dakota created the Equal Justice Commission on January 2004 and the commission has recently released its final report on unfairness in the South Dakota Judicial System based upon race and ethnicity.

The eleven member commission was co-chaired by Justice John K. Konenkamp and retired Oglala Sioux Tribal Court Chief Judge Patrick A. Lee.

The Commission was charged with performing the following tasks: identify areas where there is a perception of unfairness based upon race, ethnicity and minority status and to invite public input while looking at available data; formulate and propose guidelines, standards and procedures to ensure equal justice in South Dakota's judicial system and exploring ways to promote better understanding as ethnic and racial minorities enter the judicial system; recommend appropriate judicial and legal education course material and programs on equality; advise the South Dakota Supreme Court on possible legislation to further equal justice in the state judicial system; recommend a mechanism for processing complaints about biased behavior of judges, lawyers and court personnel; encourage greater racial and gender diversity in the appointment of justices, circuit judges and magistrates; recommend teaching, curricula and continuing education to the South Dakota State Bar and the USD Law School to eliminate biased conduct on the part of attorneys and submit a written report with eighteen months.

Interviews and public hearings were held at 15 sites across the state, including locations in Pierre, Rapid City, Sioux Falls and Vermillion. The commission also received letters and written testimonials. It also considered statistical data submitted by three faculty from the University of South Dakota.

In the interest of time, only the novel and significant 'recommendations' to the South Dakota Supreme Court are summarized as they are based upon the 'findings' and listing them twice would be redundant.

The recommendations on 'Unfairness' ask judges and

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Sueann Iron Shell scheduled for kidney transplant

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Sueann Iron Shell, 32, is scheduled to receive a donor kidney from her brother, Calvin Iron Shell, Jr. on Feb. 1 in Omaha, Neb. at the University Of Nebraska Medical Center. Her father Calvin Iron Shell, Sr. has taken a proactive role in fundraising for the related expenses the family will need to stay for two weeks in Omaha.

Iron Shell, Sr. just like all fathers, is concerned about his daughter's health and is spreading the word about the devastating disease, diabetes that has necessitated Sue Ann having to undergo a kidney transplant. He said,



Sueann Iron Shell to undergo kidney transplant this week.

"When Sueann was 12, she experienced symptoms of fatigue and confusion. She was an excellent student and that wasn't a good sign. Her mother got concerned and took her in to be checked. Psychologically, it hurt her and she interpreted as she had done something wrong. It was traumatic."

Sueann is a model and has used her skills and background to fight the disease. She organized a road run in North Sioux City. Her efforts have been joined by many others who recognize the need to find a cure and also help others who need financial support during such extended hospital stays.

Iron Shell Sr. said that Calvin, Jr. was the closest matched of Sueann's siblings. He said, "The donor is Calvin Jr. His birthday is today, Jan.28. He matched the closest. Everything is set as this thing can hit her anytime. Last night we had a sweat, and there be another one before we go to Omaha."

The generational nature of diabetes in the Iron Shell family can be traced back to others, as Iron Shell, Sr. noted that his mother, father, and two sisters were afflicted. He also says that Sue Ann is the only of his children that has diabetes, thus far. He is frustrated that with billions of dollars being conducted on diabetes research there has been no cure discovered.

He said, "A good part of healing is to

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ness development committee negotiate the contract. The motion failed five for, six against and one not voting. The council then voted 6-5 with one not voting to hire Brown Eyes as the temporary project manager.

Representatives from a number of tribes met in Pierre on Jan. 11 to continue the work on a united tribal effort for a new gaming compact between the tribes and the governor of South Dakota. Representatives from Standing Rock, Yankton, Cheyenne River, Sisseton and Rosebud were joined by Ruth Brown, council representative from Eagle Nest District, Austin Watkins, council representative from Medicine Root District, Bernard White Face, council representative from Porcupine District and Lyle Jack, council representative from Pine Ridge and chairman of the economic and business development committee.

"We are still working on a request to the governor for multiple sites, a longer length for the next compacts and for a market driven number of gaming devices for each tribe involved in gaming," said Ruth Brown, chairman of the OST land committee" She went on to say, "The meeting went well and we plan to come together again on Feb. 21 to finalize the presentation to be made to Governor Rounds in April."

Brown has been working diligently on a second site for a tribal casino between Wanblee and Kadoka and is waiting for a time when the tribe is permitted more that 250 gaming devices.

"Our plan for the eastern reservation casino is now dependent on the tribe being approved for additional devices," said Brown, "it is just not feasible to build it and operate it with Class Two gaming devices."

Sisseton Wahpeton and Flandreau both chipped in $10,000 to help fund the research and data gathering needed to provide the necessary back up documents on each tribe and their market area to make the case for the tribes and their interest in continued growth and expansion." added Brown.

The council also voted 14-0 to approve a new probate code, to have a report from the Oglala Sioux Parks and Recreation Authority at the next meeting and to have a detailed expenditure report on both the $18 million debt consolidation loan and the $20 million casino construction project loan. They also voted 12-0 against authorizing the request for Wakpa Sica to place land into trust.

Frustrated in not being able to deal with emergency issues that seem to find their way to the council on a regular basis, the council voted 8-4 to once again allow a two thirds vote to add items to the council's agenda. The council then voted 12-0 to amend 05-20 to provide for the standing committees to advertise, select and seat their respective committee coordinators for a two year term.

The judiciary committee brought a resolution to rescind council action that reaffirmed the hiring of the two tribal prosecutors, Theresa Two Bulls and Anne Apple. Instead the council once again re-affirmed their support for Two Bulls and Apple as tribal prosecutors by a vote of 12-0.

The special session of the council to hear the complaint against Walt Big Crow took place in Porcupine on Tuesday, a special session on economic and business development committee activities is scheduled for Wednesday in Pine Ridge and a two day session finish the regular session items is scheduled for Feb. 9 and 10 in Pine Ridge.

Equal justice

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court personnel to be vigilante in allowing stereotypical behavior towards minorities, as well as asking the Unified Judicial System to educate judges and court personnel that bias and sensitivity toward minorities exists. All personnel in the UJS would benefit from cultural competency training as well as recommending the recruitment of minority employees throughout the state. Tribal court personnel should be used in diversity training, and the Supreme Court should establish a standing education committee to educate the public. The South Dakota Supreme Court should appoint qualified minorities to serve on the South Dakota Board of Pardons. The Supreme Court should create a process to address complaints about issues of race involving UJS personnel. Finally, UJS should recommend to the South Dakota Board of Regents that a minimum of two to three hours of Native American culture and history be a mandatory requirement from a 4-year public university.

The recommendations on 'Language Interpretation' ask the Supreme Court to create comprehensive guidelines for the adequate interpretation and legal translation services for all people in need of interpreters.

The Supreme Court needs to draft judicial forms and documents in easily translatable English and all legal translations are to be made by approved legal translators. The third recommendation asks the Supreme Court to orient and sensitize all court personnel as to the complexities of communicating with people of diverse linguistic and cultural backgrounds.

The recommendations on 'Juvenile Justice' recommend that the Supreme Court require a data base that is race specific on all people brought into the judicial system. The UJS should make every effort to recruit, training and promote minority personnel in the judicial system. The legislature should develop and fund culturally specific programs for minority youth for both in-home and out-of-home placements, while allowing locally available dispositional options for minority juveniles as alternatives to removal from the home. Finally, the State of South Dakota needs to work out reciprocal juvenile probation agreements with the tribes.

The recommendations on 'Juries' ask the UJS and the State Bar of South Dakota to use public education programs to increase awareness about the purpose and function of grand and petit juries and increasing minority representation on such juries.

The recommendations on 'Arrests and Stops' encourages the State of South Dakota to initiate a pilot program to document the racial makeup of all persons strapped by law enforcement officers on South Dakota highways. The information collected should include the reasons for the stop and the disposition (release, warning, citation, and arrest.)

The recommendations on 'Pretrial Procedures' ask that an objective scale be used by prosecutors, judges, and evaluators as a model to developing neutral pretrial release tools. Also, the Attorney General of South Dakota is asked to conduct a pilot project on the collection of data from prosecutors in selected counties on charging and plea negotiating decisions and the racial makeup of those affected.

The recommendations on 'criminal justice dispositions' asks the South Dakota Office of Tribal Government Relations to meet with tribal leaders to negotiate a plan on bilateral extradition and probation supervision agreements. Judges and court service officers should receive training on racially and culturally neutral sentencing determinations.

Also, the UJS should maintain database of the racial makeup of all persons sentenced on felonies and class one misdemeanors. The Department of Corrections is asked to encourage all staff to receive training in Native American religious practices.

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Iron Shell scheduled for transplant

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take a gamble and in this country we do not like to gamble. I have traveled to Mexico for spiritual gatherings. They are more advanced in their treatment and they want me to take her there."

Iron Shell, Sr. was speaking of the tight controls that the federal government exercises over drug companies and innovations in medical advancement. Some countries are not burdened by such governmental oversight and thus, are able to be a bit more creative in their solutions to such health issues. An example of that might be stem cell research which is being conducted in places like China and other nations which see potential for its application.

Sueann not only enjoys the support of her immediate Sicangu family, but her mate Charlie Silvas who is a California Indian, is a great supporter also, according to Iron Shell, Sr. He said, "He is a very big supporter. He works in construction. When she goes into a coma, it pulls the family down. It is trying on all of us. We want this transplant to happen."

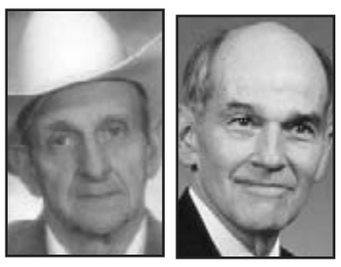
Iron Shell, Sr. who worked at St. Francis Indian School as a highly successful basketball coach in the past, also worked for the tribe in a number of capacities. He holds a bachelor of science degree in teaching from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. He served in the U.S. Army and was an airborne trooper from 1951-54. He also ran the first SGU Summer Institute in 1972. He administered the tribe's CETA program and did a lot of work with the former RST President Charlie Colombe's administration.

He said that there needs to be more economic development and jobs for the people. In the likelihood that does not happen, Iron Shell, Sr. wants to take the initiative with his own extended family and see if they can begin some projects to become self-sufficient for themselves. He said, "I have the largest tiospaye. I am the chief now. We are going to organize and do something for our own relations."

The Iron Shell family is asking for the generous support from the Sicangu people and the public at large in order to stay for a two week duration in Omaha. The donations will cover the cost of transportation, food and lodging and post surgery expenses. To give a donation to cover related expenses for Sueann's kidney transplant, please contact Rosalie Iron Shell or Calvin Iron Shell, Sr. at 605-747-5614. Their address is PO Box 512, Rosebud, S.D. 57570.

Reps. Bradford and Van Etten clash over Pine Ridge retirement home

BY TOM KATUS
Time's Correspondent



Jim Bradford, Don Van Etten

PIERRE - Last week, Representative Jim Bradford, D-Pine Ridge, proposed legislation to receive state authorization to build a second reservation retirement home - this time on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Representative Don Van Etten, Rep-Rapid City, strongly opposed Bradford's proposal. He said, "In 2003, we passed a bill to authorize a nursing home on a reservation. It was approved for the Cheyenne River Reservation as a pilot. This was done despite a moratorium on nursing homes in the rest of the state because we have 7,101 licensed beds in the system, more than 900 of which are not in use. We authorized this pilot home, even though care for Native Americans on the reservations is the responsibility of the federal government. Even with this approval, construction has been slow. We are told that only the footings are complete, and it will still be 12-15 months before that facility is open. It was inappropriate for Representative Bradford to bring a proposal for a second facility forward."

At the Legislative Cracker Barrel in Rapid City on Jan. 28, Jay Davis, a lawyer from Rapid City, challenged Van Etten. He said, "You seem to be very opposed to Bradford's proposal for a Pine Ridge facility." Van Etten replied, "Yes, there was a gentleman's agreement with Governor Rounds that we would authorize only this pilot. We would see what it cost and how it works." Senator Stan Adelstein, Rep-Rapid City, supported Bradford. He said, "The problem on Pine Ridge is that are such distances for so many poor people to travel. Because of the long moratorium impose, it's reasonable for Bradford to make this request." Bradford agreed with Adelstein's analysis. He commented, "My mother-in-law is in a nursing home in Martin, and she has more than 100 direct descendants living more than 100 miles round trip to visit her. Many of them are poor and cannot afford to drive these long distances."

Van Etten retorted, "The distance to a nursing home in South Dakota is no worse than anywhere else. A 50 bed facility will cost us $1.7 million to operate annually. This really is not the state's responsibility. We're already making an exception in Eagle Butte."

Bradford responded, "I'm tired of his whining about the cost to the state. If they would only turn Medicaid over to the tribes, we could take care of it on our own. By law, we have to go through the state to get authorization to build a home on the reservation. The tribes pay for all the construction costs. It's the annual operating costs he's whining about. Under the federal formula, the feds pay 70 percent of Medicaid costs; the state 30 percent. In the committee, Van Etten was very rude. He's running around in a perfect world. He thinks Indian people are living off of him. Quite the reverse is true. Many of us provide him their livelihoods."

Bradford continued, "Besides, he was not even at the so-called gentleman's agreement to which he refers. That was between Governor Rounds, Paul Valandra, D-Mission, Tom Van Norman, Dem-Eagle Butte, and me three years ago." Dick Hagen, Dem-Pine Ridge, who had served both as a representative and senator, had annually sought support for a home on one of the reservations. "When we met with the Governor, he apologized to me and indicated the first home would be built on Cheyenne River but that the next one would be on Pine Ridge. There was never a time limit as to when the second home could be proposed. The only thing I did differently this year than previous years was to specify that the second home should be on Pine Ridge," concluded Bradford. Representative Valandra supported Bradford's interpretation of the gentleman's agreement. He stated that the state authorizing the nursing home on CRST was one of the most significant pieces of legislation for Native Americans passed in his 16 years in the Senate and House.

Romance story of Bald Eagle highlights stock show

RAPID CITY - During the Black Hills Stock Show and Rodeo, the Journey Museum hosted an exhibit on early rodeo contestants and drew a good crowd. Jim Thompson was the moderator and several people shared Casey Tibbs stories. The highlight of the evening, however, was Dave Bald Eagle. He had toured with the Wild West show led by Tibbs. On a trip to Brussels, Belgium Bald Eagle met a young Belgium girl he met and is still married to 50 years later. He credits with Tibbs with introducing him to his future wife.

Bill to improve state's filming industry

PIERRE - The House of Representatives passed HB 1206 on Jan.30 entitled "An Act to provide contractor's excise, refund, and use tax refunds for the filming of certain motion pictures, documentaries, or television films." The refund only pertains to project costs incurred and paid after July 1, 2006, and within 36 months of the approval of the application. No refund will be made unless the amount incurred in South Dakota exceeds the sum of $250 thousand.

$2.7 million grant to help nursing students

ABERDEEN - A $2.7 million federal grant paid for nursing students to earn their degrees through Presentation College in hopes that they would work near their homes. The Department of Labor grant is called the Skills Enhancement and Education through Distance learning and graduated several nurses who are working in South Dakota and North Dakota. Seven nurses now work in the Mobridge and Eagle Butte area. The SEED program ended in May 2003 when most of the 95 nursing student graduated.

Indigenous games teams are being organized

MINOT, ND - The North Dakota tribes are organizing a team to participate in the North American Indigenous Games this summer in Denver and Colorado Spring, CO. About 10,000 athletes will take part in the games and compete in six sports. The indigenous games are held every two years and alternate between Canada and the United States. The ages for Team North Dakota range from 13-19 and will be comprised of 250 members.

SGU Founder's Day activities this week

ROSEBUD - The Sicangu Nation's Sinte Gleska University is celebrating its 36th annual Founders Day week activities this week. Activities range from family fun to strategic planning to an SGU fashion show. The week culminates with the Founder's Day wacipi with cash prizes totaling $30,000. SGU President Lionel R. Bordeaux is also celebrating 33 years in leading the university.

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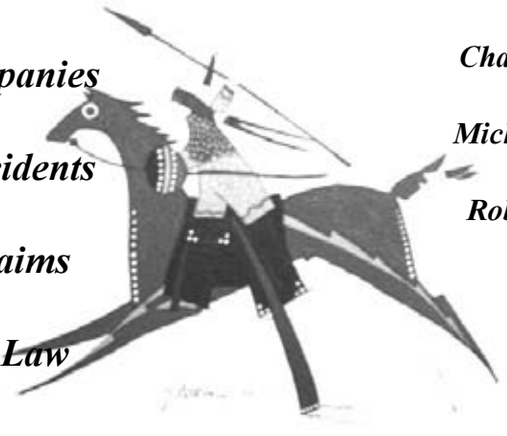
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DIRECT HOSPITAL TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

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Administration	747-3242
Dental	747-3277
Mental Health	747-3265
Benefit Coordinator	747-3213
Medical Records	747-3214
Optometry (Eye)	747-3274
Public Health Nursing	747-3314
APPOINTMENTS	747-3270
EMERGENCY DEPT.	747-3259
Patient Registration	747-3613 or 747-3614
Pharmacy (Automated System)	747-3268

OPTOMETRY PROGRAM

The normal operating hours of the Optometry Program at the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility is from 8:30AM-3:30PM. The Optometry Program is currently scheduling appointments and mailing out appointments to patients.

In an effort to better meet the needs of our clients the Optometry Program will provide services to Diabetic Patients on Tuesday mornings on a walk-in basis that have been referred from the Diabetic Clinic.

"No Show" Policy: If a client fails to keep two scheduled appointments then their name will be placed at the end of the waiting list. If you know that you will not be able to keep a scheduled appointment, we ask that you call the Optometry Department to cancel the appointment as early as possible so that another patient may be given the appointment.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility provides 24 hour Emergency Services. When you present to the Emergency Department you will be greeted by a Medical Support Assistant that will ask for your name, date of birth and/or chart number in order to obtain your medical record.

You will be TRIAGED by a Registered Nurse within 15 minutes from the time of your arrival. The Registered Nurse will ask you for your Chief Complaint (What brings you to the ER?) and will obtain vital signs (blood pressure, pulse, temperature, respirations, height, weight and pain scale).

NO patient will be turned away from the Emergency Department. Triage is a process that assists the medical provider in establishing the order in which the patients will receive a Medical Screening Exam and care/treatment. Triage is NOT a Medical Screening Exam.

Triage levels are as follows:

Level I: Non-Urgent
Level II: Urgent
Level III: Emergency

Just because you signed up first does not necessarily mean that you will be seen first. Patients that present to the Emergency Department will be seen in the order of their Medical Priority, which is determined during the Triage Process.

A Medical Screening Exam (MSE) is a process. It is the continuation of an initial assessment during an Emergency Room visit. It is NOT for the purpose of excluding patients from care or for financial reimbursement. It is a Legal Responsibility of the facility. The Medical Provider will perform a Medical Screening Exam which will consist of obtaining information pertaining to vital signs, current medications, medical history, physical exam, and providing medical stabilization when deemed necessary.

What is an Emergency?

- Heart Attack
- Chest Pain
- Shortness of Breath
- Fracture
- Gun Shot Wound
- Attempted Suicide
- Respiratory Distress
- Infant w/Elevated Temperature
- Head Injury
- Loss of Consciousness
- Nausea/Vomiting
- Bleeding
- Onset of numbness, tingling or weakness on one side of body
- Labor Pains
- Bleeding while pregnant

CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES

Important Facts You Should Know About Contract Health

IHS-CHS Coverage is not automatic. Should you have an emergency situation requiring you to obtain care at a non-IHS facility, you must notify the CHS office at 605-747-3215 OR 605-747-3216 within 72 hours. If you fail to notify the CHS office you will be responsible for any bills you incur.

IHS-CHS Coverage is for Emergent, Life-Threatening situations. Sore Throats, earaches, and medication refills, etc., are not considered emergent or life threatening. IHS-CHS will not cover a visit if an IHS Facility would have been closer. CHS does not cover medicatons.

If you visit a non-IHS facility you MUST sign a release of information to provide this information to the CHS office. The CHS committee cannot make a decision without sufficient medical information. In most cases a referral is limited to one medical treatment and/or appointment.

CHS Eligibility Criteria: You MUST be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe. You MUST reside within the Contract Health Service Delivery Area (CHSDA) which covers the counties surrounding the Rosebud Sioux Tribe Reservation. If you are a non-member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe you MUST reside within the reservation boundaries.

Eligible Veterans: A patient will apply and utilize alternate resources if the individual is eligible. This is pursuant to IHS Regulation, 42 CFR, Part C. Purpose: To ensure patients receive the resources they are qualified for/or entitled to. To inquire about eligibility or to apply for benefits, contact the local Veterans Health Administration Center in Hot Springs at 1-800-764-5370 or the Rosebud Veterans Center at 605-747-2593.

IHS-CHS Approval: Please do not request preauthorization from the Indian Health Service. The CHS Committee must review all referrals and call-in requests. The CHS Committee approves or disapproves the referrals based on medical facts presented and the CHS criteria being met. The committee is the only authority to approve or disapprove.

IHS-CHS Payor of Last Resort: The Patient MUST apply for any alternate resources for which they may be eligible. A denial from the alternate resource is required for reconsideration by the CHS Committee. You may contact the Patient Benefits Coordinator to assist in the application process for alternate resources. Please call (605)747-3213 for further information. CHS Guidelines require all patients under the age of 18 and all pregnant patients apply for Medicaid.

Non-Compliance With the Approval Process May Serve as the Basis for Denial of Payment by Contract Health Services:

Payment Process: When a patient has Medicare, Medicaid, CHAMPUS, Private Insurance, Workmen's Compensation or is covered by another resource, that resource is considered the primary carrier. All Explanations of Benefits (EOBs) from the primary carrier(s) must be brought or mailed to the CHS office without delay when received by the patient. Many times the Non-IHS provider will turn the patient's bill over to a collection agency because the provider is unable to obtain an EOB from the patient. It is Very Important that you provide this to the provider of the CHS office in order to complete the payment process.

For further information regarding Contract Health Services please feel free to contact:
Sharyn Richards,
Contract Health Service Manager at:
605-747-3239.

DENTAL PROGRAM

The Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility's Dental Program currently has one (1) full-time Dentist and one (1) Contract Dentist on staff. Although we are actively recruiting for permanent Dentists we are currently experiencing a staffing shortage and we ask for your patience. The Dental Program Schedule is as follows:

Mondays/Wednesdays

Beginning at 8AM patients can present on a walk-in basis. The first 10 patients that present will be seen in the morning. Beginning at 12PM patients are present on a walk-in basis. The first 10 patients that present will be seen in the afternoon.

Tuesdays/Fridays

Patients with only scheduled appointments will be seen with the exception of an Emergency.

Thursdays

The Dental Clinic is closed from 8AM-12:30PM. Patients with scheduled appointments will be seen between the hours of 12:30 PM-4:30 PM. The Dental Program provides an Evening Clinic. Patients can sign up for Evening Clinic at 4:30PM on Thursdays.

Surgery Services

The Dental Program also provides Surgery services. Although the Dental Program is experiencing a staffing shortage they are committed to providing as many surgery and clinic services as possible as long as they are not sacrificing the quality of their services.

If you are a Diabetic patient please notify the Dental staff. The Dental Program work with Medical Providers to ensure that Diabetic patients are provided prompt dental care.

The Dental Program provides 24 Hour dental care for DENTAL EMERGENCIES. In the event of a patient with a Dental Emergency, it increase the waiting time of those dental patients that are non-emergent. We ask for your patience if this does occur.

PHARMACY PROGRAM

The Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility's Pharmacy Department's hours of operation are as follows:

Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday:
9:00AM - 12:00 PM and 2:00 - 5:00 PM
Thursday:
2:00 - 5:00 PM and 6:00 - 9:00 PM

There are many medical conditions in which certain over the counter medications could cause harm or untoward side effects if not appropriately used. Therefore, in an effort to ensure the safety of our clients we will no longer be providing over the counter (OTC) medications without seeing a medical provider.

The Pharmacy Program is currently experiencing a high volume of prescriptions and a staffing shortage. We ask for your patience and assistance in meeting the needs of all of our clients when calling in for Pharmacy refills. We ask that you try to call at least 2-4 days in advance for your refills.

Clients/Patients have the option of calling and asking to speak directly to a Pharmacist or you have the option of using our new automated system.

The Automated System allows clients/patients to call and leave their refill requests by calling 747-3268 without having to wait to speak to a Pharmacist. When using the automated system you will need to provide your full name, chart number, medication name, prescription number and number of refills remaining. All of the information can be located on your medication bottles.

URGENT CARE

The Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility provides Urgent Care for non-emergent medical conditions. Patients can present to the Urgent Care on a Walk-In basis seven (7) days a week between the hours of 9:00AM to 9:00 PM.

Urgent Care can be accessed by entering the Emergency Department entrance and the Urgent Care window is located to your left. Upon presenting you will be greeted by a Medical Support Assistant who will ask for your name, date of birth and/or chart number in order to obtain your medical record.

You will be TRIAGED by a Registered Nurse within 15 minutes from the time of your arrival. The Registered Nurse will ask you for your Chief Complaint (What brings you to the ER?) and will obtain vital signs (blood pressure, pulse, temperature, respirations, height, weight and pain scale).

Triage is a process that assists the medical provider in establishing the order in which the patients will receive care/treatment. Just because you signed up first does not necessarily mean that you will be seen first. Patients that present to Urgent Care will be seen in the order of their Medical Priority, which is determined during the Triage Process.

What types of conditions are seen in Urgent Care?

- Cough
- Cold
- Flu
- Earache
- Sinus Problems
- Sore Throatadache
- Muscle aches
- Joint pains
- Arthritis
- Ankle sprain
- Burning with Urination
- Diarrhea
- Cuts greater than 24 hrs. old
- Back pain
- Medical Clearance
- Bug/Insect Bites
- Rash/Skin problems
- Constipation
- Toothaches

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Words For The People

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Two Sections

Red Cloud High School lists Gold honor roll

PINE RIDGE - Red Cloud High School has released their list of Gold honor roll students for the first semester status.

Seniors

Marissa O'Bryan	4.0
Rianna Albers	4.0
Christina Cordier	3.9
Nikki Yellow Hair	3.7
Michelle High Hawk	3.7
Retasha Garnier	3.6
Kristin Weston	3.5
Larissa Little Moon	3.5
Anthony Weasel Bear	3.5
Jordan Herman	3.5

Juniors

Alec Morgan	4.0
Matthew Shoulders	3.9
Allie Weston	3.7
Tasheena Schreiner	3.7
Brittany Ross	3.7
Breanna White	3.7
Tanner O'Daniel	3.6
Sammi Herman	3.6
Jade Janis	3.6
Flora Crazy Thunder	3.5
Ashlee Randall	3.5
Nicolette McLaughlin	3.5
Samantha Janis	3.5

Sophomores

Danielle Hudspeth	4.0
Chant Knight	4.0
Veronica Watters	4.0
Audrey White	3.7
Kayla Weston	3.7
Grey Hamilton	3.6
William White	3.6
Casey Zimiga	3.5
Vern White Butterfly	3.5
Stevie Tobacco	3.5
Samantha Romero	3.5
Rilda Means	3.5
Christian McGhee	3.5

Freshman

Bobbi White	4.0
Danielle Locust	4.0
Shelby Ross	3.9
Juliana Brown Eyes	3.9
Jacob Vocu	3.9
Josh Huston	3.9
Marque Lunderman	3.9
Jacob Franks	3.8
Shaina Clifford	3.7
David Arredondo	3.7
Melissa Shoulders	3.7
Jennifer Brave Heart	3.6
Wade O'Bryan	3.6
Alice Jack	3.5
Marlayna Wilson	3.5
Charlee Running Eagle	3.5
Charles Eagle Bull	3.5
Jamie Ten Fingers	3.5
Elliot Hamilton	3.5
Charli Jo Janis	3.5

DOC awards Pauli education recognition

HURON - Dakota State University presents an Allies in Indian Education each year during the Dakota Oyate Challenge basketball tournament. The award is presented to a student, faculty or staff member of DSU or a community member and this year the award goes to Wayne Paula, an assistant professor and director of the school's Center of Excellence. The award is in recognition of work that is done to advance the cause of education and technology within the Native American community.





Lady Mustangs come from behind to win second straight Dakota Oyate Challenge title

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

HURON - For the third time this year, the Pine Ridge Lady Thorpes and the Little Wound Lady Mustangs laced it up and did battle on the basketball court; Saturday, it was in Huron for the championship of the Dakota Oyate Challenge and after trailing for most of the game, the Lady Mustangs tied the game at 47 and again at 50, took the lead and never gave it up for a hard fought 64-62 win for their second straight DOC championship.

Robin Webber helped Pine Ridge to six point leads in the first quarter of 12-6 and 18-12 with 10 points on four field goals and a free throw while Lacy Weston and Christian Janis team up for another six point lead 27-21and a 35-32 halftime lead; Weston had eight on four field goals, Janis hit four of six from the line with a field goal for six points. Weston added six more in the third as Pine Ridge led it 50-47 at the end of the third.

Sadie In The Woods, a 5'11" senior for Little Wound who has played every position for the Mustangs, scored in each quarter, hit ten of her team high 19 in the second half and provided the leadership for the defending champs to pull out another one. Even though all of the Lady Thorpes and everyone in the stands knew the lanky and lithe ballplayer from No Flesh community was going to get the ball, Sadie proved unstoppable. In addition to the 19 points, In the Woods added 11 rebounds, six assists, a blocked shot and four steals.

Left: In DOC championship action, Lady Mustang Sadie In The Woods, gets the ball down low against Pine Ridge. Right: Lady Thorpe Chris Janis protects the ball against Nichelle Red Owl of the Mustangs. Thorpe players Lacey Weston, Keisha Brewer and Sophie Janis looks on, Keisha Brewer Photographs courtesy of Rob and Kris Livingston of Hottshotts Photography.)

"We were challenged and tested the entire game," said Mary Tobacco, Little Wound head coach, "Webber took it to us early and the freshman, Weston, scored on us all night but we got the stops when we

Please turn to Mustangs: B2

Third quarter push earns Omaha Nation DOC championship

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

HURON - After derailing the undefeated 13-0 Tiospa Zina Wambdi 64-55 in the semis, Little Wound went up quickly in the championship game with Omaha Nation and led at the half 36-31 but the Chiefs came out storming in the third quarter to go from five down to seven up and kept the pressure on for a 68-59 win.

Ty Lunderman, in his best game as a Mustang, took the lead in the first quarter with three field goals for seven points as Little Wound shot well from the field as both Willie Zephier and Rich Big Boy helped with back to back shots and Devon LeBeau hit the first of his four three pointers. The game was tied five times in the first quarter and ended up 20-20 at the end of one.

Lunderman added two of his four threes in the second and Big Boy added a couple more field goals and LeBeau hits a field goal and knocks down two free throws to give Little Wound a 36-31 lead at the half.

Jerrel Grant, a 6'2" senior, grabbed nine of his game high 13 rebounds in the second half for the Chiefs and helped lead the Omaha Nation resurgence while Taurean Miller knocked down a couple of threes and a deuce to set the tone for the Nebraska team and got some strong help from Sam Dick, a 5'11" junior who scored 11 of his 17 points in the second half.

Lunderman continued his torrid pace with another three and a two in the third but didn't get much, Little Wound went ice cold from the field in the third quarter and really didn't thaw out for the rest of the game. LeBeau continued to hustle on defense grabbing six steals and pulling down a team high seven rebounds and Brice Hornbeck finished with seven rebounds and seven steals but Lunderman fouled out halfway through the fourth and Zephier was out with 2:30 to go and Little Wound ran out of time as they tried to climb back into the game.

Dick finished with 17 points and eight rebounds, Miller added 16 points and nine rebounds while Grant had 10 points and 13 rebounds, the Chiefs outrebounded Little Wound 41-26.

Lunderman, in his best outing finished with 18, LeBeau had 16 and Rich Big Boy

Please turn to Omaha Nation B2



Mustang Rich Big Boy goes for two against Omaha Nation. Photograph courtesy of Rob and Kris Livingston of Hottshotts Photography.)

Lady Mustangs, Thorpes prepare for districts

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needed it and got a balanced offense from In The Woods, Tyanne Pourier, Nichelle Red Owl and Shay Janis off the bench."

Janis came off the bench and hit one three in each quarter for 12 points, Red Owl finished with 11 and Pourier helped with 10. West led all scorers with 21 while Webber hit for 14 points and grabbed seven rebounds for Pine Ridge.

"We have improved in each game against Little Wound," said Dennis Dolezal, first year head coach for Pine Ridge, "we will play them a fourth time in the first round of the districts and that is the game that will really count, that is the one we have to be ready for."

Little Wound won the first meeting between the two teams during the Lakota Nation in December 60-49 and won 73-63 in overtime in Kyle last week and if the two teams continue to win, the Lady Mustangs will host Pine Ridge on Feb. 21 in the first round of District 14A play.

The Lady Mustangs opened the tourney with a 111-23 win over Flandreau Indian JV as Pourier led the way with 30 points, In the Woods chipped in 24, Red Owl added 19, Whitney Pourier 13 and Janis hit for 12. Little Wound downed Mandaree in the quarterfinals 56-35 and got by the stubborn Tiospaye Topa Lady Thunderhawks 58-49 in the semis as Alicia Red Bear hit for 22 points while grabbing 11 rebounds; In the Woods and Red Owl each hit for 16 and Pourier chipped in 12.

The Lady Thorpes opened this year's DOC with a 99-23 win over Walt Hill as Lacey Weston led five girls in double figures with 19, Christian Janis helped with 18, Webber and Keisha Brewer added 14 each as Sophia Janis tossed in 10. Weston led the way again 16 points in the second game, a 68-44 win over Todd County JV. Brewer helped with 13 and Deanna Big Crow added 10. Pine Ridge earned a trip to the championship game with an 82-39 win over Omaha Nation. Again Pine ridge had five players in double figures with Webber leading the w2ay with 23 points, Christian Janis helped with 14, Lacey Weston added13 and Brewer and Sophia Janis chipped in 10 each.

Chanelle Saunsoci hit six threes in leading Omaha Nation to a 52-41 third place win over Tiospaye Topa. Shavonne Stepp scored 22 in the Crow Creek 51-44 win over Todd County JV for 5th. Valree Burbank hit for 19 points to lead Mandaree 62-46 over Marty for 7th and Maggie Miller with 15 and Lynelle Fremont with 11 led the Flandreau Lady Indians to their third straight tourney win for the consolation championship a 67-45 win over Takini.

All tourney for the girl's tourney included: Kathleen Webster/Omaha Nation, Alicia Red Bear/Tiospaye Topa, Britta Cook/Marty, Autumn Johnson/Takini, Mary White Eyes/Walt Hill, Nichelle Red Owl and Tyann Pourier/Little Wound, Christian Clarquist/Lac Courte Oreille, Lynelle Fremont/Flandreau Indian, Wilma Steel/Wakpala, Rayannon Summers/Heart of the Earth, Krista Bear Stops/Takini, Ashley Ross/Crow Creek, Lana Rencountre/Flandreau JV, Shantelle Fettig/Mandaree and Lacey Weston and Sophia Janis/Pine Ridge.

Alicia Red Bear scored 74 for the top scorer of the tournament, Chanell Saunsoci hit 13 threes, Defense went to Kathleen Webster, Hustle to Robin Webber and the MVP to Sadie In the Woods. Jo Miner of Tiospaye Topa won the free throw contest while Shavonne Stepp won the three point contest.

DOC Girl's scores

First Day

Little Wound 111-22 Flandreau JV
Todd County JV 62-32 Flan.Indian
Marty 88-19 Heart of the Earth
Pine Ridge 99-23 Walt Hill
Crow Creek 84-15 LacCourtOreille
Mandaree 65-31 Takini
Omaha Nation 52-35 Tiospa Zina
Tiospaye Topa 48-20 Wakpala

Second Day

Tiospa Zina 44-22 Ht of the Earth
Flandreau Indian 74-36 Walt Hill
LCO 56-35 Wakpala
Takini 37-32 Flan. Ind. JV
Pine Ridge 68-44 Todd County JV
Omaha Nation 67-47 Marty
Tiospaye Topa 49-46 Crow Creek
Little Wound 56-35 Mandaree

Third Day

Walt Hill 53-25 Ht of Earth
Fland JV 49-46 Wakpala
Fland Ind 57-44 Tiospa Zina
Takini 57-29 LCO
Td Cty JV 61-39 Marty
Crow Creek 54-50 Mandaree
Pine Ridge 82-39 Omaha Nation
Little Wound 58-49 Tiospaye Topa

Fourth Day

Wakpala 62-36 Ht of Earth
Fland JV over Walt Hill
Tiospa Zina over LCO
Fland Ind 67-46 Takini
Mandare 62-45 Marty
Crow Creek 51-45 Td Cty JV
Omaha Nation 52-41 Tiospaye Topa
Little Wound 64-62 Pine Ridge

Area Scores

Chadron 55-29 Red Cloud
Bennett County 92-41 Jones Cty/Mid
Miller 59-39 McLaughlin
St. Francis 113-17 Oelrichs
Stanley County 46-44 Chey Eagle Butte
Standing Rock 72-47 McLaughlin
Bennett County 60-44 Wall
Todd County 91-35 Lyman

Omaha Nation:

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added 13. The Mustangs dropped their record to 10-3 and travel to Pine Ridge on Saturday, a team they have struggled with this season losing in overtime at the LNI 47-44 and losing at the Rosebud Shootout 47-45.

Little Wound opened the tournament with a 112-74 win over Walt Hill as Willis Zephier tossed in 31 points, Brice Hornbeck chipped in 18 and Ty Lunderman added 14. and followed it up with a 71-46 win over Tiospaye Topa with Zephier hitting for 12 and Big Boy and LeBeau helping out with 11 each.

In the semis, Tiospa Zina came from five back at the end of one to lead it at the half 27-25 but Big Boy led a strong Mustang second half with 23 points and Little Wound ended the Wamdi's 13 game win streak to open the season with a 64-55 victory.

Omaha Nation opened their campaign with a tough 80-79 win over Heart of the Earth as Taurean Miller led the way with 25, Grant added 20 and LJ Aldrich helped with 17. With four players in double figures the Chiefs downed Santee 65-43 with Miller hitting for 14, Grant with 13 and Dick and Calvin Clark helping with 10. Tied at the half 23 all, the Chiefs broke open a close game in the third quarter with Crow Creek as Miller scored seven of his game high 20 points, Grant helped with 15 and Dick with 11 as Crow Creek just couldn't keep up.

Tiospa Zina rebounded from the semifinal loss to Little Wound with a 60-58 overtime win over Crow Creek for third, Marty defeated Santee 65-49 for fifth, Joe Sitting Up's 31 points led Crazy Horse to seventh place, Anthony Red Elk helped with 18 and Tyson Red Elk had 15. Heart of the Earth won their third straight game for the consolation trophy with a 71-41 win over Flandreau Indians as Dominic Green tossed in 30 points.

The DOC all tournament team included: Taurean Miller and Jerell Grant/Omaha Nation, Todd Zephier/Marty, Lenny White/Tiospa Zina, Trent Grant/Walt Hill, Brice Hornbeck/Little Wound, Justin Kingfisher /LacCourte Oreille, Joe PayPay/ Flandreau, Mike Perisien/ Wakpala, Dominic Green/ Heart of the Earth, Bobby Kelly/Takini, Isiah Kirkie/ Crow Creek, Tony St. John/Crow Creek JV, Joe Sitting Up/Crazy Horse, Farron Swiftbird/Pine Ridge JV and the whole team for Tiospaye Topa and Santee.

Most points for the boys went to Dominic Green with 102, most threes to Kenny Walker/Flandreau, defense to Justin Saunsoci, hustle to Dominic Green and MVP to Taurean Miller. Joe Mack won the free throw contest and Elijah Black Thunder won the three point shooting competition.

DOC scores

Day One

Little Wound 112-74 Walt Hill
Omaha Nation 80-79 Ht of the Earth
Crow Creek 84-48 LacCourteOreille
Tiospa Zina 106-18 Wakpala
Marty 63-54 Fland Indian
Crazy Horse 88-66 Pine Ridge JV
Santee 64-57 Takini
Tiospaye Topa 59-55 2OT Crow Creek JV

Day Two

Ht of the Earth 78-48 Takini
LCO 64-57 Pine Ridge JV
Fland Ind 83-39 Wakpala
Crow Creek JV 51-47 Walt Hill
Omaha Nation 65-43 Santee
Crow Creek 73-48 Crazy Horse
Tiospa Zina 68-61 Marty
Little Wound 71-46 Tiospaye Topa

Day Three

Takini 63-50 Pine Ridge JV
Walt Hill 81-47 Wakpala
Ht of the Earth 83-38 LCO
Fland. Ind 83-61 Crow Creek JV
Santee 77-53 Crazy Horse
Marty 71-45 Tiospaye Topa
Omaha Nation 57-39 Crow Creek
Little Wound 64-55 Tiospa Zina

Day Four

Pine Ridge JV over Wakpala
Takini 52-43 Walt Hill
Crow Creek JV over LCO
Ht of the Earth 71-41 Fland. Ind
Crazy Horse 71-65 Tiospaye Topa
Marty 65-49 Santee
Tiospa Zina 60-58OT Crow Creek
Omaha Nation 68- 59 Little Wound

Area boy's basketball scores

Chey.Eagle Butte 55-37 Stanley County
St. Francis 115-46 Oelrichs
St. Francis 93-61 Lower Brule
White River 87-43 Bennett County
Winner 74-70 Chey. Eagle Butte
McLaughlin 63-60 Timber Lake
Red Cloud 85-17 RC Christian

Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Weekly Flu Clinic
Every Thursday at the Public Health Nursing Office in Pine Ridge for high risk adult population call Kendra at 867-3297 for additional information.

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, everyone welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Special Session of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council
Wednesday, Feb.1 in Pine Ridge at the Red Cloud building to focus specifically on economic and business development committee activities.

Huge Flea Market
Wednesday, Thursday, Feb 1 and 2 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day at the Porcupine CAP, call 455-24515 for more info.

Men's Basketball Tournament
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 3-5 at the American Horse School gym in Allen, call Al Curry at 455-1360 or 441-1554.

Community Health Fair
Thursday, Feb. 9 in Oglala at Brother Rene Hall with booths and representatives from OST Health Education, Oyate Blihelya, CHR program, Public Health nurses from Indian Health Service and the OST Employee Assistance Program.

Baby Shot Clinic
Tuesday, Feb. 7 and Tuesday, Feb. 28 at the LaCreek CAP in Martin from 1-3 p.m.

Agriculture Management Tools Workshop
Wednesday, Feb 8 at the Wall Community Center or Thursday, Feb. 9 at the New American Legion building in Martin.

Special Session-Oglala Sioux Tribal Council
Thursday and Friday, Feb. 9 and 10 at the council chambers in the Red Cloud Building in Pine Ridge to complete January regular session.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
Rescheduled for Friday, Feb. 10 at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee, grand entries 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with supper at 5 p.m.

Valentine Sweetheart Dance
Friday, Feb. 11 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Mother Butler Center in Rapid City honoring the 62nd wedding anniversary of Isaac and Zona White Face and the marriage of William and Lisa Jumping Eagle and celebrating all sweethearts.

Wounded Knee District Dance Club
organization meeting on Monday, Feb. 13 at 6 p.m. at the Wounded Knee District CAP office.

An Evening With The King and the 13th annual Sweetheart Dinner
Tuesday, Feb. 14 at the SuAnne Big Crow Boy's and Girl's Club outside of Pine Ridge.

Codependency and Relational Healing Retreat
Thursday through Sunday, Feb. 23-25 at the Icimani Ya Waste Recovery Center in St. Francis; for information call Mike at 747-5547 or Jim at 259-3365.

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To make an appointment, call Panhandle Surgical, P.C. daily at 282-1164
GastonComu-Labat, M.D. General Surgeon...Mondays & Wednesdays 2:00 pm
To make an appointment, call 282-1164, daily

Family Practitioners
Joel F. Hutchins, M.D., Family Practioner.....Monday - Friday
Ronda Larson, PA-C, Physician's Assistant
Marjorie Schmidt, PA-C, Physician's Assistant
To make an appointment to see one of the above, call Gordon Clinic daily at 282-1442 or Rushville Clinic, daily at 327-2757

Eye Care
John Herlihy, M.D. Ophthalmologist.....Thursday, Feb. 9
Hosptial Outpatient Area, 300 East 8th St.
to make an appointment call 1-800-343-3009

Foot Care
Twila Fickel, DPM, Podiatrist.....Wednesday, Feb. 8 & 22
Hospital Outpatient Area
To make an appointment call Gordon Memorial Hospital Daily between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm at (308) 282-6149

Audiology
Appointments: (308) 282-6149
Kurt Fahrenbrook, AuD.....Friday, Feb. 17
Hospital Outpatient Area, 300 East 8th
To make an appointment call: (308) 635-0600

Neurology
Matt Simmons, M.D. Neurologist.....Tuesday, Feb. 14
Hospital Outpatient Area, 300 East 8th St..
A physician referral is required. To make an appointment,
call between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm (605) 341-3770

Orthopedic Services
Scottsbluff Orthopedic Associates.
Lee Hash, M.D.....Thursday, Feb. 9 & 23
Hosptial Outpatient Area, 300 East 8th St.
To make an appointment, call (888) 635-1114

Urology
William Waller, M.D.....Wednesday, Feb. 8, Monday, Feb. 13
Hospital Outpatient Area, 300 East 8th St.
A physician referral is required. To make an appointment, call between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm (308) 282-1442

Osteoporosis Screening
ER Parking Lot, Gordon Memorial Hospital.....Wednesday, Feb. 15
300 East 9th St. for an appointment call (800) 863-5578

Home Health
Kim Weibel, R.N., Director.....Monday - Friday
Gordon Memorial Hospital, 300 East 8th St. 8:00 am - 4:30 pm
For an appointment call (308)282-6149

Immunization Clinic.....Thursday, Feb. 16
For an appointment, call (308) 282-6149

Affinity Therapy Associates
Maggie Griffith, LMHP-CPC.....Mondays
Room 110, gordon Memorial Hospital, 300 E. 8th St.
For an appointment, call (308) 432-6910 or 877-432-2220

Munroe Meyer Institute
Catherine Jones-Hazledine, PhD.....Wednesdays January
Hospital Outpatient Area, 300 East 8th
To make an appointment call (308) 282-1442

Cardiac and Pulmonary Rehabilitation
Anita Yardley, R.N., Director.....Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm
Room 116, Gordon Memorial Hospital
For an appointment, call (308) 282-0401 Ext. 329

Neurosurgeon
The Spine Center
Tim J. Watt, M.C.....Thursday, February 2
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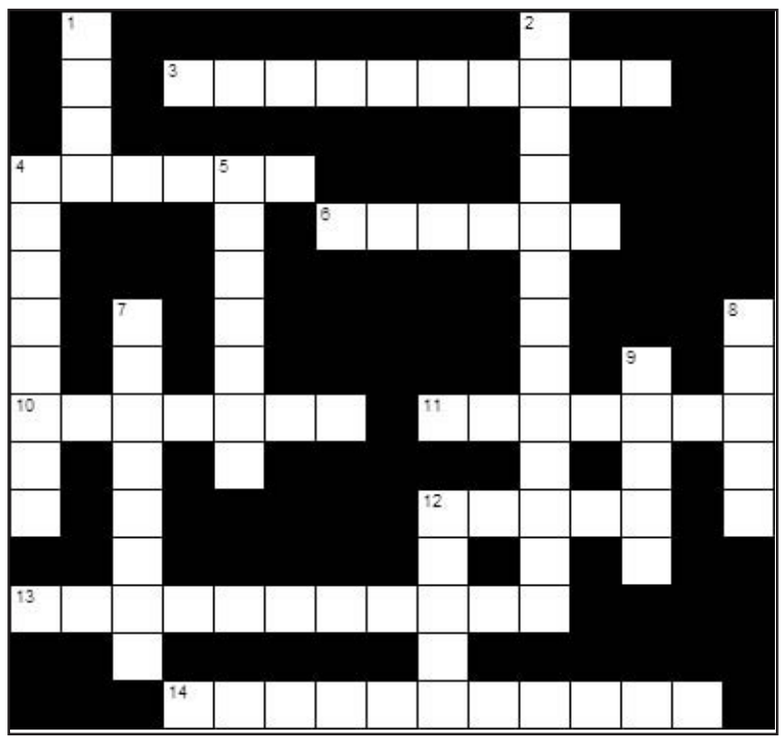
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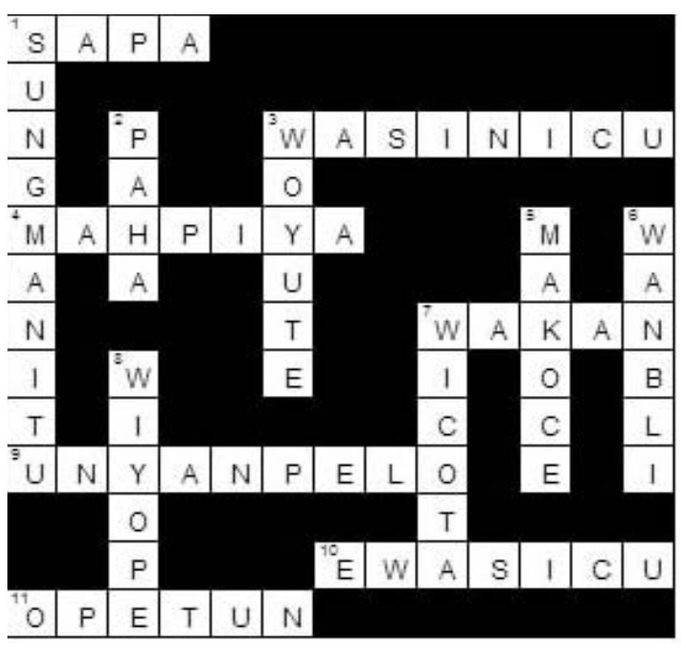
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4. eagle bonnet
6. snake
10. fly
11. worm
12. I am full
13. sweater
14. moccasins

Down

1. roach
2. buckskin dress
4. hat
5. socks
7. buckskin shirt
8. bells
9. both of them
12. sweat lodge



Last week's Lakota Crossword Puzzle answers



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ASK ANNA

Psychic - Clairvoyant

Dear Readers: In last week's column, I said that ADD is represented by an overly excitable sympathetic nervous system. That was incorrect, that it should be the para-sympathetic and empathetic nervous system. I apologize for the error.

Dear Anna:

This may sound stupid, but it doesn't feel stupid. I am a woman that works as a professional and I make pretty good money.

I have a big family and they have a lot of financial trouble so I am always helping them, but that has become a problem for me. Now, everyone expects me to give them money, and I still feel obligated, but I don't have enough money to pay all of my bills and take care of my kids because I keep "giving" money away.

I mean well, but I want to tell everybody "NO" so that I don't get into more trouble, but I know that they won't understand. What can I do, what do you see?

Working and broke

Dear Broke:

I understand. With so many people in need it produces a recognition in us to help - and so we do, albeit sometimes, foolishly. I know you think your family members won't believe you if you tell them you are in a financial jam - but tell them anyway.

Starting this payday, make it a habit to:

First: pay your bills.

Second: buy the groceries and things you need, Third: Put enough money aside to survive on until next payday, Fourth: put 10 percent of your check into savings for later. Then, if there is anything left, you can give it to those who you decide need it most.

To simplify your life, and to remove yourself from guilt, please try and schedule in an amount (just like it was a bill), every month that you can "give" away.

Right now, I see you helping beyond what you can and should afford. You don't want to lose your car because you paid your brother-in-law's bail, and you know they can't pay you back, so now you have to pick up the pieces. Sometime, generous people, give too much - so much, in fact, that they are enablers. Help yourself by not buying alcoholics alcohol, or drug addicts drugs.

That is what is happening to a lot of the money you hand out. If you are worried about it, then pay a bill directly for somebody, or buy them groceries.

I do see you bringing two of your nieces and one nephew into your home - that will stop the support of their parents, and allow the children to have a better chance at a good life.

The question that I always ask is "How much can I give?" The answer Spirit gives me is: "Give freely of your heart, wisely with your time, and comfortably with your money."

Dear Anna:

My sister was 13-years old when she gave birth to my niece. I was 22-years old when my sister gave birth and married and had a good life so I took my niece as my own daughter and nobody has ever told my niece that I am her auntie and not her mom.

My niece is now 14-years old. Now my sister is doing very well in the world, has a good career and is married to a nice man.

They don't live in South Dakota, so my "daughter" very seldomly gets to see her "auntie." It seems as though my sister's new life entirely excludes her daughter. I want some help financially now from my sister, as my own circumstances have changed - but she feels that this would put "undue" stress on her relationship. What can I do? What do you see?

Frustrated, depressed and discouraged

Dear Frustrated:

Well, whew! Lots of troubles here - right? Your "daughter" loves you very much, but she wonders sometimes, if your sister might be her mom.

Mostly this has to do with old pictures she has seen. It is time to tell her. She has the right to know, and if you don't tell her, somebody else will.

She will take it well, it will point out to her how very much you love her, because she has never felt "left out or different" than everybody else. Your sister is not going to budge. I don't think her new husband knows that her "niece" is actually her daughter.

Therefore, it is not likely that you can convince her to economically help you, and blackmailing her is NOT a good idea. Instead, ask her to pay for a formal and legal adoption.

Very soon, you will have a new administrative position, your money will be back to what it was, the new man in your life will help you build the house you want - so things will straighten out, and you will be happy that you did not take money from your sister or her husband.

Blessings, Anna

Dear Anna:

I have to tell my family that I am HIV positive. I am in my early twenties, and am not sure how it happened, but I just got the results last Friday. What do you see for me? What can I do? Can I live with this terrible disease?

Am I going to die soon? Will I ever have any children? Will anybody ever love me? I am so upset that I wish I were dead, what do you see?

HIV+

Dear positive:

Right now, even though you are HIV positive, you are not actively involved with AIDS. The secret for you is to keep your immune system enhanced with immune system enhancers such as vitamins, garlic, anti-oxidants, vitamin C and B, euchinesia, etc.

Do not drink alcohol or indulge in recreational drugs.

Please seek the help of a medicine man as they can do more positive healing than any medical doctor or system.

Your parents will cry, but they will react with love and compassion.

To make your love life easier, you might use a philosophy that I use: stay faithful to the man of your future, the one you don't know yet, the one who is your mate, the one who will love you. This cuts out any mis-guided passionate encounters and keeps you and others safe.

When you meet the right man, you can share your truth and he will understand.

I am sorry, but I think because of the risk to future children, you decide not to give birth. This can change however, when your illness "disappears" which as far as I can see can only happen when you make an active decision to follow the Red Road.

It is your best path to health.

Please take it, it may be your only real chance to recreate your life dream.

My prayers are with you.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

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Bernard Means, 32.....Manderson
Audrey I. High Wolf, 70.....Pine Ridge
Thomas Buffalo Boy, 57.....Fort Yates,N.D.
Henry Clyde Red Shirt, 70.....Pine Ridge
Merle I. White Hawk, 59.....Manderson

Bernard Means

MANDERSON - Bernard Means, 32, Manderson, died Jan. 21 in Manderson. Survivors include one brother, Steven Dabutch, California; two sisters, Eva Dabutch and Bridget Means, both of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario; and his mother, Bernardine Catches, Sault Ste. Marie.

Wake services were Jan. 16 at St. Agnes Catholic Hall in Manderson. Funeral services were Saturday, Jan. 28, at the hall, with the Rev. Bill Pauly officiating. Burial was at Means Family Cemetery in Wounded Knee. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Audrey J. High Wolf

PINE RIDGE - Audrey J. High Wolf, 70, died Jan. 26 at the Rapid City Regional Hospital of natural cause.

She is survived by a son Clayton High Wolf, daughters: Jeanne "Babe" High Wolf, Bar Harbor, Maine; Lisa High Wolf, Pine Ridge; Robin High Wolf, Omaha, Neb.; mother Amanda Morrisette, Pine Ridge and a brother: Joe Morrisette, Pine Ridge and 17 grand children and two step grandchildren.

Wake services start Wednesday, Feb. 1 at Billy Mills Hall, Pine Ridge.

Funeral services are 9 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 2 at Billy Mills Hall with Rev. Agnes Tyon officiating and traditional Lakota services by Pat Janis

Burial will be at the Black Hills National Cemetery, Sturgis,

Arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Thomas Buffalo Boy

FORT YATES, N.D. - Thomas Buffalo Boy, 57, Fort Yates, died Sunday, Jan. 22, at St. Alexius Hospital in Bismarck. Wake services were Thursday, Jan. 26, at A.J. Agard Multipurpose Building in Fort Yates. Funeral services were Friday, Jan. 27, at A.J. Agard Multipurpose Building, with Brother George Maufort officiating. Burial was at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Cemetery in Cannonball. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge, S.D.,

Henry Clyde Red Shirt

PINE RIDGE - Henry "Clyde" Red Shirt, 70, Pine Ridge, died Sunday, Jan. 22, at Fort Meade Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Sturgis. He served in the U.S. Army. Survivors include one daughter, Misty Red Shirt-Lee, Riverton, Wyo.; one stepson, Darwin Amiotte, Rapid City; four stepdaughters, Barbara Amiotte, San Diego, Janet Moran, Hot Springs, Rachelle Amiotte, Pine Ridge, and Rainbow Locust, Mitchell; three grandchildren; and seven stepgrandchildren. Wake services were Jan. 28, at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge and Sunday, Jan. 29, at Red Shirt School. Funeral services were Monday, Jan. 30, at Red Shirt School, with the Rev. Webster Two Hawk officiating. Burial was at Christ Church Episcopal Cemetery in Red Shirt. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Merle I. White Hawk

MANDERSON - Merle I. White Hawk, 59, Manderson, died Saturday, Jan. 21, in Manderson. Survivors include five sons, Duane White Hawk, Albuquerque, N.M., Delane White Hawk, Tulsa, Okla., Louis Brave Heart Jr., Boise, Idaho, Franklin White Hawk, Pine Ridge, and Eldon White Hawk, Manderson; one daughter, Cyrinthia Brave Heart, Rapid City; three brothers, Darrell White Hawk and Ernest White Hawk Jr., both of Manderson, and Patrick White Hawk, Alliance, Neb.; five sisters, Almira White Hawk, Hot Springs, Betty Lou Ghost and Leah Torres, both of Manderson, Belnita Reyes, Jerome, Idaho, and Lisa Villareal, Boise; 12 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Wake services were Thursday, Jan. 26, at Wounded Knee District CAP Office in Manderson.

Funeral services were Friday, Jan. 27, at Wounded Knee District CAP Office, with the Rev. Bill Pauly officiating. Burial was at St. Agnes Catholic Cemetery in Manderson.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

In Loving Memory ofOur Sister Bobbi K. Hacker

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"When You Are Gone"

When you are gone," she softly spoke,
"What would you like for me
To do to show my love for you?
What would you like?" said she.
"I'd like," I said, "no tears, my dear;
I'd like instead a few
Sweet moments when you think of me
And of my love for you.
"I'd like you to recall our joy
And, if you wish, our tears,
And be reminded of our dreams,
Our hopes, our doubts, our fears
"Remember, if you will, my faults,
Recall mistakes I made,
But never, dear, forget my love . . .
Too seldom I displayed.
For when I'm gone I'll think of you
Wherever I may be,
And thank the everlasting gods
That you belonged to me.

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We Love & Miss you Bobbi-"Oye Mi Canto"
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RFP SWA 0601

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General Custodian/Housekeeping Ref # 091-WNK-6-0008

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Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing

P.O. Box 603 - East Hwy. 18 - Pine Ridge, SD 57770

***** Vacancy Announcement *****

IN HOUSE ATTORNEY - PINE RIDGE, SD

Opening Date: Jan. 25, 8:00 am Closing Date: Feb. 25, 2006 4:30 pm

- Salary Negotiable -

How To Apply:

Submit a completed Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing employment applications to the Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Manager. Attach all pertinent documents,Blood Degree if claiming Indian Preference, Veterans Discharge DD214, High School or GED Diploma, College Transcripts, College Diploma, Reference Letters, Licenses or Certifications and State Driver's License. Resumes mjust have addresses and telephone numbers of past or present employers. All information submitted will be verified.

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Knowledge, Abilities, Skills and Qualifications

Computer Literate, Supervisory Skills, Culture/Language, Knowledge of business plans/projects

Education and Experience

1. 6 years experience in grant writing and Business Administration
2.B.S. or B.A. preferred.

Send Resume To:

Alicia Zephier or Tally Plume
PO Box 655
Kyle, SD 57752

United States Department of the Interior
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Vacancy Announcement Number: AB-06037
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Duty Station Location: BIA, Realty - Acquisition and Disposal Section, Pine Ridge Agency, Pine Ridge, SD

Position: **Realty Clerk, (OA), GS-1101-04 GS-04: $25,338-32,944 Per Annum**
Vacancy Announcement Number: AB-06-44
Opening Date: 01/25/06 Closing Date: 02/07/06
Summary of Duties: Under the direct supervision of the Realty Officer, incumbent performs a varietyof activities in the Acquisition and Disposal Section of the Branch of Real Property Management.
Duty Station Location: BIA, Realty - Acquisition and Disposal Services

Procedures on How To Apply:

Mail applications to the BIA Southern Plains Human Resources
(FedEx: 1 mile north on Hwy 281)
PO box 368, Anadarko, OK 73005.

Applications and all accompanying documents must be received by the closing date of the announcements.

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Contact Information:

Contact BIA, Pine Ridge Agency, Administration, Pine Ridge, South Dakota, for further information at:
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Martin, South Dakota 57551

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Little Wound School

Kyle, South Dakota

JOB VACANCIES

01-24-06

The Little Wound School Board is accepting applications for the following positions for the **2005-2006** school term:

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High School Dept.	*Middle School Dept.*	*Elementary Dept.*
	SAC Counselor	Lakota Partner
	Lakota Language Teacher	
	Math Teacher	

$1,000 Sign on bonus to all new certified teachers

Other Departments

EXTRA-DUTY POSITIONS - OPEN UNTIL FILLED (2)

High School:

Middle School:

Elementary: **4)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor**
5) K-12Drum Group Sponsor

HOW TO APPLY: Submit a completed LWS employment appl ication to; Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, South Dakota, 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD -214 to claim Veteran's preference, offici al college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials. For more information, call: (605) 455 -6179 or 6178.

>NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS <

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Sending memorial Birthday wishes to our Grandma Linda C. Janis Red Willow on 1-30-49,
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I would like to say Hi to my Daughter Tyra and my girl Janey,
I love you both Holly

To: The bestest big sisters in the whole world Lillian and Leann,
Thanks for everything. I love both of you a whole lot.
From: your one and only little sister, Johnette Yellow Hawk

Happy 35th Birthday to the worlds best Daddy on 1-20-06 Cornell "Dutch" Conroy. To bad about the casino were not old enough to get in! Have fun anyway!!Love your babies Bre, Marcus and Stormie

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Happy Belated Birthday 1-28-06 to Duane Spotted Eagle
To a good friend I'll always be there for you, Alyce

Happy Birthday Madeline Bull Bear 1-28 Frank Yellow Hawk 1-28
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General Custodian/Housekeeping Ref # 091-WNK-6-0006

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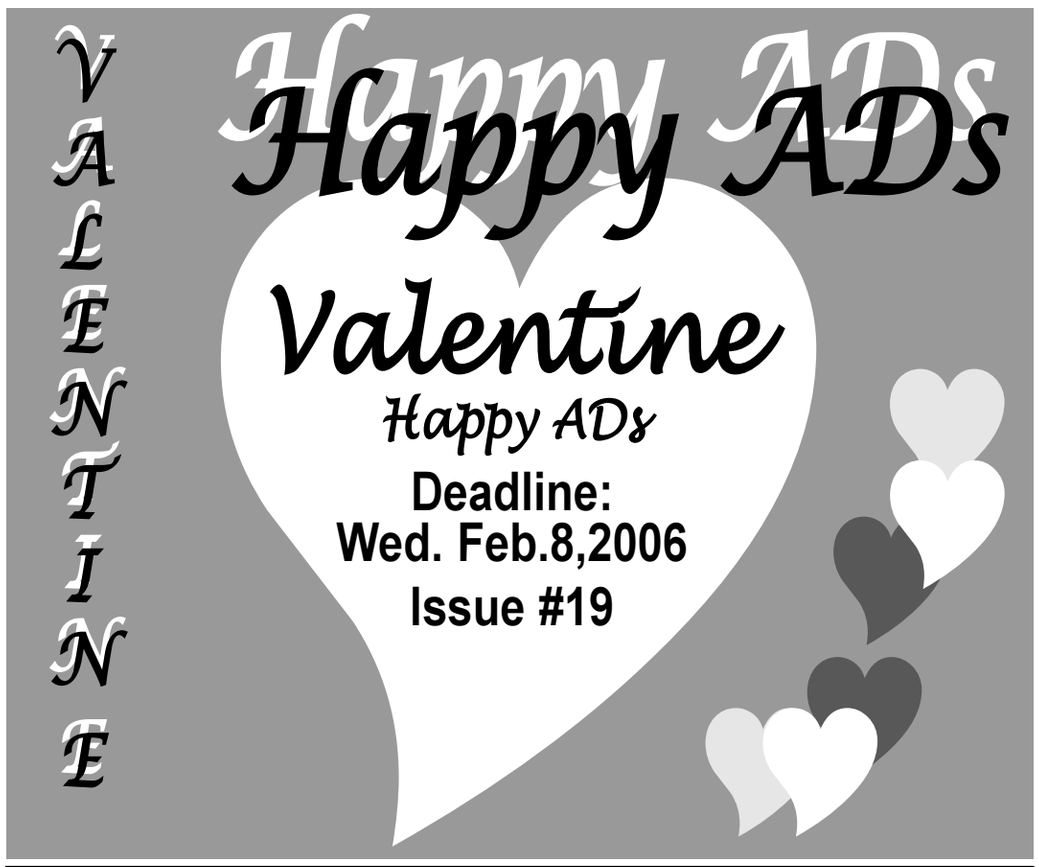
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I would like to send a shout out to all my sistas. I have mucho Amor for you.
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Happy Birthday to Duane. Have fun, you deserve it.
A freind always, Alyce

Happy Birthday to Auntie Marty on Jan. 26th we love you. Have a good time. From your family in A-town

Happy Birthday "Trouble." Dont party to hard!!
From Your Freinds

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Happy Birthday "Trouble."
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Love you always,Michelle

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Hope you had a good day!!
Love, Gwen Reddest

To Ray H. Hey there thanks for comming into my life when you did. take care and keep smiling. From your one and only Lillie

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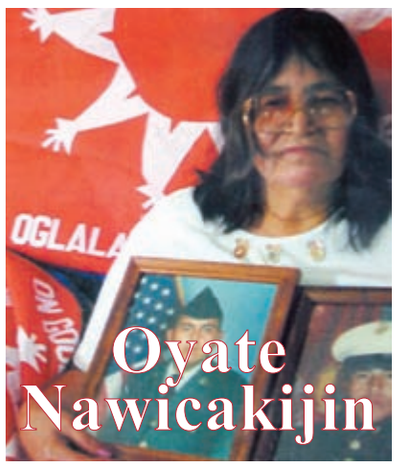
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State legislative oversight of Indian gaming discussed

Bradford urges support of opposition

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

PIERRE - The South Dakota Senate Affairs Committee discussed SB 167 sponsored by Senator Dave Knudson (R-Sioux Falls.) SB 167 is described as "An Act to revise the conditions under which the state may enter into gaming compacts with Indian tribes." The measure which is controversial to eight of the nine South Dakota tribes which have gaming compacts with the state, seeks to add legislative oversight if a compact changes the location of a tribal casino or increases the number of gaming devices.



The Federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act which governs tribal casinos allows the same type of gaming elsewhere in a state. The Act allows the Governor to negotiate such compacts with Indian tribes and by all accounts the process is going smoothly. The Act was enacted in 1988 as Public Law 100-497 and establishes the jurisdictional framework governing Indian gaming and established three classes of games.

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PINE RIDGE - Pin Ridge High School sports festival King and Queen for 2006 are Ryan Pourier and Deanna Big Crow. Both seniors are student-athletes and Pourier is a McDonald's high school All American basketball player. Pourier's parents are Joe Pourier and Robin Tapio. Big Crow's parents are Francis and Carol Big Crow. (Photo courtesy of Jerry Matthews of Double M Studios.)

Council votes 10-6 to dismiss complaint on Walt Big Crow

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent

PORCUPINE - After a day of testimony, a bit of acrimony, an ejection, an extended executive session and some heated discussions, the tribal council voted 10-6 to dismiss the complaint filed against Walt Big Crow, council representative from Wakpamni District, by Jeff

Whalen, head of the tribe's Transportation Department.

"Oh my god," said Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge Village after the vote was announced, "we just heard all of this testimony on tribal corruption and we have chosen not to do anything about it; I just don't understand what we are doing, if we do not stand up against corruption in the tribe then we are saying that we are in favor of it."



Walt Big Crow

Council representatives voting in favor of dismissal included: Bernard White Face, Mary Poor Thunder, Tom Poor Bear, Paul Little, Maxine Lakota, Lyle Jack, Philip Good Crow, Craig

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New book has chapter on 'The Battle of Whiteclay'

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

ARLINGTON, Va. - Author Stew Magnuson is teasing the public with an excerpt from a book entitled "Border Town Stories" or "A Cold Night in Gordon." He is not sure which title will stick when it is released in the fall of 2007. Magnuson, a native of Omaha, Neb. says his book is about the clash of two cultures that have existed side by side since the late 1800's. "The Lakota people of the Pine Ridge reservation and the residents of Sheridan County, NE have had an economic relationship from the very first time settlers had contracts with the government to deliver beef to the Oglala people" according to the author. Unfortunately the relationship in recent years has been tainted with a couple of unsolved murders and unrestricted sales of an astounding volume of beer.



100 Nebraska state troopers were called into Whiteclay by the Governor when AIM marched on the small hamlet to protest two unsolved murders and a staggering amount of beer sales. Photo is from "The Battle of Whiteclay" by Steve Magnuson.

The author makes the point that in many such relationships, alcohol is often the flashpoint. Alcohol is often the source of tension when two cultures collide and between the residents of Sheridan County and the Lakota, alcohol was always the predictable culprit.

He said, "One of the saddest things I saw was a man in the parking lot

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QUICK HITS

LWS Valentine social Feb. 10

KYLE - Little Wound School is hosting a Valentine Social on Friday, Feb. 10. The evening will be filled with a variety of Valentine activities beginning from 6 p.m. until 10 p.m.

Cookie and Card Decorating will be taking place for the children, as well as activities for all ages. Door prizes will be awarded and refreshments will served for the evening of fun and entertainment.

Some of the planned activities include a dance contest with cash prizes awarded, a Talent Show with Kareoke and love poetry contest; a costume contest with prizes awarded, a cake decorating contest with cash prizes (cakes will be used in the cake walk activity), and Valentine Royalty will be crowned.

The Little Wound School invites the community, staff and students to come and enjoy many more activities throughout the night.

For more information call 455-6150.

$15.5 million marked for Highway 18 to Oglala

PIERRE- The South Dakota Department of Transportation will hold a public meeting on Tuesday, February 21 to discuss reconstruction options for highway 18 between Oglala and Pine Ridge at a cost of $9.2 million to $15.5 million. SDDOT will give a short presentation about the construction alternatives followed by a question and answer period. The meeting will be held from 6:00 to 7:00 pm at the Oglala Recreation Center in Oglala. The work will get underway during the summer of 2010. Please contact Mike Behm for more information or if you are unable to attend at 605-773-4428.

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Gaming: opposition support needed

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Knudson said he supported SB 167 based on anti-expansion of tribal gaming in the state and the desire to see a balance of the legislative and the executive branch of the state of South Dakota.

Knudson noted that eight of thirty states with tribal gaming compacts allow the Governor to act on his own, and he says that there is enough gaming in the state. Opponents say that such legislative oversight could jeopardize efforts to secure financing for future expansion. Sen. Theresa Two Bulls and Rep. Jim Bradford went on record as opposing this measure, as well as Ron His Horse His Thunder, Chairman of the Standing Rock Sioux tribe. The Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe also submitted written testimony opposing the legislation. Ruth Brown, OST tribal council representative also went on record as opposing SB 167. She said, "We need the revenue from gaming that provides the education that will impact the general welfare of the Oglala Sioux." She said that there are 54,000 tribal members and that the Oglala Sioux tribe wished to go on record as opposing SB 167.



Sen. Theresa Two Bulls, D-Pine Ridge



Sen. Dave Knudson, R-Sioux Falls

Opponents of SB 167 last Friday discussed the merits of the legislative action and included Kurt Luger, Executive Director of the Great Plains Indian Gaming Association. The association represents 36 tribes in the United States and Canada. He noted that tribal casinos in the state represent a total payroll of $30 million and have created 1,700 jobs, many of those being tribal members along with many non-Indians from the local area. Luger said it was easier to deal with one Governor rather than many legislators.

Opponents also noted that the measure is really about recognizing tribes as sovereign entities and a respect for the process. The United States Senate has utilized treaties as an expression of this recognition and the gaming compact amounts to an overlay of that system which has not experienced any problems for over 200 years.

Knudson a long time opponent of gaming in the state noted that the legislature should have the final say on expanding tribal gaming. Harry Christianson of SODAK Gaming also testified against SB 167 and said that there have no abuses of the gaming compacts.

On Monday, the legislative action made it out of the Senate Affairs Committee on a 7-2 vote along party lines and will go to the full Senate floor for debate, according to an update provided by Rep. Jim Bradford. Once the measure is dealt with by the Senate it will go to the House committee for debate and further action. At that time, Rep. Bradford will enter the debate. Bradford said, "People need to email the senators, especially those from the Rapid City area to oppose this. They can exert pressure."

Proceedings on these hearing can be accessed via the internet at http//legis.state.sd.us.

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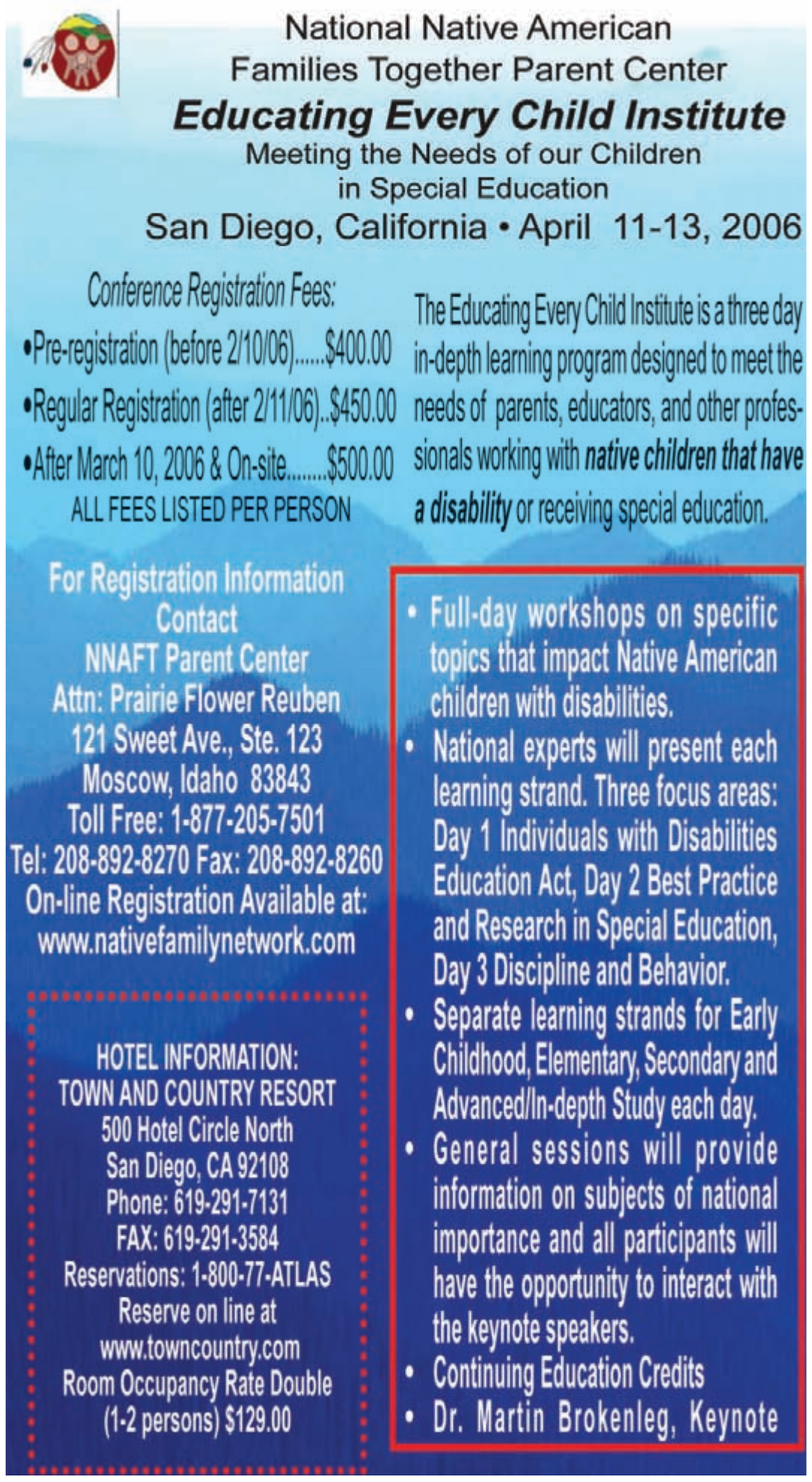
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Dillon, Ella John Carlow and Ruth Brown while representatives voting against included: Garfield Steele, Juanita Scherich, Will Peters, Valerie Janis, Kathy Janis and Lydia Bear Killer.

After a complaint against Big Crow filed by fellow council representative, Will Peters, was not accepted by a vote of 8-7, a complaint by Jeff Whalen was accepted on Jan. 5th by a vote of 8-6 with one not voting.

Whelan's complaint centered on the charge that Big Crow was basically acting in the best interests of C&W Enterprises and not the Oglala Sioux Tribe. Whelan charged that Big Crow went out of his way to try to get C&W paid $754,000.00 for shoddy and substandard work done on a base and blotter contract on roads on Pine Ridge Reservation that Big Crow circumvented the policies and procedures of the tribe and went around the tribe's transportation program and at the end tried to set up an arbitration hearing with past South Dakota Supreme Court judge Robert Miller, a man selected to the state bench by the father of C&W's attorney, Russ Janklow, instead of following the economic and business development committees expressed wishes of using the American Arbitration Association who would use experienced engineers in their review.

"Where on this voucher do you see my name, you don't," responded Big Crow, "and where is my name on the request for the arbitration hearing with Judge Miller, it just is not there."

"Because of work that inspectors could not sign off on and after repeated problems on the part of C&W to complete work on time and work that met the necessary standards, we pulled the contract last year," said Whelan, "and after review of work completed we felt that we legitimately owed C&W a little over $90,000.00 not the $754,000.00 claimed by the company and Walt."

"As a tribal council representative, we get many requests to have someone or a group or organization put on the agenda of the committee and I was just responding to one of those requests and on top of that I was really responding to the wishes of the committee to get this matter cleared up as soon as possible," said Big Crow.

In an attempt to keep a sense of decorum in the proceedings of the council, Cecelia Fire Thunder, OST president asked those in attendance in the crowd to refrain from clapping or hollering out comments while the hearing was in session. In response to a number of catcalls and loud clapping, Fire Thunder asked security and law enforcement representatives to remove Ken Heart from the building.

Following the completion of testimony and comments from council representatives, Fire Thunder declared an executive session and removed all non-council people in the building.

After an extended executive session, Paul Little, council representative from Oglala/Whiteclay district made a motion to dismiss the complaint and it was seconded by Craig Dillon, council representative from LaCreek district with the vote going 10-6 in favor of dismissal.

Peters and Garfield Steele, council representative form Wounded Knee District spoke out strongly about the failure of the tribal council to answer the challenge of removing corruption from tribal government and expressed shock and dismay at the council's inability to make a tough decision in the face of what they felt was damning testimony against one of their own fellow council representatives.

At the present time, there is not a strong recall provision on the books for removal of an elected tribal official.

"We have seen the complaint process used way too much in this administration and it is not working," said Fire Thunder, "we need to make it our priority to develop a strong recall process and get it out to the required secretarial election to amend our constitution."

Although complaints may be filed with the secretary's office by anyone, after they are accepted by the council and set for a hearing, it takes a two thirds vote of the council to remove the elected official. Over the last several administrations a number of districts have tried to take out their tribal council representative, to no avail.

"We need to protect the elected official from frivolous complaints but also create a process that allows an elected official to be removed for just cause," said Fire Thunder.

Over the last 20 years, the tribal council has removed three tribal council representatives: Alice Perkins from Wakpamni District, Robert "Chop" Martin of Whiteclay/Oglala District and Cedric Young Bear of Porcupine District.

The council is set to meet on Feb. 9 and 10 to complete the January regular session and to focus on economic and business development committee activities and to hear a presentation by Crystal Eagle Elk, OST treasurer and a detailed expenditure report on the Shakopee loan package..

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standing outside of his car. He drained a can of hurricane and slammed to the can the ground and drove off in a car packed with kids."

At this point, the excerpt can be downloaded from amazon.com at a cost of $.49 cents. The author says that the article on Whiteclay will be subtitled, "Life and Death among Nebraskans and the Lakota." The excerpt contains an overview of the three chapters which speak of White Clay and the devastating effects of alcohol sales. Whiteclay is a small hamlet within a stone's throw of the Pine Ridge reservation and its eighteen residents lay claim to the sale of millions of cans of beer per year to a reservation that is considered 'dry.'



Steve Magnuson

Magnuson has always has an interest in the way that cultures intersect. He hopes that his book will serve to bridge the cultural divide between the two populations of Whiteclay. He lived in several Asian countries, including five years in Tokyo, Japan.

He was living there in 1995 when Aum Shimrikyo released poison gas into the subway system. He wrote a novel about that experience called, "The Song of Sarin."

He emphasized the fact that such works can also provide a solution to existing side by side, as it is sometimes necessary for people to understand each other's history.

While conducting his research and interviews, Magnuson noted that most of the residents on the Nebraska side were fairly accessible. He was able to interview former Nebraska State Patrol Colonel Tom Nesbitt. The same was true of the Lakota informants that he interviewed. In fact, he said that out of all seventy interviews, only four were off the record. On the Pine Ridge side, he interviewed Russell Means, Tom Poor Bear, Clyde and Vernon Bellecourt and others. The story also relies on state patrol, FBI reports and court records.

A balanced interview with Nebraska AIM coordinator Bob Yellow Bird Steele is also included.

Magnuson said, "The people were accessible. I was an outsider on both sides. I made six trips in all and the longest one was to do the bulk of interviews in 2003." He also discusses the historical claim that White Clay once was an extension of the Pine Ridge reservation.

Magnuson said that with cultural misunderstanding on both sides, there were some rather stereotypical notions that seem to abound. For example, he spoke of one white lady from Whiteclay who harbored many stereotypical ideas about the Lakota people, but she found it necessary to take her visitors onto the Pine Ridge reservation for a tour. She did not realize that Lakota people were self sufficient in many ways also. He pointed out that there is not a whole lot of contemporary history on the Pine Ridge reservation.

When Magnuson discussed the Yellow Thunder case, he said that many rumors and lies live on and his book will hopefully put some of that to rest. He said, "There is new evidence that I will reveal, things that are not widely known. People don't have to make up rumors because what happened was bad enough."

He said he worked hard to represent the interviews that he conducted in a fair and accurate way and is waiting for feedback about his work. Magnuson also said that there is a chapter on Vietnam Veterans and their very real lives.

About "Border Town Stories" Magnuson wrote, "While the history is regional, I believe the book has universal themes of how fear, misunderstanding and ignorance can poison two communities. Ultimately, I hope the work will serve as a bridge between the two peoples."

In addition to an account of the 1999 marches on Whiteclay, the book also contains the first published history of the town, "from its origin in the 1880's when it sat in the Extension, a buffer zone between the Oglala and nefarious whisky sellers, to is evolution in the 20th century from a town of merchants to a notorious "little skid row on the prairie."

He hopes to appeal to college classes and residents alike around the Nebraska and South Dakota surrounding area with his work.

The excerpt can be downloaded from amazon.com; however, he says that he wants people to have access to it so if they contact him he will send it to them. Magnuson can be reached by email at stewmag@yahoo.com. The excerpt was not downloaded in preparation for this story.

Her Many Horses is new Rosebud BIA Superintendent

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The new superintendent at the Rosebud BIA Agency is Cleve Her Many Horses. A 1979 graduate of Todd County High School, he has come home to make a contribution toward many RST's initiatives as well as carrying out the federal government's trust responsibility to the tribe.

Some of his priorities during his tenure will be to create partnerships with other agencies, while moving the tribe along in its economic development. He would like to re-invigorate the fire fighting crews that the Rosebud has sent out in recent years. That practice apparently brought in a large sum of money for fire fighters and their families.

Bureau wide, there are problems with extraditing probate proceedings due to a shortage of staff and a lack of resources, according to Her Many Horses. Different state laws also create problems for probate hearings, however, the face of probate proceedings will change as the American Indian Probate Reform Act, a new federal law will take effect in June and it prevail no matter which reservation one may own property on. The BIA will also be utilizing new computer software to update its realty and probate functions and this represents a priority for Her Many Horses.

Her Many Horses' siblings are Chico, Grace, Emil, Kathy D'Ann and Steve. He is a 1985 graduate of Black Hills State University having earned a bachelors degree in political science, while distinguishing himself as an ROTC commissioned first lieutenant. He served on active duty from 1985-92. He ultimately attained the rank of Captain which is prestigious, in and of itself, as the officer's commission corps is meant for those with excellent leadership skills. Among Lakota military veterans those in the officer ranks are honored.

He said his wife, Vicki, owns a convenience on the Lower Brule reservation and thus, he recognizes the importance of small business development as a way to create economic opportunities for Lakota people.

An interesting historical note is the fact that Her Many Horses was in Berlin when the wall separating West Germany and East Germany came down. The wall as a symbol of the Cold War was built in 1961 and torn down by the end of 1990.

It is common knowledge that some German people revere traditional Lakota culture. They have a tendency to romanticize Native people, and the East Germans apparently emulate the style of Lakota traditional dress. Her Many Horses said he was amazed at the quantity of eagle feathers and quillwork which came out of East Germany when the wall came down.



Cleve Her Many Horses

Prior to coming home to Rosebud, he was at the BIA Lower Brule agency for seven and a half years. He said he attended to the bureau's trust responsibility while serving as an advocate for the tribe. He said, "There's only so much we can do. I try to tell the tribe's story and uphold the treaty obligations."

He was also the administrative manager for the BIA on the Wind River reservation in Wyoming for four years.

Her Many Horses also noted that, increasingly, BIA administrators on the Great Plains region are more proactive on behalf of the tribes. This may be due to the fact that some of the administrators are tribal members from this region and they try to uphold those tribal beliefs in dealing with tribes.

When asked about the extent of his interactions and contact with the RST tribal council and administration, he said, "I will be at all tribal council meetings. Everything is important."

PRHS honor roll listed

PINE RIDGE - Pine Ridge High School has released their first semester honor roll as follows:

Grade 9

Airik Bad Heart Bull 3.06, Emerson Bobtail Bear 3.31,Francis Brewer 3.00, Jesse Brewer 4.00, Lacey Brings Plenty Weston 3.75, Amanda Catches 3.75, Moses Catches 3.50, Anna Cedar Face 4.00, Harley Cortier 3.93, Dugan Fast Wolf 3.56, Ted Ghost Bear 3.06, Joanie Goggle Eye 3.81, Kelsey Good Lance 3.20, Bradley Hawk 4.00, Helen Holy Dance 4.00, Sophia Janis 3.87, Anyna Jealous Of Him 3.87, Jonnie Keith 3.93, Georgia LeDeaux 3.00, Roberta LaCota 3.25, Shawnee Left Hand 3.12, Roman Leftwich 4.00, Amelia Long 3.81, Dusti Michaud 4.00, Jonathan Morrison 3.18, Shontel Mousseau 4.00, Katie Novotny 3.56, Keycee Quiver 3.81, Juan Ramos 3.37, Leandra Red Cloud 3.00, Mary Red Cloud 4.00, Anthony Rowland 3.75,Suxanna Schulte 3.87, Shelby Shaw 3.93, Jonathan Star Comes Out 3.00, Saadia Tasso 4.00, Cheyenne Ten Fingers 3.06, Gaylen Twiss 3.68, Justine Twiss 3.62, Arlana Two Bulls 3.93, Cecelia Two Bulls 3.73, Claire Two Bulls 3.18, Cody Two Bulls 3.37, Justin Two Bulls 3.87, Robert Watters 4.00, Kayeloni Weasel Bear 3.25, Gordon Wells 3.81, Ivan White Butterfly 3.06, Manuel White Whirlwind 3.71, Cody Yellow Horse 3.87.

Grade 10

Nicole Bearing 3.85, Charles Belt 3.71, Keisher Brewer 3.57, Stan Brewer 4.00, Loren Clifford 3.85, Esther DeSersa 3.00, Carl Fast Eagle 3.28, Whitney Goings 3.14, Marie Helper 3.14, Liane Her Many Horses 3.14, Katy Iron Boy 3.28, Shawn Keith 4.00, Crystal Lame 3.25, Mark Little Hawk 3.50, Ailine Maea 3.42, Danielle Merrival 3.85, Misty Merrival 4.00, Alexandria Mousseau 3.83, Macey Oldson 3.14, Stacee Pleasant 3.20, Cassie Salway 3.28, Rae Ann Tall 3.33, Stephanie Tall 3.14, Stephanie Twiss 3.14, Tessie White Pipe 3.16, Chanumpa White Plume 3.28, Steven Yellow Horse 3.00.

Grade 11

Andrew Backward 3.14, Shira Bettelyoun 3.00, Shawna Brewer 3.28, Ch eryl Cedar Face 3.42, Donald Clifford 3.00, Marti Hart 3.00, Michael Iron Cloud 3.00, Michael Jack 3.85, Kenneth Keith 3.28, Roxanna Lone Hill 3.14, Yvonne Merrival 4.00, David Michaud 4.00, Aimee Pone 4.00, Jeff Pourier 4.00, Jon Provost 3.28, Devon Red Cloud 4.00, Austin Red Shirt 3.57, Richard Toledo 3.33, Ashley Two Bulls 3.71, Isaac Weston 3.00, Devon Sh irlwind Soldier 4.00.

Grade 12

Tia Akers 3.75, Charlee Bad Wound 3.85, Deanna Big Crow 3.50, Brandon Brown 3.60, Phillip Clarke 3.85, Jon Dillon 3.14, Cheyenne Fast Wolf 3.42, Jessica Helper 3.50, Norman High Hawk 3.75, Ch arlie Janis 3.80, Monique Lessert 3.00,Travis Lone Hill 4.00, Tamera Long 4.00, Ashley Pond 3.71, Dawn Rowland 3.14, Phillip Rowland 3.33, Wilbur Swift Hawk 3.00, Mathew Standing Crow 3.00, Mary Two Two 3.14, Tex Wells 3.28, Tishena White Calf 3.50, Emily White Eyes 3.00, Jamie Wounded Arrow 3.60.

OPINION PAGE

Guest Editorial

I had a nightmare; then I had a beautiful dream

BY TOM KATUS
Special guest editorial

My nightmare began when the Rapid City Council voted by a narrow margin to approve zoning for the big box store overlooking

Reptile Gardens on Highway 16. Approval was granted despite strong opposition from the Cowboy Indian Alliance, Democracy in Action)women, Rapid City, Hill City and Custer small businesses, conservation groups, poor folks and rich homeowners.

Within two years, other big boxes and urban sprawl filled in all the open areas between the City and Reptile Gardens. The sprawl from Keystone started creeping down from the other direction.

With its mega-billion dollars, Big Box joined with DM & E Railroad and bought signage right-of-way all the way to Mt. Rushmore. They thought it would be especially novel if they put a "Big Head" of each president on top of each sign. Thus, every half-mile from Rapid City to Rushmore, there was a gigantic elevated brightly-lit billboard extolling one tourist trap after another, topped off by a presidential Big Head.

On the other side of each sign, capturing the tourists reading from Keystone to Rapid City, was a huge bright yellow smiley face saying, "Always lowest prices" at the Big Box straight ahead.

Then every tourist trap tried to outdo each other, and soon there was a strip mall all the way from Rapid City to the foot of Mt. Rushmore. Tourists began to grumble, "We came to escape the sprawl of Los Angeles, of Denver, of the East Coast. Now we get the same sprawl but even gaudier desecration. Suddenly, there was a very large and noticeable drop in tourism.

Finally, the angry God of Pat Robertson had enough and loosed lightning bolts. The bolts leveled every sign, and the Big Heads and smiley faces came crashing down. God said, "The people of South Dakota should have learned of my wrath with the Spencer and Oglala tornadoes." This time He sent a gigantic tornado ripping up all the desecration of His beautiful Black Hills-everything from Keystone to Rapid City. He roared, "What God has created, let no man put asunder!"

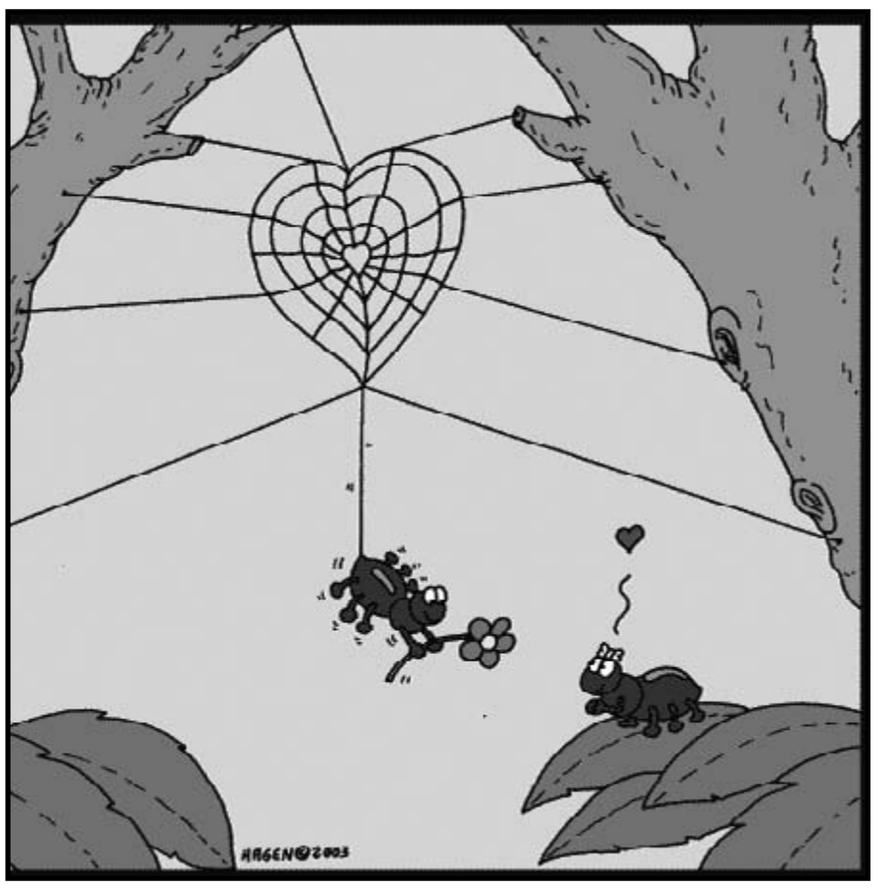
I awoke in a jolt-then fell back to a deep sleep and had a beautiful dream. This time, in a very close vote, the Council voted against big box sprawl. The have-nots and tourism industry were pleased. All the Highway 16 tour operators worked together and created the Mt. Rushmore scenic byway from Catron Boulevard all the way to Keystone.

Taking a page from the Deadwood Restoration Committee, the Keystone folks restored Keystone to its turn-of-the-century style.

The planned six-mile nature walking trail circling Mt. Rushmore was completed. Now, every 3rd of July evening as the whole world watched fireworks broadcast by CNN, they also saw 30,000 visitors of all races and creeds with their hands clasped together, all dancing a joyous round dance on the nature trail in celebration and thanks.

The dance was led by that giant of a man, Mt. Rushmore Superintendent Gerard Baker.

The fireworks and the pounding of the drum and 60,000 feet in unison awakened the Spirit of the Hills. God looked down on all his creatures-two-leggeds, four-leggeds, flowers and stones-all linked and vibrating together. And God was pleased.



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Other Views

Motel owners promote discrimination

Dear Editor:

My name is Codi M. High Elk - American Horse, I am enrolled member of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, and my husband is Robert American Horse, enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. We are Alcohol & Drug-free Lakotas living in the twisted world of discrimination

I feel that my discriminated against because I will stay in that filthy motel.

Dear Mayor Shaw;

My name is Codi M. High Elk - American Horse, I am enrolled member of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, and my husband is Robert American Horse, enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

I have had a terrible experience this past week.

My husband recently been employed by the Oglala Sioux Tribe at the Hope Lodge Treatment Center, located in Rapid City SD. On January 28, 2006 I have called all over looking for a room to rent for the week so my husband can attend his job. Well, what I thought would have been good, turned out bad. I have found a single room at the Colonial Motel on East North Street. The woman told me that when my husband gets into Rapid City and it is after hours, to ring the door bell. However, when arriving to Colonial Motel at 9:30 p.m., there was not answer so he had to rent another room for the night.

Monday January 30, 2006: Robert (my husband) tried to check-out of the room and requested for a refund, the woman said "NO REFUNDS, NO EXCEPTION" How can she keep our money when he didn't use the room on Sunday night.

But we had no other money to buy a room, so he went to stay in the room on Monday, but there was drinking and fighting going on all night, there was a bad odor in the room, like chemicals.

Also, there were roaches in the room. He checked out and just staying one night, we should have received our money, but night's rent. The woman made a statement "Damn if you get your money back". I don't think this is very professional and best business practice. I have taken further action as reporting this complaint to the office of Consumer Protection in Pierre SD.

You stated RECONCILIATION among the Native People of Rapid City and surrounding area. We go to Rapid City for personal and business. And this is the first time that we were ripped off by a business.

My requests are the have the Colonial Motel Refund my money back and have the motel inspected. It is a health hazard and not in livable conditions. You will not want to rent a room in those conditions.

I am a Full Blood Lakota and I am not a DIRTY INDIAN.

Codi M. High Elk-American Horse
Dupree, S.D.

She also served: Guest Column

I am young, but I feel so old

Dear SAS: I am writing because I feel so alone. I am young, but I feel so old. I came back from the war ready to pick up my life where I left off. My boss held my job for me, and my family welcomed me home. It has been a year since I returned and now I find myself having difficulty even getting out of bed in the morning. I have no energy; I just want to stay home and not be bothered by people. I have been missing work because I am so tired. I find myself crying over the smallest things and it is becoming embarrassing. Some days I feel so sad I can't stand it, but I don't understand why I should feel this way. I am afraid I will lose my job if this continues. What should I do?

Dear reader: What you are describing sounds like you may be experiencing a depressive episode. However, if it has been awhile since you last had a medical check-up, it would be good for you to see a physician to rule out other potential medical causes for what you are experiencing.

Soldiers who have returned from a war often experience painful memories, or have problems readjusting back to normal life. Sometimes losses occurred and a soldier did not have time to grieve the loss. Regret or guilt may be present and that compounds the feeling of sadness. Depression can make a person feel exhausted, sad, worthless, helpless and sometimes hopeless. It sounds like you were expecting everything to be okay once you returned home and now find yourself frustrated that things seem to be getting worse rather than better.

There are forms of depression that run in families in which case a chemical imbalance in the brain may have a genetic component.

Otherwise, depression often results because a person does not have the coping skills needed to manage current stress. In your case, the stress might be the transitioning itself from military to civilian life. Because one gets so focused on "picking up where they left off" there isn't the awareness of how war changes people. Bosses expect the same amount of concentration to the job and work production that was present before the employee was deployed. The employee/soldier feels the pressure to get "up to speed" and there may have been changes in the workplace while the employee was deployed. This can involve staff changes, changes in processes or procedures, or new equipment that one needs to learn how to operate. At the same time the returned soldier is trying to navigate the workplace, she may find that the military is still ever present in her mind. Memories of military life or events of war can surface and break concentration. She may also find herself saying, "in the military we did it this way….." as she tries to transition from a very structured military workplace to the more informal civilian workplace. Frustration mounts when co-workers do not respond as one would like. Job satisfaction begins to decline and it is easy for the employee to become sad and discouraged.

What is important is that you get help for the symptoms you are describing. A mental health provider can talk with you about what you are experiencing and teach you skills to help with the depressed mood and stress that may be causing it. Other things you can do involve participating in activities that make you feel better as long as it does not involve using alcohol or drugs. Alcohol itself is a depressant and will only make matters worse. Try mild exercise to stimulate body and mind. Spend time with others who can provide support. Check local newspaper listings for support groups that meet in your area and attend one. If you would like more information you can contact the VA, the National Institute of Mental Health, and the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill or access their websites.

If you have a topic you would like addressed, please contact one of the following individuals:

Dr. Sally Weyer at the VA Black Hills Health Care System, 3625 5th St., Rapid City, SD 57701

Arvine Standing Elk at the Martin Vet Center ,PO Box 910, Martin, SD 57551

You may also e-mail your suggested topics to vetcenter@gwtc.net.

Honoring today's American fighting women and men

Dear Editor:

Honor today's American fighting men and women by volunteering for those who served before them. On behalf of our dedicated employees and volunteers at the VA Black Hills Health Care System, I invite you to make a positive difference in the life of a veteran. Catch the Valentine spirit by participating in the National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans, Feb. 12-18.

The National Salute is an excellent way of reminding veterans that their sacrifices are not forgotten. A visit from school children and other community groups and individuals does much to lift their spirits.

Show you care by serving those who served. Call our Community Affairs office to schedule a visit or to learn more about the National Salute and our volunteer program: at Fort Meade, phone 605-720-7151; at Hot Springs, phone 605-745-2031.

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Northern Perspectives

Bear Butte buffer zone defeat sad for spirituality



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

It is a little disheartening to see that House Bill 1233 was killed last week. The bill sponsored by Rep. Jim Bradford and others would have established a four mile buffer zone around the sacred Bear Butte and call for the prohibition of alcohol sales in that zone.

My first reaction was that the vote was probably along racial lines, but after looking at the votes, it appears that there were three who voted against killing the bill because they voted their conscience and demonstrated a great deal of respect for the sacred site.

In this day and age of exploiting the Black Hills and expanding business development, it amounts to a terrible detriment to the wilderness regions. The fact that Lakota people regard this area as sacred and inseparable from our original homeland is easily lost in the economic development shuffle.

The whole issue of desecrating the land within close proximity of sacred Bear Butte is difficult to accept especially when one is being responsive to a majority of their constituents and who want their representatives to vote against anything that is near and dear to the Lakota people. They simply refuse to make the analogy that society does not generally condone erecting bars and outside entertainment venues next to churches and other shrines.

It almost reminds me of the opening scene from "A Man Called Horse" in which these hunters were creating a raucous and their behavior was so inappropriate that it made one laugh. They were disturbing the serenity and natural beauty of the land. All wild life probably knew to keep their distance as the outsiders were frightened by the noise.

There are some cases in which officials seem to 'get it.' Not long ago a couple of men were arrested for illegally shooting a mountain goat near Rockerville. The mountain goat is a highly prized trophy and the state only issue two permits each year. There are some things in nature that simply should be protected because of their inherent spiritual and enduring value to the people.

I think it shows very poor taste to allow alcohol to be sold so close to Bear Butte. It's not enough that the whole summer rally is a disturbance to the whole area and though it makes millions, some things in nature are simply not for sale. It's impossible to put a value on something as sacred as Bear Butte.

In society, majority rules and it is disheartening to see that the majority of people will vote to allow alcohol anywhere near our sacred sites. I have not researched the timeline of when the state assumed control over Bear Butte and designated as a state park, but if you are going to protect something why not protect it all the way. With all the land surrounding the town of Sturgis, why not issue a permit for an outdoor bar miles from anything.

There must be many bikers who have a good conscious about desecrating and tromping on sacred land and they need to be educated in some fashion. It points up the importance of getting out accurate and crucial information to the public in some concerted fashion so that they can see the predicament and make up their own minds. The battle lines are fairly even when society wants to open up the wilderness for any kind of exploration or business development and it is up to us to continue to educate others about the need to keep Bear Butte undisturbed.

There are many Native and environmental types who understand this issue and I would encourage you to continue to support the Defenders of the Black Hills in any way possible in this effort. The encroachment that is coming out of this will never stop until they have it all, but at least we can all register our voice and displeasure.

I read one essay written during World War II and this writer something like, one day they came after one of my comrades and I kept silent. The next time they came and took my family and again I kept silent and did not say a word. The next time they came and took me and no one said a word.

This simple essay points out that it sometimes necessary to say something even if we feel it won't make an impact. There are people in all walks of life that will tread upon our freedoms and their actions are very insidious as we never truly know from which quarter they originate from.

Dr. Archie Beauvais (nagik sapa) Sicangu Lakota, is a decorated Vietnam Veteran with a Doctor of Education (Ed.D) degree from Harvard University and resides on the Rosebud.

Notes From Indian Country

Finding the ugliest car on the reservation



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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Where have all the gas-guzzlers from the 1960s, 70s and 80s gone?

On a recent trip that took me to the Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations in South Dakota I found most of them. Yeah, that's right. Those huge, overweight, lumbering Fords, Chevys, Pontiacs, Oldsmobiles and Chryslers have all ended up on the reservations.

How did they end up there? Travel to any town bordering an Indian reservation, we call them "bordertowns," and you will find unscrupulous car dealers whose main goal in life is to unload these outdated, gas-sucking behemoths sitting on the car lots just waiting for the suckers to check them out.

But that's just a part of the story. Most of the time the price on the car is far above what it is worth and the easy down payment, 24-months (or more) payoff plan has so many legal loopholes favoring the dealership that by the time the innocent buyer knows what hit him or her, they have paid two to three times the value of the car at interest rates that would raise eyebrows in any other part of the civilized world.

Granted, there are those Indian people with poor or no credit rating at all. But they need a car for grocery shopping or to take mom, pop or grandma and grandpa or the children to the nearest Indian Health Service Hospital. Fortunately there are busses to take the kids to school.

On vast reservations like the Pine Ridge, 100 miles long, 50 miles wide, or the Navajo Nation, 25,000 square miles, it is almost a matter of life and death to have a car or truck.

Grocery stores of any size are usually in the larger communities on the reservation or in the border towns. The same goes for clothing stores, auto repair shops, tire shop or places where one can buy appliances like refrigerators and washers and dryers.

Elders often buy gasoline and kick in a few extra bucks to relatives and friends to drive them to the store, to the Bureau of Indian Affairs office, the main office of the tribal government or to the hospital. This practice is as common as hitch hiking or walking. Drive to any large reservation, even in the dead of winter, and you will see Indian people walking alongside the roads in the middle of nowhere.

I am no longer amazed at those Lakota people who put just enough gas in their cars to make it to, say, Rapid City. And after they get here and take care of their business, you will find them in the parking lots of grocery stores or knocking on the doors of friends and relatives in an effort to raise enough money to buy the gas to get back home.

After securing some older busses, the governing body of the Pine Ridge Reservation is starting a reservation-wide bus service in order to accommodate those tribal members without the means to purchase a car or truck or who cannot drive because of physical handicaps. So many tribal members have had limbs amputated because of the disastrous effects of diabetes.

We (Indians) joke amongst ourselves about "Indian cars." These are usually cars with broken windows, dented fenders and with tail pipes and bumpers held on with bailing wire. They are also those huge gas-guzzlers I mentioned above. "Hey, did you see that junker Little Moon is driving? That is really an "Indian car,"' we say in jest.

There is a weekly newspaper on the Fort Peck Indian Reservation in Montana called "Wotanin Wowape." It has been published for more than 20 years and most of the staff has been working there that long.

In the old days the editor Bonnie Red Elk and her assistant, Minnie Two Shoes, used to hold an "Ugliest Car on the Reservation" contest. Whenever their newspaper arrived at my office with the winner of this contest, my staff and me would hold our sides in pain from laughing so hard. There were so many ugly cars entered in the contest that the unbiased judges at the newspaper had a heck of a time selecting the winner.

Of course, we used to joke that if Fort Peck would let some of the people from Pine Ridge enter their cars in the contest, our Lakota car owners would win hands down.

On a more serious note, when environmentalists tried to convince Congress more than 30 years ago to force the auto makers in Detroit to build more fuel efficient cars, it was the Big 3, Ford, General Motors and Chrysler, that screamed like wounded coyotes and fought any legislation designed to bring about this change, to a standstill. And then they just went on building their next generation of gas-guzzlers, the huge trucks and SUVs.

Ford and GM both announced the upcoming layoffs of thousands of workers and the closing of many plants. Toyota and Honda, two companies that listened to the consumer and did build more gas efficient automobiles, pounded the Big 3.

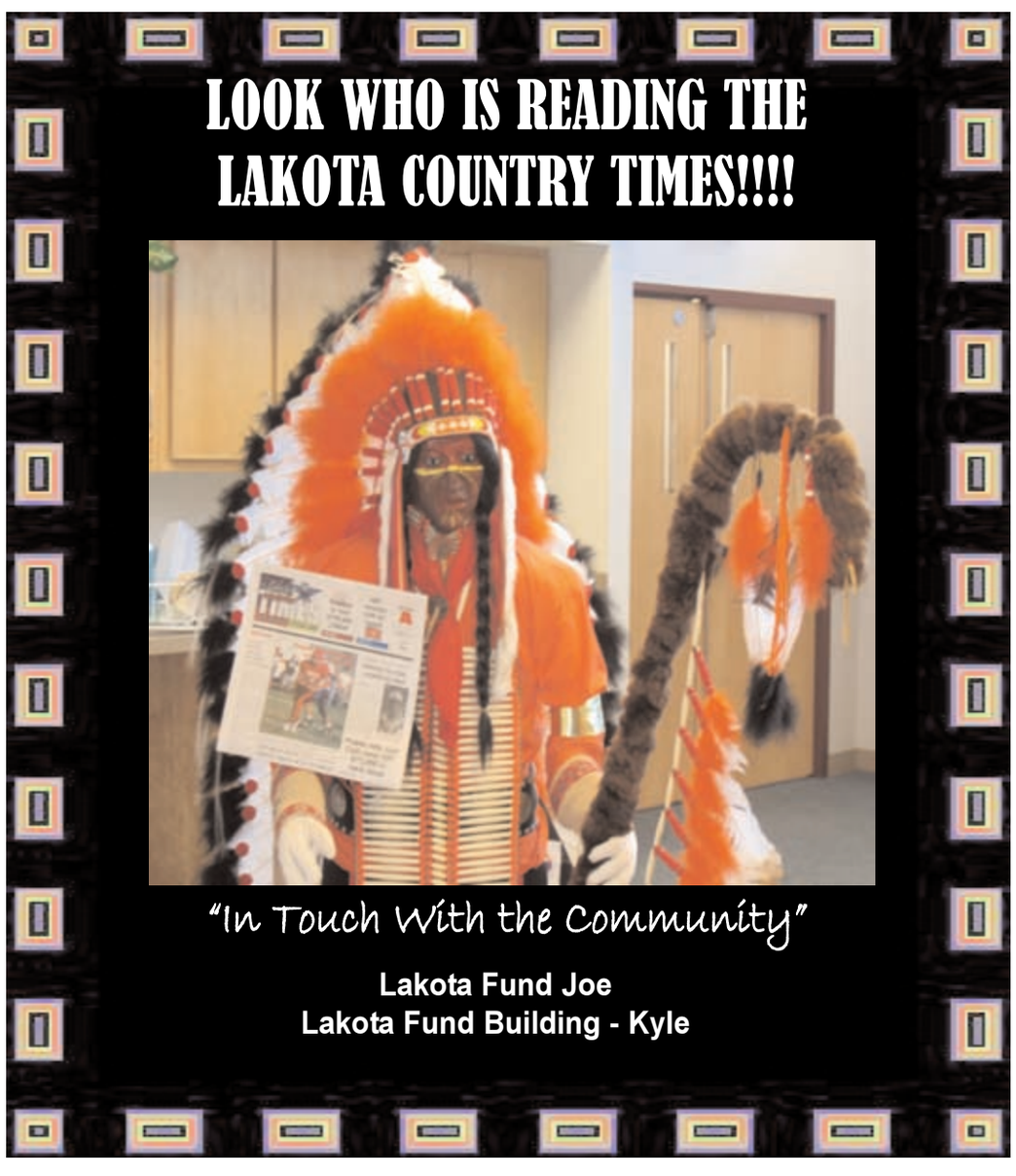
Where would these financially shaky automobile companies be if they had listened to the environmentalists 20 or 30 years ago? Perhaps they would now be growing instead of shrinking.

wish they would come to the Indian reservations and pick up all of those outdated gas-guzzlers and replace them with the new fuel-efficient cars they are now trying to produce. For the automakers it would be like stepping back in time and realizing what a big mistake they made.

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Bobbie Joe Siers

PINE RIDGE - Bobbie Joe Siers, 26, Pine Ridge, died Thursday, Feb. 2, 2006, in Sacramento, Calif. Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge.

Seymour S. Good Weasel

OGLALA - Seymour S. Good Weasel, 80, died Feb. 5 at Rapid City Regional Hospital of natural causes.

Survivors include son Richard Good Weasel, Oglala; daughters: Barbara Neiss, Oglala; sisters Trivian Blacksmith and Roberta White both of Oglala and Patricia Cordova,

Los Angeles, Calif. And 10 grandchildren: 10 one great grandchild.

A two night wake begins 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9 at Brother Rene' Catholic Hall, Oglala. Funeral services are 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb.y 11 at Brother Rene' Hall.

Officiating will be Rev. Agnes Tyon.

Burial will be St. Peter's Episcopal Cemetery, Oglala

Arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Dorothy Garreaux

EAGLE BUTTE - Dorothy Garreaux, 78, Eagle Butte, died Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2006, at her home.

A one night wake services was Tuesday, Feb. 7, at H.V. Johnston Cultural Center in Eagle Butte. Funeral services were. Wednesday, Feb. 8, at the center in Eagle Butte, with the Rev. Jeffry Barnes officiating.

Burial was at Ascension Cemetery in Blackfoot. Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.



Herman White Face Jr.

FORT WORTH, Texas - Herman White Face Jr., 36, Fort Worth and formerly of Little Eagle, died Monday, Jan. 30, 2006, in Fort Worth. Funeral services were Monday, Feb. 6, at Messiah Church in Little Eagle, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat officiating. Burial was at the church cemetery. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Ardis Kills Crow McLaughlin

MCLAUGHLIN - Ardis Kills Crow, 41, McLaughlin, died Sunday, Jan. 29, 2006, at St. Alexius Hospital in Bismarck, N.D.

Wake services were Feb. 5, at Blue Gym in Little Eagle.

Funeral services were Monday, Feb. 6, at the gym, with Mother Danny Westerlund and all Standing Rock lay ministers officiating.

Burial was at St. Paul's Episcopal Cemetery in Little Eagle.

Alice M. (Fosse) Henschel

MARTIN - Alice M. (Fosse) Henschel, 95, died on Saturday Jan. 28, 2006, at the Bennett County Nursing Home in Martin, SD. She was born to Roynald Fosse and Sigrid (Running) Fosse on October 20, 1910 in Haakon County of South Dakota. She and her family lived on a farm near Hilland, SD, where she attended church and school. She graduated from Central High School in Rapid City, after which she attended Normal School in Spearfish.

She received her teaching certificate and began her teaching career at Interior. Miss Fosse taught in several schools in the area, including the Lessert School and Martin School, where she held administrative positions as well. Alice married Harry Henschel on June 7, 1948.

Alice became a loving stepmother to Harry's two children, Darlene and Edward. They farmed west of Martin, SD for many years. Harry and Alice enjoyed harness horse racing.

Harry owned, trained and drove horses throughout the United States and Canada. Alice liked traveling with the horses and going south during the winter months. Other activities she enjoyed were dancing, playing cards, cooking, bowling, ceramics and entertaining in their home. She was an active member of the Retired Teachers Association, Extension Club, Ken-sington, Senior Citizens, Lindsey Memorial Presbyterian Church, and a 50 year member of Eastern Star. She was a wonderful homemaker. Alice was a elegant lady, and a role model to her family. Alice is survived by Darlene (Henschel) Pich and Robert Pich and their children, Tress Pich, Connie Pich, Helen Babl, and Patty Pourier; Edward and Nadine (Belmont) Henschel and their children, Carmen Livermont, Kim Harris, Tom Henschel and Freida Henschel; 15 great grand children and 8 great-great grandchildren; and two special nieces Dena (Fosse) Hunt and Kathy (Fosse) Kampfe.

She was preceded in death by her husband Harry Henschel, nephew Delane Fosse, brother Ted Fosse, sister-in-law Vi Fosse, and 2 great grand children, Kellan Harris and Brady Livermont.

Family visitation was at the Bennett County Funeral Service in Martin, Thursday, Feb. 2, 2006.

Followed by services at the Lindsey Memorial Presbyterian Church, with interment at the Martin Cemetery

A memorial fund has been established at the Security First Bank in Martin. Family suggested memorials are Bennett County Nursing Home, Bennett County Senior Citizen Center and Lindsey Memorial Presb

yterian Church. Arrangements are by Bennett County Funeral Service in Martin.

Frederick Grey Eagle Wiest

LITTLE EAGLE - Frederick Grey Eagle Wiest, 50, rural Little Eagle, died Saturday, Jan. 28, 2006, in a one-car rollover near Little Eagle. Wake services were Friday, Feb. 3, at Rock Creek School gym in Bullhead.

Funeral services were Saturday, Feb. 4, at the school gym, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat and Standing Rock Episcopal lay ministers officiating.

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Pine Ridge strings together three close mid-season wins at home

Thorpe wins tighten up seeding for District 14A

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent



Stoney Larvie goes for a layup against Mobridge. Falcons defeated Mobridge 85-44. Photo by Shelly Bachelor

PINE RIDGE - Pine Ridge opened a week of three tough games at home on Tuesday with a hard fought 65-62 win over St. Francis, followed it up with a 54-50, come from behind, overtime win over Cheyenne Eagle Butte on Friday and polished off the week with another come from behind win over Little Wound 54-50 on Saturday.

St Francis came into the Thorpe house after earning "Honorable Mention" status with the Class A Top Ten poll and sporting a 12-2 record and quickly went up 6-2 and 8-5 in the first quarter. Pine Ridge came right back with five different Thorpes chipping in on the scoring led by Michael Jack's two threes and a two and Austin Red Shirt's two field goals deep in the paint to give the Thorpes a 19-13 lead at the quarter break.

Although St. Francis tied it at 31 just before the half and tied it again at 61 all in the fourth quarter, Ryan Pourier kicked it in gear from the second quarter on to lead Pine Ridge to the three point win. Pourier scored throughout the second and third quarters with four field goals and a free throw in the second and five field goals and a free throw in the third. Pourier finished with 25 points and six rebounds as both John Provost and Jeff Big Crow helped with ten points a piece. Provost added four assists, three steals and six rebounds while Big Crow finished with five steals and a team high eight rebounds.

After getting the early lead and finishing with balanced scoring as four Warriors scored in double figures, St. Francis was never able to regain the lead after the first quarter.

"We used up a lot of energy playing catch up with Pine Ridge and we just couldn't get over the hump," said Roger Crow Eagle, St. Francis coach, "we didn't make good decisions down the stretch and just couldn't wrap up a win on the road."

Travis Spotted War Bonnet turned in a 17 point night with five steals, five rebounds and three assists, Kris Leroy scored all 12 of his points in the first half, JJ Arcoren helped with 11 points and Taylor Brushbreaker had three threes and 10 points while the Warriors moved their record to 12-3.

On Friday, Jess Mendoza brought Daelan High Wolf and the Cheyenne Eagle Butte Braves to Pine Ridge for a rematch of the Lakota Nation third place game six weeks ago in Rapid City, a game CEB won 37-27. Mendoza coached for eight years at Pine Ridge wrapping up his tenure with 26-0 State championship season in 1987. High Wolf played for Pine Ridge his freshman and sophomore years before joining Jess in Eagle Butte for his last two years in high school.

Big Crow and Provost led Pine Ridge to a 14-8 first quarter edge but High Wolf led the Braves right back to a 22-20 halftime edge. Both teams kept the pressure on in the third and held their opponents to nine points so CEB still held a two point edge at the end of three 31-29.

Behind Provost's seven fourth quarter points, Pine Ridge forced overtime and Big Crow put the pressure on quickly hitting a three early in OT and added two big free throws; CEB needed more than High Wolf's three and didn't get much else as Pine Ridge pulled the game out in overtime 54-50.

Provost took team high honors for Pine Ridge with 20 points and Big Crow helped with 13 while Austin Red Shirt grabbed 10 rebounds. High Wolf did not disappoint both his new fans and the old fans hitting 26 points and grabbing eight rebounds and Charlie Marshall had a team high six rebounds. Beau Kingfisher finished with ten points.

CEB took out Crow Creek 47-44 in overtime on Saturday to put their record at 6-9, they travel to McLaughlin on Tuesday and host Pine Ridge on Saturday.

On Saturday, Little Wound played without their sophomore point guard, Brice Hornbeck and were looking to avenge the two defeats this year at the hands of the Thorpes. The Mustangs went up early as Willis Zephier and Rich Big Boy led the way, holding a 13-9 edge at the quarter. Little Wound led at the half 28-25 and built a 41-31 edge in the third quarter.

JC Dillon came out in the fourth with guns ablazing for Pine Ridge, hitting two quick threes, John Provost knocked down his own three and a couple of twos to go along with it and that quick the Thorpes were back and in the lead. For the second night in a row, turnovers made a difference as Little Wound had 11 second half turnovers to six for Pine Ridge. Provost led Pine Ridge with 17 points as the Thorpes move their record to 10-3 and hit the road for the next four games, Tuesday at Bennett County, Friday at Crow Creek and Saturday at CEB.

Little Wound got 15 points and eight rebounds out of Big Boy and 11 points from both Willis Zephier and Devon LeBeau and is now 10-4 and hosts St. Francis on Thursday and travels to Mobridge on Saturday.

All three teams, St. Francis, Pine Ridge and Little Wound are competing for the top two seeds in 14A and the opportunity to host a first round district game. St. Francis is 12-3, Pine Ridge is 10-3 and Little Wound is 10-4 with three weeks left in the regular season.

Red Cloud opens six game homestand with strong wins over Todd County and Rapid City Christian

On Thursday, Red Cloud opened up a ten point lead in the first quarter and never looked back as they finished with a 70-56 victory over the Todd County Falcons for their tenth win this season against four losses.

With eight different players scoring, the Crusaders went up by as many as 30 points before settling for a 14 point win. Chris Red Bear hit three threes on the way to 13 points, David Giago hit his career varsity high of 14 points and Johnny Crow finished with 11.

Red Cloud easily got by Christian and now hosts Chadron on Tuesday and Crazy Horse on Thursday with Hot Springs the following Tuesday and Scottsbluff on Saturday to close out the homestand.

Red Cloud was moved over to District 15A this year and is battling Custer for the number one seed in the district and whoever wins 15A has the prospect of facing number one St. Thomas More in the Region 8A championship game in early March.

Area boy's basketball scores

Chey.Eagle Butte 47-44OT Crow Creek
Pine Ridge 54-50 Little Wound
Todd County 85-44 Mobridge
Lower Brule 69-50 Takini
Marty Indian 86-25 Wakpala
Dupree 53-43 Lemmon
Tiospaye Topa 60-44 Bison
Pine Ridge 54-50OT Chey Eagle Butte
Kadoka 79-47 Crazy Horse
Eureka-Bowdle 50-36 McLaughlin
Red Cloud 70-56 Todd County
Colome 53-47 Lower Brule
Tiospa Zina 81-43 Rosholt
Pine Ridge 65-62 St. Francis
White River 87-65 Wall
Ellsworth, MN 68-33 Flandreau Indian
Timber Lake 60-50 Tiospaye Topa
Todd County 62-58 Stanley County
Leola-Frederick 55-34 McLaughlin

Lady Falcons knock off highly rated Mobridge

Sunni Busch sends notice - Todd County will be a force to be reckoned with down the stretch

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent



Kali Jenkins shoots for two as the LadyFalcons defeats the Lady Tiger's in their undefeated winning streak for 57-44. Kari Two Lance, No. 22 looks on. Photo by Randy Bachelor.

MISSION - Last year, Todd County traveled to Mobridge and knocked off the number one rated Class A girls team in the state, this year Mobridge came to Mission, undefeated and rated number two in the state at 16-0 - same result, Todd County played a strong game on both ends of the court to pull out a 57-44 upset win over the previously undefeated Lady Tigers.

"We are a better team now than early in the season, we are over most of our injuries and we are definitely playing better defense," said Chuck Wilson, Todd County head coach, "there were times when we would spread the floor and put Sunni on their big girl and there was no way she was going to cover Sunni Busch one on one."

The Lady Falcons took control in the first quarter finishing with a 13-8 lead and increased their lead each quarter after never letting up until the final buzzer. Busch led the way with 21 points and 15 rebounds, Red Cloud transfer Mandi Morrisette, a sophomore point guard helped with 12 points and Kali Jenkins grabbed 11 boards and chipped in with eight points.

"When it comes down to it, it is defense, Char did a good job on their big girl and we constantly doubled up on their outstanding guard, Brit Fuhrman," said Wilson, "we are playing good team ball and playing a lot of players and playing hard."

It is good to have Char back close to full speed and to have Kari Tow Lance contributing is a great help, added Wilson. Morrisette played a good game, she is playing smart and is making a real contribution, Wilson related.

Todd County wraps up their regular season with a game at Eagle Butte on Friday and finishes a schedule that includes 13 road games at South Central on Monday. After losses to Bennett County in the first game of the season, Custer in the LNI and to Little Wound on the road, the Lady Falcons are now 15-3 and looking to finish the season strong and head into the postseason. Last year, Todd County won 13A, got by Bennett County in Region 7A and took sixth in state.

"We really need a better schedule to help prepare us for the second season; we have LNI and are in two West River conferences and we need to get better at playing a variety of teams," said Wilson, "Sunni and Char have really dedicated themselves to a great season, the whole team wants to make it back to state and make use of the experience gained from going last year but we are going to take it one game at a time and not look ahead."

Bennett County picks up wins against Pine Ridge and Valentine this week

On Thursday the Lady Warriors muscled their way past Pine Ridge 80-47 on the road and came back on Saturday to beat Valentine 72-51 at home to up their record to 16-1. Bennett County hosts Kadoka on Thursday and travels to New Underwood on Friday to close out the regular season.

"We have come back this year with a stronger and deeper team," said Jeff Krolikowski, Bennett County coach, "at Pine Ridge we took it to them right away and started quick going up 6-0 and stressed our defense and of course our running game and against Valentine we had to pound it inside to Abby, they had some really quick guards so we are better able to adjust to the strength of our opponent this year."

Pine Ridge's Lacey Weston got into early foul trouble and Bennett County's balanced scoring set the tone for the Lady Warrior's 15th win of the season. Kratovil finished with 25, Maggie O'Neill added 15 and Keely Krolikowski chipped in 14. Against Valentine, Kratovil dominated the paint with 35 points and 12 rebounds, O'Neill helped with 18 points and Krolikowski only had four points but finished with 11 assists.

Bennett County's only loss this year was at the Hanson Classic, a 52-50 loss to Stickney-Mt. Vernon.

"We are not looking ahead, we know that both Little Wound and Pine Ridge could be real tough in the districts and then there is Todd County in the region," said Krolikowski, "but we feel we can play with anyone in the state, we set our goal of winning state this year and I don't think that is an unrealistic goal - we have a real unselfish team and distribute the ball to wherever it helps the team the most."

Little Wound knocks off rated Kadoka and heads for the finish line

Little Wound opened up a 12 point first quarter lead behind the hot shooting of point guard Tyann Pourier and cruised to a 68-56 win over previously undefeated Kadoka.

For Little Wound it marked their 15th win of the season against two losses. The Lady Mustangs close out the regular season with three home games next week, hosting St. Francis on Tuesday, Eagle Butte on Friday and Crow Creek on Saturday.

Kadoka pulled within five at the half but Little wound went back up by 10 at the end of the third and finished with a 12 point win against the Class B school rated sixth in the Top Ten poll.

Pourier finished with a team high 17 points, Sadie In the Woods added 15 while Nichelle Red Owl helped out with 14.

Struggles continue for Crazy Horse girls

After losing to Pine Ridge in the Lakota Nation Invitational back in December 130-10 and struggling to field a full team, Crazy Horse closed out their girl's program for the season and told the teams on their schedule that they would end up forfeiting the rest of their games.

In late January, there was some new energy and a few more players, so Crazy Horse restarted their season last week. The Lady Chiefs opened with a 105-18 loss at Red Cloud on Tuesday and then went to New Underwood on Thursday and suffered an 88-0 shutout against New Underwood.

Area Scores

Chamberlain 61-34 Red Cloud
Bennett County 72-51 Valentine
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Wall 63-60 2OT Red Cloud
Crow Creek 51-48 St. Francis
Ellsworth, MN 68-33 Flandreau Indian
New Underwood 88-0 Crazy Horse
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Bennett County 80-47 Pine Ridge
Todd County 70-37 Chamberlain
Red Cloud 105-18 Crazy Horse
Todd County 66-35 Stanley County
Pine Ridge 77-27 St. Francis

ROSEBUD COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE FACILITY SERVICES

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OPTOMETRY PROGRAM

The normal operating hours of the Optometry Program at the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility is from 8:30AM-3:30PM. The Optometry Program is currently scheduling appointments and mailing out appointments to patients.

In an effort to better meet the needs of our clients the Optometry Program will provide services to Diabetic Patients on Tuesday mornings on a walk-in basis that have been referred from the Diabetic Clinic.

"No Show" Policy: If a client fails to keep two scheduled appointments then their name will be placed at the end of the waiting list. If you know that you will not be able to keep a scheduled appointment, we ask that you call the Optometry Department to cancel the appointment as early as possible so that another patient may be given the appointment.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility provides 24 hour Emergency Services. When you present to the Emergency Department you will be greeted by a Medical Support Assistant that will ask for your name, date of birth and/or chart number in order to obtain your medical record.

You will be TRIAGED by a Registered Nurse within 15 minutes from the time of your arrival. The Registered Nurse will ask you for your Chief Complaint (What brings you to the ER?) and will obtain vital signs (blood pressure, pulse, temperature, respirations, height, weight and pain scale).

NO patient will be turned away from the Emergency Department. Triage is a process that assists the medical provider in establishing the order in which the patients will receive a Medical Screening Exam and care/treatment. Triage is NOT a Medical Screening Exam.

Triage levels are as follows:

Level I: Non-Urgent
Level II: Urgent
Level III: Emergency

Just because you signed up first does not necessarily mean that you will be seen first. Patients that present to the Emergency Department will be seen in the order of their Medical Priority, which is determined during the Triage Process.

A Medical Screening Exam (MSE) is a process. It is the continuation of an initial assessment during an Emergency Room visit. It is NOT for the purpose of excluding patients from care or for financial reimbursement. It is a Legal Responsibility of the facility. The Medical Provider will perform a Medical Screening Exam which will consist of obtaining information pertaining to vital signs, current medications, medical history, physical exam, and providing medical stabilization when deemed necessary.

What is an Emergency?

- Heart Attack
- Chest Pain
- Shortness of Breath
- Fracture
- Gun Shot Wound
- Attempted Suicide
- Respiratory Distress
- Infant w/Elevated Temperature
- Head Injury
- Loss of Consciousness
- Nausea/Vomiting
- Bleeding
- Onset of numbness, tingling or weakness on one side of body
- Labor Pains
- Bleeding while pregnant

CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES

Important Facts You Should Know About Contract Health

IHS-CHS Coverage is not automatic. Should you have an emergency situation requiring you to obtain care at a non-IHS facility, you must notify the CHS office at 605-747-3215 OR 605-747-3216 within 72 hours. If you fail to notify the CHS office you will be responsible for any bills you incur.

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If you visit a non-IHS facility you MUST sign a release of information to provide this information to the CHS office. The CHS committee cannot make a decision without sufficient medical information. In most cases a referral is limited to one medical treatment and/or appointment.

CHS Eligibility Criteria: You MUST be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe. You MUST reside within the Contract Health Service Delivery Area (CHSDA) which covers the counties surrounding the Rosebud Sioux Tribe Reservation. If you are a non-member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe you MUST reside within the reservation boundaries.

Eligible Veterans: A patient will apply and utilize alternate resources if the individual is eligible. This is pursuant to IHS Regulation, 42 CFR, Part C. Purpose: To ensure patients receive the resources they are qualified for/or entitled to. To inquire about eligibility or to apply for benefits, contact the local Veterans Health Administration Center in Hot Springs at 1-800-764-5370 or the Rosebud Veterans Center at 605-747-2593.

IHS-CHS Approval: Please do not request preauthorization from the Indian Health Service. The CHS Committee must review all referrals and call-in requests. The CHS Committee approves or disapproves the referrals based on medical facts presented and the CHS criteria being met. The committee is the only authority to approve or disapprove.

IHS-CHS Payor of Last Resort: The Patient MUST apply for any alternate resources for which they may be eligible. A denial from the alternate resource is required for reconsideration by the CHS Committee. You may contact the Patient Benefits Coordinator to assist in the application process for alternate resources. Please call (605)747-3213 for further information. CHS Guidelines require all patients under the age of 18 and all pregnant patients apply for Medicaid.

Non-Compliance With the Approval Process May Serve as the Basis for Denial of Payment by Contract Health Services:

Payment Process: When a patient has Medicare, Medicaid, CHAMPUS, Private Insurance, Workmen's Compensation or is covered by another resource, that resource is considered the primary carrier. All Explanations of Benefits (EOBs) from the primary carrier(s) must be brought or mailed to the CHS office without delay when received by the patient. Many times the Non-IHS provider will turn the patient's bill over to a collection agency because the provider is unable to obtain an EOB from the patient. It is Very Important that you provide this to the provider of the CHS office in order to complete the payment process.

For further information regarding Contract Health Services please feel free to contact:
Sharyn Richards,
Contract Health Service Manager at:
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DENTAL PROGRAM

The Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility's Dental Program currently has one (1) full-time Dentist and one (1) Contract Dentist on staff. Although we are actively recruiting for permanent Dentists we are currently experiencing a staffing shortage and we ask for your patience. The Dental Program Schedule is as follows:

Mondays/Wednesdays

Beginning at 8AM patients can present on a walk-in basis. The first 10 patients that present will be seen in the morning. Beginning at 12PM patients are present on a walk-in basis. The first 10 patients that present will be seen in the afternoon.

Tuesdays/Fridays

Patients with only scheduled appointments will be seen with the exception of an Emergency.

Thursdays

The Dental Clinic is closed from 8AM-12:30PM. Patients with scheduled appointments will be seen between the hours of 12:30 PM-4:30 PM. The Dental Program provides an Evening Clinic. Patients can sign up for Evening Clinic at 4:30PM on Thursdays.

Surgery Services

The Dental Program also provides Surgery services. Although the Dental Program is experiencing a staffing shortage they are committed to providing as many surgery and clinic services as possible as long as they are not sacrificing the quality of their services.

If you are a Diabetic patient please notify the Dental staff. The Dental Program work with Medical Providers to ensure that Diabetic patients are provided prompt dental care.

The Dental Program provides 24 Hour dental care for DENTAL EMERGENCIES. In the event of a patient with a Dental Emergency, it increase the waiting time of those dental patients that are non-emergent. We ask for your patience if this does occur.

PHARMACY PROGRAM

The Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility's Pharmacy Department's hours of operation are as follows:

Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday:
9:00AM - 12:00 PM and 2:00 - 5:00 PM
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There are many medical conditions in which certain over the counter medications could cause harm or untoward side effects if not appropriately used. Therefore, in an effort to ensure the safety of our clients we will no longer be providing over the counter (OTC) medications without seeing a medical provider.

The Pharmacy Program is currently experiencing a high volume of prescriptions and a staffing shortage. We ask for your patience and assistance in meeting the needs of all of our clients when calling in for Pharmacy refills. We ask that you try to call at least 2-4 days in advance for your refills.

Clients/Patients have the option of calling and asking to speak directly to a Pharmacist or you have the option of using our new automated system.

The Automated System allows clients/patients to call and leave their refill requests by calling 747-3268 without having to wait to speak to a Pharmacist. When using the automated system you will need to provide your full name, chart number, medication name, prescription number and number of refills remaining. All of the information can be located on your medication bottles.

URGENT CARE

The Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility provides Urgent Care for non-emergent medical conditions. Patients can present to the Urgent Care on a Walk-In basis seven (7) days a week between the hours of 9:00AM to 9:00 PM.

Urgent Care can be accessed by entering the Emergency Department entrance and the Urgent Care window is located to your left. Upon presenting you will be greeted by a Medical Support Assistant who will ask for your name, date of birth and/or chart number in order to obtain your medical record.

You will be TRIAGED by a Registered Nurse within 15 minutes from the time of your arrival. The Registered Nurse will ask you for your Chief Complaint (What brings you to the ER?) and will obtain vital signs (blood pressure, pulse, temperature, respirations, height, weight and pain scale).

Triage is a process that assists the medical provider in establishing the order in which the patients will receive care/treatment. Just because you signed up first does not necessarily mean that you will be seen first. Patients that present to Urgent Care will be seen in the order of their Medical Priority, which is determined during the Triage Process.

What types of conditions are seen in Urgent Care?

- Cough
- Cold
- Flu
- Earache
- Sinus Problems
- Sore Throatadache
- Muscle aches
- Joint pains
- Arthritis
- Ankle sprain
- Burning with Urination
- Diarrhea
- Cuts greater than 24 hrs. old
- Back pain
- Medical Clearance
- Bug/Insect Bites
- Rash/Skin problems
- Constipation
- Toothaches



SECTION B

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Two Sections

Mother's left to wait, worry, pray

Young soldiers willing to sacrifice everything

BY EMILY CROOKS
South Dakota State Universtiy

War wrenches men and women from their daily lives. It demands for them to stand u and walk away from the homes they know, the jobs they hold and the people they adore. It demands that soldiers that soldiers leave it all - and they do.

They step into the cold metal airplane, their boots thumping sorrowfully and with one last, long gaze, they turn and disappear.

The door closes, the airplane crawls away, slowly picking up speed. It then lifts, higher and higher, until even the dot it once was fades into the endless blue.

Only then do the mothers turn from the now empty runway. With a steadying breath they prepare for an unknown number of days, months or even years awaitingthe return of the man or woman they once held as their child.

While these men and women are defending the stars and stripes, Native mothers are left to pray and wait.

Linelle Hairy Shirt, from St. Francis, understands the waiting. She understands the wondering and uncertainty. On Feb. 17, 2004, she watched her daughter Jaime Knox as she proudly boarded a plane destined for Iraq.

Because Knox enlisted in the Army as a 17 year-old high school student, her mother had to give her written consent.

"I did not want to do it," said Hairy Shirt, she said she asked her daughter who had put her up to it because she could not understand why Knox wanted to join.

Hairy Shirt did sign for her daughter though, and two days after finishing her junior year of high school Knox left for basic training. She returned to finish her senior year at St. Francis Indian School.

Since Knox, the first woman on either side of her family to enlist in the military, has been in Iraq, Hairy Shirt has had temporary custody of her 19 month old granddaughter, Catalina.



Waiting and helping: Lillian Tobacco is the mother of three children in the military. Photo by Emily Crooks.

Hairy Shirt said it has been hard to see all of her granddaughter's firsts knowing that her daughter should be seeing them as well.

"Her baby is growing up; she's missing all of that…10

Please turn to Tobacoo B2

Students visit reservations to talk with Native American War veterans

BROOKINGS - Journalism students from South Dakota State University traveled to five reservations in South Dakota to learn more about Native American veterans during the fall semester of 2004.

With a grant from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation, students from the advanced reporting class, photojournalists and broadcast journalists visited the tribes of the Flandreau Santee, Rosebud, Pine ridge, Standing Rock and Cheyenne River reservations.

The students interviewed, wrote stories and photographed Lakota and Dakota veterans for a special publication that was prnted by the *South Dakota Observer.*

The SDSU journalism department has given permission for *Lakota Country Times* to reprint some of the stories and photos from the special special edition.



Advanced reporting class included, in front, Victoria Riggs, Chelsea Boeva, Kayla Morrill and Erin Hanley, In back are Wendy Royston, Nicolle Wiekeamp, Tonia Goertz, Emily Crooks, Doris Giago, Laura Haatvedt and David Pego.

Doris (Brewer) Giago, associate professor for SDSU for 14 years and Oglala Sioux member instructs the students not only in the field but for cultural sensitivity. She said this is the sixth special publication the journalism department has published. Others includes impact of tribal colleges, Northern Plains tribal artists, elderly stories in Medicine Root District of Kyle, math and science, engineering and technology in Indian country and preserving the Lakota language. If there is an interest in the publications, Giago can be emailed at doris.giago @SDSTATE.EDU.

For many of the students this was their first visit to a reservation. "I have lived in South Dakota for nearly 30 years, and this class trip was the first opportunity I had to

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'It's a heart-wrenching experience

Memories and images remain after serving a year in Iraq

BY EMILY CROOKS
South Dakota State Universtiy

When he was in Iraq, he lived in a desert tent with a whirlwind of sand-storms and only 5,000-gallon water tank with no re-supply. Missile and chemical bombs exploded, and children begged on the road. These images are now part of Chris Christianson's memory.



Christianson

Christianson, 31, lives in Sioux Falls with his two sons, but two years ago he was halfway around the world. Like many other Native American soldiers, Christianson left his home and family, to take up a gun and step headlong into the terror of war.

A member of the 323rd Army Reserve Chemical Company of Sioux Falls, Christianson was alerted for activation on Feb. 7, 2003. Two weeks later, he and his company found themselves in the remote deserts of Kuwait. After stepping off the plane, Christianson and the 180 other company members were immediately ordered to grab their gear and get moving.

The group had walked straight into a bomb alert. When they finally made it to their camp-or what was supposed to be their camp-they had another surprise.

"It was not at all what we expected. We were attached to Marines who were based on a camp by themselves. We had 5,000 gallons of water and five or six port-a-potties. It was a mess. It was a waiting game; waiting for equipment,' Christianson said. Christianson, originally from Sisseton, said the hardest part of serving was the separation from his two sons. "All of 2003 just doesn't exist-broken bones, saxophone concerts," Christianson said.

"You miss those things when you're not there." What he didn't was a sign reading "Now entering Iraq. Don't feed the children" or the swarms of small souls, dressed in nothing but robes and sandals, scavenging for anything left by the soldiers. "It's a heart-wrenching experience to keep going," Christianson said. He didn't miss the vendors flooding

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Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Weekly Flu Clinic
Every Thursday at the Public Health Nursing Office in Pine Ridge for high risk adult population call Kendra at 867-3297 for additional information.

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Methamphetamine Lab Recognition Training
Wednesday, Thursday, Feb. 8 and 9 at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge, for info contact Georgine at OST EAP 867-1841.

Community Health Fair
Thursday, Feb. 9 in Oglala at Brother Rene Hall with booths and representatives from OST Health Education, Oyate Blihelya, CHR program, Public Health nurses from Indian Health Service and the OST Employee Assistance Program.

Agriculture Management Tools Workshop
Wednesday, Feb 8 at the Wall Community Center or Thursday, Feb. 9 at the New American Legion building in Martin.

Common Sense Parenting Class
Wednesday's 4-6 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Church in Pine Ridge starting Feb. 8; for information or to register call 800 727-2401.

Special Session-Oglala Sioux Tribal Council
Thursday and Friday, Feb. 9 and 10 at the council chambers in the Red Cloud Building in Pine Ridge to complete January regular session.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
Rescheduled for Friday, Feb. 10 at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee, grand entries 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with supper at 5 p.m.

Valentine Sweetheart Dance
Friday, Feb. 11 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Mother Butler Center in Rapid City honoring the 62nd wedding anniversary of Isaac and Zona White Face and the marriage of William and Lisa Jumping Eagle and celebrating all sweethearts.

Wounded Knee District Dance Club
organization meeting on Monday, Feb. 13 at 6 p.m. at the Wounded Knee District CAP office in Manderson.

An Evening With The King and the 13th annual Sweetheart Dinner
Tuesday, Feb. 14 at the SuAnne Big Crow Boy's and Girl's Club outside of Pine Ridge.

Community Health Fair
Thursday, Feb. 16 at the Wounded Knee District CAP Office in Manderson from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. with a walk set for 10:30 a.m.; for info call Karen at 867-5655 or OST Health Education at 867-2067.

14th Annual Mid-Winter Pow wow
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Feb 17, 18th & 19th at the Prairie Knights Casino Pavilion on the Standing Rock Reservation, for info call Tom Red Bird at 701 527-8898

Codependency and Relational Healing Retreat
Thursday through Sunday, Feb. 23-25 at the Icimani Ya Waste Recovery Center in St. Francis; for information call Mike at 747-5547 or Jim at 259-3365.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
Friday, Feb. 24 in Red Shirt with grand entries at 1 and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m .sponsored by Rockyford and Red Shirt of Shannon County Schools.

"Night of Champs" A-Town Boxing Smoker
Saturday, Feb, 25 in Allen at the American Horse School gym, weigh ins at noon and fights start at 4 p.m., info call 455-2758.

Baby Shot Clinic
Tuesday, Feb. 28 at the LaCreek CAP in Martin from 1-3 p.m.

Valentine Social
Feb 10 at Little Wound School from 6 to 10 p.m. Activities include talent show, cake decorating, costume contest and dance contest with cash prizes on dance contest. Many more activites will be happening For more informaton call the school at 455-6150.

Students: publication an experience

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get to know next-door neighbors on the reservation, "said Victoria Riggs, a senior from the advanced reporting class who lives in Arlington. "I was honored to be so welcomed by them. Listening to their heartfelt stories of their dedicated military service raised my understanding of patriotism to a higher level, "Riggs said. While on the Pine Ridge reservation, students had the opportunity to participate in a sweat lodge ceremony. For Denise Watt, a photojournalist from White, the ceremony was an experience she will not forget. "It was in the midst of this [prayer lodge] with sweat pouring out of my body, that I realized my ignorance," Watt said. "I had lived here all my life and never made an effort to understand the American Indian culture, or even just where they, as a people, are coming from. What I found to be valuable about the trip was an immersion into a culture other than my own."

But the main purpose of the trip was to interview the Native American Veterans.

Advanced student Nicolle WieKamp was surprised by how the interviews affected her. "The interviews changed the way that I look at the past and the way I look at others. These people were so nice and willing to share their personal stories with us, complete strangers," Weikamp said. "That just blew me away" Kyla Morril, advanced reporting student from Clinton, Minn., appreciated the opportunity to learn about the Lakota and Dakota cultures. "I think the trips were a good opportunity to learn more about a different culture," Morril said. "This class gave us the chance to immerse ourselves in the culture instead of just standing on the fringes."

Three broadcast majors-Cliff Chandler, Shanda Sundstrom and Cory Wilson, traveled with the print journalism majors to document the special project. They produced a 28-minute documentary, "The Journey," which follows all students to all five reservations and videotaped many of their interviews. During the spring semester of 2005, students in the advanced editing class designed and edited the publication. Faculty involved in the project included Doris Giago and David Pego, advanced reporting; Frank Klock, photojournalism; and Lyle Olson, advanced editing. The students involved in this special project say they were grateful for the opportunity to work on this issue.

"It touched each of us with memories that will never be forgotten," Riggs said.



Decorated soldier: Delmar Richards holds a newspaper article about himself. Photo by Emily Crooks.

Christianson:

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the road, slashing tires in a desperate attempt to stop vehicles so soldiers aboard would buy something.

He doesn't miss a car bomb attempt or having to search the car and cuff the driver. "You bring back a lot of memories," Christianson said, "and what I will (also) take is the drive, motivation and structure; I will hold on that. And the friends. For a year in Iraq, that was my family."

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Tobacco: mother's group

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months of her growing up," Hairy Shirt said. Her daughter has missed her baby's first tooth, her first word and even her first stumbling steps.

"That's the hardest thing, seeing all of Catalina's firsts and knowing her mom should also be seeing them," Hairy Shirt said.

"I'm proud of her but I can't say I'm glad she lost out on all the time with her daughter," Hairy Shirt said.

Worry for her daughter is a daily constant for Hairy Shirt. "My mom used to tell me, "Don't be crying, you're going to make her weak in spirit. Just pray for her," said Hairy Shirt. "Pray for them, pray for them and pray for them."

Another Native mother, Lillian Tobacco also understands the uncertainty of war. She watched her eldest son leave for the Persian Gulf War and her daughter for Iraq, and also waits to hear where her youngest son will be stationed next.

Coming from a family of military service, Tobacco, 58, exudes a strong pride in her children's service. "I tell myself that instead of crying, accomplishments are made. My sons, my daughters are out there protecting the country," Tobacco said.

With determination, Tobacco has set out to help others deal with the doubts and fears tat come from watching a loved one leave for war.

During the Persian Gulf, when her son served, Tobacco went through a lot. But this Pine Ridge Reservation resident went through it alone. Now she does whatever she can to make sure others have someone with whom they can share their worries, doubts and fears.

"I have my ears open for those who want to talk," Tobacco said. "I do my best to help them."

Not only does Tobacco help others cope with their feelings, she strives to stir up pride and thankfulness toward all veterans.

"What really makes me sad," Tobacco said, "is the Vietnam era. Nothing was done for the families and tribe. It should have been. If I had been older, I'm sure I could have done something."

Tobacco exudes determination and strength as she "does something" now.

She organizes prayer vigils, raises money for anything from the Women's Memorial in Washington D.C. to a local Legion hall. She encourages others through public speeches, awards blue star banners and offers her shoulder for support.

Tobacco encourages those left watching when the plane carrying their loved one disappears into the unknown. "Stand tall, be proud, Remember that's part of you over there."

Man recalls Battle of the Bulge

Military a tradition for Pine Ridge family

BY WENDY ROYSTON
South Dakota State Universtiy

Delmar P. Richards and his five brothers, from the Pine Ridge Reservation, all served in World War II. Richards was stationed in Europe, the family's youngest son stayed stateside and the remaining four brothers were in the South Pacific. Richards was a member of the Army while his brothers were all enlisted in the Air Corps.

Although the brothers all saw a lot of action during the war, the six returned home safely. But Richards, 82, encountered a close call during the Battle of the Bulge in Bastogne, Belgium.

As squad sergeant, Richards was the machine gunner who led the left flank as the German forces attempted to get at the seaport.

"They told us to hold it at all costs. That means until the last man. (The Germans) tried to break through us, but they didn't get it done," Richards said proudly. "We held them."

He said his unit was often one of the first to be involved in major conflicts.

"They had a saying, they sent The Red One and then the rest of the Army," he said. "I told my men, 'No prisoners! Kill them all!'"

The German corporal escaped according to Richards, but he said he thought the unit succeeded in killing the rest of the German unit.

"It's hard to count them when you are trying to stay alive," he said.

Richards said the Germans remembered his unit. "The Germans said the Red One was made up of gangsters," he said. "They said, 'They're crazy! They don't fight fair!'"

But the Germans did get their shots in, too. One of them even struck Richards during the Battle of the Bulge. "I was shot through the arm, and it creased my stomach."

He said he was told that if the bullet had punctured his stomach, he likely would have died. "Them Germans are mean," he said. Even after being shot, Richards kept up with the battle.

"I was wounded, but I still kept firing," Richards said with a smile.

To stop the bleeding in the battlefield, Richards said a medic stuck a pencil into the wound and wrapped string around it. Richards was then taken to a Paris hospital, where he recuperated for two months.

"When I got well, they asked if I wanted to go to a different group," Richards said. "I said I wanted to go back to my division and see who was alive."

Most of his fellow servicemen were still alive and with the unit when Richards returned.

Richards was highly decorated due to his World War II efforts, but he said he was scared throughout his time in battle. "If somebody said he wasn't scared, he's a liar," Richards said noting, "There's no atheists on a battlefield."

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Military duty separates family

Mother recalls memories of leaving her daughter to serve her country

BY LAURA HAATVEDT
South Dakota State Universtiy

Dresses in dark, tailored jeans and a light gray sweater, standing less than five and a half feet tall with shoulder length sleek black hair, Jaime Knox doesn't look like someone who had just spent the last year fighting in Iraq.

She hugged her almost two-year-old daughter Catalina, and a soft smile came over her face as she began to tell her story.

This 22 year-old Rosebud Lakota enlisted in the Army Reserve while she was in high school. Now she's with National Guard's 153rd engineering battalion. "It was hard at first," she said as she fought back tears. "I missed my family a lot. I missed her first birthday. I hope I will be home in time for her second."

While many people in her situation would have left the military, Knox switched from the Army Reserve to the South Dakota National Guard just before having her baby so she could be closer to home.

She had made the decision to join the Army five years ago, during her junior year of high school. "I knew that coming from a small town and having the friends I had, I would end up getting into trouble if I stayed around here," she said. "I wanted to go out and see things for my own. I didn't want to be dependent on anybody else."

While many girls her age spent their summer prior to their final year of high school having fun with friends, Knox attended basic training. "I had heard it was tough. I wanted the challenge" she said. "I had fun though. It was like summer camp."



Mother soldier: Jamie Knox, 22, left her daughter Catalina , 2 years old, while serving on active duty in Iraq. Photo by Shandra Sundstrom.

She was still in Advance Individual Training for the Army Reserve when 9/11 happened. "It was in class. The alarms started going off," Knox said. "That's when I had the first inkling we might have to go."

Still, she when first heard that her guard unit, the 153rd, had been called in active duty she was shocked. "We were uncertain, because we didn't know what our mission was going to be," she said.

When she first joined, she was able to be with Catalina often, but now she had to be away from her daughter for a long time. "I try not to think about her or my family during the day," she said. Nearly everyday, their camp, an old power plant, is under attack. Her unit is often the target of brutal mortar fire. "I get scared, but I also feel safe," she said, "because I trust our guys."

The men are an infantry division whose job is to disassemble roadside bombs. This mission is called Pathfinder. Knox's job is basically maintenance. She is responsible for ordering parts for their trucks and equipment. "We are like family," she said. "We get through it by sticking together. It's hard, but we get through it together."

She said her family, especially her grandmother, was one of her life's biggest influences. Her grandmother gave her the strength and courage to do the things she's done. She also shares her heritage and culture with Knox and her daughter. "I hope I can tell stories the way she did," she said. "I look at this experience, and I will have a story to share."

Although Knox said she has never felt discriminated against in the Army, she did say that she would occasionally have to explain herself and her culture. "Some people have preconceived notions," Knox said. "Not really the guys in my unit, because a lot of them have been around (other Native Americans) but I do have to tell some people, 'No, we're not really like that.'"

Knox said she probably will not reenlist when her time is up, but she wouldn't change a single thing despite what she's been through.

"I am proud to have served my country," she said.



Helping others: Vietnam veteran Leon Red Dog now helps other soldiers suffering from PTSD. Photo by Emily Crooks.

Soldier finds peace in helping others

Vet reaches out to those dealing with pain, after effects of war

BY ERIN HANLEY
South Dakota State Universtiy

The unrest and distress in the life of a veteran is disturbing. Many combat veterans, of any conflict, are afflicted with horrible memories of their military service. In South Dakota, American Indians are trying to ease the pain of some of the vets. Vietnam veteran Leon Red Dog, 55, knows the pain of war. He spent a year in combat and was a leader in several confrontations. But when he came back, he wasn't hailed as a hero but as a killer in a rejected war. "I negotiated with the Creator. I said if you let me go home I'll help the kids of our reservation. But, when I did come home, I forgot about the deal I negotiated. I went back to drinking because that was the only way I could sleep," Red Dog said. Now Red Dog is part of a program of psychological counseling and spiritual cleansing for wounded soldiers.

He's gone through the program himself to deal with his own demons. His mentor, Grandpa (Frank) Fools Crow, preformed the ceremony and eventually taught Red Dog.

"The nightmares, suicidal thoughts, anger and rage were the actions of that 18-year-old who went to war." "One thing I do is try to work up to the top. I was a police officer, then chief of police. After I got to the I burned out, resigned there, and became counselor of the alcohol program, and now I am director of the program," Red Dog said.

Red Dog performs a ceremony to cleanse veterans of their ailments. He takes the veterans through a sweat that lasts two to four days. The veterans talk about what they did and felt in war. The first part of the sweat is just talking, but at the end the veterans ask for forgiveness for what they did in the war and the spirits they wronged. "They want to talk, which is all right with me because I remember what I went through. I understand where they're coming from so I do my best to be there."

Many veterans find solace in the ceremony. Many are grateful for the opportunity to express themselves. Richard Charging Eagle, also a Vietnam veteran, went through the same ceremony with Grandpa Fools Crow. "He told me the people you did wrong are going to be here in spirit. I didn't believe it. The people I killed, the ones I done something wrong to, came and pulled my hair and poked my eyes," Charging Eagle said

Charging Eagle, Red Dog and many other veterans are grateful for the ceremony. "Today I can function like a human. If I hadn't gone through that ceremony I probably would be talking about alcohol. I keep telling my vets to share some of it, get it off your chest. Tell somebody," Charging Eagle said.

Some military veterans deal with PTSD for life

Rates among natives are very high

BY TONIA GOERTZ
South Dakota State Universtiy

PTSD. Talk to any combat veteran, victim of sexual or physical assault, or most emergency services personnel long enough, and those four letters will eventually make their way into the conversation. Most know that those letters are the acronym for post-traumatic stress disorder, but may not really understand that in the simplest terms, it may mean devastation for many veterans and their families if they do not seek help

American Indian veterans are especially at risk, according to The Matsunaga Vietnam Veteran Project. This comprehensive study, done by the VA and released in February 1997, extended the scope of the National Vietnam Veterans Readjustment Study (NVVRS) to include other minority veterans. It showed about one in three American Indian Vietnam veterans who served in country suffered from full or partial PTSD sometime since Vietnam. The incidence of PTSD for American Indians is very high, more than twice as high as for white or Japanese American Vietnam veterans.

The study concluded that the unique cultural traditions, society and family experiences of each different ethnic group played an important role in the veteran's homecoming and readjustment after Vietnam, but they do not appear to either cause or prevent PTSD. For Martin Bernard, a 55-year-old Native American veteran from Flandreau, who served as a combat medic in Vietnam from 1969-1970, and has service connected disabilities of diabetes from agent orange exposure and PTSD, it means years of carrying around regrets. "When I was in the field and people were wounded, I hadn't been taught what to do. I felt kind of inadequate, like I could have done more, I should have done more, I wish I had known more," the Vietnam veteran said. Was he disabled when he came home? "I didn't know that I suffered from post-traumatic stress when I came back. I came back to the spit and polish of the army. A big change after living in the jungles and mud. I just couldn't adjust so I drank a lot. I went AWOL for six months but finally went back and got my honorable discharge. The Army was never the same after I came back from Vietnam."

ON THE WEB
For helping dealing with PTSD, check out http://www.va.gov/

The site offers information on how to file a claim, locate facilities and help healing begin.

Bernard said he tried to kill himself about 20 years ago. He said he "pretty much just dropped off the face of the earth and just didn't do anything, didn't really work. I don't know I just thought I was normal; nobody talked to us about PTSD." Bernard said that he continually replays his war-time actions in his head and asks himself if he could have done more. He is still second guessing himself. You wanted to be the best, you wanted to help those guys, you know, you did your best at the time, and you can think about that now but you say to yourself, wow, I could have done this more," he said.

"There's times I got blood on my hands over there being a medic, and when I suffer through some of them episodes, I get up and wash my hands, wash my hands, wash my hands. My wife says, 'Why are you washing your hands again? You just washed them.' Thirty four years later he is still trying to wash the blood off his hands. While Bernard is just one man with just one story, it is a story that reflects the lives of thousands of veterans. While there is no cure for PTSD, there are ways to help those with PTSD learn to live with the problems in a less destructive way.

A place to begin is : http/www.va.gov/. This site offers information on how to file a claim, locate facilities, and help healing begin.

Diagnosing PTSD

There are specific criteria for diagnosing PTSD.

The requirements are that the person in question experiences some of the following:

***Has been exposed to a catastrophic event**
***Experiences intrusive recollection-like flashbacks,**
***Practices avoidance and numbing, *Is in a state of hyper-arousal,**
***hyper-vigilance, or startles easily,**
***Experiences symptoms that persist for a period of at least one month,**
***Feels distress as a result of symptoms.**

For more information, see http://www.ncptsd.org/index.html

Symptoms of PTSD

Many veterans are unable to leave the trauma of war. They may struggle with a variety of problems, which could indicate Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. Symptoms of PTSD are varied and include:

*fears
*anxiety
*panic
*depression
*rage
*violence
*irritability
*shame
*guilt
*isolation
*emotional emptiness
*alienation
*being overly controlling,
*inability to relax
*addiction

For more information on PTSD, its symptoms and how to get help, log on and check out http://www.ncptsd.org/index.html.

Only child begs to serve in the Army

BY LAURA HAATVEDT
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For many American Indian veterans, the decision to serve their nation was easy. "If anybody was going to be killing Germans, I wanted to be in on it," Woodrow Respects Nothing, from Manderson said.

From 1941 to 1945, the United States was at war with Germany during World War II. As an only child, Respects Nothing wasn't supposed to be able to join the military.

But, after a lot of pleading, he was allowed to enlist. "We talked until the recruiters face was blue and we signed some papers and they let me go," said Respects Nothing, now 81 years old. He was among 75 "Indian kids" from the Pine Ridge and Rosebud reservations who boarded passenger trains in Valentine, Neb., in May 1943.

En route to training, Respects Nothing was asked which branch of the Military he wanted to join. "I said, 'I'll take the easiest one, the Army.' " After basic training, the newly enlisted were offered and 15 day leave, but Respects Nothing turned down the opportunity.



Army buddies: Woodrow Respects Nothing, right, and a friend.

"Why would I go back if I had such a hard time getting in?" he said.

Because they had turned down the leave, Respects Nothing and two others were relocated to an alternative unit and headed to Texas Army base for further training.

Following his instructions, Respects Nothing was to remain stateside due to his single-son status, but he was not content with remaining out of conflict. 'I wanted to see what it was like. I wanted to fight," he said. "So, my company commander talked good for me." Soon, he was able to go into battle with the rest of his unit. Respects Nothing was part of the D-Day invasion on the beaches of Normandy.

He rode into Utah Beach on a flat-bottomed boat carrying 40 men, ready to fight. "I couldn't swim," Respects Nothing said. "I was of the Germans. I thought we were going to drown, all loaded down with ammo and grenades, but we made it." Respects Nothing who grew up on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, had never seen the ocean before joining the Army and had never really had the chance to swim. Respects Nothing went to school on the reservation until he enlisted in the Army at the age of 19.

Later in the war, Respects Nothing earned a Bronze Star. During a period of intense enemy fire during battle, Respects Nothing fired rounds from a mortar into the tubes and raise it over his shoulder. On March 7, 1945, he saved the lives of several of his fellow soldiers and prevented others from being captured.

On Dec. 15, 1996, his 73rd birthday, Woodrow Respects Nothing received his Bronze Star, over 51 years after that heroic day.

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Vietnam vet shares observations on PTSD

Editor's note: Tim Swimmer, 58, is a Vietnam veteran who served in the 101 Airborne Division in the U.S. Army. He is a member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and lives in McLaughlin. He learned how to deal with post traumatic stress when he went through treatment on three occasions, the latest n 1997. Following are observations:

"At the medical center in Wisconsin I began to understand what PTSD was and the effect the war had on me.

There was a lot of isolation, shame, guilt, and depression, anger. I talked about suicide…I used to have a lot of rifles. When I ran off one time, my wife took all my rifles and sold them.

It took me over 30 years to really talk about my experiences in Vietnam. Yet, it still hurts; it still bothers me. I have a lot of reactions after I talk about things like this. I always look at it like this: it's a healing time for me.

Going to Vietnam at 18 I didn't know what to expect and how to cope. When I came home after two years, I turned to alcohol and drugs. I figured if I could get so drunk I could go to sleep and not have to dream about this. I don't have to react to the nightmares.

From the time I was 23 to 29, I don't know what I did a lot of the time…to live with the flashbacks, to live with the nightmares was something I couldn't hardly handle until I scared the family one time.

I was working at veterans industry and went home after work. Just as I walked in the door an ambulance siren went off. I reacted to it. I started throwing cups. Whatever I could grab, thinking that they were like hand grenades or something…I broke every cup we had in the house. And I scared the family. They left. My wife understood what I was going through. It was just that anger that turned to rage.

In 29 years we were married we moved over 30 times. In each place I thought it would be good, so we moved. It was quiet and comfortable for awhile. After six, seven months or so I started reacting to nightmares, flashbacks. I thought, there's something wrong with the house. I'd tell the wife, and we'd start looking for another place. I think in one year we moved seven times. It's called geographical escape because if you couldn't understand something, if you couldn't handle something, you'd move to escape.

My family knows what will set me off - a 5 o'clock, 6 o'clock whistle blowing, police siren, ambulance siren, car honking, car backfiring, a chair falling on the floor when I'm not expecting it. Anything that has a booming noise. Even a baby crying sets me off. In Vietnam when we went into villages, babies were crying everywhere because their mammas were lying there…we couldn't touch them because they might have been booby-trapped. We were told to stay away, don't touch them…so when my children's children start crying I ask them to take her upstairs or do something to stop the crying because I can't stand it.

After I went to PTS therapy I sat all my kids down, and I explained to them what PTS means and what I've experienced, what I might do. So they all know what to do if I react.

I'm still battling with depression. I've pretty much worked through the shame and the guilt that we were made to feel when we got off the plane. And that was one of the hardest things to deal with. That's why a lot of veterans don't want to talk about it.

At night to sleep, I have to have a radio going or have the TV going or have a night light on. In the day time if I'm having a bad day, I'll close the blinds and leave just enough light to just sit there and self-talk. I talk to myself until I feel better. It's something that I've learned to live with. And now I've learned to comfort myself with my self-talking.

I believe to be a survivor you have to be willing to face the task, whatever it may be. And I faced the hardest - two years of Vietnam and then 30 years of reliving what I'd seen, what I experienced over there in Vietnam.

I told my kids, you're survivors. You put with a lot from me. I know I've put a lot of fear in you kids, but you stuck by me. Now you have families of your own. Work at what you're doing, live the best way that you can. Look forward.

I'm still dealing with a lot of things today, but I share with my family so they can prepare themselves to that if anything comes up in their lives, they've learned what to do. I told my daughters, 'You're my treasures but y grandchildren are the apples of my eye.' That's why I do what I can and I work so hard at overcoming a lot of these issues in my life and what I've experienced."



Remembering Korea: Basil Brave Heart joined the Army to pay for his education. Photo by Denise Watt

Korean War changed men's lives

BY CHELSEA BOEVE
South Dakota State Universtiy

At a time when most people their age are thinking only of their retirement years, three American Indian men look back on their service in the Korean War.

Eugene Iron Shell Sr., from the Pine Ridge Reservation, served in the U.S Army from 1947 to 1956 and was in Korea in 1951. Iron Shell was sent to Korea in the 187th Airborne Regimental Combat Team that was in charge of controlling Korean war protestors who were armed with few weapons-most of which were homemade. The weapons used during this assignment reminded Iron Shell of childhood games such as cowboys and Indians.

Iron Shell joined the service at age 18. It was a family tradition going back several generations. Iron Shell's great grandfather fought the United States government and rode with crazy Horse many years ago.

For many American Indians, it is an honor to have served their country, and such service is frequently recognized through community celebrations and reunions. "It has always been in our make up to fight," he said. Earl Siers is another American Indian who spent time in the Korean War. Near the end of the war, Siers and the 809th Combat Engineers were sent to Korea to help with the clean-up and redevelopment.

Siers, who is from the Rosebud Reservation, enlisted in the U.S Army from 1954 to 1960. He helped remove war mines and built new housing development while in Korea.

While away, Siers continued to stay in touch with those back at home and sent his mother half of his monthly pay check to help her, and his brothers and his sisters. Siers said he served his country as part of his culture and as part of a tradition that continues today. Basil Brave Heart of the 187th Regimental Combat Team also served in Korea from 1951 to 1954. Brave Heart joined the service to help pay for his education. While Brave Heart was still in Korea, he was injured and returned to the Pine Ridge Reservation. Later, he decided to go back to school and received his bachelor's degree and two master's degrees.

Brave Heart still thinks about the war. "It has been 50 years and I still have flashbacks," Brave Heart said. Just the smell of gas and oil or the sound of a helicopter spinning sends Brave Heart into a panic. "War is hideous and should be avoided at all costs," Brave Heart said. "I will be living with thoughts from the war for the rest of my life."

Because some veterans turn to alcohol as a way of dealing with the post-traumatic stress disorder, they become victims of alcohol abuse. Brave Heart is now a member of the Lakota Red Feather Society. The group consists of veterans who were in combat and have remained sober for several years.

"In war you kill the enemy, but wound your own spirit. This is why many Native Americans turn to alcoholism and even suicide," Brave Heart said.

"We are spiritual beings just trying to be human." Since his return, Brave Heart has finished his education and taught at Pine Ridge.

He later became superintendent of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Throughout the challenges and trials in that position, Brave Heart relied on his military training on many occasions to help him make the right decisions, "The military helped me to look at the bigger picture," Brave Heart said.

Women start reservation Legion posts

BY KAYLA MORRILL
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The American Legion is typically a male organization with the Legion Auxiliary reserved for women.Two Legion posts in South Dakota, however, were started by women for women. Post 321 of the Pine Ridge Reservation and Post 305 of the Standing Rock Reservation are not only women's posts but American Indian posts.

Legion Post 321 was chartered in April 1997 with 14 women. Twelve of the charter members are still active in the post today, with 20 total members, 16 women and four men. Post commander is Iva Good Voice Flute, an Oglala Lakota who served in the United States Air Force from 1991-1995.

Post 321 sponsors many activities for its community. Members serve meals for military families and attend military burials, parades and powwows as honor guards. The post's goals include drawing attention to Lakota military women, military women overall and to women's issues in general.

Post 305 was chartered in 1998 with 15 women, and the post has 32 members (seven active) today. The post commander is Claudette Luger and they attend fuctions just as Post 321.

Both posts try to recruit people into the armed servicesby attending school careers days and bringing in recruiters to the reservation.

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ASK ANNA

Psychic - Clairvoyant

Dear Anna:

I am writing to you in a very emotional and stressed state. I attend college classes and we've recently started back and I've already put myself in a panic.

I've been told if I pass all my classes this semester I can graduate with my degree. My concern is do you see me graduating this spring?

Am I going to make it or will I not succeed? I want to also continue on further so I can work with people and children. Presently my job is paying my bills, but do you see me succeeding in my training and schooling and also my personal life?

Sincerely stressed

Dear Stressed:

You have been on a long journey towards this goal. I do see you graduating, but there is a chance that it may not be until summer (or possibly fall - if you take the summer off), instead of spring.

I do see you working with children and eventually, starting some sort of business/center/program for children and young adults. In your personal life; I see that you have two men in your life; neither should be considered as "the one." I see these friendships moving into the past as you open your heart for true love, probably late in 2006 or early 2007.

Good Luck, and relax, your life is good. You have a false sense of being in a hurry so please learn to take your time. Rome wasn't built in a day, a masters degree doesn't come without the cost of the time; a bachelors degree takes as long as it takes, and the only things that don't take time in this world are things that are never considered.

Even things that never happen take time - through thought and worry. Time is not your enemy, it is your life-long companion. Remember, don't rush through life. The only moment you have is right now. Enjoy it.

Dear Anna:

Hello! First of all, how did you get your abilities? And how long have you had it? Does it have its ups and downs being a psychic?

What do you see for my marriage? He takes off every time we argue. What do you see employment wise for me?

There was $100 missing from my husband's wallet, do you see what happened to it?

One last question, my daughter is being harassed by a neighbor; she is called names and the neighbor has threatened her and my other kids .

Private

Dear Private:

Well dear, if you write to me at the paper, I must answer through the paper…but I have cut your letter and removed from it any information that would point out to anybody who you are or where you live. I will always protect people's identity.

In answer to your questions about my psychic abilities, I got them from the "Creator," and genetically. My great-grandmother was a gypsy (on my mother's side) with the last name of Domski (I am not sure of the spelling) from Armenia.

She and my great-grandfather traveled all over the U.S. in a wagon, telling fortunes and selling "snake oil." My mother and father were open-minded but did not over encourage me to spend my time in the future. They understood that I was psychic by the time I was three, when information that I had saved two young girls' lives.

They listened to me, but often argued about not only what I saw, but how I interpreted it. They did not always follow my advice, but they always loved me even though they both referred to me as a "nut."

After working many years until I was in my late 40s, in standard corporate America jobs, and working at the same time for friends and confidants telling them of the future, I knew that there was something else for me to do, and that I could never very easily work in a structured 8 to 5 job or career. I would always end up at opposite ends of the spectrum concerning management practices and business practices. I would always see my company's folly and I always battled with management over their lack of vision.

Eventually I would quit just before they fired me. Businesses, I found, would implement my suggestions, but never like me for "making them feel wrong." I have found that a better way to approach most businesses is from a consultant standpoint, where people want me to help them with my vision. The struggle has been very long, very sad, very discouraging and has taken more bravery than I could have ever guessed that I had. I have moved all over the country to help people.

The Creator and my guides (Spirits) have been with me all the way. I have fought hard against badness or misguided people, and bad policy: governmental, criminal, business and personal relationship wrongs.

I have fought hard to let people know how very powerful they are, and that they are part of the Creator. I had a vision in 1987 and it lasted better than a month. I saw many things from the future and it scared me.

I prayed, and the Creator sent me on a long journey. During that time, I lost all of my family (they all died) (except my two sons) four homes, various cars and all my furniture, friends, and every personal item I ever had and of course any chance at a descent credit rating. The saddest thing I had to do was to have my ex-husband take my son for a few years (because organized crime was trying to kill me). I gave my life to the Creator to help - and there you have it, here I am. Am I helping?

Sometimes I think I am, sometimes I know I am, and sometimes I just plain think I am not of any help to anybody. I have been chased by bad guys, shot at, spit at, ridiculed, threatened, poisoned and drugged, and generally harassed. It has made me strong. I don't like to use the word psychic. I am a "seer," and a healer. If you want to be more psychic there are many easier routes to take than the one I was given.

Everybody has intuition, or latent psychic ability, but calling it forth is created simply though desire. Sometime soon, I will teach a small seminar in developing your own intuition to better avail yourself to a bigger view of life. It can help people in their business and personal lives but there are some hazards. Many psychic professionals have still not figured out how to use discernment to screen out fear/negative energy or that type of consciousness and "see the truth." Many psychics scare people really badly because most of what they see is negative and based on the worst possible outcome. Blessings to you for asking me.

Now for your reading: Your marriage is so stressful. You are aware that there is love in your heart but love fades when it is not reflected back at you. What you get back is discontent. Your husband is restless and has a need to try and belittle you.

It is only a matter of time before you and him separate. He wants out, or at least acts that way, but is afraid (money and family) to make that move. Time will move him and you. Don't worry, you don't have to do anything, it will run its course and you both will decide not to be together. If you feel particularly unhappy, you can force a fight, and he will leave - that is what I see, but I recommend you take another route. If you force a fight, you will have regrets.

The $100.00 was not stolen. It was "lost" in an organized way (gaming).

Please go ahead and file a restraining order against your neighbor. I see her involved in some potential danger for your children, and a restraining order will help you. Find some sympathy in your heart for that woman, she has some signs of mental illness, but you don't have to be her victim.

Dear Anna:

I was in a bad relationship a couple of years ago and got out of it. Now here is my problem: I cared very much for this man, I gave him my heart but I now know that it was not a good relationship and it will not work even if we tried again.

My problem, I am seeing someone now and I cannot get this other person out of my mind and heart. I want to trust, love and have a relationship but when I am with this new person, all I can think about is the other person. I need and want this person out of my mind and heart so I can go on. I was hurt to bad and I am also having a very hard time trusting this new person. He's good to me and I know he cares for me, but I can't share this with him because I don't want to hurt him.

Do you see this new person and I having a future? Will I ever get over this past relationship? Should I just give up on ever being with anyone?

Sincerely,
Wants to move on

Dear Wants to move on:

Addiction to a fantasy is very difficult to put aside. This type of relationship has a string of attached addictive energy holding you to a non-existent, fantasy. Please look at this man as really who he is, do not include memories of when you were first together - as that time is not a very good demonstration of who either of you are. Both of you were pretending to be much nicer and more amenable than you actually usually act.

Please take time to consider all that your ex said and did. What he did and said does not reflect caring or love. It reflects more of who he really is: a man preoccupied with a physical relationship, selfish with you, and emotionally immature - which leads to abusive relationship tendencies. You owe yourself the truth. Don't nurture your addiction to the "idea" of this man with feelings of guilt or responsibility for his bad behavior. Think of it this way, you can't go forward and find real love as long as you are not in your full power, as long as you are giving your power to a misguided dream. Release what is not good for you and you will find your balance. You can release through honesty, forgiveness of self, and acceptance that everything is in Divine Order and is exactly as it should be. If you reenact your relationship with this man, the only thing you will realize is the same thing you realized before - it's a circle to despair.

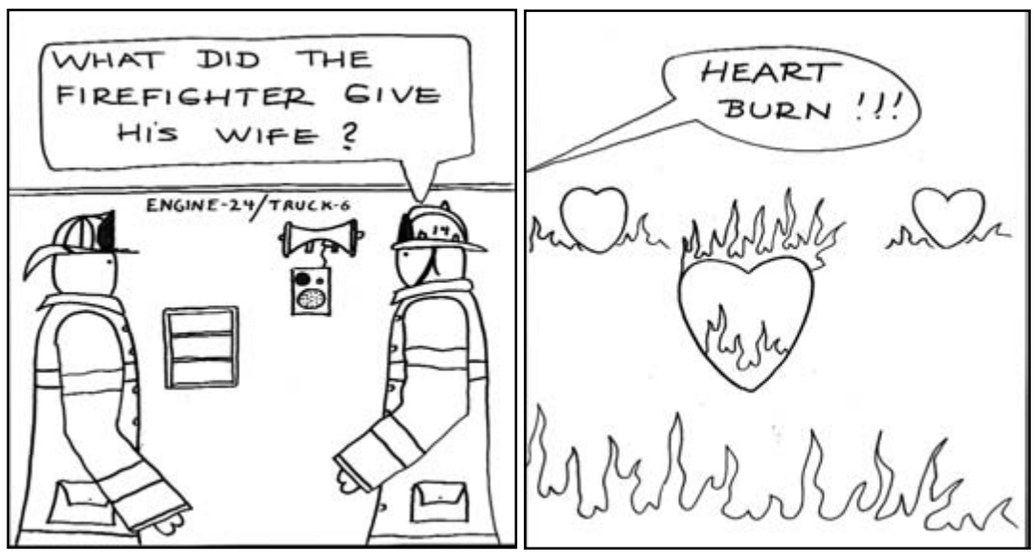
Blessings and good luck.

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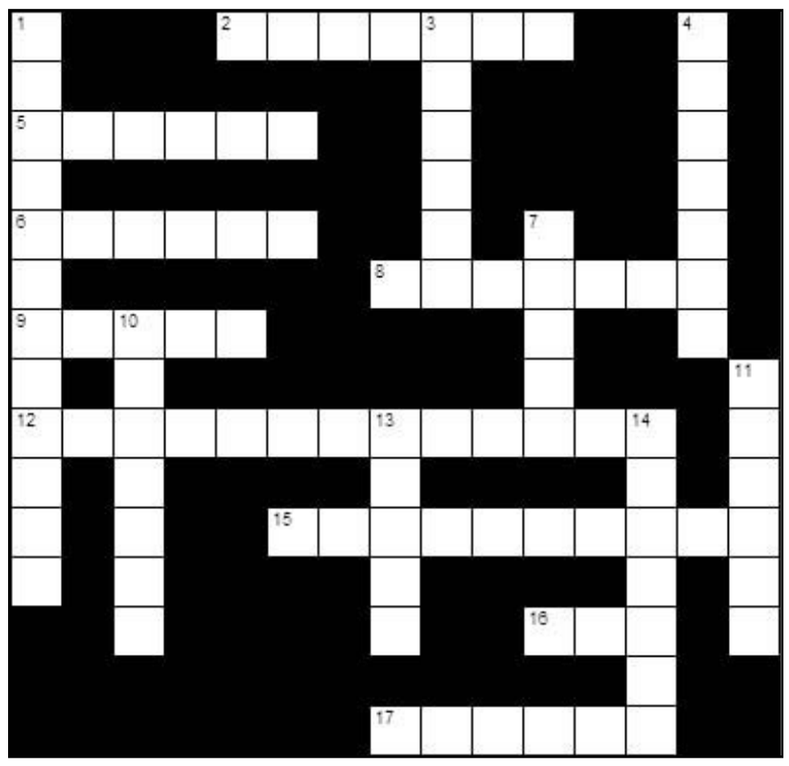
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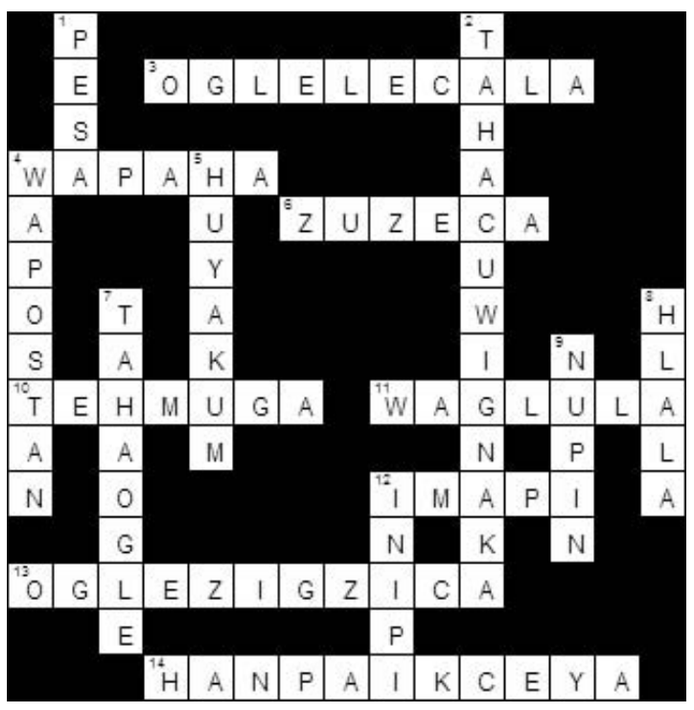
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Diabetes Prevention classroom education efforts make a difference

BY NATASHA D. BORDEAUX
RST Diabetes Prevention Public Relations Specialist

ROSEBUD - Do you know how much exercise your child should get each day? Or what an appropriate serving size of spaghetti is?

Well even if you don't, there is a good chance that your child knows, thanks to the RST Diabetes Prevention classroom education efforts.

RST DPP fitness assistants and nurse educator Buffy Grimshaw spent the entire month of November as well as a few days in December and January to spread the message that "Nobody has to develop type 2 diabetes!"

They focused on teaching kids how to adjust their eating habits toward healthier foods and snacks, appropriate portion sizes and emphasized the need for 60 minutes of heart-raising exercise every day.

"I've heard really good comments at different schools. One mother said her daughter really absorbed the material we taught, she said, 'Now we can only eat wheat bread at our house,'" said Grimshaw.

Grimshaw also said one classroom in St. Francis Indian School, Jackie Johnson's 4-A, did very well on an impromptu quiz a couple months after their Diabetes Prevention education presentations.

"They knew how much exercise they needed to get and that they should drink more water and less pop. They even remembered most of their serving sizes," Grimshaw said. In fact, that same classroom has scheduled the RST DPP to lead regular physical activities with its students in an effort to achieve the full 60 minutes per day of exercise.

"Since we have done our education I've heard a lot of positive comments from parents," Grimshaw said.

RST DPP Director Connie Brushbreaker said the education was designed to put the power of good health into the youth's own hands.

"Knowing what to eat, how to eat and how to balance that with exercise is important to becoming a healthy adult. With support and guidance from parents or guardians, every single one of those youth could grow up without ever having to suffer the effects of diabetes," Brushbreaker said.

The RST Diabetes Prevention education team visited all classrooms in the following schools: St. Francis kindergarten through 12th grade; White River kindergarten through 12th grade, Todd County High School; Todd County Middle School; South Elementary; North Elementary; Rosebud Elementary; Lakeview Elementary, Okreek Elementary; Klein Elementary; Spring Creek Elementary; He Dog Elementary; White Eagle Christian Academy; and Littleburg Elementary.

Education presentations and regular physical activities can be scheduled upon special request to RST Diabetes Prevention Fitness Specialist Marc Marshall, or Nurse Educator Buffy Grimshaw at 747-4600.

Wagner ER survives another deadline

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) - An Indian Health Service emergency room in Wagner will remain open, at least through the end of September, Sen. Tim Johnson D-S.D., said Tuesday.

The center was to eliminate its overnight and Sunday hours and switch to an urgent care clinic at the end of January. Yankton Sioux tribal members worried that decision would put patients at risk, and officials at nearby Wagner Community Memorial Hospital were concerned it could inundate their emergency room.

Johnson, Sen. John Thune, R-S.D., and Rep Stephanie Herseth, D-S.D., have asked IHS to maintain the Wagner center's current hours until a new study is conducted.

``This announcement is great news for the Yankton Sioux Tribe, as well as a huge benefit to the community at large,'' Johnson said in a news release.

The emergency room survived two previous deadlines in the past four months _ one on Oct. 1, the beginning of the fiscal year, and another at the end of the calendar year. Both times, IHS extended the 24-hour service.

Thune applauded the IHS decision to keep the Wagner Service Unit open but said it's only a temporary solution.

``The WSU emergency room is a vital facility for the families of the Yankton Sioux Tribe, and I will continue to work to see that the current hours are sustained on a permanent basis,'' Thune said in a release.

Herseth said, ``This decision is a testament to the resilience of the Yankton Sioux Tribe and underlines the importance of this facility to the community it serves.''

She said she plans to introduce a resolution in the House that urges the IHS to maintain the 24-hour service.

Doctors, officials worry about impact of childhood obesity

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - Pediatricians in Indiana are treating a growing number of overweight children for medical conditions typically associated with what their grandparents face - clogged arteries, high blood pressure, diabetes and severe joint pain.

They warn that unless the nation's epidemic of childhood obesity is curtailed, the government and employers will end up footing the enormous medical bills for obesity-related illnesses.

Experts say that many factors are to blame for childhood obesity: overeating, lack of exercise, the wide availability of fattening foods, an increase in TV watching and video game use, along with a general lack of attention to the problem.

Some doctors even report adults in their 20s having heart attacks.

Although many overweight kids will not see the most dire consequences of their condition for two or three decades, experts worry about what will happen before they hit middle age if they don't change their ways.

``Instead of getting diabetes in their 50s, they'll get it in their 20s,'' said Roland Sturm, a senior economist at California's Rand Institute. ``The sooner they are obese and out of shape, the earlier the health problems.''

American drug and alcohol survey to be conducted at Shannon County schools

BATESLAND - On Feb. 15, students from grades 4-8 will be participating in the American Drug and Alcohol Survey in cooperation with the Tri-Ethnic Center of Colorado State University. The funding for the administration of the survey comes from a federal grant awarded to the Tri-Ethnic Center, which allows the survey to be conducted at no cost to the school.

Participation in the ADAS is voluntary. Parents that wish to withdraw their child from participation may do by contacting the principal at each respective school. In addition, a copy of the survey is available at the school for parents who would like to review it. The Shannon County School District believes that the participation in this survey will assist the school district in planning, funding and evaluating drug and alcohol prevention programs.

Contact persons: Mr. J. Wayne Goff, Principla, Batesland School, (605) 288-1948; Mr. Bob Hall, Principal, Rockyford School, (605) 455-2438; Ms. Loretta Giago, Principal, Wolf Creek School, (605)867-5174; Ms. Marlene Stout, Principal, Red Shirt School, (605) 255-4224.

RST walkers hope to lose 4,271 pounds!

12 week Walking Club Challenge helps tribal members reach health goals

ROSEBUD - Challenging themselves to walk their way to better health, walkers with the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Diabetes Prevention Program Walking Club have a long road ahead if they expect to reach their goal of losing a collective 4,271 pounds, but the odds are in their favor.

"I know we have a pretty good chance of getting close," said RST DPP Director Connie Brushbreaker. "If everyone tries their best to walk a minimum of three days a week, we could get off to a very good start."

Brushbreaker emphasized that the RST Diabetes Prevention's 12-week Walking Club is designed as a way to get people together to encourage and support each others healthy habits.

"It is just the beginning for most people. We don't expect people to reach their goal in the 12 weeks we just hope we get them off to a good, positive start."

The Walking Club was officially underway as on January 3.

RST DPP has enrolled a total of 171 participants, 36 teams and 14 individuals.

A new Body Composition machine has made goal setting easy for all Walking Club participants who wish have their body compositions read.

Each walker was "hooked-up" to the machine with small elctrode "stickers" for a few seconds while the machine gauges the body's pulse and other vital readings.

The machine's print-out gave each walker a complete reading on percent body fat, lean body weight, fat body weight, calories they should consume in a day, total body water as well as recommendations for target health goals.

Fitness Assistants also recorded each participants height, weight and calculated their BMI (Body Mass Index). They measured their waist, hips, chest, arm, thigh and calves to compare with the end-measurements after 12 weeks.

171 total
28 individual
+ 6 teams
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The RST Diabetes Prevention Program's

Walking Club Teams

Team	Weight-loss Goal	Members
IHS Staff	93 pounds	3 members
IHS Dental	155 pounds	7 members
IHS Outpatient	159 pounds	7 members
IHS Medical Surgery	119.6 pounds	5 members
Sicangu Walkers		3 members
Tax Collectors	88.3 pounds	3 members
Diabetes Prevention Striders	96.4 pounds	6 members
FACE Program	313.5 pounds	13 members
Chub Club	259.8 pounds	7 members
IHS Chubs Be Gone	193.2 pounds	5 members
IHS Surgery Team	93.5 pounds	3 members
S Z's Team		3 members
White Buffalo Calf WS	149.1 pounds	6 members
Sicangu Native Employment	97.5 pounds	5 members
Spaghetti & Meatballs	70.2 pounds	3 members
Camp Keepers	222.2 pounds	5 members
Road Rage	151 pounds	3 members
Pounds Sweat & Tears	131 pounds	4 members
Rosebud's Biggets Losers	260.6 pounds	5 members
Tiwahe Turtles	77.8 pounds	3 members
Ann Wilson's Team	26.8 pounds	3 members
District Office Walking Bears	250.5 pounds	7 members
Education Department	215.7 pounds	6 members
Bean Counters	207.7 pounds	7 members
10 or Bust	51.1 pounds	3 members
RST Headstart Admin	200 pounds	7 members
Cante Waste Club	55.1 pounds	6 members
Chute 2	39.2 pounds	5 members
IHS Business Office	50.9 pounds	3 members
SWA Occupancy		2 members
Bordeauxs	36.1	2 members
Grimshaws		6 members
Yee Haw		5 members
TCSD Staff	314.6 pounds	13 members
Fab 5	53.8 pounds	5 members
Stathkos	39 pounds	2 members

Shannon County School District 65-1

AMERICAN DRUG & ALCOHOL SURVEY
TO BE CONDUCTED AT SHANNON COUNTY SCHOOLS

On February 15, 2006 students from grades 4-8 will be participating in the American Drug & Alcohol Survey (ADAS) in cooperation with the Tri-Ethnic Center of Colorado State University. The funding for the administration of the survey comes from a federal grant awarded to the Tri-Ethnic Center, which allows the survey to be conducted at no cost to the school.

Participation in the ADAS is voluntary. Parents that wish to withdraw their child from participation may do so by contacting the Principal at each respective school. In addition, a copy of the survey is available at the school for parents who would like to review it. the Shannon County School District believes that the participation in this survey will assist the school district in planning, funding and evaluating drug and alcohol prevention programs.

Contact Persons:

Mr. J. Wayne Goff, Principal, Batesland School, Ph# (605)288-1948
Mr. Bob Hall, Principal, Rockyford School, Ph# (605)455-2438
Ms. Loretta Giago, Principal, Wolf Creek School, Ph# (605)867-5174
Ms. Marlene Stout, Principal, Red Shirt School, Ph# (605)255-4224

OGLALA OYATE WOITANCAN EMPOWERMENT ZONE

Rural Business Opportunity Grant (RBOG) Specialist

Reports To: Executive Director

General Statement of Duties:
The rural business opportunity grant specialist will assist the 9 reservation task forces with sustainable business development plans specific to the strategic plan of the OOWEZ Board of Directors.

Example of Duties:
1. Will be responsible for securing matching funds (federal/non-federal) where applicable and/or equity in proposals needing commercial financing. 2.Will be responsible for completioon and submission of all grant (federal/non-federal) applications for each of the task forces. 3.Will complete all necessary draw downs and reporting requirements for the Rural Business Opportunity Grant. 4. Will assist in the preparatioon of commercial financing packages for district task force business proposals. 5. Will assist in the preparation of commercial financing packages for district task force business proposals. 6. Implement and enforce all policies adopted by the OOWEZ Board of Directors. 7. Other duties as assigned by the OOWEZ Executive Director.

Knowledge, Abilities, Skills and Qualifications
Computer Literate, Supervisory Skills, Culture/Language, Knowledge of business plans/projects

Education and Experience
1. 6 years experience in grant writing and Business Administration 2.B.S. or B.A. preferred.

Send Resume To:
Alicia Zephier or Tally Plume
PO Box 655
Kyle, SD 57752

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P.O. Box 603 - East Hwy. 18 - Pine Ridge, SD 57770
*** Vacancy Announcement ***
ADMISSIONS CLERK - PINE RIDGE, SD
Opening Date: Feb. 6, 2006 8:00 am Closing Date: Feb. 21, 2006 4:30 pm
- Salary Negotiable -

How To Apply:
Submit a completed Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing employment applications to the Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Manager. Attach all pertinent documents,Blood Degree if claiming Indian Preference, Veterans Discharge DD214, High School or GED Diploma, College Transcripts, College Diploma, Reference Letters, Licenses or Certifications and State Driver's License. Resumes mjust have addresses and telephone numbers of past or present employers. All information submitted will be verified.
Will be drug/alcohol tested. Selection for the position will be contingent upon a negative test result. Applicant is subject to Background investigation. Expenses are at the applicants cost. No late or incomplete applications will be accepted.
For position description and additional information please contact the Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Office at 605-867-5161
Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Reserves The Right To Reject All Applications

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing
P.O. Box 603 - East Hwy. 18 - Pine Ridge, SD 57770
*** Vacancy Announcement ***
IN HOUSE ATTORNEY - PINE RIDGE, SD
Opening Date: Jan. 25, 8:00 am Closing Date: Feb. 25, 2006 4:30 pm
- Salary Negotiable -

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MINUTES

(Unapproved)
Shannon County School Board Meeting, January 23, 2006

The Shannon County School Board held the regular monthly meeting on Monday, January 23, 2006 at Batesland, SD. President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:11 p.m.

Members present: Angie Eagle Bull, Todd O'Bryan, Ruth Cummings, Melvin Cummings, Laticia DeCory

Others present: Dr. Margo Heinert, Superintendent; Maurice Twiss, Special Services Coordinator; MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager; Robert Two Crow, Technology Director; Loretta Giago, Wolf Creek Principal Don Wince, Wolf Creek Asst. Principal; Darrell Eagle Bull, Wolf Creek Dean of Students; Bob Hall, Rockyford Principal; Monica Whirlwind Horse, Rockyford Asst. Principal; Wayne Goff, Batesland Principal; Marlene Stout, Red Shirt Principal; Vickie Grant, Assessment Coordinator; Karen Bowen-Raymond, Curriculum Coordinator; Ted Hanson, Special Education Director; Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary; Norma Cummings, Rockyford Teacher, Devona Pourier, Rockyford Cook; Jodi Weisz, Wolf Creek Teacher; Brian Wechsler, Wolf Creek Teacher; Linda Not Help Him, Parent; Dana Christensen, District Technology Coordinator; Fred Mousseaux, OST Utilities

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

6116. Approval of Agenda: Motion by M. Cummings to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

6117. Approval of Minutes: Motion by R. Cummings to approve minutes of the 12/27/05 regular meeting. Motion carried.

6118. Executive Session: Motion by O'Bryan to go into executive session at 5:18 p.m. to discuss personnel and other issues. Motion carried. President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 6:34 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

6119. OST Utilities: Mr. Fred Mousseaux addressed the board on behalf of OST Utilities in regard to WAPA credits. Motion by O'Bryan to designate board members Melvin Cummings and Todd O'Bryan to represent the board, along with Business Manager MaDonna Peterson and Maurice Twiss to meet with Tribal Utilities Commission and discuss the matter further.

6120. Personnel: Motion by O'Bryan to approve all personnel recommendations, as listed. Motion carried: Resignation: Heather Giago-Mesteth, Wolf Creek School Speech Aide, effective 12/02/05; Charles Pourier, Rockyford School Social Worker/Counselor, effective 12/27/05; Pat Sterkel, Wolf Creek School Special Education Teacher, effective end of contract; William Jumping Eagle Jr., Rockyford School Bus driver, effective 01/09/06

Early Retirement Request: Cindy Sandoz, Wolf creek Teacher

Red Shirt School Recommendation: Lenore Monnens, Title 1 Aide

Rockyford School Recommendation: Stacy Two Lance, Preschool Aide; Ardis Iron Cloud, Permanent Substitute; Gary High Hawk, Special Education Aide; Toni Hernandez, Preschool One on One Aide; Naomi Last Horse, Preschool One on One Aide; Roger Mills, Custodian

Wolf Creek School Recommendation: Geneva Lone Hill, Birth 0-3 Aide; Susie Star, Title 1 Aide; Frieda Richard, Preschool Special Education Aide/ERF Aide; Colleen Condon, Preschool Special Education Aide/ERF Aide; Kathryn Bauer, Preschool Special Education Aide/ERF Aide; Jolleen Buckman, Speech Aide; Janelle Tobacco, One on One Special Education Aide; Vicki Stouffer, Special Education Aide; Sheryl Shedeed, Special Education Aide;

Bilingual Trainees Recommendations: Francis Big Crow, Wolf Creek School; Tracy Fortin, Batesland School; Stephanie Ghost, Rockyford School; Cindy Lakota, Red Shirt School; Valentina Makes Him First, Rockyford School; Ryan Ross, Wolf Creek School; Ginny Segar, Rockyford School; Deborah Shedeed, Rockyford School; Gene Swallow, Red Shirt School;

45 day probationary period completion: Maggie Ross, Red Shirt School, Lakota Studies Instructor/Aide; Robert Fire Thunder, Wolf Creek Bus driver/Home School Coordinator;

6121. High School Tuition Request: Motion by M. Cummings to approve a tuition assignment for one Shannon County High School student to the Gordon-Rushville High School for the remainder of the 2005-2006 school year. Motion carried

6122. Site Based Drug Testing: Motion by DeCory to approve the amendment to the site-based drug testing policy. Motion carried

6123. Financials: Motion by DeCory to approve the financial report, receipts, payroll, disbursements and supplemental budgets, as listed. Motion carried

Shannon County School District 65-1, Revenue Report:

Revenue Sources Taxes: General Fund: $18,709.60, Capital Outlay: $16,754.82, Special Education Fund: $34.63, Pension Fund: $1,444.69; Revenue Source Other: General Fund: $74,406.16, Capital Outlay: $10.64, Food Service: $69.61, T/A Service: $4,457.05; County Sources: County Apportionment: General Fund: $94.56; State Sources: State Aide: General Fund: $331,027.00, Special Education Fund: $106,310.16; Other State Aid: General Fund: $1,038.92; Federal Sources: General Fund: $374,668.98, Special Education Fund: $52,931.99; Total Revenue for Fund: General Fund: $799,945.22, Capital Outlay: $16,765.46, Special Education Fund: $159,276.78, Pension Fund: $1,444.69, Food Service: $69.61, T/A Service: $4,457.05;

Shannon County School District 65-1, Disbursement Report:

Fund Account: General Fund: $153,508.71, Capital Outlay Fund: $232.081.67, Special Education Fund: $23,951.81, Food Service Fund: $40,292.42, T/A Support Services: $1,310.06, T/A Wolf Creek: $0, T/A Batesland: $0, T/A Rockyford: $0, Total of All Funds: $451,144.67

Supplemental Budget, Comprehensive School Grant (Wolfcreek): Revenue: 10-4151-001, Federal thru State: $73,299.00; Expenditures: 10-2212-019-110, Salaries: $5,500.00; 10-2212-019-210, Social Security Medicare: $425.00; 10-2212-019-220: Employee Retirement: $350.00; 10-2212-019-230, Health Insurance: $600.00; 10-2212-019-319: Professional Services: $59,424.00; 10-2212-019-334: Travel: $5000.00; 10-2212-019-419, Supplies: $2,000.00; Total Expenditures: $73,299.00

Description of goods or services: SASD, 10-2321-005-640: $75.00; Wayne Goff, 10-1111-002-334: $800.00; Chrystal Feather Earring, 10-1111-005-334: $289.95, Handi Stop, 10-2521-005-419: $10.65; SPED Parent, 22-1294-005-332: $401.92; Lynn Hernandez, 10-1190-005-419: $100.00; Maurice Twiss. 10-1250-005-334: $274.40; SPED Parent, 22-1294-005-332: $70.40; Dawn :Lonberger, 10-2521-005-334: $82.56; Dana Christensen, 10-2225-005-334: $151.08; SD Retirement, 10-1111-005-230: $277.46; SD Retirement, 10-1111-005-230: $146.38; Total: $2679.90

Shannon County School District 65-1, Posted, Month 01/2006, Check Date: 01/01/2006 to 01/23/2006: A & I Distributors, Supplies, Vendor Total: $379.73; ATT, Long distance, Vendor Total: $754.30; A & B Business Equipment, Inc., Supplies, Vendor Total: $161.20; A-1 Septic, Repairs, Vendor total: $661.00; Abourezk & Zephier, PC, Attorney Fees, Vendor Total: $1198.46; Action Mechanical, Supplies, Vendor Total: $590.69,; Advanced Business & Computing, Services, Vendor Total: $1,105.00; ALSCO, Supplies: $139.12, Supplies: $$378.52, Supplies: $921.07, Supplies: $852.23, Supplies: $36.30, Vendor Total: $2,327.24; Apple Computer, Inc. Computer Repairs, Vendor Total: $248.90; Barnes Distribution Group, Supplies, Vendor Total: $118.97; Bennett County School District, Tuition 1st Sem, FY 06, Vendor Total: $15,000.00; Black Hills Electric, Electricity: $441.74, Repairs: $179.84, Vendor Total: $621.58; Black Hills Special Services, Shannon Tuition, Rm & Brd, Services, Vendor Total: $13,000.00; Blacksmith, Sandra Kay, Supplies, Vendor Total: $70.67; Blu Gas Corp, Repairs, Vendor Total: $180.00; Borders Inc., Supplies, Vendor Total: $39.84; BP, Gasoline: $53.84; CCSSO, Registration: $175.00, Registration: $175.00, Registration: $175.00, Registration: $175.00, Vendor Total: $875.00; Cabin Fever Florals, Supplies: $46.80; Calloway House, Inc., Supplies Vendor Total:: $177.93; Cambium Learning, Supplies:Vendor Total:$227.70; CDW Government, Inc., Computer Supplies, Vendor Total: $500.00; Cellular One, Cell Phones, Vendor Total: $962.62; Chadron Wholesale, Supplies, Vendor Total: $376.17; Christ Supply Co., Inc.: Computer Supplies: $439.08, Computer Supplies: $176.00, Computer Supplies: $112.66, Computer Supplies: $36.21, Supplies: $45.75; Vendor Total: $809.70; Dana Christensen, Travel, Vendor Total: $70.40; C-Innovation, Pine Ridge School, Vendor Total: $6030.00; Classroom Direct Com, Supplies, Vendor Total: $76.48; Cole Pest Control: Pest Control: $110.00, Pest Control: $289.00, Pest Control: $138.00, Pest Control: $163.00; Vendor Total: $700.00; Computer Village, Computer Repairs: $15.00, Computer Repairs: $109.00, Computer Repairs: $39.95, Computer Repairs: $39.95, Computer Repairs: $500.00, Computer Repairs: $725.00, Computer Repairs: $89.95, Vendor Total: $1518.85; Corporate Card, Credit card charges: Vendor Total: $10,623.55; Crescent Electrical Co., Supplies:$331.05, Supplies: $176.91, Vendor Total: $507.96; Culligan Water Conditioning, Shannon Water: $324.55; Melvin Cummings, Mileage, Vendor Total: $23.68; D & R Service, Inc., Repairs, Vendor Total: $601.57; Dakota Schools Research & Dev, T III Services, Vendor Total: $3,000.00; Dakota Supply Group, Supplies, Vendor Total: $140.81; Dakota West Books, Supplies: $1650.00, Supplies: $425.25; Days Inn, Travel, Vendor Total: $3,552.00; Debbies's Cakes & Floral, Supplies: $25.00, Supplies: $104.00, Supplies: $35.00, Vendor Total: $164.00; Delta Education, Supplies: $1,868.72, Supplies: $18.90, Supplies: $821.64, Supplies: $5,596.73, Supplies: $10,199.08, Supplies: $1,141.76, Supplies: $8,631.16, Supplies: $462.40, Supplies: $1.20, Supplies: $37.42, Supplies: $35.31, Supplies: $19.71, Supplies: $315.00, Vendor Total: $29,149.03; Division of Criminal Investigation, fingerprints, Vendor Total: $234.00; Andrea Eagle Bull, Mileage, Vendor Total: $16.44, Darrell Eagle Bull, Travel, Vendor Total: $38.00, Eddie's Truck Sales, Inc., Repairs, Vendor Total: $103.17; ETS Educational Testing, Supplies: $400.00, Supplies: $200.00, Supplies: $200.00, Vendor Total: $800.00; Evergreen Office: Supplies: $601.20, Supplies: $4.95, Supplies: $371.52, Supplies: $11.78, Supplies: $899.99, Supplies: $162.25, Supplies: $17.00, Supplies: $75.00, Supplies: $18.48, Supplies: $11.99, Supplies: $81.48, Supplies: $86.76, Supplies: $4.24, Supplies: $175.92, Vendor Total: $2,521.56; Exhaust Pros of Rapid City, RF-Repairs, Vendor Total: $71.25; Family Thrift Center, Supplies, $4.99, Supplies: $44.95, Vendor Total: $49.94 FedEx, Freight: $14.32, Freight: $14.32, Vendor Total: $28.64; Follett Library Resources, Supplies, Vendor Total: $401.33; Foltz-Hall, Candance, Travel, Vendor Total: $203.55; French Flowers, Supplies: $35.00, Supplies: $35.00, Vendor Total: $70.00; Fribley, Jonathan, Services, Vendor Total: $5143.89; Gibbons, Terri Jo, Supplies, Vendor Total: $23.60; Girl Scouts of Black Hills, Registration, Vendor Total: $30.00; Goff, Wayne, Travel, Vendor Total: $38.00; Golden West Technologies, Inc.: Phone Lease: $462.00, Phone Lease: $462.00, Phone Lease: $462.00, Phone Lease: $462.00, Vendor Total: $1,848.00; Golden West, Phone: $17.13, Phone: $1008.17, Phone: $50.05, Vendor Total: $1,075.34; Gordon Theatre, incentive, Vendor Total: $375.00,; Grainger, Inc., Supplies, Vendor Total: $64.56; Grant, Vickie, Travel, Vendor Total: $510.28, Great Plains Communication, 288-0043: $83.43, 288-1888: $206.66, 288-1906: $79.79, 288-1949: $49.23, Vendor Total: $419.11; Great Western Tire Company, RF Parts, Vendor Total: $839.60; Grimm's Pump Service, Supplies, Vendor Total: $311.85; Grocery Mart, Supplies, Vendor Total: $22.62; Hanson, Ted, Travel, Vendor Total: $38.00; Harcourt Achieve, Curriculum, Vendor Total: $931.95; Hauff Mid-American Sports, Supplies, Vendor Total: $200.45; Havlik, James, Services, Vendor Total: $2,000.00; Heathershaw Designs, RF RS Pow Wow, $1,682.50, RF RS Pow Wow: $1682.50, Vendor Total: $3,365.00; Heier, Jean, Supplies, Vendor Total: $35.10; Hillyard, Supplies: $673.77, Supplies: $1,078.18, Supplies: $656.75, Supplies: $1,365.22, Supplies: $101.00, Vendor Total: $3874.92: Hinn's Gordon Auto Supply, BS-Parts, Vendor Total: $30.00; Holiday Inn Rushmore Travel.Vendor total. $182.62: Homestead Building.Supplies.Vendor total.$180.93: Husker Auto Parts,BS Parts $1,233.32,WC Parts $81.54.Vendor total.$1,314.86; IELE Services Vendor totals. $2,250.00: Ideal Super Market SuppliesVendor Total: $221.11: Iditarod Trail Mail Order Nike MJordan Grant, Vendor Total $945.90: International Laser Group Supplies $771.20,Supplies $880.00,Supplies $169.00,Supplies $978.00,Supplies $1,217.00,Supplies $326.00,Supplies $159.00,Supplies $225.80,Supplies $699.30,Vendor Total: $5,425.30; Janis,Billy J Drug 'Assembly, Vendor Total $500.00; Johnson Machine RF Part Vendor Total: $293.06;Kratovil Electric Repairs $632.57,Repairs $266.31,Repairs $384.75 Vendor Totals $1,283.63; Krotz, Carol Supplies Vendor Totals $33.99; KT Communications Computer repairs $278.00,Computer repairs $454.00 Vendor Totals $732.00; Laboratory Corp of America Drug Testing Vendor Total $99.00; Lacreek Electric Utilities Vendor Total $7,572.21; Lakeshore Learning Materials Supplies Vendor Totals $203.95; Lakota Times Thunderbird Media 12/27/05 Bd Mtg Vendor Total $424.96; LeBeau, Connie Mileage Vendor Total $56.32; Lithia Automotive WC Parts Vendor Total $58.11; Loneman Education Services Registration $259.00, Registration $259.00,Registration $259.00, Registration $259.99 Registration $259.00, Registration $259.00 Vendor Totals $1,554.00; LTD Commodities Supplies Vendor Total $21.07; Luers High School 2nd quarter tuition Vendor Total $893.75:Monte Buick Pontiac RF Parts Vendor Total $174.70; Menards Supplies $231.20 Supplies $117.02,Supplies $308.06,Supplies $654.61 Vendor Totals $1,310.89; Midcontinent Testing WC Water Testing Vendor Total $54.00; Mike's Heating and Air Condition Supplies Vendor Total $1,120.82; Minervas Rapid City Ventures Supplies $1,406.19, Supplies $102.00, Supplies $15.00 Supplies $152.00 Vendor Totals: $1,675.19; Mt. Rushmore Telephone Co 455-2554 Telephone $158.75, 455-4859 $137.17,Vendor Totals $295.92; Muddy Creek Oil & Gas 01/06 Shannon Diesel $Vendor Total $4,663.85; NAFIS 2 Registrations Vendor Total $800.00; NJL Associates Inc. Supplies $1,035.04, Supplies $624.40, Vendor Total $1,659.44; National Geographic for Kids, 01/06 Batesland Subscription, Vendor Total $19.95; National Laboratories Supplies $635.98, Supplies $466.20, Supplies $359.64, Vendor Totals $1,461.82; Newkirks Hardward East, Supplies $30.87; Norms's Carquest Auto Parts WC Parts Vendor Total $519.01; OST Water &Sewer Utilities Vendor Total $100.00; O'Bryan Todd Mileage Vendor Total $16.00; Occupational Health Network 02-06 Shannon Drug Testing Vendor Total: $300.00; Office Max Credit Plan Supplies Vendor Total $249.92; Omni Computer Products Computer Supplies $951.51, Computer Supplies $320.51, Computer Supplies $486.23, Computer Supplies $320.97, Computer Supplies $320.65, Vendor Totals $2,399.87; Pandhandle Sales and Service Supplies $378.50,Supplies $50.25,Supplies $22.50, Supplies$12.50, Vendor Totals: $463.75; Paper Direct Inc Supplies, Vendor Total $44.93; Pearson Education Inc Supplies Vendor Total: $1,577.85; Penworth Company Supplies Vendor Total $136.87; Perfection Learning Corp RF Nike-M Jordan Grant Vendor Total $386.64; Perm-Bound Book Supplies Vendor Total $38.22; Peterson Madonna Travel Vendor Total $381.40; Petty Cash Rockyford School 01/18/06, Reimburse Acct, Vendor Total $182.73; Petty Cash Wolf Creek School, 01/18/06 Reimburse Acct, Vendor Total:$266.71; Reimbursement Acct $234.24, Vendor Total: $500.95; Pine Ridge Village Garbage Utilities Vendor Total $1000.00; Pitney Bowes Postage $438.00, Postage $411.00, Postage $219.00, Vendor Totals:$1,068.00; Pizza Hut of Gordon Field Trip Vendor Total $112.18; Porcupine School, BS A Girls BS A Girls BB $25.00, RF A Girls RF A Girls BB $150.00, WC A Girls BB WC A Girls BB $150.00, Vendor Totals: $325.00; Pourier Rona Mileage Vendor Total $74.88; Quality Inn Rapid City Travel Vendor Totals $9,465.07; Ramkota Pierre Travel Vendor Total $50.00; Ramkota Rapid City Travel Shannon Travel Vendor Totals $25,582.66; Rapid Chevrolet BS Parts $423.28 BS Parts $348.66, Vendor Totals: $771.94; RDJ Specialties Inc., Supplies $366.23, Supplies $457.37, Supplies $179.67, Vendor Totals $1,003.27; Red Cloud Indian School Entry Fee, Vendor Total: $75.00; Red Owl Ann Travel Vendor Total $87.04; Renaissance Learning Inc Supplies $301.28, Supplies $125.07, Vendor Totals: $426.35; Research Press Co Inc, Supplies, Vendor Total $106.81; Rockyford School 06-28, Judy Bowes, $425.00, 06/32 AG Art $539.00, Vendor Total $964.00; Ross Margaret Mileage Vendor Total: $110.40; SD Federal Property Agency, Supplies $270.00, Supplies $225.00, Vendor Total $495.00; SDSTE ,Fees., Vendor Total $50.00; Sams Club, Supplies $212.70, Supplies $38.21, Supplies $60.75, Supplies $206.26, Supplies $2.56, Vendor Totals $520.48; Scholastic Inc., Supplies $377.81, Supplies $755.56, Supplies $545.19, Vendor Totals: $1,678.56; Scholastic Troll Carnival Trump, Supplies $54.60, Supplies $484.50, Supplies $23.12, Vendor Totals $562.23; School Nurse Supply Inc, Supplies, Vendor Total $78.15; School Outfitters.Com, Supplies $182.25,:School Specialty Supplies Vendor Total: $45.97,: Schwabe Books Supplies, Vendor Total $867.27; SDN Communications Phones, Vendor Totals $1,870.22; Sears Commercial One, Supplies, Vendor Total $429.98; Shannon County School District Reimburse-Registration, Vendor Total $17,920.00; Shannon County School Imprest, Reimburse Acct, Vendor Total $2,207.48; Shannon County Lunch Reimburse-Acct $39.00, Reimburse-Acct $2,122.04, Reimburse Acct $1,333.66, Reimburse Acct $1,392.25, Reimburse Acct $901.80, Reimburse Acct $222.09, Reimburse Acct $1,898.73, Vendor Totals $7,909.57; Sides & Milburn, BS Parts, Vendor Total $756.60; Singing Horse Trading Post, Supplies $356.00, Supplies $159.95, Vendor Total $515.95; Sioux Nation Shopping Center, Supplies, Vendor Total $185.38; Smilemakers, Supplies, Vendor Total $51.80; Sterkel Patricia, Supplies, Vendor Total $57.06:; Stern Oil;Co., Propane, Vendor Total: $12,465.00; WC Propane, Vendor Total: $12,465.00; Stout Marlene, Travel, Vendor Total $38.00; TIE ,Fees, Vendor Total $150.00; Tatonka Capital Corporation, Copier Lease, $584.00, Copier Lease $275.20, Vendor Total $859.20; Temperature Technology, VFD Drive, Vendor Total $4,745.00; Thomson West, SD Law Books, Vendor Total $182.00; Town of Batesland, 01/06 Shannon Utiliities, Vendor Total $500.00; True Value, Supplies,Vendor Total $230.13; Turn Around Publishing, Services, Vendor Total $200.00; Twiss Maurice, Impact Aid, Vendor Total $302.80; Unemployment Insurance Division, Unemployment Tax, Vendor Total $9.43; Wakpamni Bed and Breakfast, Travel, Vendor Total: $374.40; Walker, Linda L, Services, Vendor Total $4,556.98; Walmart, Community Supplies, Vendor Total $942,27; West River International, WC Repairs, $4,145.53, BS Parts $35.85, Vendor Total $4,181.38; Westco, Propane Gasoline, $14,370.49; Western Communications, Vehicle Radio, $532.04, Bus Radio $532.50, Vendor Total $1,064.54; Western Dakota Technical Institute, Bus Driver Training, Vendor Total $690.00; Whirlwind Horse, Monica, Travel, Vendor Total: $38.00;:Wince, Don, Travel Vendor Total:$38.00; ZEE Medical Service Inc, Supplies, Vendor Total $133.35; Checking Account Capital Outlay Fund, Fund Total $305,724.70; Best Business Products, Copier Lease, $160.60, Copier Lease $506.69, Vendor Total $667.29; CDW Government Inc, Computer Equip $296.00, Computer Equipment $148.00, Computer Equipment $615.00, Vendor Totals $1,059.00; Chris Supply Co, Inc, Computer Equipment, Vendor Total $3,386.90; Corner Construction Company, Redshirt Project, Vendor Total $245,208.10; Fence Connection Inc., Red Shirt Project, Vendor Total $20,899.21; Gateway Companies Inc, Computer Equipment, Vendor Total $570.00; Harcourt Inc, Textbooks, Vendor Total: $178.85; J Schull Construction Services, WC Project, Vendor Total $3,185.58; McGraw Hill Companies, Textbooks, Vendor Total $275.84; NJL Associates, Textbooks $46.12, Textbooks $45.72, Vendor Totals: $91.84; Professional Land Art Associates, Architect $3,780.82, Architect $8,215.43, Vendor Totals $11,996.25; Tatonka Capital Corporation, Copier Lease, Vendor Total $4,166.00; Zanner-Bloser Ed Publishers, Supplies, Vendor Total $118.80; Checking Account 1 Fund 22 Special Education Fund, Fund Total $291,802.66; Bennett County Hospital, PT Services, Vendor Total $805.00; Black Hills Special Services, Tuition-RM and RD Services, Vendor Total $3,169.66; Children's Care Hospital and School, OT Services, Vendor Total: $5,714.50; Children's Home Society, Tuition, Vendor Total $425.40; Corporate Card Credit Card Chgs, Vendor Total $126.92; Crisis Prevention Institute, Prof Services, Vendor Total $19, 761.51; Different Roads Inc, Supplies, Vendor Total $62.95; Petty Cash Wolf Creek, Reimburse Acct, Vendor Total $32.20; Mileage, Vendor Total $401.92; Shannon County School District Reimburse Acct, Vendor Total $472.32; Super Duper Inc, Supplies, Vendor Total $136.81; University of Nebraska Medical Center, Services $936.44, Services $6,275.37, Vendor Total $7,211.81; Checking Account, 1 Fund 51 Food Service Fund, Fund Total $38,321.00; Bernard Food Industries, Food Service, Vendor Total $1,943.88; Child & Adult Nutrition, DOE Food Service, Vendor Total $1,024.21; Family Thrift Center, Supplies, Vendor Total $6.38; Food Services of America, Food Service, $1,276.15, Food Service $1,082.39, Food Service $1,690.66, Food Service $249.88, Vendor Total $4,299.08; Harkers Food Service, $40.40 Food Service $284.48, Food Service $162.44, Food Service $1,126.90, Vendor Total $1,614.22; HRS Food Service, Food Service $484.70, Food Service $538.75, Vendor Total $1,023.45; Ideal Super Market, Supplies, Vendor Total $8.94; Kemps Gillette Dairy, Food Service $219.58, Food Service $354.82, Food Service $458.26, Vendor Total $1,032,66; Reinhardt International Foods, Food Service $1,240.09, Food Service $164.60, Food Service $3,958.27, Food Service $3,892.88, Vendor Total $9,255.84; Reitz, Carol, Travel, Vendor Total $35.00; Checking Account, 1 Fund 73 Federal Programs, Special Serv, Fund Total $20,243.66; Ideal Supermarket Supplies, Vendor Totals $2,229.15; Checking Account 1 Fund 76 BS Trust/Agency, Fund Total $2,229.15; Gordon Theatre, Incentive, Vendor Total $166.00; Pizza Hut of Gordon, Incentive, Vendor Total $469.44; Sams Club, Supplies, Vendor Total $278.67; Check Dates 01/01/06 to 01/23/06, Fund Total $914.11, Checking Account Total=$659,235.28.

Supplemental Budget: Title VI Rural and Low Income, Revenue, Federal thru State: $25,785.00; Professional Services: $5,000.00; Supplies: $20,785.00; Comprehensive School Grant (Wolfcreek): Revenue: Federal thru State: $73,299.00; Expenditures: Salaries: $5,500.00; Social Security Medicare: $425.00; Employee retirement: $350.00; Health Insurance: $600.00; Professional Services: $59,424.00; Travel: $2,000.00; Supplies: $2,000.00; Total Expenditures:= $73,299.00

6124. South Dakota Legislative Delegate: Motion by O'Bryan to designate Melvin Cummings as legislateive delegate for the school board. Motion carried.

6125. School Improvement Plan Evaluations: Motion by DeCory to approve the School Improvement Plan Evaluations. Motion carried.

6126. Interest-Based Bargaining Workshop: An overview of Interest-Based Bargaining will be presented at Rockyford School on Feb. 6, 2006 for staff interested in attending. Two board members will be designated to represent the board at the IBB meeting in Rapid City on Feb. 7th & 8th. Motion by O'Bryan to table this issue until the Jan 30th special meeting. Motion carried.

6127. Pre-School Handbook: Motion by DeCory to approve the Pre-School Handbook, as presented. Motion carried.

6128. Principals' Reports: Motion by O'Bryan to request building principals to give verbal school reports to the board at each board meeting, beginning with the February 27, 2006 meeting. Motion carried.

6229. Truancy Policy: The district Truancey Policy was presented for the second reading.

6130. February School Board Meeting: The February board meeting will be held at Batesland on Monday, February 27, 2006, beginning at 5:00 p.m..

6132. Dakota STEP: Vickie Grant, Assessment Coordinator, presented the board with Dakota STEP information, using a growth model format. 6133. Payroll: Payroll procedure was discussed by the board and business manager.

6134. Rockyford Pow-Wow: Discussion was held in regard to the upcoming Rockyford School Pow-wow and the location.

6135. Adjournment: Motion by DeCorey to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Happy Ads are Free Free Free

Classified

Happy ADS

Happy Valentine's Day!
Tomy lil sweetheart's
(Takoja's)
Minez Apple, Martin
Wm. Apple III, Wanblee
Kastle Apple, Fairbanks, Alaska
With all our love,
Grandma Ann Blue Bird
Unci Mildred Broken Rope

Happy Valentine's Day



to Neil Lebeau,
Coming from your fans,
Jamie Thompson,Flaca, J-lo,
Cuba & Smurf
Thank you, Larry

Happy Belated Birthday
to
Uncle Craig Kills In Water
from Tajan & Grasshopper

HAPPY NEW YEAR
to my daughter Tisha Coleman
"Ampo Wakan Win"
Holy Dawn Woman
Welove you and miss you
and the grandchildren, and
son-li-law

Happy 9th Birthday!!!
Feb. 6 to
JOHN LUKE LITTLE BEAR
Wounded Knee
God Bless you on this day
and many more to come
Enjoy your goodies & Toys
Love ya,
Howard & Ann Blue Bird

Happy 21st Birthday
02/04/06
Here's wishing you
many more to come
You have come a long way,
so hang in there &
keep playing basketball.
Hope you enjoy your day,
Have fun at the casino
Love, Mom, Donnie
& the rest of the crew

I want to wish my daughter's,
D.D., Adrienne, Mitzi & Alice
a very happy
Valentine's Day
Love you bunches,
my babies
Love, Mom

Happy Valentines Day
My Mom:
Marian One Star-Sorace
From: Your little Firefighter
Beaux

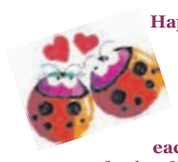
Happy B-Day to Annie
Means. Hope you had a
Good one. Fr: Gwen and
Galen



HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY
TO GRANDMA JEANEANE
FROM TAJAN
AND LADAIEN

Happy Belated Birthday
to Auntie Nanette Kills In Water
from
Baby Cage and
Baby Mac

Happy Belated Birthday
to LaDanien Kills In Water
from
Mom, Dad & Brother



Happy Valentine's Day
To All Our
23
grandchildren
We love
each of you,
and miss those of you
that live away from our home
and those of you
who are glued to us
and
hard to get rid of -
we love you anyway.
Someday, you'll stay at your
home a whole weekend
But our home will be empty
without you there

Happy Belated Birthday
to Kayla Wilcos
from the crew in Kyle

I would like to wish my mom,
Alice Young,
A Happy Valentine's Day
& let her know that
I love her very much
Your daughter,
Jonnie Lynn

HAPPY 26TH BIRTHDAY
TO MY BABY GIRL D.D. FLY
I HOPE YOU HAVE
A VERY SPECIAL DAY
LOVE AND KISSES
FOREVER
LOVE, MOM

Happy Birthday
to Coral Wilcox on
02/22/06
From the
Wilcox Family

Happy Valentines Day
to AR
With love,
ABB

Happy Valentine's Day to
Sage Fast Dog.
Hope you have a great day,
and remember that Me and the
Kids appreciate everything you
do for us. XoXOXO~
Lesa B.

Happy Birthday to our
sweet little girl Kyra
Bree on Feb. 10 Happy
1st Birthday baby!!
Love, Mom-n-dad

Happy 1st Birthday!!
To: Kyra Bree Standing
Soldier. Best of wishes
to our baby girl!!
Love, Mom-n-dad



HAPPY
VALENTINE'S DAY
ARCHIE AND
BEAUX
YOU TWO ARE
SUCH
SWEETHEARTS
AMANDA



To My
New Wife...
I want to tell you
I love you
and ask you
To Be My
Valentine
Manuel

Happy New Year!
To our children:
Tisha Vega, So.Sioux City, Neb
Tricia Coleman, Rushville,Neb.
Wilson Coleman, Jr., Gering, Neb.
Tracy Thunder Hawk , Porcupine, S.D.
Jesse Coleman, Worthington, Mn.
Chris Coleman, Worthington, Mn.
Maurice Coleman, Porcupine, S.D.
Cory Coleman, Porcupine, S.D.
Dottie Whitt, Martin, S.D.
Cliff Coleman, Porcupine, S.D.
Eric Nelson, Alberquerque, N.M.
from Mom & Dad

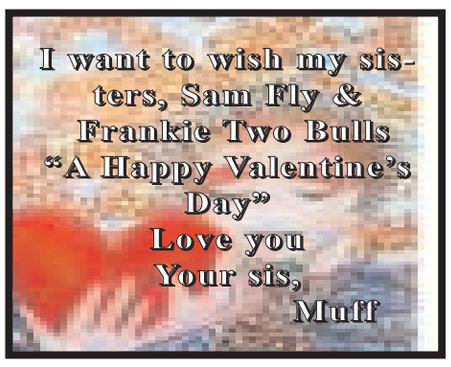
Roses are Red
Violets are Blue
We love you!
Vanessa, Jeremy, Jen, and
Lon ...
You have made our lives so
perfect in every way
Happy Valentine's Day
From mom and dad
Amanda and Leon



HAPPY
VALENTINE'S
DAY
TO OUR
SWEETHEARTS
BRITTANY
ROSE,
WAKINYAN, LIL
JASON,
KAY, KEVIN
AND JADEN.
YOU MAKE OUR
VALENTINE'S DAY
SO VERY SWEET!!
WE LOVE YOU SO VERY MUCH,
GRANDMA AMANDA AND KAKA LEON

To: Harlan P. Standing Soldier
Happy Belated Birthday!!
Hoping you the best on your B-day
1-23
Hope you had the Best, Love you lil
Bro.
Vern-N-Joe

Happy Valentines to
My husband,
"Butch" Wilson Coleman, Sr.
for the forgiveness, and kind
and gentle person you are
Your wife, Ella



Happy Birthday to my favorite
sister on 2-3-06 Cissy B.L.
I hope you enjoy your special day,
Rememer I'll be there for you
always. Love,
Gunda Y.E.

Happy Valentine's Day!
JohnnyLain Janis

From:
Auntie Gena, Todd,
& Gladys Little Bull

LEGALS

Attention Artists
Request for Bids for
Oglala Lakota College
Bronze Statues

Oglala Lakota College (OLC) is receiving bids for two Bronze Statues. A single contract will be awarded. To bid please contact Arlene Quist at 605-455-6011 or Marilyn Pourier at 605-455-6045 for the scope of work.

Bids shall be submitted to a sealed envelope addressed to Eileen Janis, Finance Committee Chairman, Oglala Lakota College, PO Box 490, Kyle, SD 57752. Bid envelopes shall be clearly marked on the outside lower left corner Bronze Statue Project. Full responsibility for the delivery of mailed bids prior to the deadline for receiving bids rests with the bidder.

The successful bidder must comply with the Tribe's TERO Ordinance, including any licensing requirements and TERO tax. They must also comply with the Department of Labor's David Bacon Act. Bid price must include all taxes and fees.

No bidder may withdraw a bid until 30 days after the bid opening, without a written request explaining the cause for the withdrawal and without a written consent of the Owner after reviewing the cause.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids or parts thereof, and to waive any irregularities of any bid. The Owner also reserves the right to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder as may be determined by the Owner.

Bids will be accepted until 4 p.m., local time, Friday, February 24, 2006. They will be opened, read aloud, and accepted for consideration at the 3:30 p.m. BOT Fianance Committee meeting on Monday, February 27, 2006 at the Pine Ridge College Center, Pine Ridge, S.D. Indian Preference will be given.

Request for Bids for
Oglala Lakota College
Re-Roofing Project

Oglala Lakota College (OLC) is receiving bids for re-roofing for the Pine Ridge Head Start building located in Pine Ridge Village, Shannon County, South Dakota.

A Single Contract will be awarded. Roof is approximately 16,300 square feet. For a list of the details, please contact Arlene Quist 605-455-6011.

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Request for Bids for
Oglala Lakota College
Re-Roofing Project

Oglala Lakota College (OLC) is receiving bids for re-roofing for the Pass Creek College Center with a metal roof, located in Allen, Bennett County, South Dakota.

A Single Contract will be awarded. Roof is approximately 5,536 square feet. For a list of the scope of work, please contact Arlene Quist 605-455-6011.

Bids shall be submitted to a sealed envelope addressed to Eileen Janis, Finance Committee Chairman, Oglala Lakota College, PO Box 490, Kyle, SD 57752. Bid envelopes shall be clearly marked on the outside lower left corner Pass Creek College Center Re-roofing Project. Full responsibility for the delivery of mailed bids prior to the deadline for receiving bids rests with the bidder.

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Oglala Nation
Tiospaye Resource
And Advocacy Center
Pine Ridge, S.D.

Relative Search
Notice

The Oglala Nation Tiospaye Resource and Advocacy Center (ONTRAC) is placing a "Relative Search Notice" in the Lakota Country Times newspaper concerning the following parent(s) and child(ren):

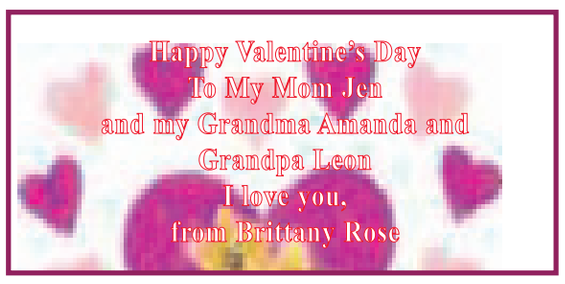
Mother Child - Selena Lame Ronnebaum - DOB 7-19-73 - Last known whereabouts are in Denver, Colorado Grandparents are Salena Lame Ronnebaum: Iona Lame and Theodore Lame.

Father of Child: Unknown - Unknown Whereabouts

Child Initial: M.R. L. - DOB 05-25-05 born in Denver, Colorado.

This Oglala Nation Tiospaye Resource and Advocacy Center "Relative Search Notice" may entail Parent/Child Reunification, Relative/Child Placement, Tribal Member /Child Placement (short-term/long-term), Hearings, Guardianship, Adoption, and Termination of Parental Rights.

Should any individual or agency know of any relatives or know of the whereabouts, address, or telephone number concerning the above named parents of the above initialed child, please contact the Oglala Nation Tiospaye Resource and Advocacy Center at P.O. Box 2080, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, Phone 605-867-5805 and Fax 605-867-1893.



Happy 1st Birthday to Tyin Blair on 02/04
Have fun lil'manon your big day
Love ya, Baby Jess & April C

Happy Birthday to my baby's Moma from your
Daddy Reeks Cruz and the boys
Happy Birthday
Maria Poor Bear Cruz

Happy Birthday Herb Jr.
I Love you
Fallon B.

Happy First Birthday Feb. 8
Caleb "Ty" Two Crow
From:
Kevin and Kathie St. John
Cody St.John and BJ Kills Back
Jeanette, Citrus, and Ceaser FireThunder
Marily, Adam, Jade and Alisha
Grandma Connie Cutschall and Gregg
Stacy, Aundra and Jermaine Two Crow
Donna, DJ, Leon, Tom Carrie and Tex Janis
Judy, Jenney, Jessica, Ashley, and Amber

Happy First Birthday -
February 16th
Kevin and Kathie St. John
From:
Jeanette, Ceaser and Citrus FireThunder
Marilyn, Adam,Jade and Alicia
Gregg and Connie Cutschall
Celeste, Ty, Stacey, Aundrai and Jermaine Two Crow
Donna, DJ, Leon, Adam, Tom, Carrie and Tes Janis
Rita Albertson, Barb Stratton, Debbie Schaller, Amy Buffalo, Deb
Rahder, Tina Smith, Courney Trove and Joe Bybee

To the Jingle Dress Dancing Champion
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QUICK HITS

Military names being sought

PINE RIDGE - The office of the Oglala Sioux Tribal President Cecelia Fire Thunder's office is currently in the process of updating information on the young men and women who is serving here and abroad in all branches of the U.S Military.

If you have a family member who is currently in active duty, we will need their name, rank, branch, parents, district and where they are currently stationed at.

For more information you may contact Cis Big Crow, Vonnie Bush or Harriet Broken Nose in the President's Office at 867-5821 x 227 or 222.

Cheyenne River receives grant to help reduce poverty

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) - Three American Indian tribes received more than $6.4 million from a foundation to help reduce poverty levels and boost reservation economy.

The Northwest Area Foundation, funded by wealth from the Great Northern Railway, announced the three grants to tribes that met three criteria: need, opportunity and potential impact, said Karl Stauber, president and chief executive officer of the foundation.

The Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe was awarded $2.5 million with the potential to receive $7 million during the next decade. The Turtle Mountain Chippewa in North Dakota received $2.9 million with the prospect of an additional $7.1 million in the next 10 years, and the

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Zona and Isaac White Face were married Jan. 4th and recently celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary. Photo by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.

A Valentine's story

White Face's celebrate 62 years

PORCUPINE - Isaac and Zona White Face were young at heart as they appeared at the Mother Butler center on Saturday, Feb. 11, in Rapid City for an honoring which marked their 62nd anniversary.

The honoring was part of a wedding celebration between Lisa Marie Young Bear and William Jumping Eagle Jr., who were married Jan. 27.

The public was invited to a sobriety dance with the Country Charms of Rosebud. The Lakota couple first met at Gordon and Alliance, Neb. and spoke with pride about their secret to longevity in their marriage. Isaac said, "There are no secrets between us." The couple have four children with daughter Charity White Face the only one left. They also have 15 grandchildren and 22 great children.

Isaac is Oglala and Zona is Sicangu and he said, "When we were married, that was when the (good natured) war started between Rosebud and Pine Ridge." Zona is originally from the Norris area and her maiden name is Bear Shield.

Isaac's cousin, Mary White Face, works at Little Wound School and is a part time deejay on KILI radio helped coordinate the event.

Isaac is a World War II veteran and speaks proudly of his service in Ft. Knox, Ky. and the Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland. Isaac and Zona are hard to catch at home, as they *o kan sla omni pi.*

Bush's proposed budget cuts Indian programs

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

WASHINGTON, DC - The long awaited rumors about budget cuts in Indian Country may become reality if President Bush's proposed cuts are passed by Congress. The assumption is that there will be consultations and public hearings before the proposed cuts are voted on in the future. The proposed cuts will have dire consequences for many other grant programs nationwide, as many entities will share in the cost of paying for the war in Iraq.

In the latest news, the president has actually proposed $3.2 billion for the Indian Health Service which represents an increase of $88 million. Senator Tim Johnson labeled the increase as "moderate" and noted that the proposed budget effectively will eliminate the Urban Indian

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Hennies predicts House to kill anti-gaming bill

BY TOM KATUS
Time's Correspondent

RAPID CITY - In the last Legislative Cracker Barrel of the season, Representative Tom Hennies predicted that the South Dakota House of Representatives would kill HB 167 that would require the Governor to set public hearings in areas affected by gambling compacts with tribes.

The bill proposes that the Legislature approve any compact that increases gambling activities by a tribe or changes the location of the gambling activities.

Hennies stated, "The Legislature should not be dealing with treaties and



Rep. Thomas Hennies, R-Pennington County.

compacts. These are the province of the Executive branch. The policy is that the Governor's office is author-

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Casino construction pushes forward as thunder and lightening passes overhead

TERO, construction manager, Shakopee draw downs and final designs of hotel and casino all contribute to the mix

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent





Left: Architectural sketch of the Prairie Wind Casino when finished. The sketch was released last year at the ground breaking ceremony. Right: Today the casino building shell is up on the left (white building) and motel structure is taking shpe on the right side. Photo by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.

PINE RIDGE - "Today, workers should be putting up the walls of the conference rooms of the hotel and that should allow them to frame up the second floor of the hotel," said Walt Big Crow, council representative from Wakpamni District, from his hotel room in Sioux Falls in the middle of a two day meeting with Peska Construction, "the first floor of the hotel is about done and the steel frame is up for the casino and the back side of the house to be used for the administration and general manager has the concrete poured and is ready for framing, things are moving ahead."

Big Crow admitted they were behind and even with the mild weather, they haven't been able to make up for lost time. The $20 million project, funded with a loan from the Shakopee Mdewankanton Dakota Community, has worked through a number of problems, disagreements and trouble areas.

"Until we have a permanent project manager in place both Walt and Paul Little, council representative from Oglala/Whiteclay, will continue to monitor the large construction project for the economic and business development committee and the tribal council," said Lyle Jack, committee chair and council representative from Pine ridge Village, "Lenart Brown Eyes and the committee have agreed on his contract as a temporary project manager and we are waiting for executive board approval and the bid for a permanent project manager should be out this week."

Everyone, the tribe, Shakopee and community members agree that there is a need to monitor the construction of the huge project. Originally, Tim Bowman was hired to be the construc-

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Cuts: budget

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Health program which represents a cut of $33 million. Bush said essentially that urban Indians could see assistance elsewhere.

The proposed cuts in the Bureau of Indian Affairs funding total $65 million with total funding requested by Bush at $2.3 billion. Construction projects under Indian education were cut $117 million from the current $307 million. The president made a commitment in 2002 to spend a billion to repair and replace such schools and the OMB report says that target has been met.

According to Sen. Johnson of the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee other cuts in Indian education and housing are being targeted.

The White House Office of Management and Budget announced a total of 147 programs targeted for cuts.

The BIA's Johnson O'Malley program is slated for a cut of $16 million. JOM funds allow public schools to provide tutoring and counseling to Indian children. OMB says that close to 500,000 Indian children attend public school, while some 40,000 attend BIA schools.

The proposed budget also looks to make cuts in the Department of Housing and Development's Community Development Block Grant program of $738 million. The program provides assistance to tribes and states and other local governments.

There are many other programs which impact Native people and it appears that most of the departments at the federal government level are not immune the proposed cuts. Programs such as Even Start, the GEARUP program, Safe and Drug Free Schools, and the Javis Gifted and Talented education will all suffer cuts. In the Environmental Protection Agency a grant to Alaskan Native villages will be cut $19 million. The Upward Bound program is targeted to be cut $311 million. Even Homeland Security and the Postal Service will take their share of reductions.

The Agriculture department will suffer a proposed cut of $511 million, as well as the Corporation of Public Broadcasting and the National Archives. The Commodity Supplemental Food program will be cut $107 million. It is a program that funds food packages to women, infant, children and the elderly in 32 states and several Indian tribes.

Locally, on the Rosebud Sioux reservation Head Start officials from Washington, DC are working to train the RST tribal council to fulfill its legal obligation of overseeing the fiscal and administrative functioning of Head Start. President Bush is apparently looking at a one percent reduction in Head Start funding and will use evaluative reports to make a decision about the cutbacks.

Also, there is good news for the Sioux Indian Museum of Rapid City and the Plains Indian Museum of Browning, MT. The federal government increased funds for the Indian Arts and Crafts Board which provides oversight for both museums. The increase from $1.14 million in 2006 to $1.16 million in fiscal year 2007 will mean that the prized collections of beadwork, shields, and other artifacts will be available for public viewing. The Sioux Indian Museum is located in the Journey Museum and saw more than 30,000 visitors last year.

Construction of casino contiues

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tion manager representing the Oglala Sioux Tribe. The council ended up rejecting the Bowman contract and selected Rick Shangreaux, the casino director of facilities to the job on a temporary basis. The question of insurance or bonding was not solved and the council took up the issue again and voted to hire Jess Claussen as the temporary construction manager voting Claussen in over both Brown Eyes and Joe Locust. After a discussion over the terms of a contract, mileage and bonding, the council voted 6-5 to hire Brown Eyes.

A delegation of tribal representatives traveled to Shakopee late last week to get an update on the loan package, to get additional information on Shakopee's expectations, to understand any potential problem areas before they arise and to continue to develop the network between the Oglala Sioux Tribe and the SMDC. The delegation included: Juanita Scherich, council representative from Medicine Root and chair of the finance committee, Kathy Janis, council representative from Wounded Knee District and chair of the health and human services committee, Philip Good Crow, council rep from Porcupine, Valerie Janis, council rep from Oglala, Garfield Steele, council rep from Wounded knee District, Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge Village and chair of the education committee and Cora Whiting representing OST president, Cecelia Fire Thunder.

"Paul and I are meeting with Peska to go over the design of the casino floor and the design of the hotel rooms," said Big Crow, "I am determined that when someone drives up to our new casino they will know that it is a tribal casino, that it has an Indian flair - it really is in the details and that is what Paul and I have been working on; when a hotel guest opens his room and turns on a light, the lampshade will have a Lakota or native theme, it is in the details."

Although 95 percent of the workers are tribal members or native, there is still concern that when more framers or electricians or plumbers are needed, Tribal Employment Rights Office says they will find them but at some point to try and stay close to schedule, Big Crow wants to tell Peska to bring more of their regular crew to the site when they are in a bind.

"We had a sense that finding enough available native tradesmen might be an issue," added Big Crow, "and that is why we suggested a training program to parallel the construction and offer an opportunity to our tribal members to be trained and certified as they worked on the casino construction but the council voted not to go down that road."

There has been a good deal of discussion about potential change order that will up the cost of the project beyond the amount of money in the Shakopee loan package and potentially derail the overall project.

"Being a design build, we included a five percent set aside from the total package to cover any problem areas or changes that came up," said Big Crow, "we put $1 million aside for this area and we probably have about $90,000.00 in changes up to this point."

Another $1.5 million has been put aside for the purchase of 250 new machines for the opening of the completed casino.

"We are expecting to be able to install 250 new machines into the new casino based on the successful negotiations between the state and the Oglala Sioux Tribe," said Big Crow, "we have a team that has been working with the other South Dakota tribes on negotiating a new compact that includes additional machines, longer compacts and multiple sites."

When completed, the new Prairie Wind Casino will feature 40,000 square feet of floor, a hotel and restaurant complex with 73 rooms, conference facilities and a pool and fitness center and the old casino will be renovated into an entertainment center. The completed project will allow the casino to hire an additional 100-125 new employees.

"We may not hit our planned completion date of the first week of August in 2006," concluded Big Crow, "and may not open until Labor Day or the middle of September but we are working very hard to make sure that the project stays on budget and we are firmly committed to making that happen."

Hennies: anti gaming bill

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ized to make these compacts, and that's how it ought to stay."

Senator Bill Napoli (Rep-Rapid City) challenged Hennies' views. He stated, "The Legislative involvement could actually help the tribes. In the past, we have had anti-Indian governors. Who's to say we won't have one again in the future? Thus, lawmakers might actually help the tribes in negotiations if the state has an anti-Indian governor. This is a very positive piece of legislation," Napoli maintained.

Hennies retorted, "This same issue was pushed by the Senate last year, and we killed it in the House. I anticipate we will kill it in the House again this year."

Exceptions for rape and incest

Hennies, an independent mainstream Republican, has challenged his party on their abortion bill. He said, "The legislators made a mistake when they rejected attempts to amend HB 1215 so that prohibitions against abortions would not apply to victims of rape and incest." Hennies stated, "I am opposed to abortion as a means of birth control. I am opposed to partial-birth abortion. However, I don't think the Legislature should tell a 12-year-old victim of rape and incest what she and her family can do. Who are we to say you have to carry that child to birth?" Hennies remarked, "This needs to be left to the child, her family and their doctor."

Universities' right to free Speech

Right wing leaders in the Republican Party have pushed HB 1222, which would require the state's universities to follow a set of guidelines to assure "intellectual diversity on the campuses." The legislation proposes to "prohibit political bias in student-funded organizations, protect individuals against political viewpoint discrimination and encourage a balanced variety of campus-wide panels and speakers." There have been no complaints received from anyone about any inappropriate discussions at South Dakota's universities. "You guys are trying to fix a problem that doesn't even exist. Furthermore, it is likely to be unenforceable. Will universities have to make sure they have equal balance of Democrats and Republicans? Will they have to have equal balance of Indian and non-Indian speakers? I agree with Senator Napoli, this truly is a dumb bill," concluded Hennies.

Hennies retirement and candidacy for Rapid City Council

As the Cracker Barrel session started, Hennies announced that he would not be running for legislative office in 2006. He has served for eight years in the House and is term-limited, and he will not run against incumbent Stan Adelstein (Rep-Rapid City). He announced, "I'll be a candidate for the Rapid City Common Council in Ward 2."

Hennies also serves as a member of the Rapid City Planning Commission. He was one of a minority opposing the Wal-Mart 200,000 square-foot Super Center development on the cliff overlooking Reptile Gardens at the entrance to Highway 16, Mt. Rushmore Road.

CRST receives $1 million poverty grant

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Lummi Nation in western Washington received an initial grant of $1 million with the potential to receive as much as $5 million more.

The foundation was established in 1934 by heirs of the founder of the Great Northern Railway, James J. Hill. Its philanthropy is focused on eight states that were served by the railway: Minnesota, South Dakota, North Dakota, Iowa, Montana, Washington, Idaho and Oregon.

Its goal is to help reduce poverty in communities by developing the work force and promoting income-generating opportunities, foundation officials say.

The Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe wants to create internships to foster youth leadership and encourage individual savings, tribal members said.

The tribes have been in partnership with the foundation for the past three years.

``Everything begins right at home,'' said Harold Frazier, chairman of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe. ``The plan we submitted is built that way, where we start from the roots up.''

The proposals of the three tribes emerged from the 76 tribes within the eight-state region, Stauber said.

Johnson Seeks Summer and Fall Intern Applicants

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Senator Tim Johnson (D-SD) is now accepting applications for summer and fall internship positions in his Washington, DC, Sioux Falls, Rapid City, and Aberdeen offices.

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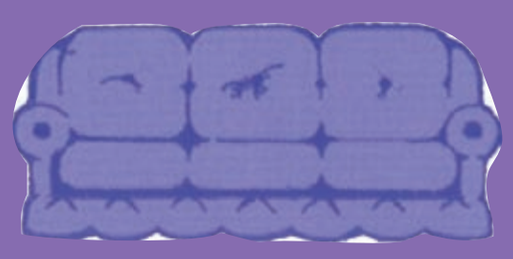
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Back to back bomb threats at Todd County Middle School

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

MISSION - This past week Todd County Middle School saw two back-to-back evacuations of all students because of bomb threats.

Since last Tuesday, there have been four bomb threats at the middle school. On Tuesday a note was written in one of the bathrooms andstudents were evacuated from the building.

All students and staff boarded buses and waited until the all clear signal was given. On Wednesday another threat was written in a bathroom and students the followed the same procedure. No students remained in the building, nor was the threat ignored, according to TCMS principal Peggy Diekhoff.

The bomb threats are being taken seriously and those students who committed the false acts have been dealt with by the School Board following the discipline policy.

Great measures have been taken by the staff at the middle school to closely supervise the bathroom areas. Students and staff alike are upset over the false threatsbecause they disrupt learning across the school. The Todd County School Board is also upset at the threats.

Rosebud Law Enforcement Services, Chief Charles Red Crow was questioned about the recent rash of bomb threats and the procedure of the emergency response.

He said, "Anytime someone at TCMS or anywhere else finds something in writing, they note the time and date and contact us. Our patrol officers respond as well our criminal investigators.

The emergency medical services respond as well as the Mission Volunteer Fire Department. Yesterday's threat came in over a cell phone. So far, there have been two notes and two called in by cell phone."

Diekhoff said, "It is unfortunate that issues like the bomb threat have to cloud the public's view of the TCMS. There are many outstanding students here who come to school everyday and work their hardest to be successful.

The same is true for the staff. We are all trying to work together to eliminate this problem and we appreciate the support and assistance we have from Dr. Bordeaux and the School Board."

Red Crow noted that when someone calls in there exists a record of the call with Golden West telephone company. He said, "The numbers are there, but the process to access them is difficult. We are working with Pierre. Such threats are a federal offense under the Safe Schools Act and the Patriot Act. They also represent a terrorist threat under the Homeland Security Act."

Students have been evacuated from the middle school on four occasions; twice to the high school last semester and two times to the buses this semester. In addition to the roof incident when the school did not have to evacuate, there have also been two threats during which students were caught in the act. An evacuation did not have to occur because the students stated both were false threats.

Red Crow confirmed the fact that past threats that were found were connected to certain students and the offense was addressed appropriately by the school and law enforcement.

Chief Red Crow noted that there was a public service announcement issued by the police department informing the public of the seriousness of such bomb threats and this will hopefully address future bomb threats.

Wrestlers to regionals in A & B on Saturday

Red Cloud qualifies five for 3B, Bulldawg a question mark in 3A

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Dave "Bulldawg" Michaud, a junior at Pine Ridge, hurt his neck in a wrestling match in December and has wrestled in pain for the entire season compiling a 30-1 record and a number two ranking in the Class A 171 pound division. After sitting out the Dakota conference meet and visiting two doctors, x-rays and a MRI have determined that Michaud is suffering from a bulging disc and a slight crack in a vertebrae.

"He is doing therapy now but the pain is still there," said Dave Michaud, Bulldawg's father and wrestling coach at Pine Ridge high school, "he is going to try and wrestle through the pain but making weight might be a little more of a challenge since he hasn't been able to work out very hard over the last two weeks."

Michaud wrestled at 160 last year as a sophomore and lost in the championship match at the state tournament. After a successful football season, the Pine Ridge junior was looking to an even better year of wrestling.

In addition to Michaud at 171 set to compete in the Region 3A tourney on Saturday in Hot Springs, Pine Ridge has James Pine, a seventh grader, at 103 (14-17), Bruce Jacobs, an eighth grader at 112 (25-16),. Kelley Pulliam, a senior at 135 (25-9), Phil Davis, a senior at 189 (16-12) and Charles Janis, a senior at heavyweight, 275 (19-14).

The top four in each weight class qualify for the State A scheduled for February 24 and 25 in Watertown. Teams participating in Region 3A include: Todd County, Cheyenne Eagle Butte-Faith, Mitchell, Hot Springs, Pierre, Huron, Little Wound, Winner and Pine Ridge.

Red Cloud qualified five wrestlers for the Region 4B tourney at Stanley County high school in Ft. Pierre on Saturday. Tanner O'Daniel took third in 103, Zack Janis was fourth at 135, Catlin Clifford was fourth at 140, Darrin Merrival took third at 189 and Andrew Twiss took fourth at 215. The top four wrestlers in each division at the Region 3B tourney will qualify for the State B tourney in Aberdeen at the Barnet Center on Feb, 24 and 25.

Todd County's Albert Her Many Horses, a junior is currently ranked ninth in the state in Class A at 125 pounds.



J.J. Arcoren, the lightening quick point guard for St. Francis gets around Winner's Chas Demers and heads down the baseline. Photo courtesy of Randy Bachelor/White River.

Big Crow helps Williston State to second straight 20 win season

WILLISTON, ND - With a 75-28 win over United Tribes on Saturday, the Lady Tetons notched their twentieth win for the second straight year as Pine Ridge's Laura Big Crow hit for 10 points and a game high nine rebounds.

Opening with a 14-0 run and holding a 38-6 halftime lead, Williston had a chance to play everyone on the bench as Red Cloud's Tate Locust hit for a season high ten points.

With just four games left on their schedule, the Lady Tetons, now 20-5 travel to Miles Community College on Wednesday and to Lake Region on Sunday before closing out the season with home games against Dawson Community College and Bismarck State.

On February 8, Big Crow led the Lady Tetons to a 70-61 win over Minot State University-Bottineau with 27 points and 13 rebounds going nine for nine from the free throw line. It was their fourth win in a row.

Williston had opened February with a 69-47 drubbing of North Dakota State College of Science. Big Crow helped with 16 points and seven rebounds. It was about the same story as Williston State knocked off Dawson Community College at the end of January with Big Crow hitting seven for eight from the field and eight for eight from the line for 22 points to go with five rebounds.

Cheyenne Eagle Butte snares two big wins

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent

EAGLE BUTTE - After breaking into the top ten polls, Todd County was heading in the right direction until they ran into a hot Cheyenne Eagle Butte team Friday night. Sunni Busch and Kali Jenkins kept the Lady Falcons close during the first half but Brittany Azure's 23 points led the Lady Braves charge in the second half for a CEB 77-54 win. Jessica Keckler helped with 12 points, Scottie Landreaux added 11 and Jordyn Brown hit three threes and had ten points.

Busch finished with 18 and Jenkins had 17 points and ten rebounds

Pine Ridge was in town on Saturday and the Lady Braves continued with the hot hand as they knocked off the Lady Thorpes 59-48.

CEB opened the first quarter with a 13-9 lead and added to it each quarter as Brown hit two more threes and finished with 16 points, Azure added 13 and Abby LaPlante hit for 11 points and seven rebounds while Keckler finished with nine points and 11 boards.

Pine Ridge suffered their fourth straight loss going back to the DOC championship game. Freshman Lacey Weston scored a game high 20 points for Pine Ridge and pulled down 13 rebounds, Christian Janis hit for 11 and Keisha Brewer added nine boards.

Area girl's basketball scores

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Campbell City 52-45 Tiospaye Topa
Dupree 64-29 Takini
Bennett County 85-53 Kadoka
Tiospaye Topa 45-44 CEB JV
Waubay 50-27 Tiospa Zina
McLaughlin 53-44 Timber Lake
Lower Brule 62-25 Wakpala

Red Cloud continues to roll while Pine Ridge adds two road wins

St. Francis ties down home court in District 14A

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Red Cloud went rounds with Chadron on Tuesday on their home floor, Chadron led it after one, Red Cloud came back and had a three point 39-36 lead at the half but fell back by nine at the end of the third but tied it in regulation and won it 72-71 in overtime.

"We had a couple of opportunities to get the win at the free throw line in the fourth," said Matt Rama, in his third year as Red Cloud coach, "Johnny Crow hit four straight free throws down the stretch and we ended up with a good team win."

The Crusaders hit 12 threes as Crow had four with 27 points, Christian McGhee added three and hit for 15, David Giago had two and chipped in ten points.

On Thursday, Red Cloud cruised by Crazy Horse 86-39 for their 12th win of the season - Cody Lacey hit a career high 23 points, Crow added 15 and McGhee hit for ten.

Crazy Horse was led by Jay Red Elk's 13 points and Tyler Red Elk's 12.

Pine Ridge held on for a two point win over Crow Creek 57-55 Friday night at the Lower Brule Recreation Center. John Provost led the way with 18 points and eight assists, Jeff Big Crow helped with 14 points and seven rebounds and Ryan Pourier had ten.

Crow Creek led after three quarters 41-39 but couldn't hold off the Thorpes. Isaiah Kirkie led the Chieftains with 19 points and 10 rebounds while Thomas Rounse added 11 points.

Back on the road on Saturday, the Thorpes finally broke out against Cheyenne Eagle Butte.

After losing to CEB 37-27 at the LNI and squeaking by the Braves last Friday on their home court in overtime 54-50, Pine Ridge jumped out and rolled over CEB 66-44 on Saturday night.

St. Francis put together a tight 63-62 victory over Winner at home and a 64-55 win over Little Wound on the road to secure a home court for the first round of District 14A on Feb. 28.

Jordan Big Crow hit for 22 points in leading Oelrichs to a 57-49 win over Rapid City Christian; Craig Dreamer added 17 points.



Surrounded by Winner Warriors, Travis Spotted War Bonnett(14), St. Francis junior center, drives down the middle for a basket over Winner's Zeke Parvin as St. Francis gets a 63-62 win over Winner on Tuesday. Photo courtesy of Randy Bachelor.

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Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye - Rescheduled for Friday, March 10th at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee, grand entries 1pm and 6:30pm with supper at 5 p.m.

14th Annual Mid-Winter Pow wow - Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Feb 17, 18th & 19th at the Prairie Knights Casino Pavilion on the Standing Rock Reservation, for info call Tom Red Bird at 701 527-8898.

OPINION PAGE

Our Views

What we have here is a 'Failure to communicate'

Communication between institutions and their constituents or coworkers is highly desirable as it breaks down barriers to misunderstanding.

One man might cleverly call it corruption while another will call it advocating for or advancing a cause. Whatever the catch phrase of the day or 'phrase du jour' as the French might say, in Lakota it might be called *owakahniga* which translates to 'I understand.'

Understanding the issues which confront us personally, our community, or workplace is a responsibility that we all share in.

It points out that every person in Lakota in life is important as they also desire to know what is going on.

When we speak of casino profits or indirect costs, etc. each of us wants to know what that means. The only way that can become a reality is we either keep people informed on a daily basis about the intimate details of our business or what is occurring at the higher levels and its effect on the tribal membership.

If an institution wishes to keep its membership informed then it has to occasionally embark on a media campaign to get the word out and tell all. Sometimes that may mean disclosing the profitablity of some enterprise or simply explaining who works where and what their responsibility is to the public.

Nothing is more important to the listening audience, or our clientele, or our readership then representing to them the ideas, changes and initiatives that we are grappling with as a community.

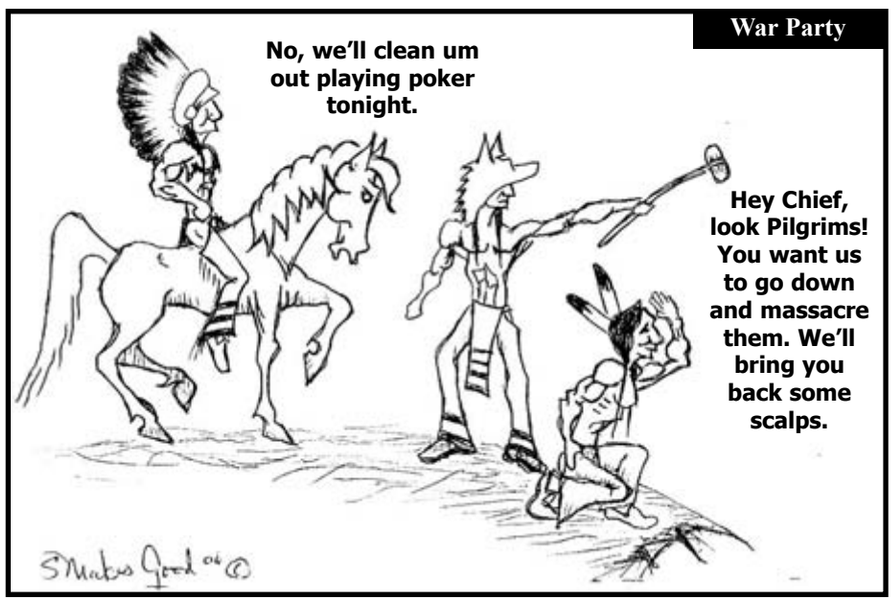
Such sharing shows the community that their involvement and support is appreciated and acknowledged. If time is money, as in the white world, then information and understanding in the Lakota world simply means sharing a general snapshot of what life is like in those institutions that have our welfare mind.

Communication is the key to success, that is an age old saying but is true no matter where it may be in government, tribal, private sector or in family. Communicating with constituents does not always come easily. Communicating with the people that voted you into office is even harder.

Accountability is not a one way street and our elected officials are held up to higher standards, whether they like it or not, they are role models. Politicians ask you for your vote, your trust, your belief in their ability to lead.

Yet for some reason they can't trust the Oyate with vital information regarding the members of this nation.

Accountability and communication can not be achieved without dialogue.



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Things to empower yourself

Economic development with tribal versus private sector

After being in business on the Pine Ridge Reservation for the past 17 years, I have some strong feelings on the private business vs. government owned business.

Tribal governments have the opportunity to impose taxes on products and services on reservations and are immune from state taxes. They also enjoy other advantages in business, like the ability to practice sovereignty in gaming. I applaud the tribes that have capitalized on these two very important economic opportunities.



By Patty Pourier

I also have seen tribes like the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, our neighbors to the north, successfully run utilities on their reservations. The telephone company has been operated by the CRST successfully and has contributed to the services and economy of their members.

Through the years, I have also observed the tribe trying to run other types of business on reservations and fail miserably. Throughout history, governments have been notorious as poor business entities, whether it is the federal government or our tribal governments.

In exploring the reasons why governments are not very successful business entities, I have discovered several things.

One, the tribe wants to manage the business through the tribal council. This throws the business into the political arena, which rarely works. Politics and business are like oil and water - they do not mix. Trying to manage a business on a daily business by a committee rather than a competent manager calling the shots, is not effective nor efficient. Not to mention, the pressure of unending nepotism (hiring of relatives) that is used with unemployment figures in the double digits.

Two, the tribe usually wants to use the profits for other tribal needs, i.e. general fund, per capita payments. Here is a big difference. In the last 17 years, my husband and I have worked for a corporation drawing a salary that is determined by our productivity. The salary is reasonable and competitive with industry standards for personal that are not owners, but employees of corporations in the same type business. It has made no difference in our salaries, that my husband happens to own 100 percent of the company. All of the profits have been invested back into the company for future growth, repairs and upkeep etc.

Three, the tribes will try to use the business as a training experience for unemployment problems that plague many reservations. It is near impossible to run a profitable, competitive business and use it as a training project as well. In order to be competitive in pricing and turn a profit in the private sector, a competent and trained workforce is required. Trying to train a workforce on the job is expensive and many times does not provide professional services required.

Four, personal investment in the business is lacking in a government owned business. No matter how dedicated an individual is to a tribally owned business, the level of commitment to success cannot be the same as if the person running things had to personally guarantee the business, and put up everything they have from their car to their home.

Five, experience and consistency in business through out our government is lacking. Politicians are just that - politicians - not CEO's of companies. We have a new set of politicians every two years at Pine Ridge. In order to be a good manager, it usually takes at least 12 to 18 months to bring a manager up to speed and be productive enough to be profitable.

Six, lack of trust, rightfully so, is an issue for tribes in business. This is based on past experience. There is certainly no blame associated with the lack of trust our politicians have for one another and their constituents have for them. Trust is a quality that is earned by past performance in similar situations. Let's face it; the track record for rip offs and mispending is historical.

So, why don't the tribes stick to taxation, gaming and utilities? The risk of failure for taxation and gaming is minimal because of the advantages enjoyed by sovereignty. One of the reasons that has been mentioned to me is because the politicians, wanted to be in business themselves as private individuals, but for some reason were not able to. They then bring this entrepreneurial attitude to their positions in office. It doesn't work.

The Pine Ridge Area Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit organization that is a strong proponent of privately owned business. I applaud their efforts to lend support to the individual entrepreneur.

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Other Views

Where are the leaders we can look at as role models

Dear Editor:

Thank-you for printing my previous article, I appreciate it. I would now like to respond to Mr. Tim Giago's response to said article. As I read Mr. Giago's response I was somewhat taken back, not by the contents of the response, but of the sudden revelation of the passing of time.

Wow! It's hard to believe that Mr. Giago is now in his seventy-first season of life. I am happy that at his age, his mind is very sharp. I all of a sudden felt like a rotten guy for challenging him. I realize now that standing up to something as serious as corruption in tribal government is a younger man's lot in this life.

I feel compelled to apologize to Mr. Giago, especially if he felt my challenge was meant to intimidate him. Nothing could be further than the truth and I do apologize sir. My challenge was actually a cry for help, as I know that I am now in the belly of the beast, and I see how this beast is prohibiting us from making social, economic, and political progress as Lakota people. The rest of this article is not directed at Mr. Giago, but merely some thoughts I would like to share with the people.

True, I do not have the distinction of being at many council sessions, I actually feel fortunate that I do not have that distinction for it certainly isn't something to be proud of. How can you be at so many of these functions throughout the years and not feel morally compelled to make a stand that would have a direct bearing on bringing productive change?

As a former high school teacher, I remember all to well the day I was challenged by my students with a simple question, "What are you guys doing about it?" I believe the question was directed at people my age and older.

On that day, In Lakota Culture class, we were talking about the issues that negatively affect our Lakota Oyate. The list of issues was verbally compiled by the students as I transcribed them on the board. The students amazed me as I realized they had a complete understanding of where they lived, and what affected them.

It goes without saying that the list compiled by the students was quite extensive and covered every aspect one might expect in relation to living in a high poverty area. Each issue was discussed by the students at length, ultimately, the discussion turned to tribal politics. Eventually the discussion got down to the meat of it all, the question took on a life of their own.

"Who is watching out for the young people?" "How come tribal politicians always talk about the youth and then ignore them?" "Why can't anything be done about tribal politicians who hurt their own People?"

"Where are the leaders we can look at as role models so we can know how to be leaders?" Then all youthful eyes were upon me, although they were respectful eyes, they nonetheless possessed the courage to ask the most valid question, "What are you guys doing about it?"

I knew my students, and I loved them. They knew me and what I carried in my heart. Although they did not excuse me, I knew they had every right in the world to do so. In front of those youthful eyes I asked them what they wanted me to do. They gave me many answers and one of them resulted in me sitting on tribal council now.

Everyday now I vividly remember that day of being in front of youthful eyes. When I hear people seemingly brag about how long they have participated in tribal council or tribal politics, I merely paraphrase the question from my students by asking "What have you done?" The simple answer to me is, if we can't see it, touch it, or feel it, then you have done nothing. It is time to make room for Lakota People who have true love and compassion for their People to sit in those positions of responsibly and servitude.

As I sit in the belly of the beast, I see the biggest, most infected sore becoming worse with each passing year of negligence. This sore doesn't even have a scab, it is an open decaying pile of rotting flesh. That sore is called CORRUPTION! Even the tiniest of Lakota, the babies, will suffer from this rotting sore.

So now it is up to the People. Where do you stand? How much will you contribute to stopping this infection? I, along with others are making our stand, but we need help. The question is simple, do you condone corruption?

Yes or no?

I cannot, and will not explain the actions of full grown adults to the youthful watchful eyes. I can only account for myself and tell them that I am doing my best.

I am doing my best and that I will not back down. I have been trained to be a warrior, not a back stabbing punk. Mitakuyepi, how will you answer when the young Lakota ask, "What are you guys doing about it?"

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Northern Perspectives

It takes a loving Lakota couple to make a difference in a life



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

I was beside myself today as I opened an email from the Alumni Of Color conference organizers at Harvard University and read that they would be recognizing my achievements and accomplishments in the education field. It is a great honor for me as I look over the years that have gone all too quickly by. Such awards are not the kind of thing that will make or break a career, but taken together they represent a composite picture of one.

In Lakota country, the idea of honor and respect is very much a part of our vocabulary. We call such honor uonihan and in traditional culture it is practiced in a good way.

Over the weekend, we went to an honoring at the Mother Butler center in Rapid City where Isaac and Zona White Face were honored for 62 years of marriage. It was so good for the community to see a positive example of longetivity and a loving relationship. The couple was actually very eager to talk about their courtship and marriage and that was fun to a part of.

Again, honor and respect are a permanent fixture of Lakota life and when it is done in a good way it creates tradition. People want to be a part of something that is positive and desirable and too often we do not honor our loved ones when they are alive.

We do not see enough couples investing time and commitment to each other in order to serve as a strong foundation for a lasting family unit. A lot of the issues that young people and young families face today are because of a breakdown in such a vital unit. It make take a whole village to raise a child as it is fashionable to say, but it simply takes a loving Lakota couple to make the difference in the life of a beautiful Lakota child.

I recently applied for a grant job that is supposed to help smokers quit smoking. I didn't qualify even though I live in a place that has 85 percent unemployment. I was wondering if it was because I have never been a smoker myself. I guess I will never know. That's the thing about being over qualified in a community where jobs virtually are non-existent. I think if I were a young man and had to do life over again, I would never have come back to the rez. Even outside wasicu research grant projects who use us to justify their numbers want to discriminate us. As a Vietnam Veteran, I experience the rhetoric of empty promises all the time as people find ways to filter us out. This outsider to Rosebud told me they were looking for a 'better fit' for their non-smoking project. They should at least have told me.

Makes me wonder what other Vietnam Veterans experience in terms their prospective employment opportunities. As I said, honor and respect is something that is sometimes difficult to come by if an organization or individual is caught up in chasing the almighty dollar. Often times, keeping up with the Joneses tends to blur our cultural values. Values in Lakota life are not easy to understand or live by, especially if one is looking in from the outside. We often have scholars and outsiders who will shout out the importance of values, but have no first hand knowledge of what it means to honor and respect those who have earned such distinction.

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Other Views

Enjoyed the column on the ugliest car on the reservation

Dear Editor:

My name is Steve Marshall, from Sparta Wi (west-central Wisconsin).

I enjoyed reading Tim Giago's article on the Ugliest Car On The Reservation. I attend the Sturgis Rally about every year and have several friends in eastern South Dakota, and travel there several times a year.

I have been to Wounded Knee several times to pay my respects, and I seem to have some sort of connection or fascination towards the historical and spiritual aspects of the area. I've been to the Standing Rock and Cheyenne River Reservations and to both of Sitting Bulls Grave sites, and when I'm on the Pine Ridge or Rosebud Reservations I try to get KILI 90.1 on FM Radio. In 1973-74 I worked for IT&T Telephone Co and was in Montana when the Wounded Knee standoff was going on, and I figured I'd either be in the way or get killed for being in the wrong place at the wrong time, so I stayed there until it was time to go to Wolf Point rez to do telephone work, then headed back to Wisconsin.

Anyway, on one of my Sturgis trips I took Hwy 34 west from Madison to Fort Thompson on the Crow Creek Reservation.

A few years earlier I had a 1978 Ford LTD Country Squire Wagon that ran great, but was a gas hog, and I wanted to take a saws-all and cut the roof off and make a convertable pickup out of it, but didn't, as my cousin wanted it to pull his camper and haul his six kids, so I gave it to him.

Anyway, there on the rez I saw three native kids had done just that to a wagon just like mine! and were hauling hay to their ponies, fine looking ponies ..., red bandannas and cowboy hats and the dust just flying!

The back seats fold down flat so hauling hay would be easy and they were having a good time..., stereo blasting..., a rez-rod with a purpose. It did my heart and soul good. Keep up the good work.

Steve Marshall
Sparta Wi, Wis.

Notes From Indian Country

Indians didn't pay taxes 100 years ago



By Tim Giago
(Nanwica Kciji)

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Periodically there is a repeat column I am forced to write. It usually takes an ignorant and insensitive remark by a non-Indian to prompt me to return to the scene of the crime.

One of my advertising sales people for *Indian Education Today* magazine was seeking a timely ad to take advantage of the "It's time-to-pay-taxes" portion of the year.

She approached one so-called tax preparation office located in Rapid City, SD and ran into this crass remark, "Why should we advertise; Indians don't pay taxes."

Ouch! When will this ignorance come to an end?

All right, let's address this horrid misconception. Indians hold jobs. As a matter of fact, many working for the tribal government, Indian Health Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs or other governmental agencies receive salaries ranging from $24,000 to $100,000 annually. Professional teachers and administrators working at the many Indian schools on the reservations are also in the middle class pay income bracket. These salaried employees pay all of the taxes every American citizen pays from withholding to Medicare.

Every time an Indian buys groceries taxes are included.

When we purchase an automobile or a costly appliance, taxes are included. When we fill the car up with gasoline we pay taxes.

What so many non-Indian citizens do not realize is that all of the sales taxes collected in the towns bordering the Indian reservations never go to the Indian reservations.

They go to the state and the community where the purchase was made.

There are no free rides for Indians when it comes to attending college.

Most apply for Pell Grants or for other grants available to students of all colors. Others use the GI Bill, as I did, or get jobs and work their way through college. There are some funds available through tribal funds or through the BIA, but they are far and few.

Those lucky enough to belong to a tribe with a rich casino can get scholarship grants that are set aside for the higher education of tribal members.

But keep in mind that only 5 percent of the Indian nations earn 90 percent of the casino profits. That doesn't leave much for some of the larger tribes such as those of the Great Sioux Nation or the Navajo Nation.

And some non-Indians may find this hard to believe but Indians do not get a monthly check from the BIA or from any other branch of the government.

If we own land on the reservation and that land is leased to a rancher or farmer, we do receive an annual lease check for the use of our land. This method of payment for leasing land or renting a house is common throughout America for non-Indians as well.

The BIA usually distributes these not-so-large-checks. Nearly every merchant worth their salt knows when these checks are distributed and plan their sales accordingly.

Now, let's talk about all of that wonderful, free health care. If an Indian works for an organization or federal agency that provides health insurance, that insurance company is billed whenever that employee uses the services of the Indian Health Service Hospital. The same holds true if the Indian man or woman is on Medicare.

Some tribes use the profits from their casinos to build healthcare facilities on their reservations. They also use their casino profits to purchase health insurance policies for their tribal members. That insurance helps to cover treatment at the tribal health care facilities.

The I.H.S. has hospitals on some Indian reservations, not all. Reservation residents do use these facilities. However, it is written into the treaty agreements between the Indian nations and the United States government that health care will be provided in exchange for the millions of acres of land ceded in the treaty agreements.

The services provided by the I.H.S. are not considered to be the best. The large and sparsely populated reservations have a hard time hiring doctors with any lengthy experience.

Most of the doctors assigned to the Indian hospitals are first or second year doctors paying off a government loan for their education. They are learning while on the job and from the complaints I hear from so many of their patients, their inexperience does have its unfavorable consequences.

If Indians had all of the benefits attributed to us by the non-Indian world we would be the most intelligent, wealthiest and most protected people in America. Indians would be debt free, trouble free, illness free, tax free and positively carefree.

But we (Indians) know that is not the case. It is only the majority of non-Indians who still continue to believe these myths, misconceptions and outright fallacies.

So please believe me when I say that Indians do not get a monthly check from the government, many of us do pay for our health care, we do not get a free college education and, to bury the biggest misconception of all, we do pay taxes.

April the 15th looms as large for us as it does for the rest of America.

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Lakota grandmother urges people to consider being a foster parent

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter on behalf of my grandson's and what they have been through. I had moved out of state because my job required me to.

When I had come home for a visit in Rapid City, then I found out my grandson's were placed in Department of Social Service foster care. Their mother had some legal problems and was unable to care for them. Their father (my son who is deceased) and their grandfather (mother's father) was physically unable to care for them.

I moved home and started legal proceedings to try to get custody and placement of my grandson's back with me. It was then I found out my name was in the National Registry for child abuse and neglect. I then contacted Department of Social Services, Pierre office and found out it was a misunderstanding back in 1988 when my younger daughter died of cancer and my name was cleared.

I then continued my legal proceedings to get my grandson's placed back in my home. After much frustration and feeling like I was running into a brick a wall and unable to financially obtain legal help.

I moved back home to Martin. My sister told me about O.N.T.R.A.C. and they will be able to help you. I then contacted O.N.T.R.A.C. and explained my situation to them and what I had done so far legally. I then proceeded to do everything required of me.

At the same time, DSS wanted me to place my grandson's and their half-brother in the same placement home together. I agreed to take all three of them because this is our Lakota traditions, culture and family values. Finally a court date was set in Rapid City court, to see if my grandson's care could be transferred back to Ogalala Sioux Tribe court. DSS then notified me and told that my grandson's half-brother's foster parents wanted to adopt him, since he had been with them since he was a baby and it would hurt him psychologically to have him removed from their home and placed in another home environment. When you are faced with a problem like this, it is heartbreaking. Your first reaction is to try to keep the boys together as a family.

I remembered what my mother always taught us, her children. That all children are "God's special little people" and it is up to us to take care of them and do what is right for them and their well-being. Now, the foster parents adopted him and my grandson's go with their grandpa to visit with him.

We went to Rapid City court and the judge transferred my grandson's case back to Ogalala Sioux Tribe court. I was so overwhelmed, I just wept from happiness. I thanked DSS and O.N.T.R.A.C. for working with me to have my grandson's returned to me.

Next, DSS contacted me and told me my (deceased) husband's nephew's son was in foster care next. I contacted O.N.T.R.A.C. and went through the same proceedings next. My grandson's was placed back with me.

When my two older grandson's half-sister was placed in foster care. I contacted DSS in Rapid City to see what I had to do. I also had O.N.T.R.A.C. contact them to. O.N.T.R.A.C. was told that the mother didn't want them involved in this case. DSS said to take PRIDE classes and to become a foster parent for the state. I completed everything and received my DSS foster care license. Then I was told that the foster parents for my grandson's half-sister wanted to adopt her. I talked to my grandson's and told it would hurt their sister psychologically to remove her from foster parents. I said, we all have to work together as a team, DSS, O.N.T.R.A.C., court systems and us to do what is best for your sister. The foster parents have adopted her since then.

I know it was hard to make decisions like these, but we must work together DSS, O.N.T.R.A.C., court systems and everyone involved to do what is best for the children. And not what we want done. I know because I have been through it all.

I am now a foster parent for DSS and O.N.T.R.A.C., where I have children coming into my home of all ages. I welcome them and offer them a safe home to live in. I work with them because it is not their fault they are in these situations.

We must remember the Sacred Circle of life which is our children for future generations to come. I have taken children from DSS and O.N.T.R.A.C and taken care of them until they are reunited with parents or relatives placements. I know there are times when O.N.T.R.A.C is unable to get cases transferred back to Ogalala Sioux Tribe courts. We must all realize and work as a team with DSS and O.N.T.R.A.C., court systems to do what is best for the children.

My daughter's always say my door is cut in half invisibly. The top half you have to knock to come in and the bottom half is open all the time for the children to come in and be welcomed. If I could give back help to DSS and O.N.T.R.A.C for helping me getting my grandson's back by being a foster parent for them. I do this willing and from the bottom of my heart whole heartly.

By writing this letter, I sincerely hope that other Indian families will open up their hearts and homes to become foster parents for DSS and O.N.T.R.A.C.

We say our children are sacred then let us open our hearts and homes to all these children in need and become foster parents. Let us keep our Sacred Circle of Life going. Let us uphold our Lakota tradition, culture and family values the elders have taught us.

My mother (Rebecca Apple-deceased) always taught us it is the darkest before dawn but never give up your hope and prayers. Everything will work out in its own way and for the best.

Even though she is gone now, her teachings live on through us her children, this is what we call Lakota tradition, culture and family values.

Cathy Dubray,
Martin, S.D.

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Benefit Coordinator	747-3213
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Optometry (Eye)	747-3274
Public Health Nursing	747-3314
APPOINTMENTS	747-3270
EMERGENCY DEPT.	747-3259
Patient Registration	747-3613 or 747-3614
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OPTOMETRY PROGRAM

The normal operating hours of the Optometry Program at the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility is from 8:30AM-3:30PM. The Optometry Program is currently scheduling appointments and mailing out appointments to patients.

In an effort to better meet the needs of our clients the Optometry Program will provide services to Diabetic Patients on Tuesday mornings on a walk-in basis that have been referred from the Diabetic Clinic.

"No Show" Policy: If a client fails to keep two scheduled appointments then their name will be placed at the end of the waiting list. If you know that you will not be able to keep a scheduled appointment, we ask that you call the Optometry Department to cancel the appointment as early as possible so that another patient may be given the appointment.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility provides 24 hour Emergency Services. When you present to the Emergency Department you will be greeted by a Medical Support Assistant that will ask for your name, date of birth and/or chart number in order to obtain your medical record.

You will be TRIAGED by a Registered Nurse within 15 minutes from the time of your arrival. The Registered Nurse will ask you for your Chief Complaint (What brings you to the ER?) and will obtain vital signs (blood pressure, pulse, temperature, respirations, height, weight and pain scale).

NO patient will be turned away from the Emergency Department. Triage is a process that assists the medical provider in establishing the order in which the patients will receive a Medical Screening Exam and care/treatment. Triage is NOT a Medical Screening Exam.

Triage levels are as follows:

Level I: Non-Urgent
Level II: Urgent
Level III: Emergency

Just because you signed up first does not necessarily mean that you will be seen first. Patients that present to the Emergency Department will be seen in the order of their Medical Priority, which is determined during the Triage Process.

A Medical Screening Exam (MSE) is a process. It is the continuation of an initial assessment during an Emergency Room visit. It is NOT for the purpose of excluding patients from care or for financial reimbursement. It is a Legal Responsibility of the facility. The Medical Provider will perform a Medical Screening Exam which will consist of obtaining information pertaining to vital signs, current medications, medical history, physical exam, and providing medical stabilization when deemed necessary.

What is an Emergency?

- Heart Attack
- Chest Pain
- Shortness of Breath
- Fracture
- Gun Shot Wound
- Attempted Suicide
- Respiratory Distress
- Infant w/Elevated Temperature
- Head Injury
- Loss of Consciousness
- Nausea/Vomiting
- Bleeding
- Onset of numbness, tingling or weakness on one side of body
- Labor Pains
- Bleeding while pregnant

CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES

Important Facts You Should Know About Contract Health

IHS-CHS Coverage is not automatic. Should you have an emergency situation requiring you to obtain care at a non-IHS facility, you must notify the CHS office at 605-747-3215 OR 605-747-3216 within 72 hours. If you fail to notify the CHS office you will be responsible for any bills you incur.

IHS-CHS Coverage is for Emergent, Life-Threatening situations. Sore Throats, earaches, and medication refills, etc., are not considered emergent or life threatening. IHS-CHS will not cover a visit if an IHS Facility would have been closer. CHS does not cover medicatons.

If you visit a non-IHS facility you MUST sign a release of information to provide this information to the CHS office. The CHS committee cannot make a decision without sufficient medical information. In most cases a referral is limited to one medical treatment and/or appointment.

CHS Eligibility Criteria: You MUST be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe. You MUST reside within the Contract Health Service Delivery Area (CHSDA) which covers the counties surrounding the Rosebud Sioux Tribe Reservation. If you are a non-member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe you MUST reside within the reservation boundaries.

Eligible Veterans: A patient will apply and utilize alternate resources if the individual is eligible. This is pursuant to IHS Regulation, 42 CFR, Part C. Purpose: To ensure patients receive the resources they are qualified for/or entitled to. To inquire about eligibility or to apply for benefits, contact the local Veterans Health Administration Center in Hot Springs at 1-800-764-5370 or the Rosebud Veterans Center at 605-747-2593.

IHS-CHS Approval: Please do not request preauthorization from the Indian Health Service. The CHS Committee must review all referrals and call-in requests. The CHS Committee approves or disapproves the referrals based on medical facts presented and the CHS criteria being met. The committee is the only authority to approve or disapprove.

IHS-CHS Payor of Last Resort: The Patient MUST apply for any alternate resources for which they may be eligible. A denial from the alternate resource is required for reconsideration by the CHS Committee. You may contact the Patient Benefits Coordinator to assist in the application process for alternate resources. Please call (605)747-3213 for further information. CHS Guidelines require all patients under the age of 18 and all pregnant patients apply for Medicaid.

Non-Compliance With the Approval Process May Serve as the Basis for Denial of Payment by Contract Health Services:

Payment Process: When a patient has Medicare, Medicaid, CHAMPUS, Private Insurance, Workmen's Compensation or is covered by another resource, that resource is considered the primary carrier. All Explanations of Benefits (EOBs) from the primary carrier(s) must be brought or mailed to the CHS office without delay when received by the patient. Many times the Non-IHS provider will turn the patient's bill over to a collection agency because the provider is unable to obtain an EOB from the patient. It is Very Important that you provide this to the provider of the CHS office in order to complete the payment process.

For further information regarding Contract Health Services please feel free to contact:
Sharyn Richards,
Contract Health Service Manager at:
605-747-3239.

DENTAL PROGRAM

The Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility's Dental Program currently has one (1) full-time Dentist and one (1) Contract Dentist on staff. Although we are actively recruiting for permanent Dentists we are currently experiencing a staffing shortage and we ask for your patience. The Dental Program Schedule is as follows:

Mondays/Wednesdays

Beginning at 8AM patients can present on a walk-in basis. The first 10 patients that present will be seen in the morning. Beginning at 12PM patients are present on a walk-in basis. The first 10 patients that present will be seen in the afternoon.

Tuesdays/Fridays

Patients with only scheduled appointments will be seen with the exception of an Emergency.

Thursdays

The Dental Clinic is closed from 8AM-12:30PM. Patients with scheduled appointments will be seen between the hours of 12:30 PM-4:30 PM. The Dental Program provides an Evening Clinic. Patients can sign up for Evening Clinic at 4:30PM on Thursdays.

Surgery Services

The Dental Program also provides Surgery services. Although the Dental Program is experiencing a staffing shortage they are committed to providing as many surgery and clinic services as possible as long as they are not sacrificing the quality of their services.

If you are a Diabetic patient please notify the Dental staff. The Dental Program work with Medical Providers to ensure that Diabetic patients are provided prompt dental care.

The Dental Program provides 24 Hour dental care for DENTAL EMERGENCIES. In the event of a patient with a Dental Emergency, it increase the waiting time of those dental patients that are non-emergent. We ask for your patience if this does occur.

PHARMACY PROGRAM

The Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility's Pharmacy Department's hours of operation are as follows:

Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday:
9:00AM - 12:00 PM and 2:00 - 5:00 PM
Thursday:
2:00 - 5:00 PM and 6:00 - 9:00 PM

There are many medical conditions in which certain over the counter medications could cause harm or untoward side effects if not appropriately used. Therefore, in an effort to ensure the safety of our clients we will no longer be providing over the counter (OTC) medications without seeing a medical provider.

The Pharmacy Program is currently experiencing a high volume of prescriptions and a staffing shortage. We ask for your patience and assistance in meeting the needs of all of our clients when calling in for Pharmacy refills. We ask that you try to call at least 2-4 days in advance for your refills.

Clients/Patients have the option of calling and asking to speak directly to a Pharmacist or you have the option of using our new automated system.

The Automated System allows clients/patients to call and leave their refill requests by calling 747-3268 without having to wait to speak to a Pharmacist. When using the automated system you will need to provide your full name, chart number, medication name, prescription number and number of refills remaining. All of the information can be located on your medication bottles.

URGENT CARE

The Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility provides Urgent Care for non-emergent medical conditions. Patients can present to the Urgent Care on a Walk-In basis seven (7) days a week between the hours of 9:00AM to 9:00 PM.

Urgent Care can be accessed by entering the Emergency Department entrance and the Urgent Care window is located to your left. Upon presenting you will be greeted by a Medical Support Assistant who will ask for your name, date of birth and/or chart number in order to obtain your medical record.

You will be TRIAGED by a Registered Nurse within 15 minutes from the time of your arrival. The Registered Nurse will ask you for your Chief Complaint (What brings you to the ER?) and will obtain vital signs (blood pressure, pulse, temperature, respirations, height, weight and pain scale).

Triage is a process that assists the medical provider in establishing the order in which the patients will receive care/treatment. Just because you signed up first does not necessarily mean that you will be seen first. Patients that present to Urgent Care will be seen in the order of their Medical Priority, which is determined during the Triage Process.

What types of conditions are seen in Urgent Care?

- Cough
- Cold
- Flu
- Earache
- Sinus Problems
- Sore Throatadache
- Muscle aches
- Joint pains
- Arthritis
- Ankle sprain
- Burning with Urination
- Diarrhea
- Cuts greater than 24 hrs. old
- Back pain
- Medical Clearance
- Bug/Insect Bites
- Rash/Skin problems
- Constipation
- Toothaches



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Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Weekly Flu Clinic
Every Thursday at the Public Health Nursing Office in Pine Ridge for high risk adult population call Kendra at 867-3297 for additional information.

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Pahin Sinte College Center Walking Club
starting at 4 p.m. each day Monday through Friday at the center in Porcupine, for information call Janice aor Alva at 867-5404.

Reservation wide recruitment for Oglala Lakota College Infant Toddler and Headstart Program
on-going, call Pine Ridge Headstart at 867-5649 or 867-5640 and recruitment days on Wednesday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Common Sense Parenting Class
Wednesday's 4-6pm at the Sacred Heart Church in Pine Ridge starting Feb. 8th; for information or to register call 800 727-2401.

Veteran's Meeting
Wednesday, Feb. 15th at the Homeless Shelter in Pine Ridge at 1 p.m., for info call 867-2466

OST Commodity Distribution
Wednesday, Feb. 15th in Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni Lake and Thursday, Feb. 16 in Oglala.

Moccasin Making Workshop
Thursday, Feb. 16 at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine at 1 p.m. with Verola Mills, for info call Alva or Doug at 867-5404, materials provided

Estate Planning Services
a free community education meeting with Dakota Plains Legal Services staff presenting information on the new federal law concerning the probate process and trust land and the need for a will set for Thursday, Feb. 16th in Wanblee at the Eagle Nest CAP office at 1pm with refreshments served and covering how to reduce multiple owners of trust land, writing wills, land consolidation options and gift deeds, for information call 867-1020.

An Evening With The King and the 13th annual Sweetheart Dinner
Tuesday, Feb. 14 at the SuAnne Big Crow Boy's and Girl's Club outside of Pine Ridge.

Job Fair - Are you interested in employment with Prairie Wind Casino
Wednesday, Feb. 22nd at the Wounded Knee District College Center in Manderson from 10:30am to 3pm, for info call 867-6300, ext. 121

"Night of Champs" A-Town Boxing Smoker
Saturday, Feb, 25th in Allen at the American Horse School gym, weigh ins at noon and fights start at 4pm, info call 455-2758

Baby Shot Clinic
Tuesday, Feb. 28th at the LaCreek CAP in Martin from 1-3pm

Four Sicangu members inadvertently re-arrested

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Rosebud Law Enforcement Services, Chief of Police Charles Red Crow, responded to questions about four Sicangu tribal members allegedly re-arrested for outstanding warrants which had been previously reconciled or taken care of.

In theory, the four should not have been arrested since their charges or fines had been paid or arrangements made to take care of the charges. Chief Red Crow confirmed the arrest of four individuals and said, "The gist is that we had active warrants on file at the Police Department. It is not the police department's responsibility to pull warrants. If the judge orders a warrant pulled, a clerk of the courts will come to the PD and pull the warrant."

Red Crow exhibited a filing cabinet with over a one-thousand outstanding warrants on the Rosebud. He noted that since there is no Marshall's service, regular patrol officers will serve warrants in the course of their normal duties. He said, "We are not authorized to pull warrants. The only time is if they are being executed or pulled by the courts. There was a breakdown in communication by the courts and the police department. If officers fail to serve warrants they can be held in contempt."

The police department and the court system were connected at one point through a communications system called Creative Information Systems Co or CISCO. He said, "We had connected all three elements, the court, the law enforcement and detention to maintain data. The court broke off of the data system. It was good continuity."

Red Crow restated the issue when he said, "All were taken care of administratively on the court side, however we were not made aware of this."

When asked about any public fallout from this incident, he said, "The fall out has already started. The captain addressed the tribal council. The individuals want a public apology. We are discussing the issue with an attorney. I still think the officers acted within the color of the law. We do not do things selectively as the public dictates the direction of our operation."

Red Crow said the police department is handling the issue as well as could be expected.

In the course of responding to the query about the arrest, Red Crow also offered a brief tour of the law enforcement services 9-1-1 command center which also serves as the department's regular dispatch center. Sergeant Daisy Wright explained that when a citizen calls in to report a violation or infraction that person's name is typed into a data field to see if an active warrant exists on the caller.

Chief Red Crow said that he would like to see an anonymous crime hotline become a reality. Some municipalities have such an anonymous hotline available to the public. A citizen is most likely to continue to share the responsibility of reporting crimes if they know they can do it on an anonymous basis.

Finally, Wright stated that the 9-1-1 dispatch center was outfitted with state of the art equipment and the only thing that they need is a headset which can simultaneously monitor communications "traffic" between officers and the dispatch center.

Youngman and Black Eyes selected as Porcupine School students of the month

BY DANIELLE JOHNSON
Porcupine School

PORCUPINE - The students of the month selected for Porcupine School are Davidica Youngman II and Charles Black Eyes Jr. and the staff member is Russ Cournoyer.

Davidica, 14, was born on April 14, 1991 in Rapid City. Davidica II and her parents, Davidica Little Spotted Horse and Wendell Youngman Afraid of His Horses Jr. live in Oglala.

Her favorite movie is "School of Rock" and "Underworld" and her favorite music is, heavy metal and rock. Davidica's favorite artist is Kirk Hammer of "Metallica". He is her guitar hero! Some of her favorite bands are: Metallica, Marlin Manson, Ozzy Osborne, White Strips.

Some of Davidica's hobbies include playing guitar and singing; she also likes to write her own music. She likes to chill with friends and family and jam to music (all day). When she's not creating music she likes to act, she says it's fun and It is something that I can do and just be myself.

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RST president tells congress not to 'scapegoat' Indian gaming

ROSEBUD - On Feb. 1 and 2, Rosebud Sioux Tribe President Rodney Bordeaux met with U.S. Senators Tim Johnson and John Thune, along with U.S. Representa-tive Stephanie Herseth, and asked them not let congress restrict Indian Gaming nation-wide. Also, President Borideaux asked South Dakota's congressional delegation to not support proposals circulating in Congress that would restrict Tribal Government's ability to participate in the nation-wide political process.

"I asked our Congressional delegation to not allow any restrictions on tribal participation in the political process because of the Jack Abramoff scandal in Washington, DC." President Bordeaux stated that they were very receptive and that they would urge their colleagues to be fair to tribes on the entire issue.

Also, while in Washington, DC President Bordeaux and Rosebud Sioux Tribe Council Representatives Ken La-Deaux, Patsy Valandra, Lewis Good Voice-Eagle, ang Russell Eagle Bear advocated South Dakota's Con-gressional delegation on a whole host of issues. President Bordeaux stated that, "We basically advocated for more funding for IHS so that we can improve the services offered to our people. We also asked them to put the funding back into the BIA school construction fund so that St. Francis Indian School can get built with all of the classrooms and facilities that it was originally meant to get."

President Bordeaux went on to further state, "Council Russell Eagle Bear advocated to our Congressional delegation that our returning veterans from overseas must get the health care that they deserve. Our veterans need access to quality care without having to pay high co-payments in order to get it." While in D.C. the Rosebud delegation also advocated for the BIA to receive the full funding it needs to within its Law Enforcement Services (LES) program. President Bordeaux stated, "We have a real problem with our LES ad Juvenile Detention Facility (JDC) both being funded



L-R: RST Rep. Lewis Good Voice-Eagle, RST Rep. Patsy Valandra, RST Pres. Rodney Bordeaux, US Rep. Stephanie Herseth, RST Rep. Russell Eagle Bear, RST Rep. Ken LaDeaux.

Please turn to Rosebud B2

District basketball schedule begins Feb. 21

Open letter to fans of sports events

BY TUFFY LUNDERMAN
Little Wound School

KYLE - District 14A Girls basketball will have seeds #1 and #2 host games on Tuesday, Feb. 21, the games will start at 6:30 p.m. The two winners will play in the District championship game on Thursday, Feb. 23, at Rapid City Stevens High School gym starting at 7 p.m.

The Region 7A girls basketball championship game will be played on Monday, Feb. 27, in Pierre or Ft. Pierre, at 7 p.m. CST. The girls State A tournament will be held in Mitchell on March 9, 10 and 11.

The District 14A Boys basketball will have seeded #1 and #2 host games on Tuesday, Feb. 28.. The games will start at 6:30 p.m. The two winners will play in the District Championship game on Saturday, March 4, at Rapid City Stevens high school gym starting at 7 p.m.

The Region 7A boys basketball championship game will be played on Tuesday, March 7, in Pierre or Ft. Pierre, starting at 7 p.m. CST. The boys State A tournament will be held in Sioux Falls on March 16, 17 and 18.

An open letter to the fans of Little Wound School.

To Our Fans:

As we enter district, region and state tournament play it is extremely important keep good sportsmanship our top priority. Our athletes, school and community will be judged by the way we enter the gym, how we show respect to tournament management, how our teams warm-up and compete and finally by how we leave the gym to return home.

I encourage all of us to show respect for our opponents at all times, to the game officials, for the American flag during the playing of the Anthems in memory of those young men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice defending freedom as well as those currently serving in foreign lands.

Enjoy the competition, encourage our athletes to compete to the best of their ability until the final horn sounds and to display their jubilation or disappointment in a honorable manner.

Beauvais to be honored at Harvard University

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. - Dr. Archie Beauvais is the recipient of a 2006 Alumni of Color Award at the Harvard University Graduate School of Education. The award will be presented during the Alumni of Color Conference on March 3-4. The university will underwrite the related costs of traveling to Cambridge.

In their official notification the conference AOCC alumni and external relations wrote, "The selection committee felt that your efforts and achievements embody this year's conference theme: Growth, Strength, and Action: Honoring our Commitment to Communities and Individuals of Color."

Beauvais was nominated for the award by Amanda Takes War Bonnett, Editor and Publisher of the *Lakota Country Times.*

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with the same line-item within the BIA. With stagnant budget increases within the BIA LES program, it is critical that we get Congress to fund both LES and JDC adequately so that they aren't competing for the same dollars."

President Bordeaux stated, "Councilman Ken Ladeaux addressed the issue of the Rosebud HIS Service Unit's prior management not properly billing its third-party insurance companies and creating an approximate $5 million deficit for our service unit. He expressed to our congressional delegation how this has affected the quality of services to our people. We did not have an optometrist for quite a while and because of the higher incidence of diabetes here we could have an increase in the number of undiagnosed vision problems.

"Our contract health funding is another big problem that needs to be solved and we have asked our congressional delegation to look at the current funding mechanism for it and how we can increase it. A lack of contract health funding is ruining our people's credit rating with regional hospitals to the point where they are going to fix it."

While in D.C. President Bordeaux and the RST Council representatives met with their lobbying firm of Holland and Knight and former US Senator Ben Night Horse-Campbell, who is now with this law firm. "We received an update from them on the political climate in Washington and how that is currently impacting Indian Country throughout the United Stated.

"They basically told us that if there was ever a time for us to be in D.C. the time was now. There is a lot of back-lash against tribes for their success in Indian Gaming and many in Congress want to place restrictions on our ability to operate casinos. We have to continue to tell our story on how gaming has helped us. However, we are still in desperate need of funding for our story on how gaming has helped us. However, we are still in desperate need of funding for our programs that help people who need it most here at Rosebud."

On economic development President Bordeaux told congress, " We need to keep our money at home by bringing business here, instead of going to Valentine, Pierre and Rapid City. Senator Johnson agreed with that statement. Senator Johnson told us about the time he went to the Crow Creek Indian Reservation when there was a series of unfortunate suicides with their youth and when he asked the students if they could work during the summers at the local businesses in town they told him 'there aren't any businesses here…there's nothing for us to do here.' We need to keep our money at home and create new jobs in the process."

President Bordeaux and a delegation from the tribal council will return to Washington, D.C. on Feb. 28 through March 1 for the winter session of the National Congress of American Indians. Bordeaux said, "At this meeting, the delegation will be lobbying for the FY '07 federal budgets. The proposed budgets for Indian Country are not adequate and some are totally eliminated. We need to lobby, along with NCAI, to offset these cuts and get our programs restored, at leas, to the FY '06 levels."

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Davidica loves sports, especially basketball, volleyball, baseball, football and plans to graduate high school and go onto college, Julliard in New York.

Davidica's favorite color is black and silver; she has three sisters and one brother out of which she is the oldest.

Charles Black Eyes Jr. was born in Sioux Falls on May 7, 1992. His parents are Charles Black Eyes Sr. and Lynelle Plumman. Charles has three brothers and one sister.

After graduating from high school, Charles would like to attend college and either be an electrician or a doctor.

Charles likes playing basketball and hanging out with his friends lives in Martin with his father. Although he has no pets he likes dogs (pitbulls). Charles would like to attend high school in Flandreau.

Russ Cournoyer was born in Chicago, Ill. to Walt and Claudia Cournoyer. Since 1996 Russ has been married to Gloria Pourier, they have one boy and four girls and five grandchildren. Russ has three brothers and no sisters.

Russ and his family reside north of Sharps Corner near Thunder Valley community. In his free time Russ enjoys training horses, running, and daily exercising. He has one dog named Lucky.

Russ grew up in Colstrip, Mont. and is pursuing his education at OLC, he is working on his four year degree. He has been working in the alcohol and drug counseling area since 1991. Russ is currently the counselor at Porcupine School.

The following is the birthdays for the month of February:

Feb. 2, Jonnie Bissonette, 3rd grade

Feb. 2,Daniel Pawnee Leggins. 6th grade

Feb. 7, Ashley Marshall 4th grade

Feb. 7, James Flye, 8th grade

Feb. 2, Margaret Rodriquez, 7th grade

Feb. 10, Jordan Mesteth, 8th grade

Feb. 13, Casey White Eyes, 5th grade

Feb. 15, Raven Tail, Kindergarten

Feb. 17, Jamie White Face, 8th grade

Feb. 18, Armand American Horse 6th grade

Feb. 24, Jordan Red Cloud, 4th grade

Feb. 26, Mesun Hess 2nd grade

Feb. 29, Sunshine Gay, Kindergarten

Rosebud IHS Hospital holds "Wiping of Tears" ceremony

Aberdeen area director Lee in attendance

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - As a way to kick off 2006 and establish a connection to the community, the Rosebud I.H.S. hospital held a "Wiping of the Tears" ceremony in the atrium at its facilities. CEO, Shelly Harris hosted the event and explained that the ceremony was meant to signal a new beginning for 2006 in the hospital's quest to be responsive to the needs of the Sicangu people.

Former Rosebud Hospital service unit director, Webster Two Hawk, Sr. was asked by the Lakota Country Times in Lakota if the ceremony had been conducted during his administration. He explained in Lakota that his administration had not undertaken the ceremony, but he had been invited to Sinte Gleska University in the 1970's by Stanley Red Bird, Sr. of the Medicine Men and Associates to have coffee and visit many times.

Two Hawk, Sr. also explained that long ago, the ceremony was a part of Lakota life. One was given coffee, food and water almost immediately after their loss by the community. He said that now it is done annually by some. He was aware that the late Bill Schweigmann had conducted the ceremony in the past and that incoming I.H.S. doctors were often given an orientation to the Lakota community.

On this day approximately 80 people were present as Roy Spotted War Bonnet purified the room with 'aziliya.' Most of those present were hospital staff, with a small number of community people in attendance. RST tribal council representative Russell Eagle Bear spoke in English on behalf of Sicangu medicine man Roy Stone, Sr. prior to the ceremony. He noted that Stone would be praying for all hospital personnel as they serve as healers.

RST tribal president Rodney M. Bordeaux also addressed the gathering by stating that his administration is supportive of the work of the new hospital administration. He noted that as a tribal member he desired to see the hospital operate successfully. He announced that he would be traveling to Washington, DC in a couple of weeks to lobby for the reauthorization of Indian Health Service funding.

Stone was accompanied by Tyrone Big Crow as he prayed for the staff. Afterward, CEO Harris invited everyone to share in the refreshments and to introduce themselves to each other.

I.H.S Aberdeen area director, Don Lee, was also invited to the ceremony and would be meeting with hospital staff during the day. He also be attended the RST tribal council later in the morning. When asked about his trip to Rosebud he said, "It is a beautiful day. I am pleased with the management at the Rosebud hospital. I saw a need and the importance of accountability in the Aberdeen Area. Shelly Harris was identified early on as CEO. She stepped up."

Lee has been the Aberdeen area director for three years and grew up on the Cheyenne River Sioux reservation. He said, "I went to St. Joseph's Indian School. I am knowledgeable of the funding and staffing needs. A lot of my decisions come from my heart because I come from these people."

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February Bingo Schedule
Regular Session Bingo . . . . . Monday - Saturday at 6:30pm
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Senior's Bingo . . . . . Tuesdays
Win it All Bingo . . . . . 2nd & 4th Wednesdays
Men's Night Bingo . . . . . Thursdays
Super Blackout Bingo . . . . . Fridays
$10, $20, $30 Buy In Bingo . . . . . Saturdays
2 For 1 Bingo (Bring a Friend) . . . . . Sundays
No Bingo . . . . . February 14
Free Bingo . . . . . February 12
Customer Appreciation Night . . . . . February 28
Events and dates subject to change without notice.

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ASK ANNA

Psychic - Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I think a lot of my brother, so much that if I hear a song on the radio that makes me think of him I'll cry.

He is living with his girlfriend who steps out on him all the time while he stays home with the children.

She uses him so much, but instead of him showing his feelings - it's me.

Will he ever come to his senses and leave her? He does have custody of the children, which may not all be his. We the family love him and the children, but dislike the way his life is being torn apart.

Hurting for him

Dear Hurting:

You indeed, are a compassionate woman. Now, here's the truth of what you can do and your responsibility in your brother's life. We are all souls on an earth journey. Your brother, like you and me, has his own path. On that path are many lessons and tests. There also may be what I refer to as "soul contracts" - agreements between individual souls to help each other on their life's journey. I know you understand that wisdom comes with a price, usually personal pain. Your brother has chosen this woman to teach him the truth of life and love. You can have faith that the Creator has not left him out of these lessons or the consequences that will propel him towards being a brighter star.

The lesson may not be about the dishonesty of the relationship itself, or the craziness and codependency that rules the relationship, but about recovery in his mental, emotional and spiritual understanding. The real test is not if he knows he's involved in insanity, codependency and dishonesty, but when he comes out the other side of it how he heals. Can he heal without blame and be able to accept his own responsibility for the whole mess? Can he recover without anger towards the woman that has be his partner in chaos? Can he accept his own responsibility for perpetuating it? Can he forgive himself and her for their interactions? Can he release the whole mess to the Creator without assuming the role of a victim of somebody else's power? He is also responsible for this relationship. He is choosing to be there and for the time being to remain there. He contributes to her bad behavior by "pushing" or triggering her buttons. They are in their own interactive pattern.

Yes, someday, probably sometime in the next five or six months, he will leave her. Then they will go back together again, and then they will break up, and then it will be over. That does not mean that the scars won't be there, the real question is, will he leave the relationship in a healthy enough way not to choose the same type of woman and dysfunction again?

Or, will he decide that he is a "victim" of her bad behavior and be full of anger and wrath, suffer from low self-esteem and repeat the same cycle. It's his life, and his lessons. What you can do is love him, his children, and pray real hard for his awakening and recovery. Blessings to you.

Dear Anna:

There is a large amount of money missing from my purse; can you tell me who took it?

Missing money

Dear Missing:

I will give you a description of the people involved in taking it, no names: There were two people involved. One distracted you while the other one went through your purse. They both knew that you had money. One is a young man, maybe in his late teens (early 20's?), and he may look slightly older than he is, but he is on the thin side. His hair is usually long, but either it has just been cut, or will be.

He has some pock marks on his face. He has a tooth problem right now, so may be in some pain. The other young man is younger and is under the influence of the older one. He will talk if you corner him. He is still in school. They are related to you; probably a nephew and his friend. Hope this helps you without alerting the public to these boys' identity and shame.

Dear Anna:

I am writing to you today out of worry. I have some important questions for you that are very dear and important to me. Lately I've received an email from another lady and she states that within the next 56 days there are going to be some changes in my life and that I will know exactly how my spouse feels about me and that there is going to be some surprises also.

So my questions that I wanted to ask is what do you see for me and my spouse, and can you see the child I am so desperately wanting in my life right now? Besides these questions I wanted to thank you for all your insight. I enjoy reading your column; you not only shed some light to the person directly asking, but to everyone that can relate to these situations.

Thank you, the worrier

Dear Worrier:

First, let me remind you that (generally speaking) psychics and such that send you mass mailings or emails are relatively f.o.s. (You figure it out). A generalization such as, "many changes for you…or surprises…or addressing you as worried or concerned with money issues…are so blah that they can fit the entire world. Not psychic, simply hype. Be careful where you spend your money.

Now, that aside, you are having some relationship issues…but they seem to stem from your not feeling loved enough. I would say that the mate I see in your life does care…and does love (but there is also social immaturity present). For some reason, however, you do not trust that love or him. Think again please about bringing a child into an insecure relationship. A child is not entertainment and they don't hold relationships together, and they are FOREVER. I do see you with a baby boy.

The time-line may be as far away as two years (or possibly pregnancy by spring/summer), but that is between you and the Creator, and I think that if you look at that, you better than anyone may understand the delay. I also see another child, a girl, so rest assured that you are not being left out of motherhood. It will come for you. Thank you for your kind words, they mean a lot to me.

Dear Anna:

I am writing to you because I've been trying to figure out why certain people - whom I don't even know - don't like me for whatever! Last week I was assaulted at Big Bat's for reasons that I'm not aware of! This woman came out of nowhere and just pushed me really hard so that I got hurt in the process.

My life is simple and I try hard to stay out of everyone's way, especially people like that individual. I'm a single parent of six children and I also work with the little tykes. My life was hard growing up here on the reservation but I don't complain because I feel that we make life what we want it to be! I stay away from gossip and gossip stays away from me, yet I have had friends talk about me, but from what I learned from the Red Road is that people carry garbage and if I want to be part of that then I'll carry it, but I choose not to, and that's just me. I've struggled all my life on this earth and I'm doing the best that I can for myself, yet people in general just hate me for some reason or another. They talk like I'm the topic of discussion for their day and so it goes - anyway, can you help me understand why they're like that and why I'm hated so much? Thank you.

Hated without reason

Dear Hated:

Many people are so miserably unhappy with themselves that when they come across someone who is okay - feels good about their path and how they handle themselves -they decide that you must think you're "someone special" and they want to convince you that you are wrong and you are not someone special.

People who are balanced are generally okay with themselves. They like who they are, how they handle their life, and admire the strength that they have shown to get through the hard times. This is not unhealthy. It does not place you above others, as those with low self-esteem feel. It is not your job to try and feel as miserable about yourself as they feel about themselves. Everyone knows that the number one problem with children is low self-esteem, so we try and teach our children to respect themselves. Yet, there are these ya-hoos that somehow decide if you're okay it is up to them to prove that you are not okay. They make it their personal mission to "call you out, or take you down." What usually happens is that it just confuses the okay person, and drives the "low-esteemer" into rage.

Also, people that walk in their own power bother others. You are doing a good job of not engaging with the insanity that approached you. If you find yourself being bashed (in this case literally), then know the only thing that you must take care of in the future, so that this doesn't happen again, is to pay closer attention to your environment. Don't shop late at night. Don't go around bars or other areas where drugs and alcohol are players. The message is simple: pay attention. To be the topic of gossip sometimes is not all bad.

You are a strong and powerful person. You are direct and sure. You do affect others around you. You do make an impact. You are interesting. People talk about interesting people, and they like to find things the matter with them so that they can feel a little better about themselves. Sometimes it may be that they just disagree with how you did something; just remember that is their right…but not their business. Remember that if they are saying mean things, then they don't really know you and are simply reflecting who they are and "shining it on at you." It is the thief who calls others dishonest, and the liar that doesn't believe anyone. There is a great book; it is called "The Four Agreements," by Don Ruiz (available at Borders). It teaches us basically not to take other people's stuff personally. It isn't about you, it's simply their stuff. It is a good book for everybody to read. It reminds us all and teaches us all not to get caught up in the "outer" world and other people's stuff. Blessings to you. Life will show its better side to you now; people will be more loving and respectful. You respect yourself, and now it will be reflected back at you. Very soon, you will be made a good offer for better money…it will feel SO good!

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication. Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

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The Rez Firefighter (Peta Usniyapi)

By Beaux Beauvais



Frybread

By Thom Little Moon



Pow wow trail

By Stacy Makes Good



Lakota Crossword Puzzle

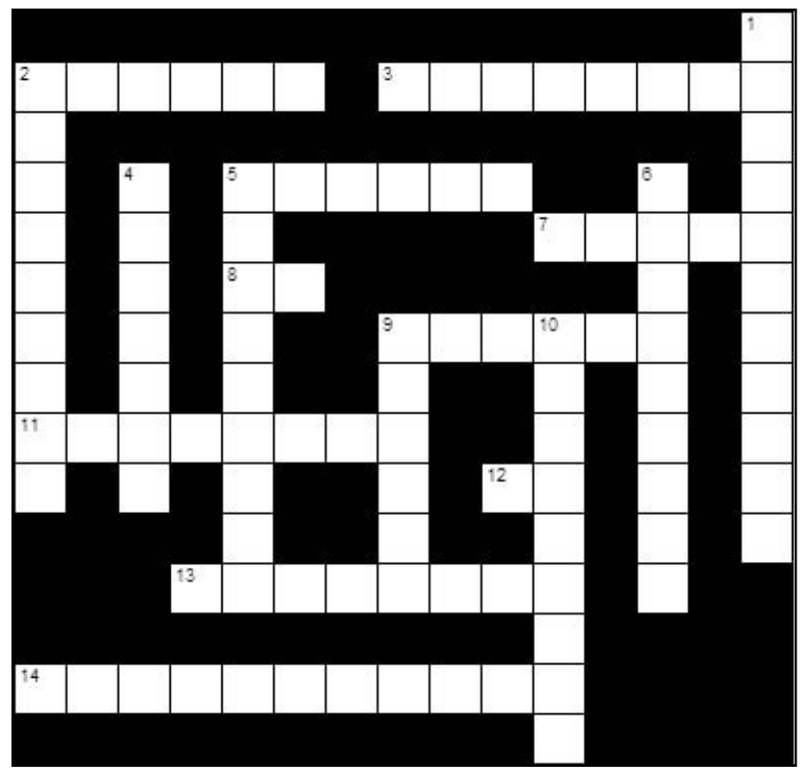
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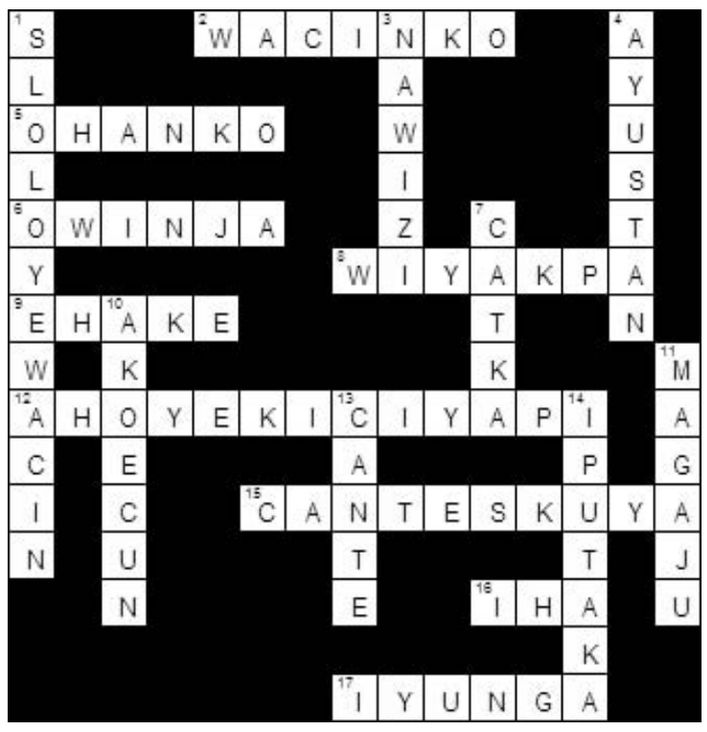
2. mine
3. it is boiling
5. flower
7. hot
8. red
9. storm
11. what are you eating
12. fog
13. they are drinking
14. I like you

Down

1. I like it
2. it is warm and sunny
4. kiss
5. candy
6. it is hailing
9. snow
10. I showed him respect



Last week's Lakota Crossword Puzzle answers



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Gregg Wade Scott, 35.....Eagle Butte
Tatum Allyn LeCompte, 10 months.....LaPlant

Gregg Wade Scott

EAGLE BUTTE - Gregg Wade Scott, 35, Eagle Butte, died Monday, Feb. 6, in Eagle Butte. An all-night wake was Feb. 12, at H.V. Johnston Cultural Center in Eagle Butte.

Funeral services was Monday, Feb. 13, at the cultural center, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat and Sister Addie Morris officiating. Burial was at Episcopal Cemetery in La Plant. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Tatum Allyn LeCompte

LA PLANT - Tatum Allyn LeCompte, 10-month-old daughter of Casper LeCompte and Danielle Shaving, died Monday, Feb. 6, in La Plant. An all-night wake service was Thursday, Feb. 9, at UCC Church in La Plant.

Funeral services were Friday, Feb. 10, at the church, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat and Byron Buffalo officiating. Burial was at La Plant UCC Cemetery. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

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Attention Artists Request for Bids for Oglala Lakota College Bronze Statues

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Bids shall be submitted to a sealed envelope addressed to Eileen Janis, Finance Committee Chairman, Oglala Lakota College, PO Box 490, Kyle, SD 57752. Bid envelopes shall be clearly marked on the outside lower left corner Bronze Statue Project. Full responsibility for the delivery of mailed bids prior to the deadline for receiving bids rests with the bidder.

The successful bidder must comply with the Tribe's TERO Ordinance, including any licensing requirements and TERO tax. They must also comply with the Department of Labor's David Bacon Act. Bid price must include all taxes and fees.

No bidder may withdraw a bid until 30 days after the bid opening, without a written request explaining the cause for the withdrawal and without a written consent of the Owner after reviewing the cause.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids or parts thereof, and to waive any irregularities of any bid. The Owner also reserves the right to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder as may be determined by the Owner.

Bids will be accepted until 4 p.m., local time, Friday, February 24, 2006. They will be opened, read aloud, and accepted for consideration at the 3:30 p.m. BOT Fianance Committee meeting on Monday, February 27, 2006 at the Pine Ridge College Center, Pine Ridge, S.D. Indian Preference will be given.

Request for Bids for Oglala Lakota College Re-Roofing Project

Oglala Lakota College (OLC) is receiving bids for re-roofing for the Pine Ridge Head Start building located in Pine Ridge Village, Shannon County, South Dakota.

A Single Contract will be awarded. Roof is approximately 16,300 square feet. For a list of the details, please contact Arlene Quist 605-455-6011.

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Request for Bids for Oglala Lakota College Re-Roofing Project

Oglala Lakota College (OLC) is receiving bids for re-roofing for the Pass Creek College Center with a metal roof, located in Allen, Bennett County, South Dakota.

A Single Contract will be awarded. Roof is approximately 5,536 square feet. For a list of the scope of work, please contact Arlene Quist 605-455-6011.

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NOTICE

Oglala Nation Tiospaye Resource And Advocacy Center Pine Ridge, S.D.

Relative Search Notice

The Oglala Nation Tiospaye Resource and Advocacy Center (ONTRAC) is placing a "Relative Search Notice" in the Lakota Country Times newspaper concerning the following parent(s) and child(ren):

Mother Child - Selena Lame Ronnebaum - DOB 7-19-73 - Last known whereabouts are in Denver, Colorado Grandparents are Salena Lame Ronnebaum: Iona Lame and Theodore Lame.

Father of Child: Unknown - Unknown Whereabouts

Child Initial: M.R. L. - DOB 05-25-05 born in Denver, Colorado.

This Oglala Nation Tiospaye Resource and Advocacy Center "Relative Search Notice" may entail Parent/Child Reunification, Relative/Child Placement, Tribal Member /Child Placement (short-term/long-term), Hearings, Guardianship, Adoption, and Termination of Parental Rights.

Should any individual or agency know of any relatives or know of the whereabouts, address, or telephone number concerning the above named parents of the above initialed child, please contact the Oglala Nation Tiospaye Resource and Advocacy Center at P.O. Box 2080, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, Phone 605-867-5805 and Fax 605-867-1893.

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Oglala Sioux Tribal Court Oglala Sioux Tribe Pine Ridge Indian Reservation ss-In Tribal Court
Civ-05-0595 Divorce Patricia L. Cuny, Plaintiff vs. Marty P. Cuny, Defendent

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And you are further notified that if you fail to answer said Co mplaint as above required, the Court shall enter Judgement in favor of the Plaintiff for the relief requested in the Complaint.

Issued: January 18, 2006. Joyce M. Goings, Clerk/Deputy Clerk

CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE, I, hereby certify that I have on the day served at rue and correct copy of this Summons and Complaint on the above named Defendant.

MINUTES

Shannon County School Board Special Meeting January 30, 2006

The Shannon County School Board held a special meeting on January 30,2006 at Batesland, South Dakota. President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m.

Members Present: Angie Eagle Bull, President, Ruth Ann Cummings, Melvin Cummings, Todd O'Bryan

Members Absent: Doni DeCory

Others Present: Margo Heinert, Supertinendent

6136 Approval of Agenda-Motion by O'Bryan to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

6137 21st Century Proposal Motion by M. Cummings to grant approval for submission of the 21st Century proposal, with the Board reserving the right to further discuss the proposal with the Federal Programs Director at a later date. Motion carried.

6138 Executive Session-Motion by O'Bryan to go into executive session at 5:32 p.m. to discuss personnel. Motion carried. President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 9:42 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

6139 Certified Negotiations-Motion by M. Cummings to designate R. Cummings and O'Bryan as board representatives for the negotiations process for certified staff. Motion carried.

6140 Classified Negotiations-Motion by O'Bryan to designate M. Cummings and Eagle Bull as board representatives for the negotiations process for classified staff. Motion carried.

6141 Establish New Position-Motion by M. Cummings to approve the recommendation for establishment of a Director of Transportation and Building Maintenance position, effective July 1, 2006. Motion carried.

6142 Technology Department-Motion by O'Bryan to approve the recommendations regarding restructuring of the Technology Department effective July 1, 2006. Motion carried.

6143 Teacher Leader Positions-Motion by O'Bryan to approve the recommendations regarding the establishment of Teacher Leader positions for summer school and content standards curriculum writing for the summer of 2006. Motion carried.

6143 Adjournment-Motion by O'Bryan to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m. Motion carried.

Signed, Margo Heinert, Superintendent

Happy ADS

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO LORI YELLOW BOY, HUGH KILLS BACK SR.
I LOVE YOU- LOUISE KILLS BACK

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO INA (FRANKIE JAMES), THE MARSHALL FAMILY IN RED SHIRT, UNCI (ALICE TWO BULLS) AND TO THE ENTIRE TWO BULLS FAMILY. TO MY AUNTI SANDY FLYE, AUNTIE MUFFET UNCLES JD FLYE AND RUSS FLYE.
LOVE YOUR NIECE AND NEPHEW
MITZI AND NANO

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO MY CLASS, HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MARK ROWLAND AND MESU HESS THIS MONTH!- GOOD LUCK TO THE 2ND GRADE SPELLING CONTESTANTS
IVA JO RUFF
2ND GRADE TEACHER

**Happy Valentines week to our beautiful children Jason Jr., Brittany and Wakinyan
You are the light of our lives, you make life grand. Love you babies
From, Dad and Mom**

**Happy Valentines Day! To my older Bro Jeremy Bordeaux and his sweetheart. Congratulations on your baby girl. I miss my nephews, Gabriel and Joseph
From your sis R.J Apple aka Ronda Whipple**

TO MY TWO BEAUTIFUL GIRLS ALEXANDRIA AND AMBER, HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!
MOM LOVES YOU SCADS!!
DONNA RAE HARRIS

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO A SPECIAL UNCI "JENNIE IRON CROW" WE LOVE YOU A LOT
LOVE YOUR TAKOJAS, LEANN, STACIA, ASA, CAROL, LARAE, AND INYAN

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO KYLIE, DARREN, AND MONIQUE, ALSO HAPPY B-DAY TO MY DAUGHTER MONIQUE
LOVE YA!! TWILA

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO, TWO VERY SPECIAL PEOPLE
LOVE: LEANN, STACIA, ASA, CAROL, LARAE, AND ROCK

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO EVERYONE FROM THE FIRST GRADERS AT PORCUPINE SCHOOL

You are the vision, to see what i truly need...
You are the courage, to seek what my heart desires...
You are the strength, to endure...
You are my dream come true!
Happy Valentines Day
Jason Drapeaux Sr.
Love ya babe,
From your one and only,
Jenn

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY TO THE K-1; I LOVE ALL OF YOU!!! TEACHER DONNA RAE

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing

P.O. Box 603 - East Hwy. 18 - Pine Ridge, SD 57770

*** Vacancy Announcement ***

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Will be drug/alcohol tested. Selection for the position will be contingent upon a negative test result. Applicant is subject to Background investigation. Expenses are at the applicants cost. No late or incomplete applications will be accepted.

For position description and additional information please contact the Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Office at 605-867-5161

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*** Vacancy Announcement ***

IN HOUSE ATTORNEY - PINE RIDGE, SD

Opening Date: Jan. 25, 8:00 am Closing Date: Feb. 25, 2006 4:30 pm

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PO box 368, Anadarko, OK 73005. or you may fax to: 1-405-247-4991.

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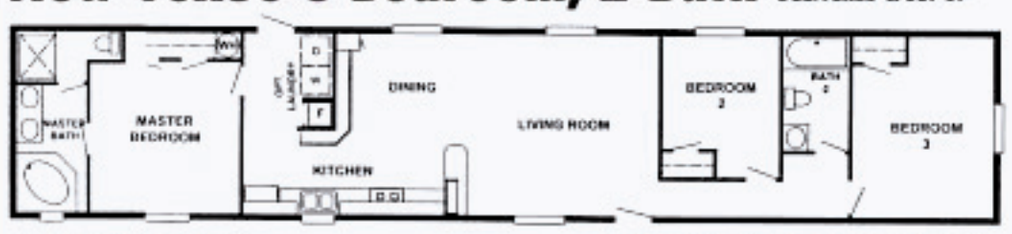
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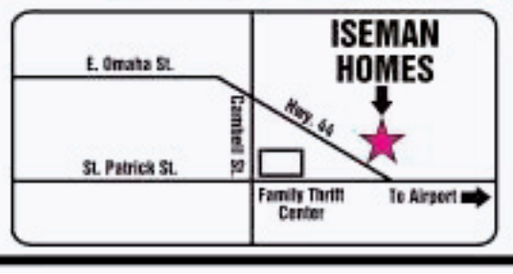
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from your grandsons, Riley Sage and Reece Sequoyah

Happy Valentines Day to our daughter Katana Rooks Many Loves and kisses We miss you much!!!
Love mom, dad and Ashton

Happy Valentines Day Sonia Shots, Juanita Montileaux, Charlene Janis, Jody Janis, Rose O.H, Cora E.H, and Misty Rooks
Love you all
XOXOXO

This goes to the Love of my life, Happy Valentines Day Janice
from your Love
Eddie L. xxxooo

Happy Valentines Day to my Husband David Whipple, who is currently udergoing a bone-marrow transplant in Omaha N.E Congratulations your going to be a father soon! I love you so much and I need you to pull through,
Love your wife Ronda Whipple aka R.J Apple



I WOULD LIKE TO WISH TOKAHE- MY ONE AND ONLY VALENTINE, ALL THE HUGS, KISSES AND LOVE IN THIS WORLD. I LOVE YOU SON!!
LOVE YOUR INA - CHANDA

Happy Valentines Day to my older sister Lena Apple and her sweetheart Joseph Fast Horse Sr. and my two nephews JoJo and Akicita from your sister R.J Apple aka Ronda Whipple

Happy Valentines Day to my parents Albert and Claudia, they been sweet-hearts for 24 years. I love you two so much! Love you daughter R.J Apple aka Ronda Whipple

Happy Valentines Day to Elsie, Samone, Sam, Sethrine, and Cherylyn!
Have a good day,
Veronica

Happy Valentines Day to my beautiful women I love you Jan xoxoxo
from Ozzy L.

Happy Valentines Day to my three wonderful chilren, Parisa, Armando Jr. and Shakyra Vierra
Love you all, Veronica

Happy Valentines Day to my wonderful parents Amanda and Leon Takes War Bonnett, to my sis Jen Takes War Bonnett and Family. Thank ya'll for putting up with me.
I love you all very much!
Always your daughter and sis

Happy Valentines Day Leon Takes War Bonnett Jr. and Family
We didn't forget about you!
Luv and miss you much bro,
Keep on keeping on!

**Happy Birthday to "Beavis" Frank Ecoffey on Feb. 8th Hope you have many more to come!
with Love your wife and kids**

I WOULD LIKE TO WISH MY 5TH GRADE STUDENTS A SWEET VALENTINE'S DAY! - CHANDA



Happy Valentines Day and Happy Birthday 2/24 to my one and only-Gerald G. American Horse! I hope you have many more to share with me. I love you very much! Love always Shannon J.

**Happy Valentines Day to the kids who make our life more enjoyable and rewarding:
Our son, Wambli "thunder" Watson
Our daughters, Peyton American Horse, Skyla American Horse, Kristin Brave and Destiny Watson, and Our nieces, Nicole Bearing, Bonnie Sits Poor and Ehani Sits Poor
Love your mom and Dad, auntie and uncle, Shannon and Gerald**

Hey roost Happy Valentines Day and see you soon Handsome Blue Eyes Your fan club

I like to wish a Happy Birthday to Lil Jason D. Hope you enjoy your day! from auntie Nes

To my handsome sons Eric and Hunter Long with hugs and kisses xoxoxo
Have a Happy Valentines Day Love always Jack and Kelly Long

Happy 9th Birthday to Lil Jas from your family, Dad Jason and Jen, Wakinyan, and Brittany
We love you!

**Happy Valentines Day to my Special Friend way out in California Dave S.
I just want you to know how important you are to me, knowing that you care and understand me, that you trust and believe in me. I just want you to know that I know how wonderful you are, that I do care and that I do love you as a freind. Love always
Cathy Dubray and boys**

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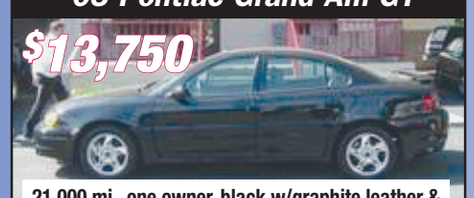


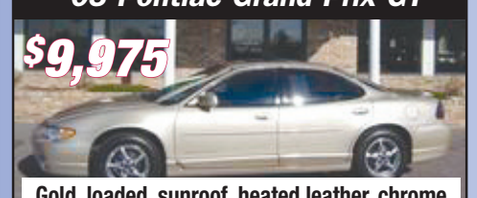
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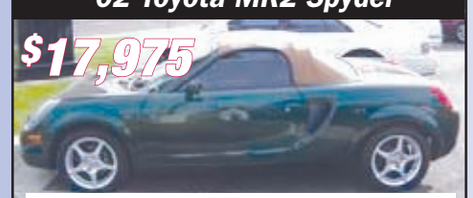
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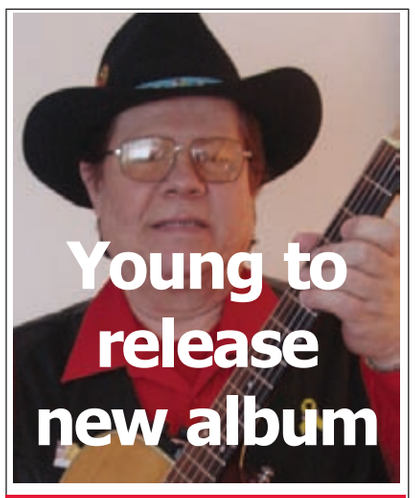
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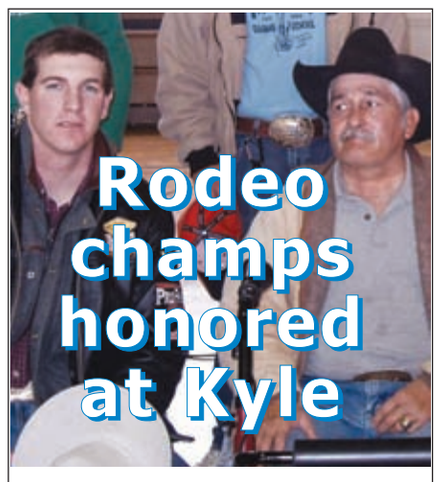
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KILI 90.1 celebrates 23 years Feb. 25

BY AMANDA T. WAR BONNETT
Time's Editor

PORCUPINE - On Saturday, Feb. 25, KILI Radio 90.1 F.M. of Porcupine will have an open house in honor of the station's 23rd anniversary. The open house will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will be refreshments and guests can pick up a free calendar.

Melanie Janis, general manager of the station, encourages community to stop at the station and visit the DJs and put a face with the voice.

Station staff are Tom Casey, who is economic developer; Melanie Janis, general manager; Wilson "Buzz" Two Lance, program manager; Derek Janis, program coordinator; Jennie Thunder Hawk, receptionist and Lorestta Two Hearts, reception and production.

Volunteer deejays include Mitch Wisecarver, Miquel "Mugs" Cross, Mary White Face, Marie Fox Belly, Bryant High Horse, the Jersey Girls, Misty Thunder Hawk, Darvis Weston, Erma Maldonado.

The radio station has a wide range of programs from children to the elderly. KILI Radio air time goes from 6 a.m. to 2 a.m.

Program scheduling includes the diabetes prevention program, Wakanyeja Owiciyakapi, Oglala Sioux health education, Oglala Housing, Oglala Lakota College education department, Anpetu Luta, the horse show, tribal issues, Porcupine School, Little Wound School, voices of youth from Pine Ridge High School and Little Wound School, foster grand parents program, youth opportunity

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Rosebud tribal members enact civil rights group

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

ST. FRANCIS - The Owl Bonnet Civil and Human Rights group met at the St. Francis community center on Sunday, Feb. 19 at 1:00 p.m. The purpose was to elect officers for the rights group while considering future initiatives that the group might engage itself in.

A sign in sheet was available for sign-in and Home Whirlwind Soldier said the meal prayer. Whirlwind Soldier began the meeting by citing some very negligible statistics with respect to car accidents and the fact that many tribal members have to be flown out to Rapid City. The number of accidents from each community is alarming and he wondered what the reason was. He said, "The political climate is not healthy at Rosebud. It is hard to get doctors here because of politics."



Alfred Bone Shirt



Homer Whirlwind Soldier

A total of 13 people were in attendance at the meeting. Whirlwind Soldier made the point that others expressed a desire to be there, but had not shown up. He felt that if any future documents were drawn up their signatures could easily be secured from those who signed on as members, but were not at the meeting.

A number of people expressed their frustration at having their civil rights violated or knowing someone who had confronted the system and were contending with a number of complicating issues that were not being resolved. Ron Neiss, utilizing his previous RST council experience, spoke of his frustration of paying illegal taxes when shopping and paying his utilities. He noted that such taxes as the gross receipts tax, a public utility tax and a two percent tax that were levied when he paid his bills simply was illegal. It amounts to a tax commission issue that needs to be confronted.

Alfred Bone Shirt said, "We have to advocate for the civil rights of people. The only thing we have is the foundation of ourselves.

Apparently, there is a charter for a Sicangu Lakota Civil and Human Rights group that was passed by the RST tribal council on March 12, 1998.

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Women's rights on shaky ground

BY ROSE CORDIER
Time's Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Ignoring requests from the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Treaty Council the Tribal Council approved a motion to bar women from sitting on the RST Treaty Council. The action has been termed by some as a huge set back for women's rights.

The motion was made at a tribal council meeting here on February 8, by Rosebud Councilwoman Fern Bordeaux-Boltz. At a previous meeting held on January 11, Bordeaux-Boltz made a similar motion requesting that the "individual female sitting on the treaty council be asked to resign her post and the at-large position be advertised."

Both motions were made on the basis of historical reasons according to Bordeaux-Boltz. Women were never allowed to sit on the Lakota treaty councils in the 1800s when the treaties were made,

Bordeaux-Boltz explained the historical rationale to the tribal council and several tribal council members agreed.

The tribal council action appears to be directly aimed at Valerie Crazy Bull, the lone female member of the RST Treaty Council who was elected to the position in April 2004.

In a January 24 letter to RST President Rodney Bordeaux, Crazy Bull expressed concerns that she is being unfairly discriminated against. Some treaty council members said they are surprised and disappointed in the tribal council's actions. "Valerie has done nothing wrong whatsoever to warrant this personal attack. She is a member in good standing and it is obvious that the tribal council has been used to launch a retaliatory effort against Valerie," stated a tribal member.

The RST Treaty Council discussed this issue at their meeting on February 7, and member Seth Big Crow made a motion to request the tribal council to rescind their motion for the "female" to resign from the treaty council. Big Crow said that women of the tribe have the same rights as men and their equal protection of the law is upheld by

the tribal constitution, the Indian Bill of Rights, and the Indian Civil Rights Act.

The most recent newcomer to the nine member treaty council, Ruben McCloskey, disagreed with Big Crow. "If the federal government wanted

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Tribal gaming compact is killed by House subcommittee

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

PIERRE - SB 167 entitled to "Revise the conditions under which the state may enter into gaming compacts with Indian tribes." was defeated in the House State Affairs Committee on Friday. The bill would have allowed the South Dakota legislature final say so in gaming compacts with tribes in terms of negotiating for additional machines and new casino locations.

Senator Dave Knudson was the sponsor of the bill and role call vote of 13-0-0 prevailed and deferred SB 167 to the thirty-sixth legislative day. Apparently, it is a coded reference to legislation that is essentially killed and will not see another vote in its present form.



Ruth Brown



Rep. Jim Bradford

Heretofore, the Governor has been appointed the sole representative for the state in negotiating gaming compacts with various Sioux tribes. This process is spelled out in the Indian Gaming Regulatory act and appears to work adequately for all involved. Eight of thirty states allow the Governor to be the final authority in this process.

Proponents of the state who were advocating for the legislature to remove this function from the Governor's office included several legislators on the House side. Opponents of the issue included the Governor's office, Kurt Luger, SD Great Plains Indian Gaming, Marc Allen, Flandreau Sioux Tribe, Ron His Horse is Thunder of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, and Rep. Paul Valandra.

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program, child care program, OST employee assistant program, and parenting by Carol Herrerra.

In December the radio station took a step forward and provide through their website steaming audio for listeners with Internet.

Janis said, "We need dollars to continue to provide the Internet service. We have had 13,000 listeners since December from all over the world."

She said at the beginning the station was able to provide Internet access for 300 listeners at one time and since then had to cut it down to 100 in order to be affordable. "We are hoping to up that again but we need money to do it," she said.

A pow wow anniversary celebration will held at a later time she said and that will announced. She emphasized that the stations takes donations of any kinds, money, coffee cups, candles, coffee to name a few.



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Civil rights group meets to elect officers

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The Owl Bonnet group, however, desires to operate independently of tribal council interference and create their own charter at a future date.

The group agreed that the foundation of its existence must be traditional Lakota law and treaties. Whirlwind Soldier said that the group could be chartered under the traditional Owl Bonnet Council of Elders, which has a membership of 400 elders.

Whirlwind Soldier was elected as president of the group, while Alfred Bone Shirt was nominated at vice president.

Archie Beauvais was appointed the treasurer and Archie Little is the sergeant of arms. Other members in attendance included, Rose Stenstrom, Ron Neiss, Belva Black Lance, Levi Big Crow, Rosalie Whirlwind Soldier, Lillian Fast Dog. Amanda Takes War Bonnett of Martin was also a guest in attendance.

Whirlwind Soldier will announce the next meeting of the Owl Bonnet Civil and Human Rights group in two weeks and at that time the group will decide on the process to take complaints, while drafting a new charter.

Lakota women's rights on shaky ground

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women to sit on (the) treaty council, they would've let women sign our treaties," McCloskey stated emphatically, "I agree with the tribal council, women have their place and it's not on the treaty council!"

McCloskey was recently appointed to the RST Ethics Commission by the tribal council also.

Victor Douville, Sinte Gleska University professor and Lakota historian and author, addressed the treaty council stating that he was shocked when he heard the tribal council discussion and subsequent motion while the meeting was being broadcast over radio station KINI.

Douville said that our tribe should encourage and support ourwomen adding that, "Times change and sometimes we need to change with the times."

Present tribal law in regard to treaty council membership does not exclude women from sitting on the treaty council.

In fact, tribal records show that several women have held seats on the treaty council at various times over the past several years including Rose Bear Robe, Rita Means, and Linda Marshall. Tribal law also provides for due process of law for individuals before being removed from appointed positions.

When it was suggested to the tribal council that perhaps Crazy Bull's civil rights may have been violated by their action, Antelope Community Council Representative, Robert Moore, guaranteed the council that the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) would not touch the case if it was brought before them by Crazy Bull or anyone else.

Dorothy Marshall, Chairperson of the grassroots organization, Lakota Women for Change, said that the tribal council's action in this case adversely affects the entire female population of the tribe. Marshall said the group will discuss the discrimination issue at their next meeting on Sunday.

Gaming bill defeated

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Opponents said that the process would be too cumbersome if it had to wait for the input of 105 legislators who only meet once a year. It would also lead to uncertainty in economic development for Sioux tribes as they would have to wait for the legislator to meet.

Rep. Jim Bradford said that the House sent the Senate a message in the unanimous vote and that the issue will not likely come again this year. In working behind the scenes Bradford said it was his job to get the tribal council representatives to the hearing. He also spoke to the committee members before the hearing was held. Bradford said that the call-in show on KILI radio was very helpful. He said, "We wanted our experts on gaming there. Also, Will Peters and Ruth Brown were present and that was helpful. We wanted a unified appearance. We agreed beforehand that there would be no negative comments made. We knew how they would vote as long as we stayed positive. The way they do business in Pierre is very professional."

Bradford predicted the defeat of this measure on Feb. 13 and at that time pleaded with the public to write their legislators and to ask them to oppose the legislation. Sen. Theresa Two Bulls of Pine Ridge also went on record as opposing this issue earlier.

Will Peters, council representative for Pine Ridge and Ruth Brown, council representative from Eagle Nest district went on air on KILI Radio 90.1 F.M. on Wednesday and Thursday last week and urged community members to call or email their state legislators to oppose SB 167. Peters challenged the people to take an interest and strongly oppose the bill and to be heard.

The Oglala Sioux tribe and the Rosebud Sioux tribe have been hopeful that if they collaborate with other Sioux tribes in South Dakota and approach the Governor enmasse he may be open to negotiating for more machine and other locations without interference or input of the legislature.

Such gaming compacts are vital to the economic forecast of tribal budgets. For example, the level of profits that the Rosebud Sioux Tribe has experienced from its casino has essentially moderated. More creative ways to utilize the profits will have to be explored or negotiations may have to be examined in order to increase the number of gaming devices or the possibility of negotiating for an additional casino cannot be abandoned.





Whirlwind Soldier released on bond

RAPID CITY -- A Rosebud public official facing a drug charge has been released from jail on a personal recognizance bond.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Mark Moreno agreed last week to release Travis Whirlwind Soldier, 28, Mission, from custody on several conditions, including one requiring him to live with his uncle, Timothy Colombe, in Rapid City. Whirlwind Soldier was ordered to remain at Colombe's home daily between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m.

Whirlwind Soldier has served as the Rosebud Sioux Tribe's public defender for about two years. He was arrested Dec. 19 at the tribal courthouse after being indicted on a charge of conspiracy to distribute a controlled substance, in connection with an alleged conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine between Oct. 1, 2003, and Aug. 18, 2005.

Under the conditions of his release, Whirlwind Soldier was also ordered not to enter Rosebud Indian Reservation without court authorization and not to contact any of the 49 people listed in the court order.

If convicted of the charge, Whirlwind Soldier could face a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison and a $1 million fine.

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Casey helps South Dakota State avenge early season loss to NDSU

Pine Ridge rolling into District 14A with number one seed and momentum

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent

BROOKINGS - "This was a great win for us, both long overdue and much needed," said SDSU coach, Scott Nagy following the SDSU 67-65 win Saturday over North Dakota State University, "It was a real team effort, the football players contributed, Jose stepped up for a good game and Mackenzie Casey came out in the second half and gave us the energy and spark we needed to get the win; he is the quickest ballplayer on the team and we used him to counteract the physical play of the Bison guards."

Casey, a sophomore from Wounded Knee and a graduate of Red Cloud, hit the floor running with just under 14 minutes left in the game. The point guard quickly hit a pull up jumper for two points and followed it up midway through the second half with a catch and shoot three pointer from the top of the key. Late in the game as points became a premium he curled around his defender for a lay-up giving the Jacks a three point lead. SDSU had both of their remaining big men foul out with over five minutes left in the game and football players, Chris Wagner and Matt Steffin came in and helped SDSU hold on for the win.

In mid January North Dakota State clobbered the Jackrabbits 86-56 and later went on to upset Wisconsin in Madison, a team rated number 13 in the nation at the time. SDSU overcame the suspension of their top two rebounders, junior Mohamed Berte and red shirt freshman Andre Gilbert and used four football players to augment the undermanned Jacks. Matt Cadwell struggled all game to get his shots to fall but ended up with 16 points. Ben Beran helped with 15 points and Michael Loney chipped in 14 as SDSU picked up their eighth win of the season against 17 losses.



South Dakota State got some payback over North Dakota State Saturday night in Brookings as the Jacks beat the Bison 67-65, Mackenzie Casey, a sophomore point guard from Wounded Knee looks for the open man, he was three for three from the field for seven points in his best offensive outing of the year; Photo courtesy of South Dakota State University

"We lost our top scorer at the end of November and had our top two rebounders suspended at the end of January and we had to recruit some players from the football team, its been a tough year," said Nagy, "but I want to say that players like Mackenzie have really helped, he has a great attitude, works hard every day in practice and is ready to contribute whenever he is called on each game."

Casey started the year in a regular rotation but through the last part of the season has been on a roller coaster as for as playing time getting 20 minutes against Minnesota, two minutes against southeast Missouri and 25 minutes in Bozeman against Montana State. and two and a half in the overtime loss to Middle Tennessee State.

SDSU finishes the season, their first full year with a Division I schedule, on the road with a game Wednesday in Ft. Wayne, Ind. Saturday in Edinburg, Tex. against Texas Pan American and two games in

Thorpes clobber Custer at home after road win over McLaughlin

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - The Custer Wildcats with coach Larry Luitjens back in the harness kept the game close with Pine Ridge on Saturday down by only two at the end of three quarters but the Thorpes lit up the nets for 29 points in the fourth while holding the Wildcats to just five points for a 60-34 win in Pine Ridge.

Pine Ridge picked up their 15th win of the season against three losses as junior John Provost led the Thorpes with 20 points, Brandon Brown helped with 13, Ryan Pourier added 12 and Jeff Big Crow threw in 11. Custer was led by Trevor Cook who had 18.

On Thursday, The Thorpes braved the winter weather and traveled to McLaughlin to take on Hank Taken Alive's Midgets in a late season game. Ryan Pourier had one of his better games this season hitting for 14 points in the first half to set the tone and Pine Ridge hung on in the fourth for a 62-58 win.

McLaughlin was down by nine at the end of the third and proceeded to outscore Pine Ridge 15-10 in the fourth but came up four points short.

Pourier finished with a game high 19 points and eight rebounds to lead Pine ridge, Brandon Brown chipped in 13 points, five rebounds and three assists while Jeff Big Crow came off the bench in the second quarter for eight of his ten points and also helped with five boards.

Francis Eagle Staff led the Midgets with 13 points, Joe Yellow Fat came off the bench to score 12 points and grab eight rebounds and Tyson Maxon chipped in 10 points. The Thorpes finish the regular season on the road at St. Francis on Friday and with their number one seed in District 14A they will host Bennett County on Tuesday, Feb. 28.

St. Francis bounced back from their 84-81 double overtime loss to Cheyenne Eagle Butte on Saturday to knock off Red Cloud 77-71 and end their six game win streak on Monday night.

Taylor Brushbreaker hit 11 threes and 37 points in a losing cause on Saturday. The warriors came back on Monday with five players in double figures and a six point win over Red Cloud. JJ Arcoren hustled his way to team high honors with 20 points. Travis Spotted War Bonnett added 13 points and nine boards, Travis Spotted Horse helped with 12 points and nine rebounds, Brusbreaker hit for 12 and Kris Leroy added 18 points.

Red Cloud's Johnny Crow registered a double double with 25 points and 10 rebounds and Christian McGhee helped with six threes and 23 points.

St. Francis will host Pine Ridge on Friday then host Little Wound on Tuesday in a first round District 14A game. Red Cloud is currently the number one seed in 15A and will host Hot Springs on Tuesday; Custer will host Hill City.

Area boy's basketball scores

Pine Ridge 60-34 Custer
Pine Ridge 62-58 McLaughlin
Todd County 64-61OT Gregory
Chey. Eagle Butte 84-81 2OT St. Francis
Jones County 101-71 Bennett County
Chamberlain 68-58 McLaughlin
White River 79-55 Todd County
Dupree 85-55 Midland
Takini 47-46 Tiospaye Topa
Sisseton 64-52 Tiospa Zina
Lower Brule 74-55 Crow Creek
Red Cloud 65-37 Hot Springs
Dell Rapids 70-56 Fland. Ind.
Flandreau 74-34 Fland Ind.
Dupree 58-34 Tiospaye Topa
White River 66-47 Lyman

Pine Ridge, Todd County qualify two wrestlers a piece to the State A Wrestling tourney in Watertown

Michaud moves up to 189, qualifies with a second

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - After wrestling all year at 171 pounds, compiling a 30-1 record and a number two ranking in the state at 171, Dave "Bulldawg" Michaud, a junior at Pine Ridge, was forced to move up to 189 in the Region 3A tourney and lost out in the championship 5-3 to Jade Cowan, a senior from Pierre.

"After the injury to his neck became such a problem, we didn't know if he would even wrestle at all for the rest of this year," said Dave Michaud, Sr., Pine Ridge coach, "Bulldawg had to rest to let it recuperate enough to wrestle in the regions, so we had no choice to move him up and as it is the doctor will only let compete if he agrees to not get a cortisone shot or take any pain killers so ideally the pain will keep him from injuring it further."

Albert Her Many Horses, a junior from Todd County, took third in the regions and will take a 30-7 record and a ranking of ninth in 125 to the state tourney in Watertown this weekend. Her Many Horses will face Josh LeMair, a junior from Madison who is 22-14 on the season.

Chris Rahn, also a junior at Todd County, took third in the heavyweight, 275 pounds and will take his 24-12 record up against Joe Darrington, a senior from Brookings with a 20-14 record.

Kellie Pulliam, a senior from Pine Ridge, qualified for state by taking fourth in 135; his season record is 31-14 and he will wrestle Shaun Larsen, a senior from Sturgis who comes in at 38-6. Pulliam ended up on crutches after taking an injury default in his third place match.

Michaud says he'll be ready for his match on Friday at State. "Bulldawg was really hurting before the final match and I wanted him to forfeit the final match, he wouldn't," said coach Michaud, "I'm worried about him injuring his neck more and he's talking about winning the whole thing." Bulldawg took second last year in state at 160.

Derrick Locke, a sophomore from Tiospa Zina won this year's Lakota Nation wrestling tourney at 275 and even though he has been playing basketball all season has qualified for the State B Wrestling tourney scheduled for Friday and Saturday at the Barnett Center in Aberdeen. Locke's season record stands at 9-3 and he will face Seth Dawson, a junior from Howard who comes in at 27-10.

The top four wrestlers in each weight division qualify for the state wrestling tourney.

Lady Thorpes knock off St. Stephans and McLaughlin, finish regular season on a high note

PINE RIDGE - St. Stephans blew into town from Arapaho, WYO on Monday and the Lady Thorpes rang up 76 second half points for a 131-45 win on Monday. For the second time this year Pine Ridge hit for 130 plus points in a game. During the Lakota Nation, Pine Ridge knocked off Crazy Horse 130-10.

Six girls hit double figures for Pine Ridge as the Lady Thorpes picked up their 11th win of the season. Deana Big Crow scored 21 of her game high 28 points in the second half, Keisha Brewer finished with 27 points and 10 rebounds while Robin Webber hit for three threes and 19 points. Lacey Weston helped with 14 points and 12 boards and Sophia Janis ended up with 11 points. Christian Janis, an eighth grader came up two assists short of a triple double as she hit for 13 points, grabbed 11 rebounds and dished out eight assists.

Up 55-22 at the half, Pine Ridge hit for 31 points in the third and 45 in the fourth. Devon Red Cloud chipped in nine points of the bench and Amanda Catches added seven.

On Thursday, Pine Ridge braved the snow and cold weather to travel to McLaughlin and closed out the regular season with a 74-60 win over the McLaughlin Lady Midgets.

Balanced scoring set the tone for the Lady Thorpes as they broke open a close game in the fourth behind Lacey Weston's five field goals and Robin Webbers eight points; up by five after one and only four after the second and third quarters, Pine Ridge rolled to the 14 point road win with a strong fourth quarter.

Lacey Weston scored a game high 21 points and grabbed 11 rebounds while Deana Big Crow helped with 13 points, Keisha Brewer added 12, Robin Webber had 12 and Aimee Pond chipped in 10. Germaine Morrison and Carissa Brown Otter led McLaughlin with 15 points

Pine Ridge finished the regular season with a record of 12-8 and with the number three seed in District 14A travel to Kyle Tuesday for their first round game with Little Wound, the number two seed in the district. Bennett County earned the number one seed and will host St. Francis on Tuesday. Winners play on Thursday at Rapid City Stevens for the District 14A championship and the opportunity to move on to the region 7A game and the chance to go to the State A tourney in Mitchell, the second weekend of March.

Pine Ridge and Little Wound have played three times this year with Little Wound winning all three, 60-49 at the Lakota Nation, 73-63 in overtime at Kyle and 64-62 in Huron for the Dakota Oyate Challenge championship.

Little Wound finished off their regular season on Saturday with 57-43 win over Crow Creek and ended up with a 16-2 record, their Friday game with Cheyenne Eagle Butte was cancelled due to the weather.

Area Scores

Chamberlain 49-47 McLaughlin
Dupree 45-42 Bison
Waverly South Shore 430-14 Tiospa Zina
Pine Ridge 74-60 McLaughlin
St. Francis 93-16 Crazy Horse
Flandreau Ind. 62-47 Lake Benton, MN
Wagner JV 54-50 Marty Indian
Lower Brule 55-52 Sunshine Bible
Tiospaye Topa 60-49 Takini
Kadoka 55-42 Dupree
Little Wound 69-19 St. Francis
Flandreau 63-44 Fland Ind.
Todd County 66-48 South Central
McLaughlin 56-29 Lemmon

Lady Tetons struggle on the road with two losses as season winds down

DEVILS LAKE, N.Dak. - In two road games this week,the Lady Tetons of Williston State held the lead at the half but couldn't finish it out as they lost to Lake Region State College 76-59 and to Miles Community College 95-90 in two overtimes.

In a hard fought battle with the Royals, the Lady Tetons were up 34-33 at the half but turnovers got the best of them as they turned the ball over 24 times to just 11 for Lake Region. Pine Ridge's Laura Big Crow helped the cause with 17 points and nine rebounds while Red Cloud's Tate Locust chipped in four points as WSC loses for the third time this season to Lake Region.

Earlier in the week, the Lady Tetons traveled to Miles Community College in Montana and once again held a lead at the half, this time up by three but end up tied at 69 at the end of regulation and tied at 82 at the end of the first overtime only to lose it in the second OT 95-90. Big Crow led the team with 24 points while Locust added four off the bench.

Williston State has a record of 21-6 with two home games left on the regular season schedule as they host Dawson Community College on Monday and finish their schedule hosting Bismarck State on March 1 with regionals set for March 8.

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'Call to action" heard lound and clear by Lakota Oyate

The flurry of activity and the "Call To Action" last week by Will Peters, OST council representative from Pine Ridge and Ruth Brown, OST council representative from Eagle Nest district was reminiscent of getting out the vote for Senator Tim Johnson and Representative Stephanie Herseth a couple of years ago.

The purpose was to rally people to call respective state legislators to vote against SB 167 which would have spelled doom for negotiating tribal gaming compacts with the Governor of South Dakota.

At present, the Governor is the sole authority when negotiating with the nine tribes within the state's boundaries. Any interference by the state legislature in curtailing that process surely would have impacted any long term economic development planning, since they only meet once a year.

For any skeptics who think that working behind the scenes is a waste of time and accomplishes nothing, the defeat of SB 167 is a clear example that sensitizing people to the issues that could potentially affect them is an obligation that we all need to share in.

The benefit that we all share in when something good comes out of such lobbying also reminds us that we all need to lobby also.

Two weeks ago in *Lakota Country Times*, Rep. Jim Bradford urged people to take opposition to the anti-tribal gaming bill and it takes unity to protect the resources of the tribes.

The Lakota Oyate were witness this past week to what true unity can actually accomplish. We can develop and implement our own presence in this state with unity and communication.

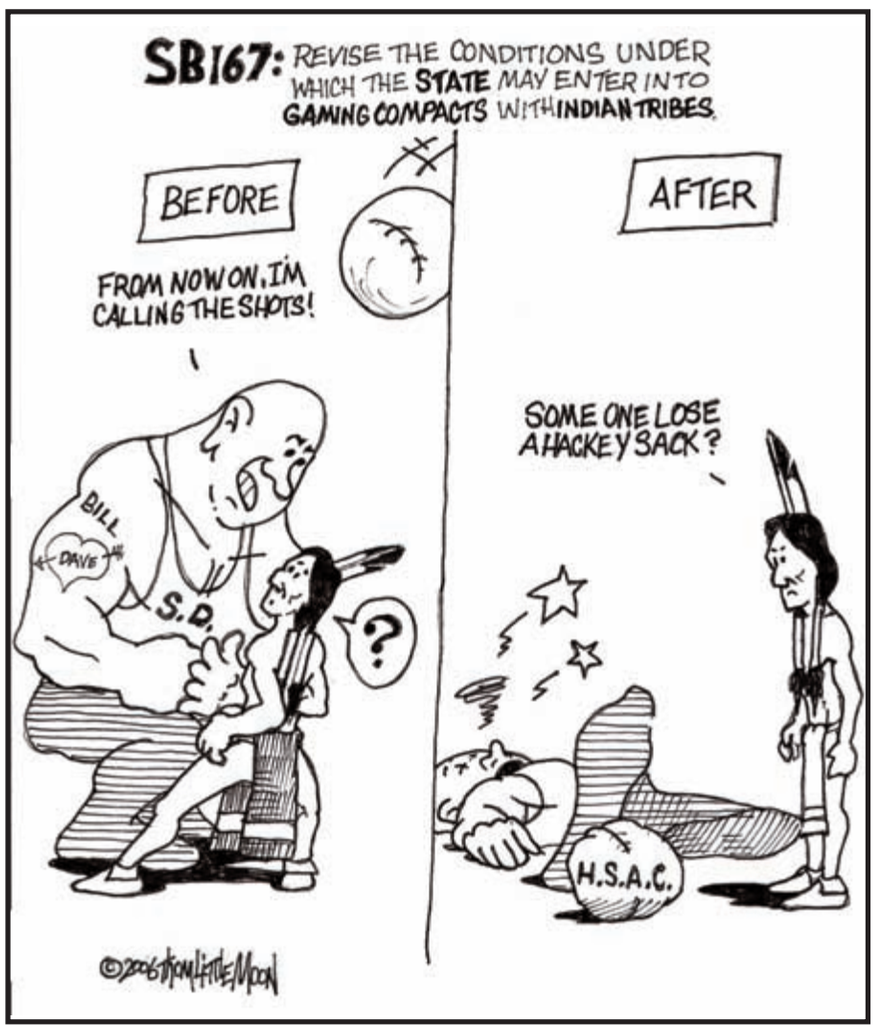
The lesson learned on that cold Friday morning in Pierre, was that as a strong united people we send a message to the state of South Dakota that our voice matters and that our voice will no longer be silenced.

We think they got the message.

Another fine example of 'watch dog' status is the state Senatorial campaigns two years ago, which tribal nations within the state banded to show their vote.

Thankfully, Lakota people do not always lose in South Dakota as there are many state legislators who believe in a common sense approach to resolving such contentious issues and this was borne out by the unanimous vote against SB 167.

We applaud the the state legislators voting their conscience. And we applaude the Lakota people for demanding that vote.



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Thoughts that come from the heart

'Blackout' brings back memories of storytelling nights



By Amanda Takes War Bonnett

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Yesterday night, the lights went out in 'Georgia', but it didn't really happen as it did in Georgia, it was more of a cold, dark, spooky night rather than the implications of the song.

Actually what happened was the power went out in area of Martin, Kyle, Allen, Sharp's Corner and Pine Ridge for more than four hours. I was at work, tending to the paper as this was deadline night. The lights went out and to be honest, I thought my lights went out. I heard a pop and everything went black and I had to touch my face to make sure I was still where I was suppose to be.

Although the event put us a little behind in our quest to get the paper, it proved to be a learning experience for me.

I used the light on my 'commod' cell phone to find my way out of the office and to my car. From that point I made my way to my nieces where I waited until the lights came back on. During that time, several of us women who belong in our women's society got together and waited together with warm blankets, and candles,that sent warm yellow flickers of light across the walls. We had no TV, no radio, even our cell phones went dead after awhile.

Watching the flickering of those candles brought back memories of my childhood when I listened to my mother, who I thought and still think today was the greatest storyteller there ever was, tell stories at night while with the just the light from the fire of the big woodstove glowing across the room. Her name was Rebecca Cottier-Apple and she was instrumental in giving me the structure of what I am today.

My mother had 10 children of her own, and two step daughters. When she died, she had 68 grandchildren and 98 grand children and four great grand children.

She died in 1998 at the age of 76-years old and she left a legacy in her children, grand children and great grandchildren.

I loved my mother very much. My adolescent years I spent with her came at a time when she had time to teach me. At that time, there was the last three of us younger children in the home and I was the oldest of the three. She gave me love, responsibility and she taught me lessons in life. She had the time to do it because we were all she had in the home.

When I was ten years old and younger, I was around her a lot and I and my younger siblings slept with her until I and my sister were old enough to have our own bed. Or I should say, until we got a bigger house to have our own bed.

My most influential lessons came at night. The oldest children lived downstairs and had their wood stove and we slept upstairs with a big black wood stove to keep us warm at night. At night my dad would keep the fire going.

It was those times when the fire was going but it was still chilly against the wall where I lay. The quilts she made kept us warm. They were made of heavy cloth and tacked. I felt the warmth of her love as she would stroke my forehead and I lay all wrapped in quilts and there is where I learned stories that taught me about life and what values I took with me into my adulthood.

She would tell stories that took me into a world where I learned about values and what to expect in life.

She was a great story teller, as she was a writer and she taught with those skills, things we needed to know in life. She had that storytelling knack where I could hear the feel the wind, see the details of the prairie she described, see the characters in full form and feel the emotions of happiness, contentment, sadness and what we learned from the outcome of the story. Mostly every story had a moral.

I learned to respect myself as a woman from those stories and I learned about the "trickster" that could trick me in life if I let him.

I put myself into those characters she wove out of words and emotion. She told us many stories and how we took the stories created a story of our own. Some of those stories taught me my morals and my values of life.

She was a gifted storyteller and maybe I thougth she was because I didn't have have modern entertainment tools during that time to compare her abilities.

Those were the times before we had a television blarring in our living room, sometimes in every other room. Those were the times before CDs, stereos and video games and Internet that keep our children occupied.

Today we have to take the best of our traditional upbringing and incorporate it with what our children have to deal with in their environment and give them a foundation to succeed in.

Eagle Hunter violated cultural protocol

Dear Editor

On Feb. 3, I rode on horse back, along with my family and friends following the Sacred Staff. Even though there was no tobacco offered to meet and discuss the Bundle that Pte San Win brought to our people, I chose to come to a meeting to address these negative concerns as called by Butch Chasing Hawk, also known as Eagle Hunter. Even though these things should not happen while my family is in mourning, this is part of our traditional knowledge.

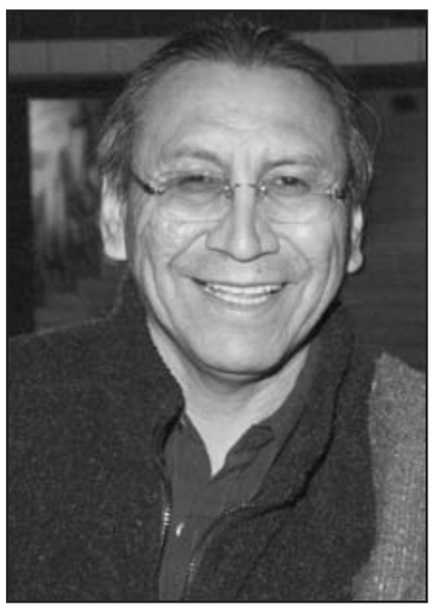
I felt that through prayer, good things can come from this meeting. It was decided to follow the protocols of this Bundle and ride with prayers of forgiveness of how we, the Lakota, have lost our ways and make good of the negative that has already begun. By this I mean that protocols in even discussing the Bundle of Pte San Win were not met by the 'man' who called the meeting, so we did our best to bring goodness to what has already happened.

My relatives, with help from the Tribe, ended up feeding and housing the People, which were not prepared by Eagle Hunter and his "followers", they did not follow traditional protocol. When a person calls the people together, they were to provide for the people. Many people came, all chipping in with gas money and needs for the meeting, from Pine Ridge, Rosebud, Standing Rock, including Dakota relatives from the east. A financial hardship that was uncalled for.

The meeting was documented by Elders with tape recorders and video footage from the Cultural Center and people. So what I am saying here is true.

There were many instances that happened in the meeting that showed the Traditional People the lack of respect. Even as the Staffs were brought in and presented, Eagle Hunter pushed his way to speak, ignoring the request for opening prayers for a good meeting and he began his accusations. After his speech, he would not even stand in respect or remove his covering of his hat, when we finally did make prayers. The prayers made were for the Oyate, Unci Maka and for good things to come from the meeting.

Eagle Hunter began to explain the interpretation of "san" as in Pte San win. His thoughts were that it really meant old grey buffalo. "San" can mean grey, faded or white, it is a sacred name that can mean different colors, but our people always identified the color as white, as in "a-nu kan san" meaning that the eagle has white at both ends. His then even challenged the People that they are following this way of life and questioned their lack of knowledge in the seven sacred rites



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Instead he stated the cultural values and virtues were the seven sacred rites. The seven sacred rites are ceremonies that we were passed down to help the People in our cultural 'way of life' for health and honor of themselves, on behalf of their Oyate. With those rites came protocols and responsibilities in order to maintain them in a good way, on behalf of the future generations to come.

The Bundle is a spirit and travels with me. Many of the People who bring me to these gatherings know this as being true. This is what I see is the problem in Eagle Hunter and the five people who stood with him at his meeting, they do not understand the Bundle's strength of being a spirit, that travels anywhere in the world, where even just tobacco is laid down, we can still connect to the help of the Tunka Oyate (spirits, grandfathers) through the Bundle, to seek help in our health and concerns.

During the meeting, two other people stood up with accusations, Shirley and Derek Fiddler. Both of them stated inaccurate history of the Bundle and the sacred gourd that I retrieved from the Pierre Museum that belonged to our Grandfather Elk Head. It was decided back then, because of their family's constant controversy of being more closely related, that my family allowed them to take the sacred gourd in a good way through ceremony of passing to Buzzie Black Bear. We felt maybe this would assist them in bringing them back to following our Traditional way of life. Grandfather Elk Head had chosen to follow Christianity with his family.

This was the reason why my Great Grandmother was passed the Bundle, but keep in mind; it was passed through reaching an understanding through prayer for the decision that included Elk Head himself. Even then in concern of the gourd, Buzzie chose to not go through the ceremony

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It's hard to 'Indianize' institutions in Lakota Country



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It is hard to "Indianize" institutions in Lakota country

When Indian self-determination, Indian education and cultural pride was really getting off the ground in the 1970s, we mistakenly thought that the percentage of Lakota people employed in our local institutions would increase dramatically and if nothing else, the percentage of Indian to non-Indians would be consistent with the populations they served. Boy, were we ever wrong.

Our tribal colleges, public schools, tribal schools and the hospitals, on the contrary, do not employ enough of our own people. With the entire payroll that is generated in Lakota country, most of it surely goes off of the 'rez' and does not get turned over.

If more Lakota people were employed in our communities the money would stay here and be utilized by small business entrepreneurs to create other opportunities for Lakota people.

There is no easy answer to increasing the percentage of Lakota people.

We have many non-Indians who work amongst us and for those of us who would like to see more of a Lakota workforce, that sentiment might be seen as a racist statement. However, former Rosebud Sioux Tribe chairman, Charles Colombe, said that it wasn't right that we had a relatively high number of non-tribal members working at our casino.

This is our homeland and we should be able to advocate for more Lakota people to serve as positive role model. We need our own lawyers, physicians, teachers and blue color workforce.

For those Lakota people who earned their credentials and training years ago, they probably cannot believe that the number of Lakota people working in our vital institutions has not increased to any significant degree. Our children need to see people who look like them, staring back at them and only then will they see that they can be teachers, doctors and lawyers and even, Indian chiefs.

The fact that our culture is being assaulted and bombarded by outside influences speaks to the need to reclaim and revitalize our language. It is slipping to the wayside ever so slowly and one day we will awaken and realize that only a small percentage of people speak Lakota. It's a sad scenario, but we can increase morale and decrease our staggering unemployment rate if would hire our own talented people. I don't really count, however, as I am unemployed part time and there isn't much call for doctoral level credentials in my community. I really should have filtered into white society and taken one of their jobs from them, much like we see in our own backyard.

I have some very dear white friends, so anything I say is not personal and they realize that. In fact, one of my white friends often says that Lakota people have a right to be prejudiced themselves as much has been taken from us in the form of land, natural resources and our pride.

It probably will not get any easier as we continue to employ many outsiders who have no significant stake in our communities, but there are no easy answers.

Many work here during the day, but live in a neighboring town that don't like Lakota people anyway. They would never think about enrolling their children in our schools, but that's another issue.

Anyway, I would challenge every institution on the 'rez' to hire more Lakota people, but that would be only wishful thinking.

We tend not to be cohesive as a people and that kind of tension among our own leads to the hiring of more outsiders who will not represent a threat to us. It is an interesting mix of politics and employment. And so it is just another day on the 'rez' where the common Lakota loses over and over again.

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Notes From Indian Country

South Dakota legislator likens abortion to slavery



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Whenever the elected representatives in South Dakota gather for their annual assembly, I cringe.

There is a bill advancing in the South Dakota State Legislature, HB1215 that would place a ban on nearly all abortions.

South Dakota hopes to get itself on the national map by presenting itself as the guinea pig for anti-abortionists. Knowing full well that the action will be challenged and end up in front of the U. S. Supreme Court, the determinedly naïve delegates are willing to spend $1 million dollars of the taxpayer's money for this dubious distinction. Oh yes, they also claim that an anonymous donor is willing to foot the bill. Who is that donor and what are his, her or its motives? Our local daily mentioned the donation but did not investigate the donor.

Two representatives with a little common sense, Dale Hargens, D-Miller, and Tom Hennies, R-Rapid City, offered amendments to allow abortions for victims of rape or incest.

This prompted Larry Rhoden, R-Union Center, to bleat, "The way life is conceived does not lessen the preciousness of that life." That's right Mr. Rhoden, the pregnant woman should be forced to live with the assault or the act of incest for the rest of her life.

I don't mean to be flip about this but I am continuously appalled at the extreme right turn the state representatives have taken in the past few years. Mind you, these legislators are the descendants of those settlers who smiled in agreement when an editorial by L. Frank Baum in the Aberdeen (SD) Saturday Review, called for the extermination of the Indian people of South Dakota six days after the Massacre at Wounded Knee. Of course, we all know that Baum went on to national acclaim when 10 years later, he wrote "The Wizard of Oz."

In the 1970s when Indian women accused the Indian Health Service of secretly sterilizing them, their protests fell on deaf ears. Of course, these same legislators would have thought of this procedure as just another form of birth control and a bit more effective than the "abstinence" they a pushing.

Having published the obituaries in newspapers I have owned for the past 25 years, I know without a doubt that Indian babies are dying at a proportion much higher than that of the state's white population. I had to print their pitiful obits every week. Not once in all of those years did I ever hear one state representative cry out indignantly over this dreadful situation.

In support of his vote to ban abortion, Rhoden said, "At one time slavery was constitutional until somebody stood up, challenged it and said enough is enough." Slavery is comparable to abortion? Now where in the world did Rhoden come up with this twisted logic?

As I wrote recently, most white South Dakotans still believe Indians do not pay taxes and that we all get a check from the government every month. If they haven't got past this misconception in more than 100 years, where can we find progress?

At the massacre of Indian people at Wounded Knee and Sand Creek, American soldiers drove bayonets into the bellies of pregnant women killing the baby and the mother.

My point is that the biggest problem in South Dakota is not Roe v. Wade. Instead it is the horrendous race relations between Indians and whites. Many white visitors from back East are stunned to hear the racist remarks about Indians made to them by lifelong South Dakotans. As one visitor was told by a local, "Oh, you have to live here and see these drunks and crooks up close before you would ever understand."

I believe in human rights because I have seen the violation of human rights continuously in my 71 years on this earth and have, indeed, been a victim of the violation of those rights. Women have rights. They do not deserve to be pushed into a corner by those who use selective words like "Pro-life" to intimidate them. Of course this clearly makes the assumption that if one is not "Pro-life" they are "Pro-death."

I am neither "Pro-life" nor "Pro-death." Instead I am "Pro-woman." I also believe that what happens between a woman and her doctor is none of my business. But when a legislative body presumes that they can dictate the personal choices of a woman by law, I find that reprehensible.

Some of you should think back to the days when a man named Al Smith ran for the presidency of the United States and was attacked frequently because he was a Catholic. You may also recall when the Rev. Norman Vincent Peale assailed John F. Kennedy for his Catholicism. The reasoning was that Smith and Kennedy would get their instructions from Rome. This prompted Kennedy to retort; "Sometimes I find Paul appealing and Peale appalling."

But we should remember that instructions and decrees to the different Catholic churches and its parishioners in America do come from the Pope and they are then dispensed locally. I therefore find it ironic that there are now two Catholic Supreme Court Justices sitting on that bench and everyone knows that the Pope is opposed to abortion. Is there anything else the Pope is opposed that might find its way into the decisions of these two justices?

Abortion was not unknown to the indigenous people of this continent. When the hard times of famine became prevalent, Indian women reacted accordingly and kept the population down until better times arrived.

If this proposed law against abortion moves forward, all we can do in South Dakota is sit back and watch it wind its way to the Supreme Court. I think I will be ashamed to come from a state where the minority rights of women are trampled under because of the religious beliefs of the majority.

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to pass on the sacred gourd, instead, waited outside the inipi and took it and left. They made words that were not true that they won it in probate and court. Those laws do not have a place or voice in our Traditional 'way of life'. Even now I feel bad that the gourd that called me in storage at the museum to find; may not be used in the good way as intended.

Eagle Hunter spoke and left soon after, this showed me that he is not a traditional person. My sisters were going to present Eagle Hunter with a star quilt showing good relations, even after the trouble he was causing in our time of mourning, to show good energy, but even that he passed up. Instead he left in disrespect and did not sit and listen to the response of his accusations, no matter how hard it is. I had thought that this was the main reason why he posted in the paper, was to understand. He did not talk of his main issue of why the Itazipcola should have the Bundle and why he felt we were not following our traditions and culture, as he stated in the paper.

In the end, Dana Dupree spoke of researching Eagle Hunter's lineage and he is not an Itazipcola, therefore he spoke out of line again. Dana also testified the inaccuracy of Shirley Fiddler's statements were untrue of the gourd; with documentation available on record of that transaction.

They violated protocol, told lies and showed lack of respect for the Bundle and the teachings, bringing yet more confusion to our Oyate. Even so, they are my relatives; I will continue to hold their health and well-being in my prayers; to one day stand with us in prayer for what we face together in the sad future for our Oyate. But in the mean time, according to our traditional knowledge, they have crossed those boundaries of proper protocol and only produced violations that end up with this kind of decision - they no longer have a voice to gather the Oyate or discuss the Sacred Bundle!

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RST President Bordeaux provides update on his administration

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Time's Correspondent

ROSEBUD - In an effort to demonstrate open government and promote accessibility by the tribal membership, RST president Rodney M. Bordeaux provided an update on his first three and a half months in office. He was interviewed by Richard Iyotte of KINI 95.5 FM radio as a matter of public record and enumerated several priorities and initiatives that his office is working toward.

Bordeaux said, "I enjoy my work for the Sicangu oyate and with the tribal council." His administration is establishing tribal council committees, appointing a fair board, getting land leases set, and working resolutions to be passed for the 2007 federal budget. He noted that he has been working with his program directors in formulating a budget. Bordeaux said he was concerned at the prospect of the Johnson O'Malley being cut, as well as school construction funds.

He said, "RST program directors develop position statement and resolutions, while the council establishes priorities for funding. The list of priorities for funding include a host of tribal programs, including veterans affairs, childcare, the Spotted Tail Crisis Center, LIHEAP, the Wanbli Wiconi center, the tribal utilities commission, and education. A list of funding priorities was provided to the office of Sen. Tim Johnson."

Chief of Staff Michael LaPointe has been working hard on funding request and these will also be provided to the office of Sen. John Thune and Rep. Stephanie Herseth, according to Bordeaux's report.



Rodney Bordeaux, RST tribal president

There is a need to work closely with the South Dakota congressional delegation and the National Congress of American Indians in addressing concerns about the 2007 budget cuts as proposed by President Bush. Bordeaux said that RST has several lobbyists in Washington, DC in Ben Nighthorse Campbell, Shannon Atcitty and Night and Holland.

Adequate funding for the Indian Health Service hospital is always a concern for RST. Bordeaux noted that the per capita funding of $1,900.00 per patient was lower than that for prisoners in this country. Bordeaux's office recognizes the need to advocate for the re-authorization of more health care funds. He said there was a need to elevate the profile and importance of the I.H.S. in the hierarchy that is the federal government.

He said, "We need to constantly remind Congress of their treaty obligations when it comes to health care. Washington can't forget about us. Treaties are the supreme law of the land and we need to educate new congressmen."

The state of South Dakota is often at odds with RST and Bordeaux cited the work of the Defenders of the Black Hills as an example to establish a buffer zone around Bear Butte which was ultimately defeated in the legislature.

He did cite the case of SB 167, which would have allowed the state legislature to have the final word in negotiating gaming compacts with Indian tribes. The measure was defeated in a House committee.

Bordeaux also spoke of his relationship to other Sioux tribes in the region as well as his concern about the prospect of President Bush selling off public lands in the Black Hills.

His other priorities included finalizing the missile defense contract and going after more funds to continue that work which will provide 25-30 new technical jobs. A tribal grocery store in Mission and a substance abuse treatment center to treat methamphetamine abusers is also a priority. The ambulance service is in need of more funding, as well as LIHEAP. The jail and veterans program also have immediate needs that must be met also, according to Bordeaux. He noted that the tribal court needs more funds also, as well as the need for a generator at the Spotted Tail crisis center.

Finally, Bordeaux said the casino had a good showing in January compared to the three previous months and the key to generating more income is in the marketing of new ideas and campaigns to attract people.

In closing, Bordeaux's message to the youth was, "I want to encourage the youth to think of the future. Where are you going to be in fifteen years? You need to set goals and keep track of them. Study hard and it will pay off. Many will sit here.

"Get involved and talk to the council. I appreciate your involvement. It is your government. I am here to serve you. The tribal council and the BIA and the Indian Health Service is here to serve you."

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Allen boxing smoker to be held Feb. 25

ALLEN - A "boxing smoker" will be held on Saturday, Feb. 25 at the American Horse gymnasium. Weigh-ins will begin at noon and the fights will start at 4 p.m.

There will be an admission charged at the door with concessions available. Security will be provided and an EMT will be on-site. All boxing clubs are welcome and there will be award for all boxers.

The sponsors are Clarence Yellow Hawk, Sr., Mary Jo Vallejo, and the promoter is Elise Montez.

Monetary donations are solicited for this event and the trophies range from $40.00 to $150.00.

Native American Women networking society to hold first meeting

RAPID CITY - The Native American Women's Networking Society will hold its first meeting at the Mother Butler center, 221 Knollwood Drive on March 2, from 6 to 8 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to empower and network with Native American women of Rapid City. For more information contact Carla Rabbit, organizer at 605-923-4505 or Pam Duncan at work at 343-1100 or at home at 341-3799.

Minority and small business seminar March 9

RAPID CITY - A Minority and Small Business Seminar will be held at the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology on Tuesday, March 9 from 8 a.m. to 3:50 p.m.

The cost is $95 and registration will be held at 8 a.m.. A couple of the seminar goals are

(1) To provide guidance to new or existing minority businesses in developing good business practices.

(2) Develop strategies to overcome challenges minority businesses face and to encourage participation in the Rapid City

Area Chamber of Commerce.

Know Your Rights workshops starts Feb.25

EAGLE BUTTE - "Know Your Rights" Workshops sponsored by the American Civil Liberties Union of the Dakotas will be on the following dates:

Saturday, Feb. 25 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Cultural Center Eagle Butte

Saturday, March 11 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Four Bears Casino Hotel New Town, N.D.

Friday, March 17 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Spirit Lake Casino Hotel Ft. Totten, N.D. Saturday, March 18 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Fiddler's Hall Belcourt, N.D.

These workshops conclude a two year tour to all the reservations in North and South Dakota.

The topics covered include the Bill of Rights, the Indian Civil Rights Act, Indian Child Welfare, Types of Cases the ACLU takes, and practice filing complaints.

For more information contact Rain Archambeau Marshall (605) 491-2481.



SECTION B

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Two Sections

Area community is getting re-acquainted with singer Jim Young

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Sicangu Lakota singer and songwriter, Jim Young, has returned home to the Rosebud. It is a place that he says he has never forgotten no matter where his travels take him. Tahansi Jim and wife Sharyn Richards are gracious hosts as they share a meal and talk about his journey as a gifted singer and writer.

Sharyn accepted the position of Contract Health Services administrator at the Rosebud hospital having served as the patient advocate and minority veterans program coordinator at the Veteran Administration in Hot Springs.

In fact, he says, "My people are buried in St. Francis. This is home. I have been to many places and at times I would simply get lonesome for frybread, beans and rez talk."

Young grew up in St. Francis and his parents are Spencer and Katherine Young. He attended St. Francis Mission back in the 1960's and when he saw his parents playing music he knew that he wanted to do the same. He has not had any formal lessons in music, but today is able to write a song and put it to music rather quickly; it is a task that many other singers are unable to do.


Jim Young has written the songs for his newest CD which will soon be produced. Photo by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.

KINI Radio in St. Francis is also featuring an interview with Young about his career in the music industry with Richard Iyotte general manager and, thus, the Rosebud is getting acquainted with a lifelong passion that has its roots in Young's early years. He said good friends like Leslie Short Bull and Freddie One Star were influential in sparking an interest in music.

Young spoke of the inspiration that guides him when creating music. He said, "My songs are about my experiences in life; things that touch my soul, situations that I've witnessed and found interesting. Also historical events and past leaders that I want to honor like Crazy Horse, Spotted Tail and Cloud. There are also special people like our veterans and warriors which inspired the song, "They Cut Their Names in Stone."

His latest album "Born an Indian Man" is about the reservation, about Kilgore Road. He said, "I had so many Kolas who died on that road." He honors Lakota women with

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World champion bronc rider Willert honored at Kyle

BY AMANDA TAKES WAR BONNETT
Times Correspondent

KYLE - Jeffery Willert, 2005 World Saddle Bronc Riding Champion, paid a special visit to the Pine Ridge reservation last week and stopped in at Little Wound School and spoke to the elementary and middle school students.

Willert, 23 years, is from Belvidere and nabbed his first world title by winning a record $278,169 for the year. He beat out his saddle bronc riding idol last year Billy Etbauer and broke a record held by Glen O'Neill.

He spoke to the students at Little Wound of his success. Ruth Brown, Eagle Nest district council representative, originally planned to honor Willert before the tribal council meeting that was to be Feb. 9 but the meeting was cancelled. Brown said she was thankful to the elementary and middle school principal at Little Wound School to have the honoring there in such short notice. The Porcupine drum group sang the honor song. She applauded the students for their fine behavior and showing respect to the cowboys and in joining them for a round dance. Also in attendance was Barney White Face and Austin Watkins, other tribal council members.


L-R: Little Wound High School rodeo team Marcus Swallow, Derek Hunter, Shiloh Amiotte, and fourth grade teacher Grady Brunsch, Jeffery Willert, Howard Hunter, and Merle Temple. Photo by Mindy Hunter.

She said the honoring also included honoring Howard Hunter of Kyle who was champion bronc rider and was inducted in the South Dakota Hall of Fame in 2001. Also honored was Merle Temple, five times qualifier

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Pine Ridge dental clinic provides services to help children's oral health

PINE RIDGE - The Pine Ridge Dental Clinic in conjunction with the Oglala Sioux Tribe Oral Health Educator is celebrating Children's Dental Health Month this February. They have been busy presenting oral health care information in the schools and at area health fairs.

The daily routine of caring for children's teeth is important to a healthy smile. It is time to begin caring for children's teeth from the time they first appear in the mouth. Parents can use small soft-bristled infant toothbrushes dampened with water to clean the gums gently after feedings and at bedtime.

It is important for a parent to help their child brush their teeth until the child is able to effectively brush on their own, this is usually until the age of seven. Use a pea-sized amount of fluoridated toothpaste while moving the toothbrush in a circular motion on all surfaces of each tooth in the mouth. Set a time to brush together and a habit will soon develop.

Children should visit an oral health care provider for the first time at age 1. A major concern for this age group is Early Childhood Caries (cavities). Dental providers can take this opportunity to check the teeth and review the diet and oral habits of the child. This is also a good time to give the child a fluoride varnish treatment. Fluoride varnish has been proven to help cut the cavity rate in half for infants and small children. Pine Ridge, Kyle, and Wanblee Dental Clinics offer free fluoride varnishes to all children on a walk-in basis. To celebrate the child's first birthday, the Pine Ridge Dental Clinic welcomes them to the clinic by giving them a sippy-cup, toothbrush and toothpaste as well as a fluoride varnish.

Older children are educated on how to take care of their teeth and gums through brushing, flossing, nutrition, and lifestyle habits. The 5-13 age group is more likely to have dental sealants placed on the biting surface of their teeth to help prevent cavities. This is done at the schools as well as in the clinic. Their diet is also of importance; special attention is paid to the over consumption of pop and sport drinks. Counseling for the cessation of spit tobacco and smoking are offered, as well as the screening for enamel

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Community Calendar
Rez Happenings

Weekly Flu Clinic - Every Thursday at the Public Health Nursing Office in Pine Ridge for high risk adult population call Kendra at 867-3297 for additional information.

AA Meetings - Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Pahin Sinte College Center Walking Club - starting at 4 p.m. each day Monday through Friday at the center in Porcupine, for information call Janice aor Alva at 867-5404.

Reservation wide recruitment for Oglala Lakota College Infant Toddler and Headstart Program - ongoing, call Pine Ridge Headstart at 867-5649 or 867-5640 and recruitment days on Wednesday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

North American Indigenous Games Archery tryouts for Team South Dakota - Monday-Thursday, Feb. 20-23, at Digman Hall in St. Francis for ages 13-18 boys and girls call Gary Hacker 605 208-3256 or 856-5107.

Job Fair - Are you interested in employment with Prairie Wind Casino, Wednesday, Feb. 22nd at the Wounded Knee District College Center in Manderson from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., for info call 867-6300, ext. 121.

Estate Planning Services - a free community education meeting with Dakota Plains Legal Services staff presenting information on the new federal law concerning the probate process and trust land and the need for a will set for Thursday, Feb. 23rd in Wanblee at the Eagle Nest CAP office at 1pm with refreshments served and covering how to reduce multiple owners of trust land, writing wills, land consolidation options and gift deeds, for information call 867-1020.

Codependency and Relational Healing Retreat - Thursday through Sunday, Feb. 23-25 at the Icimani Ya Waste Recovery Center in St. Francis; for information call mike at 747-5547 or Jim at 259-3365.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye - Friday, Feb. 24th at Wolf Creek School with grand entries at 1 and 6:30pm and supper at 5pm sponsored by Rockyford and Red Shirt of Shannon County Schools.

Staff Co-ed Shoot-out basketball Tournament - Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 24, 25 and 26 at the Bill C. Bear Memorial gym in Batesland, contact Woodzy at 867-5161 or 862-6347.

Thanksgiving Dinner and Service - Saturday, Feb. 25 at the Lakota Gospel Church in Porcupine from 1-8 p.m. for info call 455-2867 or 862-2026.

Pow wow in Rapid City - Saturday, Feb. 25 at the Mother Butler Center with supper at 4 p.m. and grand entry at 6 p.m. sponsored by Rural America Iniatives and Ateyapi Program and Sioux San Diabetes Program.

Indigenous Games Fundraiser for Team South Dakota Bantam Girl's Basketball Team - a 10 team double elimination co-ed volleyball tourney set for Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 25 and 26 at the Sinte Gleska University multi purpose gym; for information contact Crystal Wright 747-4600.

SuAnne Big Crow Center reopens - Due to cold weather, the center's pipes burst and the center is closed until Monday, Feb 23 for clean-up and refurbishing

Flea Market and Indian Taco Sale - Thursday, March 2 at the Pass Creek College Center in Allen with feal market at 9 a.m. and taco sale at 11 a.m. for info or for delivery call 455-2757.

Circle of One Book Forum - Sunday, March 5 at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine at 1 p.m. with Joseph Marshall with a potluck for info call 867-5404 or 867-1727.

Job Fair - Thursday, March 9 at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and for info call Prairie Wind Casino at 867-6300 ext. 121.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye - Rescheduled for Friday, March 10th at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee, grand entries 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with supper at 5 p.m.

Cowboys: from page B1

for national finals rodeo.

According to the Indians National Finals Rodeo, Hunter was one of the most talented bronc riders in both the Professional and Indian rodeo circuits. His talent is showcased in the Indian National Finals Rodeo logo which bears Hunter's actual bronc-riding image.

In his 20s, Hunter, was ranked as one of the most promising new crew of saddle bronc riders going down the road. He had both the mental and physical abilities, which is needed to be successful in rodeo.

Hunter got started on the professional rodeo trail right after high school. The pro-rodeo circuit turned out to be more grueling than he had anticipated. "It was pretty hard back then for an Indian cowboy to do any good in the PRCA. There was prejudice against Indians, and it was hard to fit in." However, this didn't seem to discourage Hunter because he qualified for the National Finals Rodeo in 1976, '79, and '80.

When the Indian rodeo circuit started to become competitive, Hunter found that he enjoyed competing in those rodeos. Entry fees were considerable cheaper than pro rodeo, and a contestant didn't have to travel all over the country to gain enough points to qualify for the finals. Plus, it is fun to mix with other native tribes. Hunter qualified for the Indian National Finals Rodeo 14 times throughout his career and won the INFR Saddle Bronc Championship in 1980, '87,'88, and '90.

On Aug. 19, 1995, a great rodeo cowboy was seriously injured doing what he loved the most - riding saddle broncs. Hunter was defending his Saddle Bronc Championship Title at the Crow Fair Rodeo, in Crow Agency, Mont., when he was injured. The 44-year-old cowboy received serious brain injuries from that ride. He was inducted into the South Dakota Hall of Fame in November of 2001. To this day, his image has been immortalized in the INFR logo as he is the epitome of an Indian rodeo legend.

Petition to split Charles Mix County circulating

MITCHELL (AP) - Someone has formed a petition in Charles Mix County that will - if successful and if it would succeed in a public vote - literally divide the county.

But although the petition has been out in public places since early this month, no one seems to know exactly who started the petition or even how many people have signed it.

Wally Johnson, a landowner near Geddes, says he knows who is circulating the petition, but won't identify the person.

"I know, but I can't tell you," he said. "It was basically started to test the water. The main reason the person started it was they wanted to get it out in the open … so someone will notice it."

Johnson said he allowed the person to run out extra copies of the petition on his copier, but other than that, says he does not know how the petition started.

"The big thing is, it's a long county and it's just a long ways," he said. "I really am not sure how it all got started. I've heard about this for two or three years."Ralph Nachtigal said a copy of the petition was dropped off at the Platte Enterprise by former county commissioner Bruce Bakken and has some support, but no one is willing to circulate it.

"All kinds of people have said they would sign it, but no one will circulate it," said Nachtigal, the paper's editor.

The petition calls for a division of the county, placing La Roche, Lake George, Castalia, Hamilton, Signal, Platte, Forbes, Carroll, Darlington, Rhoda and Jackson townships in the proposed Hill County, with the rest remaining in Charles Mix County.

The fact that the dividing line the petition proposes happens to coincide with where Charles Mix County borders the Yankton Indian Reservation isn't an accident, according to Charon Asetoyer, executive director of the Native American Women's Health Education Resource Center.

Asetoyer feels the petition's timing, soon after Charles Mix County lost a lawsuit filed by the ACLU against Charles Mix County, says it all. The lawsuit accused the county of diluting voting districts.

The county was directed by Judge Larry Piersol in 2005 to re-district the three County Commission districts in the county to provide a district with an American Indian majority. Piersol has not ruled whether or not a redistricting plan submitted by the county is acceptable.

"Basically, as far as I'm concerned (the petition is) coming out of a racist response," Asetoyer said. "That's not healthy. You can't tell me it's not in response to that case.

"I don't know how many signatures they've got. One of the things that they mentioned (in defense of the petition was) infrastructure and roads. Our roads over here are horrible; we want those same things, too. They don't want to share leadership decisions with a potentially Native American person to be elected to the County Commission. They can't tell me their desire to work on infrastructure and roads doesn't exist at this end of county. They really don't want to share the leadership with a Native American person."

John Stekly, mayor of Platte, which is located in the northern section of Charles Mix County, said there are differences between the northern and southern ends of the county.

"Our weather here is different and our ideology is different, too from one end of the county to the other," he said.

According to Charles Mix County Commissioner Keith Mushitz, the idea of changing the county's boundaries isn't a new concept.

"There's been talk for the last 10 years for dividing the county," he said. "This is the first time a petition has been drawn. We've got a diverse county. It's 105 miles from the northwest corner to the southeast corner. There's just different needs at different ends of the county."

But Stekly also said the chances of this petition being successful are very low.

"I think it's a stretch to think this is going to really happen," he said. "I haven't talked to one person that's says this is going to fly."

Signatures from 15 percent of registered voters in the county are needed on the petitions for the County Commission to "submit the question of the division of a county to the voters in the county at the next general election," according to state law.

The petition must be filed with the county auditor no later than the first Monday in July of any general election year.

OST police force faces reduction of 59 officers

PINE RIDGE (AP) - More than half the police officers in the Oglala Sioux Tribe's Department of Public Safety will be out of work when a federal grant ends in March.

By April 1, 59 officers will be let go because a Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) grant will end, said Capt. Patrick Mills of Pine Ridge.

Twenty-nine police officers will remain, but everyone in the department and the tribe will be affected, said Mills, who was hired as captain in December.

Chief of Police Ron Duke said 88 officers now patrol the 1,800 miles of roads covering the 3.2 million acres of land to serve the 50,000 people who live on the reservation.

Because of the reservation's land size, population density and crime rate, Duke said the department ideally would need 150 officers to operate effectively in answering the nearly 3,000 emergency calls received each month.

But because of the nation's growing deficit, the war in Iraq and federal budget cutbacks at the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of Justice and Indian Health Services, the department's budget supports only 29 officers, Duke said.

``The Department of Justice appropriated $18 million for 500 tribes to fight over for their entire law enforcement operations,'' he said.

``It's ridiculous,'' Duke added.

To combat the personnel shortage, Duke said the department will try to develop a precinct in each of the reservation's nine districts. The plan is to keep police within minutes of the scene of an emergency call, rather than the time it takes to drive from either Kyle or Pine Ridge, the former police headquarters when the department operated within two divisions.

Monica Terkildsen, OST Department of Public Safety grants specialist, said Duke would appear before the House Appropriations Committee in March to testify about the OST department's law enforcement shortage.

If something doesn't change, two-thirds of the police officers who answer domestic disputes, medical emergencies, provide security at the hospital or public meetings won't be there, she said.

``We just don't sleep well, thinking about what might happen,'' Terkildsen said.



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the song "Lakota Woman." In his travels, he admits to helping talented young people in any way that he is able. He said, "When I see talented kids, boys or girls, who can sing there has to be an outlet. There should be a special fund for special kids. Once you see a kid's eyes light up that is special. I have bought them guitars, keyboards and set them up with instruction."

Young served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam era and his military occupational specialty or MOS was operating room specialist, which he took advanced training for in Ft. Sam Houston, Texas.

One of his best-known songs is a haunting reminder of the many young soldiers who died in Vietnam and whose names are inscribed on "The Wall" in Washington, DC. His song "They Cut their Names in Stone" is absolutely touching for any Vietnam veteran who survived the war and returned home. He says that many a Vietnam veteran has been brought to tears the first time they hear the song. As a matter of fact, Young has also sung at the opening of the smaller replica, "The Moving Wall" which has visited many communities including the Rosebud reservation.

Young said he has diversified his style by doing songs that are gospel, Native contemporary, Christmas, and now he is working on an album of country music. He sang a song entitled "Make me a Rainbow" that is yet unreleased and it will surely be a hit when it is on the market. Young says that at age 58 he knows he is not going to be a big star, but through writing songs he can introduce society to the great talents of Native singers. He would like to see Native contemporary music become as commonplace and mainstream as rock and roll or country music, as the market is open to that.

Of the Rosebud he says, "There is so much talent here. Music in one avenue, also painting." An exciting venture that Young would like to accomplish for those with musical talent is open a studio where they can record their songs and have them in-hand as they try to market their work. It is a project he will discuss with his manager, as he is the one who will play a major role.

In his many travels, presentations, and subsequent question and answer sessions, he notes that people are simply starved about information about Native Americans. He says, "Questions come up like what's it's like to be on the rez. They think it is like a concentration camp." He says his biggest thrill is playing venues in the eastern and southern states. He once played at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and was asked to come back anytime.

Young's manager, David Grover, is also his "hunka" brother who owns a recording studio in West Stockbridge, MA. Grover and his wife do the background music for Young and also take care of the distribution. Young said, "I do major concerts. I opened for 'Big and Rich." He continued, "I am comfortable with singing my songs at powwows and all over the country. I sang for the astronaut John Harrington in Cocoa Beach, FL."

In recent years, he desires to sing and write about the Lakota. His songs "Legend of Crazy Horse" and "The Trail of Tears" fit that genre of music. He does research and reading in the library to verify factual information about people whom he writes about.

Young suffered a heart attack while at a wake and funeral in Batesland in September 2005. His wife, Sharyn, drove him to the Pine Ridge hospital and he was airlifted to the Rapid City Regional Hospital where doctors told him that he has lost half his heart's ability to function properly. Sharyn recounted the harrowing ride to Pine Ridge. She drove while Jim's life hung in the balance, he said his goodbyes and she refused to listen to him.

Today, Young is optimistically looking down the road as he plans that recording studio and the writing of many more songs. He is grateful to *'hankasi'* Sharyn as he notes, "If it wasn't for Sharyn…, she left the door open for me. She took care of the bills. She sacrificed a lot."

Sharyn said, "It is an honor and a privilege for me to work for my people, and I'm very grateful to be here in Rosebud, to have brought Jim home, finally."

The Youngs were great hosts for the evening and a bigger treat was hearing his music live; any more song requests and visitors might have had to pull out their checkbooks. The Rosebud reservation is getting better acquainted with the music of one of their own. It's the kind of music that is sometimes haunting and at other times it might move one to tears. It's the kind of unforgettable stuff that Jim Young is working to communicate in his songs.

Young's music is available at Prairie Edge Music Gallery, Rapid City, SD;

locally at the Starlite Gift Shop in Mission and, online at www.davidgover.com. You can also order directly from Young by calling his home at 605-747-2003 or by writing to him at PO Box 288, Rosebud, SD 57570.

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The Dental Clinic encourages everyone to get involved with their children's oral health. Practice and teach preventive habits to the children involved in your life so that they can enjoy a healthy smile!

Janet Robideau led living wage campaign and is focus of struggle for dignity forum

BY TOM KATUS
Times Correspondent

RAPID CITY - Janet Robideau, executive director of Montana People's Action and Indian People's Action and a Northern Cheyenne tribal member, presented on a living wage campaign she led in Missoula, Mont.

The campaign was one of three interrelated topics presented at the "Struggle for Dignity" forum at the Mother Butler Center on Feb. 18. Other speakers included Charles Abourezk, attorney, speaking on "The Globalization of Labor" and Mike Howe, labor leader from the Carpenters Union, presenting on "Workers' Rights are Human Rights." The Saturday forum was followed by a traditional Lakota meal prepared by the Oglala Lakota College American Indian Business Leaders students.

Workers' rights are human rights

Mike Howe kicked off the forum, explaining what unions are and how they benefit workers. He stated, "A union is a group of workers who bond together for mutual benefits. They are united by their desire for fair wages, benefits and a safe working place." He compared union workers to non-union.

Nationally, non-union workers earn an average of $642 per week, 68 percent have health care and only 16 percent have pensions. By contrast, union workers receive an average of $781 per week, 92 percent have health care and 73 percent pensions. Currently in the United States, there are 13.5 million workers who have a union, but another 57 million want one but haven't been able to organize. He compared union to non-union states. In non-union states, of which South Dakota is one, the poverty rate is 13.4 percent, workers with no health care are 16 percent, average household income is $40,000, and per-student spending is $6,500. In union states, the poverty rate is 12 percent, those without health care are 13 percent, household income is $48,000 and per-student spending is $9,200. In his subsequent remarks, Abourezk noted that in the 1950s, one-third of all workers had the support of unions. Today, only 13 percent of all workers receive union support.

Howe continued, "The disparity between the workers and executives has increased dramatically in the last 20 years. "The work place has changed dramatically in the last 30 years," continued Howe. "In 1974, the US company standard was set by General Motors, which provided good middle-class union wages, competitive health insurance and good pensions.

In 2004, the standard bearer is Wal-Mart, which pays poverty wages, expensive health insurance for its senior staff and none for 60 percent of its associates, no pensions and is adamantly opposed to unions."

"I would encourage participants to get behind the Employee Free Choice Act (SB 842 and HR 1696). Lead sponsors are Sen. Kennedy (D-Mass) and Arlen Specter (R-Penn). In the House, the lead sponsors are Congressman George Miller (D-Calif.) and Peter King (R-NY). There are more than 270 co-sponsors. The bill will change labor organizing laws to allow elections if 30 percent of employees in a given business request them.

If 60 percent sign cards that they want a union, no election will be required. This is the same system that Canada has used for years," concluded Howe. Both Senator Johnson and Congresswoman Herseth support this legislation. Senator John Thune does not.



Janet Robideaux

Globalization of labor

Charles Abourezk gave a well-thought-out prepared speech. Before he started, he said, "I want to thank Mike Howe, the Oglala Lakota College students and others for putting this important forum together." He wove a long history of how corporations control not only the United States but the entire globe.

He stated, "The Exxon Corporation made $39 billion in windfall profits this last quarter alone. Meanwhile, we have a Congressional investigation that $79 billion has been wasted on the war in Iraq, and IHS is operating at 50 percent of its needed budget. This administration has a policy of 'no corporation has been left behind.'" Abourezk quoted Rev. Joseph Lowry at Coretta King's funeral castigating Bush and concluding, "We have billions more for war but no more for the poor."

Abourezk maintained that we must remember the promises of the 60s and 70s when we were taking the message of human rights to all the people of the globe.

From financier Warren Buffett, he quoted, "We are becoming a private society divided between owners and share croppers. Instead, we should return to the values of a public sharing society for all." Abourezk stated, "The current session of the South Dakota Legislature makes you sick. It's like we've been transported back to the 1800s. Even with the Governor's support, we could not even get a measly $6 minimum wage passed in South Dakota."

When Wal-Mart began to promote itself in the early 90s, it proudly claimed to be "an American company" promoting American products. However, it soon switched to relying on cheap goods from the third world, especially China. Today, 85 percent of all Wal-Mart's goods are manufactured in China. "There is nothing American about Wal-Mart except the billions of dollars going to the Walton family and their investors."

Former Governor Janklow enticed Citicorp to come to the state by making our usury laws the most slack in the nation. Between his two terms as governor, Janklow had a retainer with Citicorp of $750,000. When Premier Credit Card came into Spearfish, they had two wage scales. They maintained a high scale for their out-of-state officials they brought in and a much lower scale for their South Dakota employees. "Today, when we are talking to telemarketers, they are frequently people living in Bombay who have to get up at 2 a.m. in the morning to answer our phone calls. They are paid pennies an hour for their labor."

In the new world of corporate control, boundaries and even nation-states are irrelevant. Multinational corporations exist that are not under the control of any government. Global economies have reverted to feudalism. The multinational corporations are the new kings, and our Congress and national governments are the new overlords of feudalism. The masses have again become the peasants.

"We always do better as a nation when we care about each other. For too long, we have allowed these global forces to divide us. Our 'struggle for dignity' is not just for the powerless but also to once again provide dignity to the powerful," said Abourezk.

Native led living wage campaign

Janet Robideau was the final panelist and probably the most engaging.

She gave a brief history of Montana People's Action, which has 3,600 members throughout the state. Because Native people were not joining MPA, in 1997 Robideau also organized Indian People's Action, a separate chapter of MPA that has 700 dues-paying members. "IPA and MPA combined give us strength in numbers," said Robideau.

While Robideau was raised on the Northern Cheyenne Reservation in Lame Deer, she left the reservation when she graduated from high school and received a bachelor's degree in psychology and later a masters.

Even with those credentials, the best work she could find in Missoula was as a nurse's aide. Soon after beginning work at a nursing home, she organized the workers into a Caregivers Union. She said, "I found that in the nursing home, there were good Indians and bad Indians, good whites and bad whites, good nurses' aides and bad nurses' aides. I took the best of all and helped organize us into an effective union. Both my union organizing and my work with MPA made it clear to me that poor white folks also suffer. But if we work together, we can have much greater impact than if we stay segregated in our separate communities."

"Because there were so many working poor in Missoula, in 1997, we kicked off our living wage city ordinance campaign. We researched our community, found out what companies paid their employees and tax breaks they received. We then analyzed what an average family of four needed in their monthly budget for housing, food, transportation, health, taxes, miscellaneous and savings. When we researched the community, we found that even MPA was not paying our employees a living wage. We quickly rectified that. Do your research. You don't want to get caught with your pants down."

"We couldn't convince a majority of our City Council to pass a living wage ordinance, so we filed petitions and put it on a city-wide referendum. We carried out a whole series of activities, but primarily, we went door to door in our communities. We tabled events, we had mailings, we explained to people what we were asking for and why," Robideau continued.

A company that was enticed to locate in Missoula was Sun Mountain Sports. It received more than $200,000 in tax deferred subsidies from the city for locating there. They had 75 employees but paid them low level wages and no health care. Sun Mountain received a 10 year deferment on its taxes. When year 11 rolled around when they would first have to pay taxes, they shut the company down and moved it to Asia. Meanwhile, many of the 75 former workers had carpal tunnel syndrome, caused by repetitious work required in manufacturing golf club bags.

"Ultimately, we collected 15,888 petition signatures of the 10,000 we needed. We received strong opposition from the Chamber of Commerce, which tried to scare the small businesses and from the publisher Lee Enterprises, which ran eight editorials against us in the last two weeks of the campaign." Lee Enterprises is the same company that owns The Rapid City Journal. "Despite all these obstacles, we had the highest turnout for a local election in the history of Missoula. In the end, we won with 52 percent of the vote. One of the good things with our massive coalition building and organizing is we rebuilt a strong relationship to our faith-based communities, who supported us."

She concluded, "No one, no how, nowhere has the right to make you feel less than you are. No matter what you do or what you are, you have the right to dignity. As we told our opposition in Missoula, 'You may have the money, but we have the people,' and ultimately, we had the votes."

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Galene Brown Bull

KYLE - Galene Brown, 59, Kyle, died Thursday, Feb. 16, in Rapid City.

Survivors include two brothers, Darrell Brown Bull, Kyle, and Harold Brown Bull, Martin; and three sisters, Geraldine Brown Bull and Pearl Little White Man, both of Rapid City, and Laretha Brown Bull, Kyle.

A one-night wake services was Tuesday, Feb. 21, at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Kyle.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 22, at the church, with the Rev. Cordelia Red Owl officiating. Burial will follow at St. Barnabas Episcopal Cemetery. Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.

Shalesha Twin

WAKPALA - Shalesha Twin, 14, Wakpala, died Saturday, Feb. 18, in Wakpala. Arrangements are pending with Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge.

Bertha C. Two Bulls

PINE RIDGE - Bertha C. Two Bulls, 62, Pine Ridge, died Tuesday, Feb. 14 at Pine Ridge Hospital.

Survivors include five sons, Terry Two Bulls, Yankton, Wayne "Cart" Finger, Memphis, Tenn., Clifford "Beaver" Richards and Sylvester Two Bulls, both of Wanblee, and George Ecoffey, Pine Ridge; two daughters, Ladean Winters, Watertown, and Tammy Rousey, Waco, Texas;

Three brothers, Louis Winters Sr. and Willard Winters, both of Pine Ridge, and Eugene Winters, Potato Creek; one adopted brother, Jimmy Charging Crow, Wanblee; four sisters, Lucene Schafer, Burns, Ore., Ellen Moves Camp, Hisle, and Bertha Yellow Hawk and Mary Cedar Face, both of Pine Ridge; 17 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Wake services were Tuesday, Feb. 21, at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge. A second-night wake was Wednesday, Feb. 22, at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, at the school, with the Rev. Rob Kroll officiating and traditional Lakota services by Larry Swalley. Burial was at Winters Family Cemetery, Bear Creek, Wanblee. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Douglas J. Schrader

PINE RIDGE - Douglas J. Schrader, 71, Pine Ridge, died Tuesday, Feb. 14, at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Omaha, Neb.

He served in the U.S. Army. Survivors include three sons, Charles Schrader and Ezra Zephier, both of Pine Ridge, and Carlyn Chipps, Sioux Falls; three daughters, Susan Schrader, Dianne Schrader and Lisa Dillon, all of Pine Ridge; three brothers, Louis Winters Sr. and Willard Winters, both of Pine Ridge, and Eugene Winters, Potato Creek; two sisters, Shirley Nelson, Bloomington, N.M., and Joyce Hamilton, Piedmont; 23 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Wake services were Monday, Feb. 20, at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Feb. 21, at Billy Mills Hall, with the Rev. Steve Sanford officiating. Burial was at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Antoinette C. "Babe" LaDeaux

MANDERSON - Antoinette C. "Babe" LaDeaux, 41, Manderson, died Tuesday, Feb. 14, at Pine Ridge Hospital.

Survivors include four sons, Lee LaDeaux, Lincoln, Neb., Tony LaDeaux, Scottsbluff, Neb., Lonnie Cottier, Tucson, Ariz., and Austin Lay, Rapid City;

Five daughters, Linda LaDeaux, Grand Island, Neb., Sheila LaDeaux, Rapid City, Irene LaDeaux and Dora LaDeaux, both of Scottsbluff, and Gina Cottier, Tucson; two brothers, Leon LaDeaux, Man-derson, and Abraham LaDeaux Jr., Rapid City; and five sisters, Lisa Looks Twice, Manderson, Marla Sharp, Tucson, Melanie Janis, Kyle, Bernadine LeDeaux, Wounded Knee, and Angela LeDeaux, Custer.

Wake services were Friday, Feb. 17, at St. Agnes Catholic Hall in Manderson.

Funeraal services were Saturday, Feb. 18, at the hall, with the Rev. Stan Czarnecki officiating.

Burial was at St. Agnes Catholic Cemetery in Manderson. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Ronald L. Yellow Horse

OGLALA - Ronald L. Yellow Horse, 58, Oglala, died Monday, Feb. 13, at Chadron Hospital in Chadron, Neb.

Survivors include two sons, George Yellow Horse, Pine Ridge, and Steve Yellow Horse, Oglala;

Two daughters, Annette Yellow Horse and Tonnie Yellow Horse, both of Oglala; five brothers, Donald Yellow Horse, Wounded Knee, Wesley Yellow Horse, Oglala, Jamie Yellow Horse, Winnebago, Neb., Morris Yellow Horse, Slim Buttes, and Willard Yellow Horse, Manderson; one sister, Wildean Yellow Horse, Rapid City; and 16 grandchildren.

Wake services were Thursday, Feb. 16, at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services were Saturday, Feb. 18, at Billy Mills Hall, with the Rev. Agnes Tyon officiating.

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Dear Anna,

I am 29 years old and I am wondering if I will ever get pregnant soon. My husband and I have been trying forever and I want to know if I am going to be with child anytime in the future. I am very good with children and also so is my husband, I would also like to know if I will grow old with my husband or will I end up back with the ex, you see some time ago I spoke with a lady and she predicted that I would go back to my ex , but honestly Anna, I don't care for or have any feelings for the ex.

I am very, very happy with my husband, and I am aching to know, it has been bugging me. Please let me know!!!!

Curious wife

Dear Curious wife,

Smiles all around. I do see pregnancy, probably in late summer or early fall. There is a possibility of more than one child. I do not agree with psychic you consulted. You and your husband will have a very long term marriage. I do not see your ex entering your picture at all. Congratulations on your honesty with yourself. You are in what I call a conscious relationship.

Dear Anna,

I've been trying to come to a decision lately and I see this as very important but I am scared the decision I am referring to is rather to do with a commitment on my significant other or not one, one hand I feel as if I will be adding some time to his and my life and on the other hand he said if I ever try to do this he will never forgive me.

He asks for help all the time and this is the only way I can see it may not make him stop for good but it will help his body try to fight what is happening what do you see for us if I do this will he really resent me? What will happen to us?

Scared

Dear Scared,

Commitments made from a sense of necessity to bring balance to another person will never work. It's called co-dependency. A commitment made in a relationship is easy when everything is right when you have doubts, consider it your internal warning system.

Pay attention to yourself. Follow your heart and know that you are not responsible for anybody else's mental wellness. Marriage is not a cure.

Dear Anna,

I feel like I am stuck at the place in my life where you told me about a friend who would come into my like shortly. Forgive me if I sound like I don't believe you but how can I be sure. You see I have prayed for a long time and seems like at this point when I come to that point in my life. And some times I feel like I am getting into some thing called I am not good enough.

I am not looking for a companion cause I am hoping my ex will grow up, or forgive his past or I feel like a fool for allowing myself being with someone who wanted to be with me because I am a Lakota woman who was a medicine man's daughter.

Anna, why do I feel like it seems easy for women who can find there soul mates from friends or relatives. I guess I wasn't raised to feel that way, so those things are a no no.

I really don't go anywhere, except to sweats, I spend a lot of time sewing my star quilts, trying to pay bills. And where I visit my relatives are in AA or Al-non so when I talk about a man I get labeled because of past abuse ex-husband or boyfriend I am a man hater. That's why I don't look.

It would be so nice to have a friend who can travel with me to ceremonies cause I travel a lot in the summer time sometimes to sell beadwork, my quilts or just support many friends or my daughter's son.

I have a relative who is very controlling and for the past couple years since my father died she has been coming into my life trying to telling me how, why, should not, but she uses me to tell people about my father bless his soul I was told she is very jealous of What do I do? She goes to all the sweats ceremonies, she tells people who don't know me lies, half truth things I haven't paid attention to her .

I have been really unhappy here on the reservation mainly because I was brought up to have a home, I have a teenage daughter who I am concerned about, in Denver she had nice friends some church friends, friends she met at sundances and pow wows. Do you see me going back to Denver?

I am getting frustrated with myself I can be a patient person, I like and love turtles I will be patience a lot more if I can get some feed back. I know you told me that when this man come I shouldn't push him away why is that I feel like I am taking a look at my life seriously.

Help

Dear Help:

You are such a powerful woman, you have a tendency to look men straight in the eye, this makes them nervous. They sorta feel naked in front of you. Learn to soften your eye contact. There is a wonderful man in the future. The man that I see for you is Lakota and does not live here. He will come and you will know him. He is as strong and powerful as you are. You are truly a healer and helper of others. On that path, you will meet him. He is one in a million and it takes quite a long time for two rare beings to find each other. Be patient.

Denver is a possibility. It is likely to lead you to the south west. This spring and early summer will bring you many answers and a new direction. As for the woman who gossips about you. We will all pray for her. She will feel the sting of her own bad words coming back to her tenfold. You are doing well to ignore her.

Dear Anna,

I am 21 years old and I live with my mother. I guess I am the last one out of my house and I am getting exciting about eventually getting out on my own.

I just want to get out of this town and off the reservation and do things on my own. I stay with my mom because she is alone, my dad left us some time ago and I love my mom a lot but I feel bad for her. She seems so sad and doesn't try to date and I worry about her. I don't want to leave until I know she will be happy. What do you see for me?

At home for my mom

Dear At Home

I do see an opportunity through education to leave home in the fall. Don't worry your mother will be fine. She is a strong woman. I also see a job opportunity for coupled with this education opportunity that will take you anywhere you want to go.

It looks as though as you are planning like a ten day vacation with some friends. This will provide a good opportunity to consider the many options in your future. Good Luck!

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication. Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

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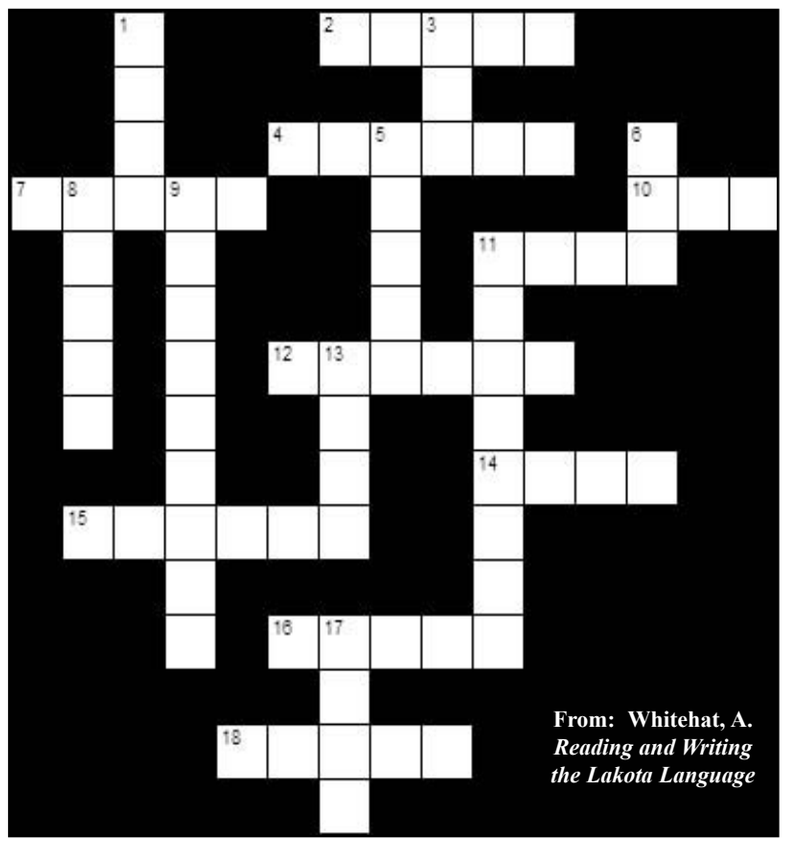
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Across

2. correcting something
4. repairing something
7. down the alley
10. hollering or screaming
11. weapon
12. the trees leaves
14. nostrils
15. appreciative
16. fairly good
18. wearing something around neck

Down

1. covering for the head
3. he or she is full
5. hair that protrudes
6. leaf
8. mucus in the nose
9. done in a good way
11. stickers
13. daylight
17. dry meat



From: Whitehat, A. *Reading and Writing the Lakota Language*

Top Ten reasons for the week

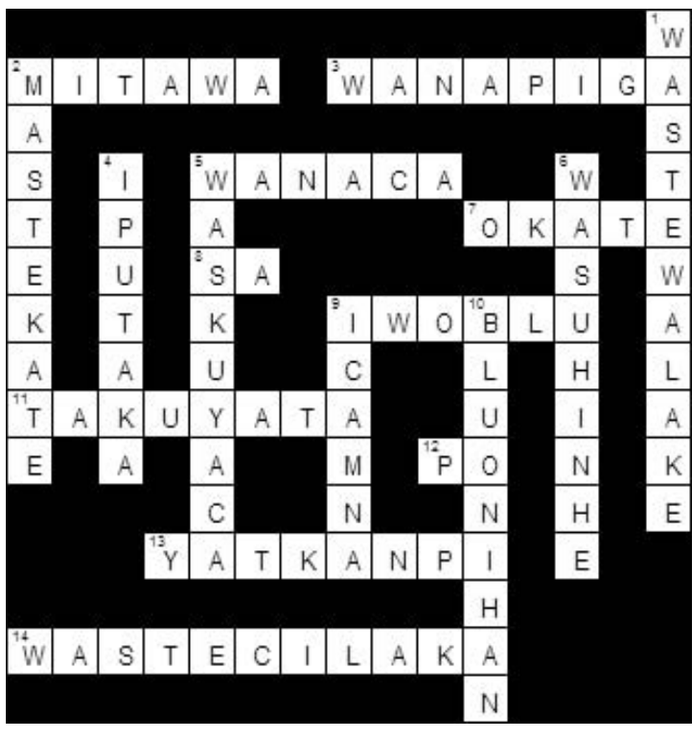
TOP TEN THINGS PEOPLE BUY WITH THEIR INCOME TAX REFUND

1. First used car they can get.
2. Hockable stuff!
3. Head to the casino!
4. A once a year big shopping trip to Wally World (Walmart)
5. To the pawn shop to get everything out.
6. Give money to the kids they claimed.
7. Down payment on a trailer.
8. Make beer runs.
9. Buy everybody shoes and clothes.
10. Buy DVDs and video games.

Next weeks topic is:
TOP TEN THINGS REASONS YOU CAN TELL YOU ARE FROM THE REZ!

Each week the Lakota Country Times has a topic for our "top ten." It is posted a week in advance in this column. You can submit your "top ten" response to next weeks issue by e-mail to: lakota1868@gwtc.net, fax to 685--1870, or drop in the HAPPY AD BOX at Big Bat's or Lil' Angels. All respondors will remain confidential. We look forward to hearing YOUR TOP TEN ANSWERS!

Last week's Lakota Crossword Puzzle answers



Classifieds

To: Tasani Rae Fool Head and my baby mama Crystal Eagle Heart Luv yall with all my heart From Harold Martine Fool Head

We'd like to wish Johnny Lain Janis a Happy 7th Birthday on Febuary 25th We'dlike to wish him a Happy Valentines Day! From: Auntie Gena, Todd, Gladys Little Bull

Happy Birthday Auntie Emma Gallego, Hope you enjoy your special day! Char & Fui

Happy Birthday Frank Yellow Hawk Jr. 1/28/79
Love you lots
Michelle, Emily, Arna

Happy Valentines Day to Jayme Mesteth
Hugs and Kisses
from Jody, Jonna & Melina

Happy Birthday to Siara Breze Have lots of fun on your big day
Love ya Brat girl
auntie April and baby Jess

Happy Belated Birthday to Tritten C. Janis aka Corn Dog on Feb. 15 from Lorie B. Janis

Happy Birthday to my two princesses Ruby Rose and Belva Kay Love ya lots
Always April C.

Happy 3rd Birthday to my little Angel Takira Dawn from auntie Melanie B. and cousin Alexandra C.

Happy 15th Birthday to my auntie Crystal Ashley Apple, Love you and have a good day!
Lots of love Jamie Leann Helper

Happy Birthday to myother mom Cheryl Joy on 2/22/06
We love you with all our hearts!
Court & Kids

Happy Valentines Day to my sweet heart Frank Yellow Hawk, thank you for being there Love Michelle

Happy Birthday to Karen (Shelly) Top Bear 1/31/06
Isabelle Pourier 2/4/06

To Stephanie Happy 18th
Love Tina & Megan

Happy Birthday to Sara Kia Shangreaux who was born on 2/14/93 Valentines Day from big sis, Jonna, Melina, Donta, Jesse, Lucas and Robert

Happy Valentines Day to Joe Arapahoe From K.I.W I love you and Happy Valentines Day to my little angels Olowan Last Horse and Alanna Arapahoe

Feb 25 Happy Birthday Johnny Janis from your dad

Happy Belated Birthday to Sammy O. We love ya
from: Rob, Trish, Carson, Tiryl, and Tayvon

John Yellow Hawk
Thaks for everything and you too!
Lorna Y.H

Happy Valentines Day to my mother Donna Turnig Hawk. I just want to tell her I love her very much and thank you for being there for me especially now when I'm having a difficult time, I know you have your own problems, so thank you for listening. from your daughter Amy Poor Bear

Wish my two lil' brothers a Happy Birthday Larry Benson, Feb. 20 and Dalen Philip, Feb. 23, many more to come you two crazy boys
Love your sisters
BJ Titus and Lana Y.H

Happy belated Birthday Michael Little Bear who turned 10 yrs. old on 2/16/06 wishing you 90 years-on top, Keep smiling, Love you Howard and Ann Blue Bird, Auntie Babe and Darian

Happy Birthday Ray Takes War Bonnett Jr. on Feb. 21st oh-oh, your getting a year oler, but you still look young. Have A good one! Love ya!!
Howard, Ann, Babe, and Darian

Happy very belated Birthday to my daughter Amanda Iron Rope who turned 9 yrs old on 1/19. I hope you had fun and have many more b-days to come you are growing into a beautiful girl, and I'm glad your my daughter I love you a whole bunch don't you ever forget that. Love your mom Amy Poor Bear

Happy Valentines Day to my four little sweethearts Amanda, Lane, Charlie Jr. and Alexis Iron Rope. I just want to tell you guys I love you all very much and I will always be here for you from your mom Amy Poor Bear

I would like to say congratulations to my sister Janet One Horn/Harris and her husband Elliot Harris on the birth of their daughter Susie Mae who was born 2/12 at 6:28 p.m. she weighed 7 lbs 2 oz and was 201/2 ins long. Enjoy your daughter from your sis Amy Poor Bear and the Iron Rope children

Happy 19th Birthday to Brandon Bad Heart Bull on Feb. 24, 2006 Don't get to crazy with your big brother Nile!
Love your cuz, BJ Titus

Sup Jessica, Ty, Sage, and JuneBug all you Red Clouds- sup! Later, hope to see you soon Leandra aka Roman from Star aka Babygirl

Happy Birthday Mom (Libby) and many, many more.
Love you alot,
Connie and Crew

Happy Valentines Day to my love of 3 yrs together,
Ted Good Voice Flute
Love you
Connie Jo

Happy Birthday to my baby son Larry Benson on 2/20 and many, many more!
love Mom and crew

Happy 4th Birthday to my baby, baby boy Dalen Philip, hope you enjoy your party, 2/23
Love you alot,
mom (Connie)

Congratulations to my two handsome sons, Steven and Cody Yellow Horse for making the honor roll at PRHS, Keep it up boys and make me proud.
Love your mother
Connie Titus

I'd like to give shout outs and Peace out to my lil' sista and lil bros, Sharen Arthur and kids, Tim, Bull, Arilynn Black Bear. Hey I'll cus laters, someday I'll be back on the homefront to say whats up, for now I love you guys and take care of each other, never ever forget me cuz I'll be home one day. Maybe Og. Nation k. Take care Always your sis"sad girl" Mary Lou Mesteth

I'd like to say Peace out to my home girls in Rapid City and Chadron, Heather Thom, Leslie Quilt, Brooke Tree Top and Tommy Dunn. To my good homegirl always stay up Martina Walks and to Monte and Camron too. Also to "Pockets" up in R.C, take care you all, your HG Mary Mesteth aka sadgirl, To Leah, Patty, and Ann also cheryl in Chad town- clean your rooms, good girls take care and Peace out

Happy Birthday to my baby Rose Clifford from Eddie Clay

Happy Belated Birthday to My #1 Grandma Love you and many more to come gram! Love your Grandaughters BJ Titus, Lana Y.H

I would like to give a shout out to my auntie Mary Ann Witt Deeg, uncle Orlin Mesteth, I hope to see you all soon, I'm leavin to anywhere USA, I'll keep in touch, never forget me though, Always remember I love you guys wit all my heart you niece and Aunt Mary Lou Mesteth

Happy Birthday on Feb. 22nd Sonja Lister
May the lord richly bless you on this day. People like you, lifts your spirit just to hear your laughter and to see your smile, Have a good Birthday!
your cus and Auntie Babe

Shout out to my Cuz in Sioux Falls Theresa White Face and Uncle Thomas Fast Horse I'm coming to visit you! can't wait to c-u guys, Hang in there k!
Mary Lou Mesteth and baby girl

Happy belated Birthday to our big sister Amanda Iron Rope. We just want to tell you we love you even though you can't stay home and play with us.
Love you from your bros
Lane, Charlie Jr. and lil sis
Alexis Iron Rope

I'd like to say
CONGRATULATIONS
to my
Uncle Archie Beauvais
for being a nominee and getting awarded the 2006 Alumni of Color Award at the Harvard Graduate School of Education!! I'd also like to let my Uncle know that I think he is a wonderful person, and a good dad. SO ---
To : THE ARCH!!!!
Congratulations and lets go eat!!!
LOL
~ LB and FAM~

Congratulations to Dr. Archie Beauvais for being awarded the 2006 Alumni of Color Award from Harvard University's School of Education!
You deserve it!
Now, next up, is to write that book!!!
love, Amanda

LEGALS

Oglala Nation Tiospaye Resource And Advocacy Center Pine Ridge, S.D.

Relative Search Notice

The Oglala Nation Tiospaye Resource and Advocacy Center (ONTRAC) is placing a "Relative Search Notice" in the Lakota Country Times newspaper concerning the following parent(s) and child(ren):

Mother Child - Selena Lame Ronnebaum - DOB 7-19-73 - Last known whereabouts are in Denver, Colorado Grandparents are Salena Lame Ronnebaum: Iona Lame and Theodore Lame.

Father of Child: Unknown - Unknown Whereabouts

Child Initial: M.R. L. - DOB 05-25-05 born in Denver, Colorado.

This Oglala Nation Tiospaye Resource and Advocacy Center "Relative Search Notice" may entail Parent/Child Reunification, Relative/Child Placement, Tribal Member /Child Placement (short-term/long-term), Hearings, Guardianship, Adoption, and Termination of Parental Rights.

Should any individual or agency know of any relatives or know of the whereabouts, address, or telephone number concerning the above named parents of the above initialed child, please contact the Oglala Nation Tiospaye Resource and Advocacy Center at P.O. Box 2080, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, Phone 605-867-5805 and Fax 605-867-1893.

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Oglala Sioux Tribal Court Oglala Sioux Tribe Pine Ridge Indian Reservation ss-In Tribal Court
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Issued: January 18, 2006. Joyce M. Goings, Clerk/Deputy Clerk

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Request For Proposal
Construction Management Services

The Oglala Sioux Tribe has an immediate opening for a qualified individual to serve as Construction Manager for the Oglala Sioux Tribe Casino & Hotel Project located on the Pine Ridge Reservation in Pine Ridge, South Dakota. This project, valued at approximately $15,000,000, is being performed on a design/build by Peska Construction, Inc., Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The project commenced in August 31, 2006. The individual selected to act as Construction Manager must provide full-time on-site services through final completion of the project.

The successful candidate shall have the following qualifications:

- Undergraduate degree in engineering from accredited school of engineering, with current State licensure as a professional engineer.
- Experience in providing construction management services, including evidence of involvement in multi-million dollar projects in which construction was completed on time, at or under budget, and in conformance with contractual requirements and industry practice.
- Experience in metal building construction
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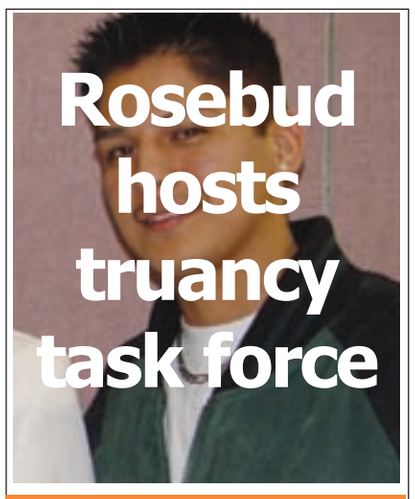
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QUICK HITS

CRST sets priorities

EAGLE BUTTE - The Cheyenne River tribal government is acting on the recent proposed cuts by President Bush.

"We can't just stay at home anymore and hope that we will get funded for our programs because there are severe budget cuts to all our programs. The President's released his 2007 Budget Request on Feb. 6, 2006 and besides more cuts, entire programs are being eliminated. We have to defend our funding so our people can have jobs and services." said Harold Frazier, chairman of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe. "Every year our Congressional Delegation asks us what our top priorities are, and that is difficult to answer because all of our tribal programs are priorities" said Frazier. "As a result of advocating for tribal programs the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe has received an increase in Congressional appropriations and we have been able to educate Members of Congress about the needs of the Tribe."

"The hospital is one of our main priorities especially now that the Indian Health Service cut out the construction cost for FY 2007" said Frazier. The Office of Indian Education Programs has announced that they are in the process of restructuring the BIA education systems and CRST is slated to lose their Line Office.

"Restructuring means loss of jobs and education for our children. The cost of the restructuring is estimated to be around $17 million, $17 million that can be used to provide better pay for the teachers, books and classrooms for the children" said Chairman Frazier.

The Tribal delegation traveled to Washington, DC during the week of Feb. 13 and will again travel to Washington, DC the week of Feb. 20.

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33rd annual walk held to remember Wounded Knee occupation

WOUNDED KNEE - More than 100 Lakota people from all ages, tribes and backgrounds walked from east, south, west and north, meeting at the heart of the reservation on Monday, Feb. 27 to commemorate the occupation of Wounded Knee in 1973 by the American Indian Movement.

The political and social atmosphere of the early 1970s was such that the American Indian Movement desired to make a statement on the world stage and call attention to the tremendous unemployment and poverty conditions on many reservations.

The siege as seen in the federal government's military response drew national media to Wounded Knee and the occupation was carefully documented by several news outlets. A recent documentary entitled, "Tattoo on My Heart" produced by Charles Abourezk was recently seen on South Dakota Public Television.

The walk is intended to remember the occupation of Wounded Knee in the spring of 1973. Many people's lives were changed during that point in time. Entire families split down the proverbial middle, picking and choosing sides from the many factions alive and prospering at that historic time.

The participants walked as many as eight miles to the site of the Wounded Knee Massacre, now bearing the remains of the church and the gravesite.

Most of the walkers from Manderson were walking in memory of Dave Clifford, longtime AIM supporter and organizer for the walkers entering from the West. The site of the 1973 Wounded Knee Occupation and historic Wounded Knee Massacre are revered as a sacred site which holds historical ties to the Oglala Lakota and surrounding tribes



Above left: Carrying the American Indian Movement banner on the left, are Vic Camp and Don "Cuny Dog" Cuny. Above right: Youth also participated in the walk. Photos by Monte P. Ecoffey.

Many elderly, children and horseback riders participated in the walk. The delegation from the south, for example were walking in memory of Geraldine Janis, one of the first organizers of the commemoration walk, starting several years ago with her guidance and leadership.

Janis's daughter, Eileen Janis of Pine Ridge said, "She organized the walk from the south and made us walk with her." Roberta White Calf added, "Even when it was ice cold and a blizzard." There were others Janis said, "Lessanes Killer, Evie Deon, Dave Clifford, Edgar Bear Runner, Cedric Young Bear and we can't forget Leonard Peltier. He'll be incarcerated for 30years now."

Legislation amended concerning parental neglect

PIERRE - HB 1180 in its original version would have allowed parents to be prosecuted if they intentionally neglected their children. The legislation said that parents who intentionally deprive their children of food, shelter, clothing and medical care should be brought up on charges.

That section was amended during subsequent debate which was somewhat contentious. The two provisions which were inserted included the fact that it will be a Class 6 felony for parents or guardians who knowingly permit the physical or sexual abuse of a child. Also, it will be a Class I misdemeanor for any person to knowingly cause a child to be present where any person is distributing or manufacturing methamphetamine.

Proponents of the proposed legislation before the amendment said that it was necessary, despite the fact that current laws already on the books seek to protect children. They further note that some people are able to avoid charges even thought they neglect their children. Sen. Gene Abdallah of Sioux Falls could be heard on the legislative website as he said parents who abuse their children should be prepared to go to

Please turn to HB1180: A2

Shakopee wants to improve communications

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - "What we want more than anything else is to assist the Oglala Sioux Tribe with a positive economic development venture," said Keith Anderson, Secretary/ Treasurer of the Shakopee Mdewankanton Sioux Community, "we have no interest in your land or in ending up with your casino, we want to end up with a very successful development venture that will be positive for you and your members."

Anderson addressed the meeting in the council chambers of the Red Cloud Building in Pine Ridge on Friday. Due to a lack of a quorum, the meeting originally scheduled as a council meeting, became an executive board meeting as the OST vice president, secretary and treasurer attended with as many as seven council members.

Mike Harper, an attorney for Shakopee, addressed the council on Thursday at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge, about some of the concerns that had come up over the Prairie Wind Casino construction project. The SMSC was concerned about the project not meeting the timeline set down and agreed upon by all of the parties connected to the project and about the number of change orders that had already been implemented.

Peska Construction, when making their presentation, stated that the project was 63 days behind schedule with the difficulty in getting drawdowns completed in a timely manner and the confusion over the role of TERO cited as the two biggest problems contributing to the delays.

The previous week a delegation had traveled to Shakopee to open up better lines of communication and deal with some of the problem areas. The trip did result in the distribution of the entire paperwork package on the project and was distributed to the council, executive board and districts this past week.

Some of the local players met on Wednesday at the casino, the council met on Thursday and part of the council and the executive board met on Friday.

"We really wanted to understand better all of the groups and organizations that were involved in the project," said Harper after listening to council members, elders and community members on Thursday, "what role does the EDA committee have, TERO, Tim Bowman, Peska, the tribe's finance committee and individ-

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Group wants to protect Bear Butte

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

STURGIS - A Mato Paha Strategic Planning Summit was held at the Meade county extension building on Saturday and Sunday, February 25 and 26 along with a press conference held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday.

The Bear Butte International Alliance coordinated the effort along with Owe Aku and the Intertribal Coalition to Defend the Bear Butte. Tribal Chiefs, council persons and enrolled members from Manderson, Rosebud, Lake Andes, Wagner, Lantry and Spearfish attended the Summit. Viola and Don Hatch from Canton, Oklahoma were there to represent the Southern Cheyenne and Arapaho. Eugene Limpy, Sr representing the Northern Cheyenne will also be making a report to his Tribal Council.

Nancy Kile, a resident of Sturgis, is a spokesperson for purposes of disseminating information to the media. She said, "It was a planning summit and we invited organizers and people interested in working with details. We are trying to get a cohesive movement going to strategize to protect Bear Butte short and long term." The rally development will continue east of Sturgis, Meade county is allowing reckless development because of private property traditions of no zoning.

The strategic planning summit meeting was attended by some 35-40 people and facilitated by Lori Weahkee, a Zuni / Navajo, and executive director of Sage Council, Albuquerque, N.M. Faith Spotted Eagle, Braveheart Society of Lake Andes, Ihahktonwan acted as co-facilitator. Spotted Eagle spoke of effective organizing and the group dynamics that can occur when people organize. She emphasized the fact that there is a lot of trauma involved in cultural preservation work and such efforts to organize.

Spotted Eagle also took five young people to the meeting who contributed to the topics under discussion, as it is their future lives the movement will impact.

Kile noted that there is need for the groups to organize resources and see what kind of campaign might be

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Bear Butte group organizing

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forthcoming for the coalition. The Great Plains Tribal Chairman's Association committed resources and endorsed a working group to protect sacred sites in the Black Hills as well as put together a Mato Paha Preservation Fund. In fact, the association chairs are in the process of appointing a preservation officer to come to future meetings.

The Bear Butte International Alliance, which is a project of Sicangu Way of Life issued a press release announcing the meeting in which they wrote, "This winter we are witnessing the construction of an amphitheatre to hold 35,000 concert goers just 2.5 miles from Mato Paha, along with a tremendous amount of rally related construction just east of Sturgis." The press release went on to note that, "It is the Bear Butte International Alliance, Owe Aku, and the Intertribal Coalition to Defend Bear Butte's desire to ensure that the movement to protect this sacred site will not lose its momentum."

Oglala Sioux tribal vice president Alex White Plume also spoke to the group, as did Debbie White Plume of Owe Aku. Carter Camp, who has spoken rather eloquently about the plight of Bear Butte in recent months also addressed the group and announced the Gathering of Nations to Protect Bear Butte to take place in July at Bear Butte. Casey Camp, Ponca, attended the summit to announce the support of her Tribes traditional women's society toward this summers gathering at Bear Butte. The Black Hills Sioux Nation Treaty Council and the Oglala Sioux Tribe both provided resolutions supporting a reasonable buffer zone around Bear Butte and all sacred sites in the Black Hills.

Carter Camp, Ponca, will take the lead in speaking to respective Lakota tribes to include leaders and respected elders. The coalition will work to recruit new members while also speaking with area churches, as well as rural folks, environmental organizations, health care and wellness organizations hoping to solicit their support. New allies, including non-Indians, who are concerned with the desecration of Bear Butte, and surrounding landscapes will be identified.

Kile said that the groups are all working for the protection of Bear Butte and the protection of all sacred sites in He Sapa. She said, "We live here, members attend local government land management meetings, the 2006 rally development is moving fast. In fact the Meade County Auditor has received Jay Allen's application for beer license and on March 7 at the regular monthly meeting Meade commissioners will set the date for hearing to approve or not approve Allen's alcohol permit request. Allen offered the concession of changing his camp/concert development name to "Sturgis County Line" after tribal and BBIA members told him how offensive his plan is to Native Americans. Approval of alcohol permitting in Meade County is contingent on two criteria, bar location and the character of the applicant.

Other individuals and groups working with the Alliance include Jace DeCory an elder who is employed at Black Hills State University. Lorraine Walking Bull, Anne White Hat and Ruth Thomas board members of Sicangu Way of Life were also participants in the Planning Summit. Carl Meyer a representative from the Mennonite Central Committee attended the meeting and took meeting notes. Bobby Black Tail Deer, Hunkpapa and Deb Wilson, BBIA members attended the Cracker Barrel held in Sturgis on Saturday and reported their experiences there. State Legislators believe the issue of buffering Bear Butte is over and done with. Kile said that there were 2-3 non-Indians at the strategy summit.

Kile further noted that she has been appointed to the Meade County Natural Resource Committee and they are writing a land use plan, the committee is an advisory board to the Meade County Commission and can make recommendations to the Meade County commissioners. At the September, 2005 Natural Resouce Committee meeting members would not endorce writing a recommendation regarding sacred site and surrounding landscape desecration concerns and suggested the BBIA go directly to the Meade County Commissioners. The Meade County Commission is worried about law suits from the rally developers, there is also concern for State Health inspector's safety when they go to inspect health standard regulations at area campgrounds. Bear Butte Creek rally development water impacts have not been studied by Meade County or South Dakota State agencies.

The next meeting of the Alliance will be on March 11 at the same location, the Extension building meeting room physical address is 1029 5th Street, directly West of the Meade County Court House that is located on West Sherman St. in Sturgis. The phone number for the Bear Butte International Alliance is 605-720-0282. Their website address is: www.matopaha.org.

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jail.

Sen. Thomas Dempster, R-Minnehaha, said that "discretion" plays a large part in any work that police officers, lawyers, and states attorneys do at present and we have no problem in placing such trust in them. Opponents of the bill noted the broad application of the legislation as well as the discretionary nature of those who are charged with enforcing it. There are differing living standards and different societies which are not easy to reconcile.

Some were worried that the provisions of the bill could be extended to such things as allowing a child to ride a four wheeler without proper supervision or even neglecting to provide proper heating or cooling for a dwelling. Sen. William Napoli, R-Pennington, who proposed an amendment to the original bill said, "It is disturbing to a lot of people because we are no longer looking at a cut and dry violation of the law." Napoli then spoke of the subjective nature of law enforcement. He said, "No everyone lives on west boulevard.., or has a warm home or new clothing."

Napoli objected to the line which said, "It is a Class I misdemeanor for any parent, guardian, or custodian as defined in section 26-7A-1 to willfully deprive a child of necessary food, clothing, shelter, medical care of supervision appropriate to the child's age, if the deprivation harms or endangers the child."

He said, "I received many emails and phone calls about this section dealing with that line…, who will decide if there is adequate food, clothing and shelter. This goes way beyond reason of a reasonable society."

One legislator expressed the fact that the environment in Native American communities is different and such legislation often creates distrust between parents and the courts.

Sen. Theresa Two Bulls said, "It is Native American children being taken away…, I didn't approve of the term "willingly." Two Bulls went on to say, "It means what social services or the states attorney says."

Two Bulls also noted, "Nobody knows unless they live it and we make do with what we have."

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ual council representatives."

In addition to the concern on how the project was being completed and who was doing what, the gathered representatives on Thursday listened to community members talk about the new building taking shape as a large bus garage, a potential WalMart on the reservation and a glorified steel building.

During discussions on Thursday, some of the change orders were based on a decision to cut off the third floor of the original plan and add conference room space to make the new casino more attractive to the many conferences and seminars that are regularly taken to Rapid City.

"This change really did make sense in the bigger picture," said Juanita Scherich, chair of the finance committee, "if we can attract some of that $3.5 to 4 million dollars that go to meetings in Rapid City, that would be great."

On Friday, the executive board voted unanimously to have the OST project manager, currently, Lenart Brown Eyes, and the tribal president, Cecelia Fire Thunder be the two people to sign off on any action taken on the project, in particular in the area of drawdowns and that no drawdown would take longer than ten days and that a completed design of the project be presented by the third week of March.

The original contract showed that TERO was being waived on this project; Pat Ross apologized if he had been acting out of order but expressed frustration like many others about the lack of any real information on the large project.

The economic and business development committee through its chair, Lyle Jack, agreed to withdraw as the lead committee on the project and turned it over to the finance committee.

SMSC representatives left mid-day on Friday with the sense that communication had been improved and that some of the problems had been dealt with, that there was a renewed commitment to work together on a very positive economic development venture.

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Pine Ridge pulls out big road win at St. Francis

Mustangs finish strong with two century mark wins

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent

ST. FRANCIS - In what a number of people thought to be a preview of the District 14A championship game, Friday, the Thorpes went to St. Francis and came out with a 71-69 hard fought win to move their record to 16-3.

St. Francis led by one at the end of the first quarter and even though they had a 13 point lead at one time in the first half, they were leading by seven at the end of the second quarter. Pine Ridge stormed back in the third taking a 55-54 lead on the strength of Jeff Big Crow's steady shooting.

Pine Ridge won the battle of the threes, dropping in 11 to the Warriors nine. John Provost had four and 14 points before fouling out halfway through the fourth period while Jeff Big Crow hit five and finished with a game high 24 points. St. Francis had four in double figures as JJ Arcoren finished with 18, Taylor Brushbreaker had four threes and 14 points while Kris Leroy and Travis Spotted War Bonnett each had 13.

On Tuesday, District 14A opens with Pine Ridge hosting Bennett County and St. Francis hosting Little Wound, a rematch of last year's Region 7A championship game.



Defending against #3 Ryan Pourier is St. Francis's #14 Travis Spotted War Bonnett, back right is #30 Travis Spotted Horse, Left is Taylor Brushbreaker. Photo by Randy Bachelor

Little Wound tops 100 in last two games of regular season

KYLE/LOWER BRULE - Little Wound finished up their last home game of the year with a 135-45 lambasting of Bennett County on Friday and came right back with a 103-68 road win over Crow Creek.

The Mustangs celebrated the return of their sophomore point guard, Brice Hornbeck by putting eight ballplayers into double figures in the lopsided win. Opening with 28 in the first quarter, Little Wound came back with 44 points in the third and 40 in the fourth.

Devon LeBeau led all scorers with 22, Willis Zephier hit for 19, Ty Lunderman had 18, Shilo Pierce had 16, Johnny Cloud 14 off the bench, Michael Apple and Hornbeck hit for 13 each and Rich Big Boy helped with 11. Little Wound's 135 points is second to the 144 put up by St. Francis against Takini in Class A in South Dakota.

Little Wound went out early against Crow Creek on Saturday in Lower Brule going up 26-8 and finished the fourth quarter with 36 to top the century mark for the second game in a row with a 103-68 win over Crow Creek.

The Mustangs full court trapping press forced Crow Creek into 30 turnovers. Lunderman took scoring honors with 24 while LeBeau hit for 15 points and a game high eight rebounds. Hornbeck finished with 16 points and eight steals and Zephier added 10.

Even with the two late season wins, Little Wound wasn't able to overcome St. Francis in the seeding for the district tournament and travels to St. Francis on Tuesday to open defense of their District 14A title. The Custer Wildcats with coach Larry Luitjens back in the harness kept the game close with Pine Ridge on Saturday. They were down by only two at the end of three quarters but the Thorpes lit up the nets for 29 points in the fourth while holding the Wildcats to just five points for a 60-34 win in Pine Ridge.

Red Cloud finished up their regular season with a 86-45 parent's night win over Hill City and will host Hot Springs in the District 15A first round game on Tuesday.

Johnny Crow led the way with 20 points, seven steals and six rebounds as the Crusaders finished the regular season with a 14-5 record. Christian McGhee added 14 while David Giago and Lester Gotheridge chipped in 11 apiece.

Pine Ridge dominates fourth quarter for Big Foot Conference B championship

PINE RIDGE - Down by seven at the half, Red Cloud came out storming in the third quarter to take a three point lead 29-26 going into the last quarter; Roger Tyon Big Crow took control of the next six minutes running the floor with careless abandon while racking up ten of his game high 15 points to lead Pine Ridge to a 44-36 win over Red Cloud in the Big Foot Conference B Boy's tournament championship game Friday.

Big Crow ended up being named the MVP; Red Cloud's Brian Beetem earned the Mr. Offense award while Trevor Bettelyoun of Pine Ridge was named Mr. Defense.

All tourney awards were presented to Ben Red Cloud and Jon Pond/PR, Eric Kills Enemy and Brad Hussman/WK, Jon Ross and Boots Vitalis/RC, Sam Yellow Boy and Derek Tyon/WC, Orie Brown/Pine Ridge, Johnny LeBeaux.

American Horse downed Wolf Creek 46-35 for third and Wounded Knee District School got by Rockyford 55-31 for the consolation championship.

Area boy's basketball scores

Pine Ridge 71-69 St. Francis
Red Cloud 86-45 Hill City
Little Wound 135-45 Bennett County
Little Wound 104-68 Crow Creek
Mobridge 70-66 Crow Creek
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O'Neill, team defense lead Bennett County to Region 7A win and State

PIERRE - Bennett County put the pressure on early and kept it on the entire game as the Lady Warriors avenged last year's regional loss to Todd County with a 68-61 hard fought win over the Lady Falcons Monday night in Pierre for the Region 7A title and a ticket to the 2006 State A tourney set for next week in Mitchell at the Corn Palace.

Katrina Donovan, a senior forward, operating in the shadow of Abby Kratovil and Maggie O'Neill all year, opened the first quarter with two threes and a two from the corner to put Todd County in the hole right away, the Lady Falcons spent the entire game digging out of the hole. Todd County fought back and tied it up at the end of the first quarter as Kali Jenkins came off the bench for the Lady Falcons and scored five quick points.

In the second quarter, Sunni Busch drove the lane for nine points as Todd County went up 23-22 but Bennett County answered with a 10-4 run to finish the first half up 32-27 as O'Neill answered with her own nine points. Down most of the third quarter, Todd County tied it up 45 all behind two of Char Wilson's game high four three pointers only to have the Lady Warriors close out the third with a 6-0 run and a 51-45 third quarter lead as O'Neill added seven more points.

Bennett County added three more to start the fourth to make it a 9-0 run and go up 54-45 but Todd County scored seven straight to close the gap to 54-52 as Wilson hit for two more threes and Jenkins added a two. Bennett County prevailed in the end as O'Neill added three more field goals for a game high 24 points to go with 11 rebounds, four steals, two assists and two blocked shots.

Turnovers dogged the Lady Falcons throughout the game with a total of 23 and Busch went to the free throw six times in the fourth and hit one. Busch finished with 18 points, 13 rebounds, four assists, four blocked shots and two steals, Wilson tallied 12, Jenkins finished with 11 and Two Lance had 10. Todd County finished the year 18-5 and will probably look back at the year with frustration at not winning their third straight LNI championship and failing to return to state for the second year in a row after taking sixth last year in Watertown. Busch, Wilson, Two Lance, Rosebud Haukaas and Summer Folkers played their last game for Todd County.

The focus of a good deal of attention by the Todd County defense, senior Abby Kratovil completed a workmanlike game with 10 points and 12 rebounds while Donovan and Mary Jo May both helped with 10 points.

The Lady Warriors are following on the steps of the volleyball team who went to state this fall, Bennett County takes a 21-1 season record into the state tournament in Mitchell next week. Bennett County last went to the state basketball tournament in 1986 when they won the championship behind Carla Allard and Darla Hicks.

Bennett County downs Little Wound to win 14A for second year in a row, Todd County captures third straight 13A title

RAPIC CITY - "We had a good game plan for the district championship against Bennett County," said Mary Tobacco who is the head coach for the Lady Mustangs, "we wanted to play their two big girls, Abby Kratovil and Magie O'Neil tough and play a patient half court game and take the Lady Warriors out of their running game."

With that said, Kratovil and O'Neill helped Bennett County to a 15-9 first quarter lead, a lead they kept the entire game. Despite fouling out with 2:31 in the fourth, Kratovil finished with 19 points and nine rebounds, O'Neill added 16 points and 14 rebounds.

Little Wound struggled from the field all night long shooting 23 per cent in the first half. Their 18 turnovers were an improvement on the district preliminary game with Pine Ridge but 18 turnovers gave up too many opportunities to the Lady Warriors. Both Tyann Pourier and Nichelle Red Owl, excellent three point shooters, hit two between them, both from Red Owl. Sadie In The Woods finally hit some outside shots for Little Wound hitting three threes in the fourth but it wasn't enough. Sadie finished with 18 points and 11 rebounds while Julie Boyce, off the bench, hit a career high 12 points.

Bennett County's sophomore point guard, Keely Krolikowski came alive in the second half scoring 13 of her 17 points. Bennett County earned a rematch with Todd County, a team that they beat in the first game of the year and a team they lost to in last year's region championship. Bennett County downed St. Francis 71-34 in the preliminary game.

Little Wound made it into the district finals with a 58-44 win over Pine Ridge. Sadie finished with 19 points, 12 rebounds, six steals, five assists and two blocked shots. Nichelle Red Owl scored ten of her 16 points in the fourth quarter.

The Lady Mustangs finished the year with a 17 and three record and saw seniors In The Woods, Tyann and Whitney Pourier, Amanda Clifford and Julie Boyce play their last game for Little Wound.

Pine Ridge was led by Lacey Weston, a freshman, with nine points and eight rebounds. The Lady Thorpes finished the year at 12-9 and lose Deana Big Crow to graduation.

Todd County picked up their 17th win of the year with an 83-51 win over Platte as Sunni Busch hit 26 points; Kari Two Lance added 16 and Summer Folkers chipped in 11.

Earning their third straight 13A title, the Lady Falcons knocked off Winner 59-42 for their 18th win of the season. Balanced scoring was the theme of the night as both Char Wilson and Sunni Busch hit for 13 points, Kali Jenkins added 12 and Kari Two Lance chipped in 10.

Todd County finished the year at 18-5 and saw Busch, Wilson, Folkers, Two Lance and Rosebud Haukaas play their last game as a Lady Falcon.

Area Scores
11A Chamberlain 79-70 Crow Creek
12A Chey. Eagle Butte 37-29 Stanley County
Mobridge 61-42 McLaughlin
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15A Custer 46-29 Red Cloud
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Michaud, Her Many Horses both place sixth at State A Wrestling in Watertown

WATERTOWN - "After learning about the cracked vertebrae, we knew that wrestling in state would be chancy at best," said Dave Michaud, Pine Ridge wrestling coach, talking about his son, Bulldawg, and the results of the SD State A wrestling tourney this past weekend in Watertown, "he wrestled as many matches as the pain would allow."

Michaud opened the tourney with a pin in 5:09 of Scott Reiners of West Central then lost to the eventual 189 champ Jared Aesoph of Watertown 14-9. Bulldawg then knocked off Trevor Herman of Winner 8-1 and Kirk Bunkers of Brookings 11-1 before the pain became too much; he defaulted his final two matches and ended up sixth with a final season record of 35-5.

"We are hoping for a full recovery," said Michaud, the coach, "the doctors have told us that he needs to take a month off and then we will look at how much the swelling has gone down and if the vertebrae is healing."

Todd County's Albert Her Many Horses, a junior wrestling at 125, beat Josh LeMair from Madison in his opening match with a pin at 3:08 then lost to Ryan Baxter of Rapid City Stevens by pin in 1:10. Albert came back and beat Ted Wannenberg of Winner 3-0 and Danny Weber of Sioux Falls O'Gorman then lost to Adam Everson of Mitchell in a fall at 3:36 and lost to Brandt Wettested of Watertown 9-4 to finish in sixth place and an overall season record of 33-10.

Chris Rahn, a Todd County junior wrestling in the 275/heavyweight division lost to Joe Darrington of Brookings with a fall at 4:50 and came right back and beat Mitchell Paulsen of Custer in :58. Next up, Chris lost to Derek Gard of Canton with a fall at 2:21.

Kellie Pulliam, a senior from Pine Ridge qualified at 135 pounds but struggled with a sprained ankle from the regionals. Pulliam lost to Shawn Larsen of Sturgis in :22 and to Drake Bachmeier of Sioux Falls Washington in 2:27.

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OPINION PAGE

Our Views

Is the triple-tiered dependence on the federal, state and tribal system failing?

With milder temperatures upon us, things are heating up in the tribal arena also. Rumors of a lame duck council and the inevitable start of this tribe's next election has already started and listening to KILI this past month proves it.

It is never too early in the year to acknowledge the fact that many of the impediments to economic and social progress look vaguely familiar to those we saw 25 years ago when the original Lakota Times was in full swing.

We are still plagued with an astounding unemployment rate, alcoholism, poverty, drug use and the need for economic development. Society was alarmed at the prevalence of marijuana use then and now that concern has shifted to methamphetamine use, which is proving to be an elusive challenge.

The upcoming election of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council and administration will prompt tribal members to reflect as well on the work to be done in addressing the many overwhelming problems.

By the same token, those who work in the trenches each week for the tribe will need to evaluate the work they have done.

For instance, on the Rosebud, there's a strong desire to set aside a portion of future casino profits to finance a number of profitable ventures, and that will take some vision and foresight as to the kind of projects that will be innovative and worthwhile.

The RST has picked up a modest missile defense project and is working to fund the project at a higher level in order to provide some 25-30 high tech jobs.

We cannot continue to play tug of war with each other and let politics sway our social and economic agenda. If the bottom line is job creation, many Lakota communities are failing the test.

There must be viable solutions, as many other communities bordering our lands seem to flourish okay.

There are no easy answers as we are finding out. As we look at those obstacles that plague Lakota society we need more creative and energetic ideas to spur economic development and put people to work.

In a sense, it's a 'no-brainer'. All you have to do is ask the youth. And by youth, I mean the 16 - 30 year olds. Whether or not they are active in some form of education or employment - or more sadly but true - unemployed and lacking a high school diploma or G.E.D., they are the ones hit the hardest by decisions made today by our tribal politicians.

They are the ones that know first hand what it is to grow up here and eek out a daily living.

Most already starting families of their own, realizing that they indeed are in need of a diploma or degree of some sort to support themselves and their families.

They are now asking some serious and very insightful questions and are demanding answers to those questions.

They are they ones that are inheriting the decisions made today by our elected officials.

Federal, State and lastly, Tribal politics play a decisive role in their lives more than any generation before us. They are the ones that know what it means to have no job and no where to turn.

Our unique triple-tiered existence, or should we say dependence, on this federal, state and tribal system has failed time and again. Just maybe, we could learn something from them.

Small business development has been touted as a long-term solution to unemployment and we need to see more evidence of that by tribal planners.

We are entering into a period of economic downturn and who knows how that void will be compensated for.

The problems that we saw some 60, 40 even 20 years ago are still with us and it is getting tiring for our people. Too many times have we arrived at this impasse and found ourselves lacking.



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Other Views

A divisive proposal

Idea to split Charles Mix County, after court ruling on Indian voting, smacks of racism

Divide Charles Mix County? Because of racism?

No.

There might be good reasons to look around our state and consider reconfiguring some of our counties - merging, taking a piece of one and adding it to another.

But racism isn't one of those good reasons.

That seems the basis, though, of petitions circulating that would divide our California-shaped county that borders Nebraska and the Missouri River.

The petitions call for taking 11 northern townships - with Platte and Geddes - and creating a new county, Hill County. The southern part - with Lake Andes, Wagner and Marty, headquarters of the Yankton Sioux Tribe - would remain as Charles Mix County.

"Basically, as far as I'm concerned (the petition) is coming out of a racist response," said Charon Asetoyer, executive director of the Native American Women's Health Education Resource Center in Lake Andes.

It's difficult to view this in any other way.

The border of the new counties would coincide with where Charles Mix borders the Yankton Sioux Reservation. And the petitions come only a few months after U.S. District Judge Lawrence Piersol ruled that the three county commissioner districts are unconstitutional because there's too large a deviation in population.

In other words, the districts effectively keep Native Americans out of the political process.

Charles Mix Commissioner Keith Mushitz says a division has been discussed for 10 years. This simply is the first time a petition has been circulated, he said.

"We've got a diverse county," Mushitz said. "It's 105 miles from the northwest corner to the southeast corner. There's just different needs at different ends of the county."

Platte Mayor John Stekly agreed there are differences.

"Our weather here is different and our ideology is different, too, from one end of the county to the other."

But split the county? Stekly said that's a stretch.

Good. There only are about 10,000 people in all of Charles Mix County, and the last thing we need now in South Dakota is to create two tiny counties. We need to be looking at consolidating our resources, not dividing them.

And for racism? Perhaps the worst reason.

Charles Mix residents understand what this is all about, even if people behind the petition - who want to remain under the radar - aren't forthcoming publicly. They know it's racism, and that's why they won't be viewed as supporters.

"All kinds of people have said they would sign it, but no one will circulate it," Platte Enterprise newspaper editor Ralph Nachtigal said of the petition.

This is a foolish endeavor that would be damaging to the county as a whole - and especially its residents.

Wouldn't it be simpler just to work together?

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Things to empower yourself

Today, for the first time, I am ashamed to be South Dakotan



By Patty Pourier

I was unable to bear children because of a pituitary tumor. I love babies. I believe babies are miracles. I love children. I have four grandchildren and two more on the way. I have strong Christian morals.

I believe in abstinence of sex before marriage. I believe life is sacred. I also believe it is not okay for rape victims to carry the child of perpetrator for nine months.

Nor do I believe it is ok for a perpetrator to have any rights to a child that is conceived during a crime. I also take offense to people who judge me as non-Christian, because I believe a woman has the right to decide what happens to her body.

I was absolutely appalled when during a television interview Liz Krause, a legislator from Rapid City, said in the case of incest, over 90 percent of the time the babies are "okay" and the woman should not have the right to abortion.

I also realize the majority of our legislators in South Dakota are men. I found, after some research, the woman quoted above, has no children. The one thing I have in common with the Rapid City woman and the reset of the legislators that voted to deny all abortions, and not to offer the morning after pill to victims, is none of us have ever conceived a child from a rapist.

None of us have lost our virginity and conceived a baby from a rapist. Therefore, none of us in this group knows what it might feel to have been violated and raped in a most violent or humiliating way for hour after hour. (Most rapes happen over an agonizing six hour period.)

None of us knows what it feels like to have been held against our will and have a rapist take the most private and sacred part of our bodies and make them a criminal scene.

None of us knows how it would feel to have the result of this horrific crime grow inside of us for nine months. None of us knows how humiliating it would be, on a daily basis to look our stomachs and have the result of the crime grow inside of us.

None of us knows how shameful it would feel to be thirteen years old and to have to go to school, with everyone looking at us and our bulging stomach and say- "there she is". None of us knows the overwhelming feeling of having labor pains to bear a child from someone who has violated this sacred right of a woman, give to a woman by God.

And after the birth, none of us knows what it would feel like to hold a baby that is half you and half rapist. And furthermore, none of us know how difficult it could possibly be to decide whether or not to try to raise this child, a daily reminded of the crime and the rapist, or to make the difficult decision to give up baby.

How then, I ask, could our legislators, be allowed to make the decision to prohibit a rape victim from being offered the morning after pill, or to abort the product of a crime scene.

To me it is insane, anti-Christian and criminal for anyone to expect a victim of rape, especially the victim of incestual rape, to bear the child produced from such a crime.

This does not in any way shape or form, resemble what God intended. This is not an act of love; it is an act of control and hate. It is violation of the law of our land and God's law.

Not all victims would make the choice of the morning after pill or an abortion. But shouldn't they have the right to decide this intimate decision, and not our legislators?

Because our legislators and governor supports this, it looks as though SD will become the state that spends millions of our South Dakota tax dollars to support this law in front of the US Supreme Court.

Today, for the first time in my life, I am ashamed to be a South Dakotan.

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Northern Perspectives

President Bordeaux gives update, suggests ideas



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

After listening to a KINI radio broadcast of an interview with Rosebud Sioux Tribe President Rodney M. Bordeaux by Richard Iyotte, station manager, it gave me a snapshot of the work that our relatively new administration is doing, thus far.

After having worked as a parttime writer for about a year now, I am also new at scrutinizing and studying print and broadcast media. I think such openness in broadcasting open tribal council meetings and such interviews are very helpful to the public.

They are important to my work as it is often convenient for me to work at home and carefully document what is transpiring in council. So, if someone says I wrote about a council issue and I was no where to be seen, chances are they are correct.

I work hard to keep my facts correct and unbiased as I represent a story and I appreciate any feedback about any apparent inaccuracies.

I suspect that I should thank former RST president Charles Colombe for encouraging the broadcast over KINI. I support it totally and I hope it continues.

President Bordeaux with his prior council experience appears to be getting a handle on the issues and priorities that he would like his administration to accomplish during his two years in office.

It's not an enviable position to be in as the proposed Bush administration cuts and a high unemployment rate on the Rosebud will prove some very daunting obstacles to overcome.

I thought his idea of taking a third of the annual casino budget and using it to spur economic development for RST was a great idea. Having to contend with other expenditures as clothing orders, the harsh winter and other budget shortfalls is certainly considerations that must not be ignored.

Bordeaux also spoke of the enduring encroachment of the private sector and the state and the unease, which it continues to cause on the Rosebud. The state is balking at the idea of imposing a buffer zone around Bear Butte to protect it from business development and this is angering such activists as the Defenders of the Black Hills.

The Defenders are a group that needs the help of all of us tribal members as they labor at their mission of protecting He Sapa from being desecrated and over developed. The thought of selling private tracks of public land to generate income is something that President Bordeaux and his administration.

In fairness to the state, I must say that the defeat of the legislative effort to interfere in the negotiation of gaming compacts between Lakota tribes and the Governor, showed great judgment. The potential for expanding casino locations and adding additional machines needs to be a part of any contractual relationship with the state, as Lakota people are working overtime to become self-sufficient through great economic development ventures.

President Bordeaux shares this view and it will be exciting to envision and create new initiatives and opportunities for tribal members who wish to help guide us in a different direction and away from dependence upon the federal government.

Our land base defines us as a distinct tribal people and our quasi-sovereign status is continually being assaulted, but with the good works of our new administration we will be forever vigilant in defining who the friends of the Lakota people are.

Thank you to the many Sicangu Lakota people who have extended their congratulations to me in receiving an Alumni of Color Award from Harvard University.

I will not be traveling out to Boston to receive the award because I cannot fly, but it will be conferred locally on the Rosebud. Roy Spotted War Bonnet said it should done amongst the people, anyway, so we shall see how that will be accomplished.

A, ehake owawaya wankatuya mni wanca ecta miuonihanpi cinpi ca he lila wopila heca. Waniyetu ota leciya Sicangu oyanke wawawi icamu ca wana miuonihanpi ca lila miyuskin. Hecunpi hantas he lila wasake>

Dr. Archie Beauvais (nagik sapa) Sicangu Lakota, is a decorated Vietnam Veteran with a Doctor of Education (Ed.D) degree from Harvard University and resides on the Rosebud.

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Request for Proposal

The Lower Brule Housing Authority is soliciting proposals for Architectural and Engineering services for ICDBG FY-2005 Project B-05-SR-46-1052. The project consists of design of a new roof on the 8 PLEX Elderly Complex and mold mitigation in the four PLEX elderly complex and mold mitigation on 34 units of low rental housing. Interested parties may contact the Lower Brule Housing Authority for more information on the complete scope of work. Firms submitting proposals shall be registered in the States of South Dakota and shall identify the direct contact person. The contact person shall provide architectural, structural, mechanical, electrical and civil planning programming services for the completion of the ICDBG FY-2005 project. Services required will range in the scope from program interpretation in cooperation with HUD, Tribal Officials and the local Housing Authority through completion of the project.

Proposal Evaluation Factors and points for the A/E Services are as follows:

1. Recommendations for other IHA's	**15 points**
2. Registered Engineer and Architect in SD	**15 points**
3. Capacity To accomplish mold mitigation	**10 points**
4. Past performances on Lower Brule Indian Housing contracts	**10 points**
5. Professional and Technical competence and experience	**15 points**
6. Statement for plan detailing employment and training of Indian persons	**10 points**
7. Indian Preferences	**15 points**
8. Geographical location of A/E offices	**10 points**

The Lower Brule Housing Authority plans to implement the Indian Preferences Procedure by the use of the procedures set forth in 24 CFR, Part 950: Indian preferences is in effect for the project, with total of 15% of the total points allotted for Indian Preferences. A/E firms that claim and provide documentation of Indian Ownership must submit the following items with their proposal in order to qualify for Indian Preferences.

1. Tribal certification of the Indian owner.
2. Certification that the Indian person is the controlling owner of the firm submitting the proposal.
3. A complete listing of the structure of the Indian owned firm, including the names of all persons associated with the firm and a listing of their job functions, registrations and areas of expertise.

All responding A/E firms must submit a statement describing how they will provide Indian Preferences in their subcontract work.

The successful firm will be required to comply with the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal TERO Ordinance, along with any tribal fees and licenses.

The LBHA will accept proposals until 3:30 pm, CST on April 15, 2006

Proposals received after the closing date and time will not be considered.

For further information regarding this RFP, contact: Jeannie M. Smith, Executive Director, Lower Brule Housing Authority, P.O. Box 183, Lower Brule, South Dakota 57548
Phone: 605-473-5522 or fax 605-473-5578

Little Wound School

We would like to congratulate the Little Wound Lady Mustangs on a successful season. This comes from a very proud Little Wound School Board, Administration, Staff, Student Body and Community.



The Little Wound Lady Mustangs took second to Custer in this year's Lakota Nation Invitational in December in Rapid City and includes: (Back Row) Mary Tobacco, head coach, Jovan bull Bear and Erin Boyce, team managers, Amanda Carlow, assistant coach, Julie Boyce, Sadie In The Woods, Tish Long, Whitney Pourier and Shay Janis; (front row) Katie Whirlwind Horse, Nichelle Red Owl, Tyann Pourier, Tangerine LeBeau, Laura Cummings and Mikayla Mitzel. Amanda Clifford is not pictured.
Photo courtesy Double M Studio, Hay Springs, Neb.



This goes out to the Girls Basketball Cheerleaders as well. Good JOB Girls, we are very proud of you.







Left to Right: Julie Boyce, Nichelle Red Owl, Amanda Clifford, Sadie In The Woods, Whitney Pourier, Kelsey Brave Eagle. Not Pictured: Tyann Pourier, Mikayla Mitzel, Erin Boyce.

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Sections

Shannon County spelling contest host 11 schools

BATESLAND - The Shannon County Reservation wide 2006 Spelling contest was held at Rockyford school Feb.17 with 11 schools participating. The winners are listed below.

Oral

First Grade
1st: Laura Brewer - Loneman
2nd: Josh Marshall - Wolf Creek
3rd: Ty Apple - Little Wound
Second Grade
1st: Trista Merrival - Pine Ridge
2nd: Rodolfo Ceron - Little Wound
3rd: Lindsay Brave Heart - Little Wound
Third Grade
1st: Kristine Bissonette - Pine Ridge
2nd: Oliver Her Many Horses - Loneman
3rd: Randy Tobacco - Little Wound
Fourth Grade
1st: Chantel Roubideaux - Wolf Creek
2nd: Kaitlyn Martin - Pine Ridge
3rd: Angel Red Cloud- Pine Ridge
Fifth Grade
1st: Deanna Martin - Pine Ridge
2nd: Justina Bagola - Batesland
3rd: Lacy Wolf - Red Shirt
Sixth Grade
1st: Lyle Jacobs - Our Lady of Lourdes
2nd: Danesha Zephier - Rockyford
3rd: Corina Sitting Bear - Wolf Creek
Seventh Grade
1st: Louis Hollow Horn - Batesland
2nd: Brandon Clifford - Porcupine
3rd: Tiara Eagle Elk - Pine Ridge
Eighth Grade
1st: Lizzie New Holy - Batesland
2nd: Josonya New Holy - Pine Ridge
3rd: Esther Two Bulls - Wolf Creek

Written

First Grade
1st: Amber Weller - Wolf Creek

School with the Most

2nd: Ta'mya Running Hawk - Little Wound
POINTS - PINE RIDGE
3rd: Justice Raven - Our Lady of Lourdes

Please turn to
Spelling contest: B2

Truancy task force meets, attendance and intervention model reviewed

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

MISSION - The Attendance Intervention Team at the Todd County School District hosted a meeting of the Judicial/Education Collaboration Truancy Task Force at the Rosebud Casino on Feb. 22.

The intervention team is headed by Alicia Dickson-Boyd who began the meeting with a brief welcome to all participants in attendance.

Hoksila Long, a ninth grader at Todd County High School offered a Lakota prayer.



Amanda Riley and Daniel Brave were a 'big hit' at the TCSD sponsored truancy task force meeting at the Rosebud Casino. They spoke of persistent phone calls from the Alternative School that prompted them to get to class, which they appreciated.

Dickson-Boyd has led AIT since its inception and in collaborating with each of the district's 12 different schools with 14 different attendance centers. Her office has been very proactive in combating truancy in the school district as recent provisions in the No Child Left Behind legislation have targeted attendance as a major goal toward meeting the act.

Brian Burnette of AIT con-

Please turn to
Truance: B2

Students show media skills at technology fair at Todd County Middle School

MISSION - The Todd County Middle School students had an opportunity to present their skills using technology at the TCMS Technology Fair held Feb. 27.

Students presented to a panel of judges a project they completed this year. Some of the projects included Gargage Band a music application that allowed students to create their own music. iDVD's created by students own photography, power points, a web page, and iMovies.

Students names were drawn for gift certificates from Radio Shack in Mission, and Stadium Sports. Little Feller donated pop, Radio Shack in winner donated iShuffle accessories, and Computer Village donated an iShuffle for the students that participated in the technology fair.

Seventh Grade Video
Tanner Jackson
2nd place: Kelcey Eagle Chasing, Leslie Wooden Knife. Alice High Rock. Morgan Wright. Juana Iron Shell
3rd place: Buster Rahn
Eighth Grade Video
1st place: Alex Prue and Thomas Schmidt
2nd place: Cassandra Valandra
3rd place: Matthew Wilsen
Sixth Grade Video
1st place: Gerald Dillon
2nd place: Katrina Fuller
3rd place; Marlene Marshall
Eighth Grade Audio
1st Lisa Crow Dog
2nd Peri DeCory



L-R: Tiffany High Rock, Micheal DeCory and Lisa Crow Dog





Above, L-R: Morgan Wright, Juana Iron Shell, Alice High Rock, Kelsey Eagle Chasing, Lexi Wooden Knife, Buster Rahn, Tanner Jackson

L-R: Cassandra Valandra, Matthew Wilson, Alex Prue and Thomas Schmidt



Left, L-R: Gerald Dillon, Marlene Marshall and Katrina Fuller

Free business seminar March 16

KYLE - If you have been thinking about starting your own business, the Oglala Lakota College Applied Science Department will be hosting a free two-day Business Seminar on March 16-17.

The seminar will be held at the at Piya Wiconi Administration Building in the Conference Room from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and is open to the public. The applied science faculty and guest speakers will present information on owning and operating your own business. This is a first of two seminars planned. The second seminar about marketing your business will be held in May.Lunch and refreshments will be provided. Stipends paid to the first 100 people to register and attend both days. Transportation to and from the districts will be provided upon request.

For more information call the applied science department at 455-6080 or 455-6076.

Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Weekly Flu Clinic
Every Thursday at the Public Health Nursing Office in Pine Ridge for high risk adult population call Kendra at 867-3297 for additional information.

AA Meetings - Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Pahin Sinte College Center Walking Club
starting at 4pm each day Monday through Friday at the center in Porcupine, for information call Janice aor Alva at 867-5404.

Reservation wide recruitment for Oglala Lakota College Infant Toddler and Headstart Program
on-going, call Pine Ridge Headstart at 867-5649 or 867-5640 and recruitment days on Wednesday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Flea Market and Indian Taco Sale
Thursday, March 2 at the Pass Creek College Center in Allen with feal market at 9 a.m. and taco sale at 11 a.m. for info or for delivery call 455-2757.

District 15A Championship Boy's Basketball
Friday, Mar. 3rd in Spearfish at the Young on the campus of Black Hills State University at 7 p.m.

District 14A Boy's BB Championship
Saturday, Mar. 4th in Rapid City at Stevens High School at 7 p.m.

Big Foot Conference A Boy's Basketball Championship
Saturday, March 4 at Batesland School

Center Circle of One Book Forum
Sunday, March 5 at the Pahin Sinte Coolege Center in Porcupine at 1 p.m. with Joseph Marshall with a potluck for info call 867-5404 or 867-1727.

Job Fair
Thursday, March 9 at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and for info call Prairie Wind Casino at 867-6300 ext. 121.

Estate Planning Services
a free community education meeting with Dakota Plains Legal Services staff presenting information on the new federal law concerning the probate process and trust land and the need for a will set for Thursday, March 9 in Wanblee at the Eagle Nest CAP office at 1 p.m. with refreshments served and covering how to reduce multiple owners of trust land, writing wills, land consolidation options and gift deeds, for information call 867-1020.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
Rescheduled for Friday, March 10 at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee, grand entries 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with supper at 5 p.m.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
Friday, March 31 at Little Wound School in Kyle with grand entries at 1 and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m.

LWS school events

KYLE - The following are calendar events for Little Wound School.

Wednesday - March 1
ELP State Testing
Dakota Step Test
Middle School "A" Team Basketball Tournament at Batesland

Thursday - March 2
ELP State Testing
Dakota Step Test
Middle School "A" Team Basketball Tournament @ Batesland

Friday - March 3
ELP State Testing
Dakota Step Test
Middle School "A" Team Basketball Tournament at Batesland

Nutrition and healthy eating class open to the public March 2

ROSEBUD - Class Join the Diabetes Prevention Program and the SGU Diabetes Initiative for a special course on nutrition, called "My Pyramid for a Healthy Family," this Thursday, March 2 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the SGU Commons in Antelope.

The course will be facilitated by Lucy Atteberry, Nutrition Assistant for the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program. The two-part course will focus on dietary guidelines at 10 a.m., and on food safety at 11:15 a.m.

At 11:45 the class will participate in a cooking demonstration. Lunch will be served at noon.

Registration is free, and open to the public by calling the RST Diabetes Prevention Program 747-4600.

Spelling contest: from page B1

Second Grade
School with the highest
1st: Sierra Blindman - Wolf Creek
Percentage of points
2nd: Kordell Shangreaux - Pine Ridge Loneman
3rd: Kobe Gray Grass - Batesland

Third Grade
1st: Kohli Merdianian - Red Cloud
2nd: Rudy Twiss - Pine Ridge
3rd: Kiana Poafybitty - Our Lady of Lourdes

Fourth Grade
1st: Triston Apple - Little Wound
2nd: Carrie Not Help Him - Our Lady of Lourdes
3rd: Brandon Little Whiteman - Little Wound
Fifth Grade
1st: Brooke Pond - Pine Ridge
2nd: R.J. White Eyes - Our Lady of Lourdes
3rd: Lyndon Baustian - Little Wound
Sixth Grade
1st: Renae Cournoyer - Our Lady of Lourdes
2nd: Santana Young Man - Porcupine
3rd: Tylee Janis - Pine Ridge

Seventh Grade
1st: Rebecca Ten Fingers - Loneman
2nd: Bonnie Sits Poore - Pine Ridge
3rd: Julie Bull Bear - Rockyford
Eighth Grade
1st: Aubree Running Hawk - Red Cloud
2nd: Tiesha Brewer - Pine Ridge
3rd: Amber Steele - Our Lady of Lourdes.

Todd County truancy meeting: from page B1

ducted a power point presentation on the role of AIT, its goals and objectives, and related protocols when a student is absent from school.

The primary goals of the team are to increase average daily attendance, graduation rates, to track students and to implement and reinforce district wide strategies, which will increase student achievement.

Burnette also went over enrollment figures for the district, as well as the scheme for tracking attendance. He also described the process for tracking students who move from one to school to another and how the figures are reconciled.

Truancy is simply defined as any unexcused absence from school. All students on the Rosebud, according to the RST Tribal education code must remain in school until the age of 18 or until graduation.

The state of South Dakota requires a student to stay only until the age of 16, at present, however the legislature is discussing the idea of extending that until the age of 18.

AIT is working closely with parents, teachers, and supporting entities in finding solutions to attendance problems. Their rationale is that improved attendance can only be achieved if a student is in school, and thus improved achievement at each school will be likely be the positive end result. Dickson-Boyd said, "We are a learning organization which consistently pursues and works to maintain a balance between advocating for a positive outcome and inquiring about what needs to change."

Dexter Wittman of the Pennington County State's Attorney's Office provided an overview of the meetings held, thus far, of the truancy task force.

He said when several agencies in the Rapid City area first came together; there was much surprise at the number of people who were engaged in similar efforts in decreasing truancy rates. He was accompanied by Jim Ghents of Central High School in Rapid City, Larry Meagher of General Beadle elementary, and Jim Huff of the Learning Disability Association of South Dakota.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the task force held at the Ramkota Inn in Rapid City on Nov. 3 and 4, 2005 were passed out.

Participants indicated the truancy efforts being made in their respective schools, while listing other collaborate efforts they were engaged in. They were also asked to list the strategies that should be further explored in truancy reduction.

At that meeting AIT extended their participation at the Networking Reception providing attendance student tracking data per Infinite Campus, district wide protocols and information on building community connections.

Wayne King, head teacher at the Todd County Alternative School spoke of their work in working with some 40 students at their center. He introduced two students, Amanda Riley and Daniel Brave, who very eloquent in praising their experience at the alternative school. The fact that the school is persistent in calling students and providing a relaxed that is conducive to academic learning seemed to make a difference in their lives.

RST vice president Wayne Boyd was in attendance as was RST juvenile judge Janelle Sully.

TCSD school board members in attendance included, Marlon Leneaugh and Charlie Moe. There will several subsequent meetings upcoming of the truancy task force, in addition to a meeting in November in Pine Ridge.

OST Public Safety police captain Mills has 30 years experience

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) _ The new captain of the Oglala Sioux Tribe Department of Public Safety has 30 years of experience in law enforcement.

Patrick Mills, 53, is a tribal member who served in the Army and then returned to Red Cloud Indian School in the mid 1970s to be a coach. He said his brother, who was on the police force at the time, encouraged him to try a career in law enforcement.

``I've been with (law enforcement) ever since," Mills said.

Mills said he now has spent 30 years in the field _ the last 19 as a Bureau of Indian Affairs criminal investigator.

Mills has worked on reservations throughout South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, Oregon and Arizona.

He began his new job in December.

Mills said police work has evolved since his rookie years on the Pine Ridge reservation.

Television shows about crime-scene investigation give viewers a snapshot about police work but leave out how much time it takes to collect evidence, find witnesses, file reports and get test results from labs, Mills said.

``In real life, a crime doesn't get resolved in an hour," he said.

Books aimed at educating kids about diabetes

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) _ The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Indian Health Service have announced the distribution of tens of thousands of special books aimed at educating American Indian children about diabetes.

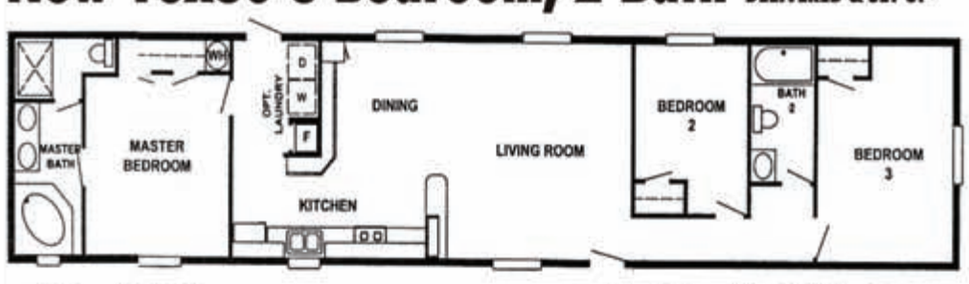
The four-book series features a bald eagle that lives in a fictional Indian village on the outskirts of a city and counsels kids about the healthy Indian old ways, such as a diet rich in fruits and vegetables and a life filled with physical activity.

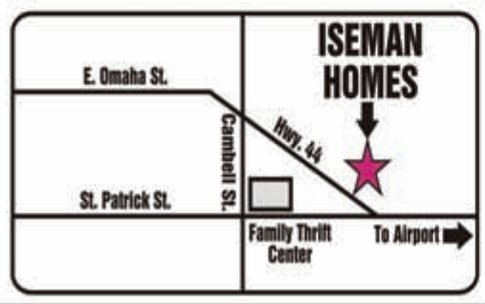
About 60,000 of the books, which were written by Native American Diabetes Project employee Georgia Perez, were distributed in New Mexico on Thursday. The rest will go to Indian children near Seattle and Minneapolis.

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Sam LaDeaux Sr.

MANDERSON - Sam LaDeaux Sr., 69, died Feb. 24 at Rapid City Regional Hospital of natural causes. LaDeaux was a veteran.

He is survived by sons Sam LaDeaux, Jr., Denver, Colo.; John LaDeaux, Manderson; Steve LaDeaux, Tenn.; daughters Colleen Steele, Manderson; Roseanne LaDeaux, Pine Ridge; and Janese Mousseaux, Rapid City; brothers:Fred LaDeaux, Manderson; Ben LaDeaux, Jr., Wichita, Kan. And sisters: Kathy Janis and Rose LaDeaux both of Manderson; Midge Morgan, Gordon, Neb.; and Pearl Cournoyer, Marty and 26 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

A one night wake begin Tuesday, Feb. 28 at St. Agnes Church Hall, Manderson.

Funeral services were Wednesday, March 1 at St. Agnes Church Hall with with Rev. Bill Paul officiating.

Burial was at St. Agnes Catholic Cemetery, in Manderson.

Arrangements were with Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Veldon "Sheep" Emery Hollow Horn Grey Horse

CHERRY CREEK - Veldon Hollow Horn, 41, of Cherry Creek, died Feb. 25 at th Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Funeral services will be Monday, March 6, at the Gymnasium in Cherry Creek.

Father Brian Lane, Deacon Ted Knife, Stanley Hollow Horn will be officiating. Burial will be in the St. Andrews Episcopal Cemetery in Cherry Creek under the direction of Oster Funeral Home of . There will be all night wake services starting at 7 p.m. on Saturday and on Sunday at the Gymnasium in Cherry Creek.

Jesse Thomas Milk Jr.

WINNER - Jesse Thomas Milk Jr., 66, Winner, died Thursday, Feb. 23, at Winner Regional Healthcare Center. Survivors include his wife, Bernice, Winner; three daughters, Eleanor Milk and Joann Bates, both of Winner, and Lori Milk, Geddes; two sons, Edward Milk, California, and Arlington Milk, Winner; three brothers, Roger, Victor and Alfred, all of Winner; one sister Ruth Mason, Yankton; eight grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter. Wake services were Feb. 27, at Winner-Ideal Community Hall in Winner.

Funeral services were Wednesday, March 1, at the Community Hall. Burial was at Winner Cemetery.

Vienna Two Two

PINE RIDGE - Vienna Two Two, 93, Pine Ridge, died Wednesday, Feb. 22, , in Pine Ridge.Survivors include five daughters, Ramona Two Two, Sylvia Red Cloud and Mary Two Two, all of Pine Ridge, Linda Two Two, Portland, Ore., and Joann Two Two, Rapid City, and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A one-night wake was Sunday, Feb. 26, at Sacred Heart Catholic Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services was Monday, Feb. 27, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Pine Ridge, with the Rev. Steve Sanford officiating. Burial was at Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Wounded Knee. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

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Dear Anna,

I goofed, or I am afraid that I did because I slept with my best friend. We have been friends for over a year, and he and I almost talk everyday. The things is, that I have a boyfriend, but now I don't know what to do. Help me Anna, I am afraid that I have made a horrible mistake.

Friends and now lovers

Dear Lover:

Well, it is a complication - what with your current boyfriend and all, but it is not necessarily a mistake. You and your "friend" have been flirting dangerously close to each other - and what did you think would eventually happen? You have looked forward to your daily conversations and seeing your "friend" more than you have your boyfriend.

Time to get honest, tell the old boyfriend goodbye and the new one hello. That is why it is not a good idea to marry everybody you date - it's much better to have an ex boyfriend than another ex husband. Blessings and good luck to you!

Dear Anna,

My boyfriend went away back to school this fall after a good summer together. When he first got back he called me almost every day and would drive here from Denver about once a month or so. Now he hardly ever calls and when I call him either he says he is busy and he will call me back, or he doesn't answer. What do you see?

Worried that he doesn't care

Dear Worried:

I call him a GUD. That means: geographically undesirable. Long distance relationships only work if you are Dolly Parton. Whatever you think is going on with your long distance boyfriend is going on. He is seeing others - and well, that probably doesn't make you too happy, but he lives in an entirely different world now than you do. Let him go girl. Sign up for a local boy, keep your nose to the books, graduate, go to school in California like you want to, and have a good life. This relationship you can chalk up to experience.

Dear Anna,

I am broken hearted. My auntie is in the hospital is Sioux Falls, and everyone is already making star quilts and planning for her wake, but she is still alive.

I am 14 years old and it makes me so mad to hear everyone talk and say the stuff they are saying, but how do they know she isn't going to live? When I tell them to stop they just shut up and look away. How can my family be so mean?

Niece of an alive auntie

Dear Niece:

You family members just know, that's all. It is hard on them too, but your auntie is not doing too well and the family is just gathering together. The Creator has allowed the family members good warning so that they can gather together and say their good-byes and mend any broken family fences. I know it is hard on you, but your mother and her sisters are also suffering, but they are older and know what they are dealing with. Pray for your auntie that her journey is a good one, tell her you love her, and cry for the wonderful friend that you will miss.

Dear Anna:

Do you ever work with the police to help bust drug dealers or get criminals like the psychics on television?

Wants to know

Dear Wants to know:

Very seldomly. I will help with a lost child or something of that nature, but crime I usually leave to the police and their investigative tactics. It is not smart for me to go against organized criminals. They have a way of making me leave town, and I'm not in the mood to move.

Dear Anna:

Where did my horse go? He was in the back pasture last week, but I haven't seen him for about ten days or so. Is he dead? Where is he?

Worried sick about Paint

Dear Worried:

Good news! Paint is in the neighborhood - about three or four miles from your pasture in your neighbors place. Your neighbor drives a blue and white pick up.

Stop and talk to him and go get your horse and ride him very gently home. Have a good day riding!

Dear Anna:

I almost got this job a few months ago, but there was some mix-up with the budget and now they say they can't hire anybody for a few months. If I wait will I get this job? Will they ever really hire anybody?

Waiting.

Dear Waiting:

Sometimes waiting works out. This is one of those. You have already been hired, which is what you already know, but your start date has been moved from the first part of March to the first part of April.

Enjoy your new workplace and fellow workers.

Dear Anna:

There is a big debate. Who is my father? My uncle or my father.

Thirteen and wondering

Dear Wondering:

This is touchy. Ask your mom. If she won't answer you write me again.

Good Luck!

Dear Anna:

I am caught up in this situation and I have stayed out of it…but sometimes I feel like it takes its own course. There are times that I feel helpless in doing the right thing at the right time and how will it resolve itself in the end? I don't wish to participate because I really don't want to hurt anybody or be hurt by it either. Sometimes I feel like the situation gets out of control; what do you see? Will it resolve itself?

In the middle

Dear In:

Anytime that there are two people that try and pull a third person "in" to determine who is right, there is trouble. I really feel that you can tell both parties that you ARE neutral, that you care about both points of view, and you don't want to discontinue association with anybody, or blame anybody…you just want to be okay with both of them. Refuse to play with them in this instance…an analogy: Someone wants to play ping-pong with you. They insist. They put the paddle in your hand and ask you to join them at the ping pong table. You, however, don't like ping-pong, and don't want to play. The best way not to get involved in "ping-ponging" is to hand the paddle back to the person and walk away from the table. They can then "ping" whenever they want, but you won't be there to "pong." By the way, your "friends" will eventually work out their issues, but right now they are stuck in self-righteousness, and have forgotten compassion and the other person's point of view. Good Luck with passive resistance.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication. Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

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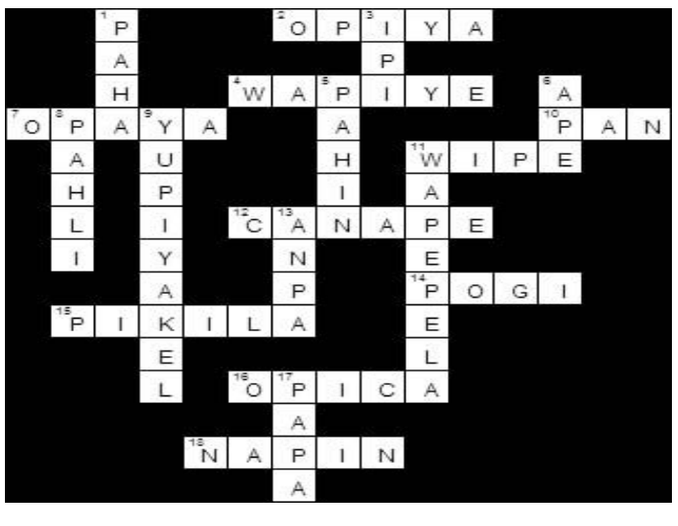
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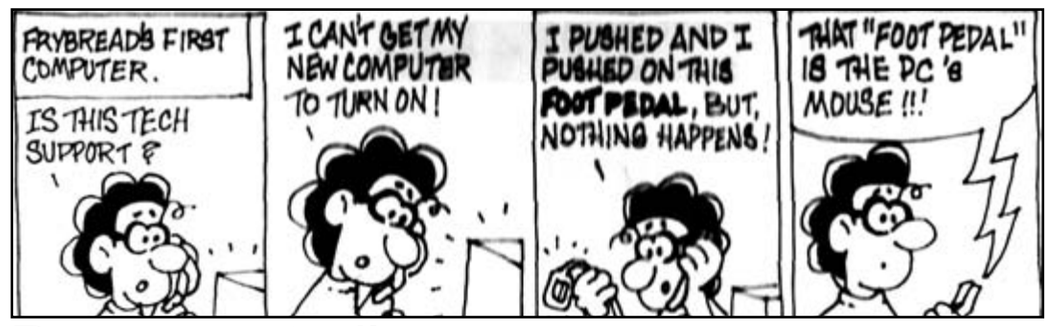
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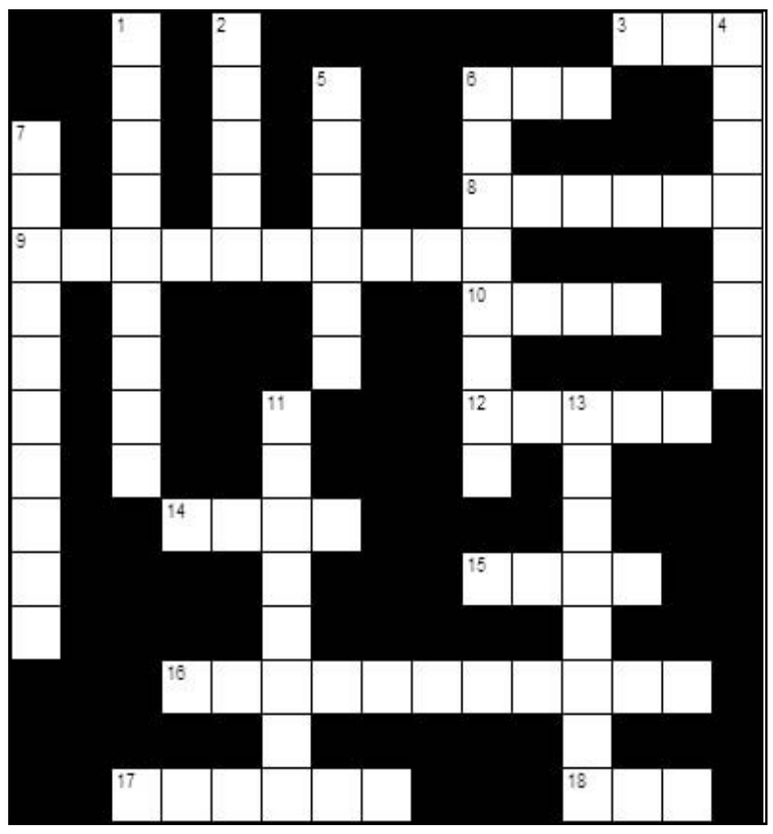
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

3. messed up hair
6. sleepy
8. washing something
9. nine
10. he or she is crying
12. the laws
14. earth
15. plus
16. I am an infant
17. work
18. recieves something

Down

1. some letters
2. tobacco
4. I am standing
5. I am sick
6. I am fishing
7. to journey through night crying
11. ten
13. bed



Top Ten reasons for the week

TOP TEN WAYS YOU CAN TELL YOU ARE FROM THE REZ!

1. At least one of your car windows has duct tape on it (or plexie glass!)
2. When you have bunch of dogs and they all got cool Indians names.
3. Sage on the dashboard and a "real" dreamcatcher.
4. Your accent!
5. When you wear sweatpants most of the time!
6. When you have one broke down car in your yard but can honestly say it works!
7. When your favorite meal is an Indian taco and the second best is what's on the Dollar Menu
8. You say errrrr, sick, eeezzzz or whatever
9. You point with your lips!
10. Mostly everything your learned is from the Discovery channel.

Next weeks topic is:

TOP TEN REASONS WHY PEOPLE RUN FOR TRIBAL COUNIL, OR BETTER YET, THE ELECTION BOARD.

Each week the Lakota Country Times has a topic for our "top ten." It is posted a week in advance in this column. You can submit your "top ten" response to next weeks issue by e-mail to: lakota1868@gwtc.net, or fax to 685-1870, or drop in the HAPPY AD BOX at Big Bat's or Lil' Angels. All respondors will remain confidential. We look forward to hearing YOUR TOP TEN REASONS!

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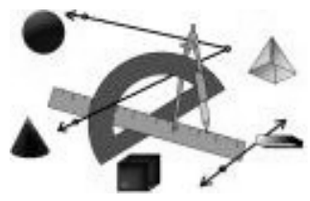
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Batesland School

1-Busdriver (Class B CDL required)
1-Part time Cook (6 hours a day, experience preferred)

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1-Preschool one on one Aide (48 passing college credits or the ability to pass the State Paraprofessional test prior to employment)
1-Special Education Aide (48 passing college credits or the ability to pass the State Paraprofessional test prior to employment)
1-Custodian (experience preferred)
1-Busdriver (CDL required)

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1-Speech Aide (48 passing college credits or the ability to pass the State Paraprofessional test prior to employment)
1-Busdriver (CDL required)

District-wide

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Happy 2nd Birthday to the love of our life Ayannah Nasya Amara One Horn on 3-4-06! Baby you have grown so much these past couple of years. You've made our lives so happy. We hope you have the bestest birthday ever! Happy 2nd Birthday pretty! Love, Auntie Woni and Uncle lil June, Love, Auntie Paulette, Love, Mommy Crystal, Uncle Dave.

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POSITION: Executive Director
DEPARTMENT: Dakota Tiwahe Service Unit /Social Services
OPENING DATE: February 13, 2006
CLOSING DATE: Open until filled.

REQUIREMENTS:
1. Master's degree in social sciences (social work, psychology, sociology, counseling, human development, mental health care, education) or closely related field required. MSW preferred.
2. Excellent communications skills, public relations and problem-solving skills, and organizational skills.
3. Education and experience in program planning, administration, and evaluation.
4. Experience with Native American communities.
5. Must have a valid driver's license.
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For information on a full job description and or employment applications contact the Dakota Tiwahe Service Unit @ 1-800-655-0828 or Send/ Fax Resume to:
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Opening date: **February 22, 2006**
Closing date: **March 8, 2006**
Qualifications:
1. Associate degree and two years work experience in a health and/or human services field and at least 24 semester hours of post high school education in behavioral sciences, public/business administration, social sciences or closely related field required.
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TO DAWWAH!!, HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO BABY GIRL AMANDA IRON CLOUD, (FEB 27TH, 2006) HAPPY 2ND BIRTHDAY.
GOD BLESS YOU AND WISHING YOU MANY MANY MORE.
WE LOVE YOU FROM MAMA JODI IRON CLOUD, DADDY JOHNNY JUMPING EAGLE, BIG BROTHER-FABIAN
AND LIL SISTER, SHAY IRON CLOUD.

Happy Valentines Day to Chris One Horn on 2-14-06! I love you dear, thanks for putting up with me. Love you, Delphine.

Happy belated Birthday to Lee Alan Cuny, on 2-26-06 1 yrs old. From Dad, Mom and twin sisters.

To my mommy who is the best mom in the whole world. HappyBirthday to Jennilee Bizz-Rooks, from Zintkala Anpo Win Rooks

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO AMANDA IRON CLOUD, 2 YEARS OLD ON 2/27/06,
FROM GRANMAMA, BETTY FAYE, AND UNCLE SHANE IRON CLOUD.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY DAWWAH!! WE LOVE YOU!!

Happy Birthday Jen from the Crew in Pine Ridge- Char, Fui, Tyler, Tooie, Sam, Randee, Tanner, and Peanie

Happy Birthday Lil' Tone on Febuary 16th from the crew in PR-Char.FUI,TY,Tooie,Sam, Randee,Tanner,Peanie, mom,Jen,Damon,and baby Z

Happy Birthday Jennilee Bissonette-Rooks from Lil' Tone and Mom

I would like to say Happy Birthday to Sheldon Mesteth on February 16. Much love and I'll always miss you ...

Happy 3rd Birthday on 2-29-06 to Katie Sue Shots. From Mom, Chris, Cinnamon, Joe and Ashton.

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Mother Child - Selena Lame Ronnebaum - DOB 7-19-73 - Last known whereabouts are in Denver, Colorado Grandparents are Salena Lame Ronnebaum: Iona Lame and Theodore Lame.

Father of Child: Unknown - Unknown Whereabouts

Child Initial: M.R. L. - DOB 05-25-05 born in Denver, Colorado.

This Oglala Nation Tiospaye Resource and Advocacy Center "Relative Search Notice" may entail Parent/Child Reunification, Relative/Child Placement, Tribal Member /Child Placement (short-term/long-term), Hearings, Guardianship, Adoption, and Termination of Parental Rights.

Should any individual or agency know of any relatives or know of the whereabouts, address, or telephone number concerning the above named parents of the above initialed child, please contact the Oglala Nation Tiospaye Resource and Advocacy Center at P.O. Box 2080, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, Phone 605-867-5805 and Fax 605-867-1893.

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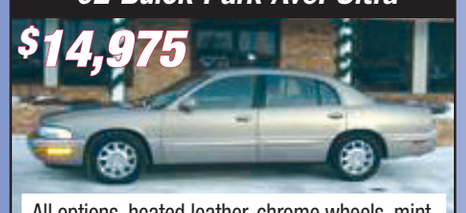
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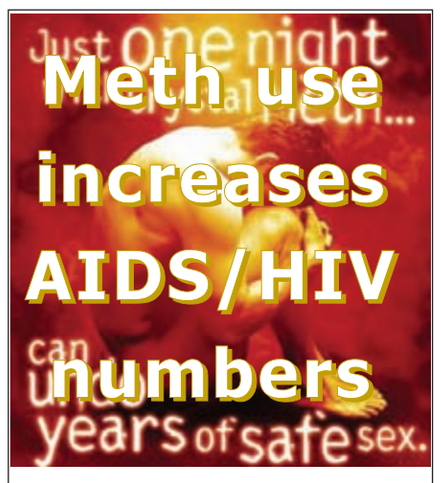
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Dinah Crow Dog journeys to spirit world

GRASS MOUNTAIN - Dinah Crow Dog begin her journey to the spirit world on February 27 as the Sicangu Nation said their goodbyes over a period of four nights and five days. Sicangu oyanke le wonuhun etan heyu. Tunwin Dinah wiconi iyustan ca Sicangu tehi ungakipapi.



The wakes begin March 2 at the SGU multipurpose building and then she lie in state at Rosebud Sioux tribal council chambers on the afternoon of March 3. RST employees served a meal to the public. That evening a wake service was held at Digmann Hall in St. Francis and the next day her body was moved to her home in Grass Mountain not far from Crow Dog's paradise where the annual sun dance is held in August. On the night of March 5, a Native American church service was held and a morning breakfast was served for those in attendance.

Dinah has three children, Frank, Ernie, and Colleen and she worked on a consultant and advisory basis with the Casey Family program.

At several points during the wakes Dinah's brother, Chief Leonard Crow Dog could be heard expressing his appreciation to those who had come to pay their respects to his sister. He said that he would be offering comment about later about efforts of some to construct a biker bar close to Bear Butte in He Sapa.

Nephew Albert Red Bear of Kyle said of Dinah's life, "She was outgoing, helping people in general and helping relatives. She gave advice to

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Russell Means and Oliver Red Cloud at the Sheridan county courthouse with members of the Nebraskans for Peace. Photo courtesy of Mark Vasina of the Nebraskans for Peace.

Commissioners reviewing complaints on White Clay liquor renewals

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

RUSHVILLE, NEB - Three letters of complaint were sent to the Sheridan county commissioners by residents of the county protesting the automatic liquor license renewals by three businesses in Whiteclay, Neb. who sell more than 12,000 cans of beer to Native American patrons. A hearing was held before a packed courtroom on Monday, March 6.

The county commissioners will issue a written decision on Monday, March 13 on the complaint and automatic liquor license renewal.

The protest letters were made pursuant to section 53-135.01 under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act. The complaints as listed in the letter included: (1) Law enforcement in and around the incorporated village of Whiteclay is inadequate. (2) The location of the licenses within 200 feet of the dry Pine Ridge Indian reservation fails to consider "the nature of the neighborhood or community of the location of the proposed licensed premises."

Under this Nebraska liquor law, any such letters of complaint are supposed to trigger a meeting of the local government, and in this case, it was the county commissioners since the town of Whiteclay is not incorporated. Liquor licenses are automatically issued annual during the first week of May.

According to Mark Vasina, president of Nebraskans for Peace, his organization was behind the coordinated events which had as their purpose the challenge to the automatic renewal by legal means. He noted that Russell Means, Duane Martin, Sr. and Chief Oliver Red Cloud organized a group of people who traveled from the Pine Ridge reservation. Frank LaMere was also with the group as they spoke outside prior to the meeting at 10:00 a.m. and an accompanying drum group sang.

The meeting lasted two hours and witnesses were limited to three minutes each. The composition of the courtroom was fairly mixed between

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OST council approves action plan for casino

Agreement takes three hour executive session to hammer out

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - "All of us want to get this casino built," said Juanita Scherich, council representative from Medicine Root and chair of the finance committee, during the special session of the council Monday in the council chambers of the Red Cloud building in Pine Ridge, "we don't need committee fighting committee and we don't need tribal council representatives as the owner's representatives on the project and if the economic and business development committee want to stay involved that is fine, they said that they wanted out of the overseeing role, it is up to them, overall it is a council project for the people."

On Thursday, Feb. 24

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Drug task force hits Pine Ridge with multiple arrests

PINE RIDGE - In the early hours of Wednesday, Feb. 22, representatives of the Northern Plains Safe Trails Drug Task Force descended on Pine Ridge Village and arrested 16 individuals with charges that included conspiracy to distribute, distribution of narcotics, possession of firearms in relation to drug trafficking crimes and asset forfeiture.

According to the U.S. Attorney's office, those arrested included: Geraldine Blue Bird, Colin Spotted Elk, Marvella Richards, Clarence Behan, Travis Elk Boy, Dawson Frogg, Howard Blue Bird, Thomas Spotted Bear, Flint Red Feather, Justin Hawk Wing, Sage Richards, Norton Richards, Wenona Richards, Jay Dee Spotted Elk, Joe Garcia and Rusty Richards.

"This makes a good dent in the drug dealers in this community but there are still a lot more out there," said Martin

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New community center dedicated in Okreek

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

OKREEK - Community chairman, Ken Night Pipe, said the lightening strike that caused a fire on June 8, 2004 and destroyed the community center was meant to be. He said, "Out of every tragedy comes something good. It had to go to waste so that this new building could be here."

Several RST dignitaries, former elected officials and community members came together on Friday, March 3 to celebrate with the family of the late Bernice Willcuts in dedicating a beautiful new center. Antelope council representative, Robert Moore and Night Pipe served as emcees for the event which saw approximately 60 people congregate for the happy occasion.

Bernice Willcuts served on the RST tribal council from 1986-91 and left a monumental legacy as witnessed by the numerous positions, committees and commissions she served on. Former RST vice president Ike Schmidt read a biography of her accomplishments which included; tribal judge, service on the JOM board, the CHR program, and a host of other positions representing the tribe and her community, too numerous too mention.

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Geri Night Pipe and Okreek council representative Steve Denoyer look on as RST President Rodney Bordeaux cut the ribbon. (superimposed) Photo by Archie Beauvais

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young people and got a lot of them into the Lakota culture, the Native American church, the yuwipi or the sun dance ways. She had a busy life bringing them back into the culture. She also worked with the treaty council."

Albert's mother ,Christine, is the sister to Dinah and Leonard Crow Dog.

Over the course of the wake period, hundreds of friends and family and visitors from afar could be seen paying their respects to a highly regarded Sicangu elder whom many surely would call "A keeper of wisdom." She was often called upon by RST tribal presidents to share her wisdom or speak about the proper protocol and expectations when people congregate.

The funeral service was held at 1:00 p.m. on March 6 with Dinah's coffin carried by pickup and escorted to the Running Family cemetery by Sicangu riders on horseback. RST employees were given administrative leave if they were attending the funeral.

The spiritual leaders who officiated at the funeral service were Kirk Fool Bull, Leonard Crow Dog and Ben Black Bear, Jr. The pallbearers were listed as Allen Childs, Rueben Crow Feather, Pete Small Bear, Pierre Blue Thunder, Joe White, Edd Charging Elk, Charles Colombe, and Duane Hollow Horn Bear.

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Former RST president Willie Kindle spoke of his tenure as president and said that he was fortunate enough to sit side by side with Willcuts as he begin his indoctrination into tribal politics. He said he considered Bernice an advisor and that he would consult with her from time to time.

Kindle described Bernice's insistence that tribal ordinances and law needed to be respected and adhered in her capacity as tribal judge and through her work on the judiciary committee and the police commission.

Kindle concluded by noting, "It is right that this building bears the name of Bernice Willcuts."

RST president, Rodney M. Bodeaux, Antelope councilman Moore and Okreek councilman Steve Denoyer represented RST, as Dr. Marrles Moore offered an invocation which was preceded by a brief talk. Moore said he was born a couple hundred years west of the present community center and still considered Okreek his home.

Bordeaux also described his working relationship with Willcuts and described her as someone who worked tirelessly in order to further the tribal agenda, while attending to the needs of her home community.

RST tribal secretary Geraldine Night Pipe was in attendance, as was Freda Heinert of the business office. Susan Flood Turney and her husband Wes from Chamberlain were also present and had come to pay tribute to the dedication ceremonies for her aunt.

Father Edd Witt of the Mission Catholic parish also offered a prayer, while those in attendance shared in a traditional meal including some home baked pies.

Leslie Kandaras, a liaison representing Rep. Stephanie Herseth, read a letter of congratulations to the gathering, while RST councilman Denoyer was called upon to speak prior to the ribbon cutting by Bordeaux.

Denoyer said, "It's good that we come together for something positive. Thank you to the previous community chairman and Ken Night Pipe. Thank you to the congressional people…, it was Robert Moore, Charlie Colombe and Brian Herman who paved the way to get the ball rolling. I never saw a project go as quickly as this community building. Also, to Isanti Construction. To Bernice who is my aunt. A lot of what you read, she was instrumental in doing, like the casino and law enforcement."

Moore was emphatic in explaining to the gathering that FEMA's Denver office, the state of South Dakota, the tribal council, and Ken Night Pipe were also very instrumental in collaborating on this successful effort.

Ed Harrison sang a traditional song with hand drum, while the drum group sang a couple of honor songs.

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Lakota and white people. The commissioners heard the testimony and then went into executive session. Most of those in attendance were in support of the complaint.

Many Nebraskans also attended from Chadron, Scottsbluff, Lincoln and Sioux City, Iowa and many were with the Nebraskans for Peace.

Also, under Nebraska liquor laws, the governing body with jurisdiction can permit the automatic renewal of a license or require a "long form" of the application process. If the "long form" is recommended then the application must be sent to Lincoln to the liquor commission to be reviewed. In the case of Whiteclay, the county board will only decide if they want it sent on to Lincoln.

Vasina said, "We want the legal arguments to be heard at a higher level" meaning that the issue may get more scrutiny if it is sent to a body that understands the legal ramifications of endangering the public health of the nearby community of Pine Ridge. He said that liquor businesses generously sell their beer in bulk to bootleggers who transport all of it back across the state line to Pine Ridge.

According to Vasina, Andy Snyder, an attorney who represented the liquor businesses in Whiteclay said that the three stores who sold beer were under more scrutiny than other businesses. Vasina said, "In a small town, it is difficult for law enforcement to set up their operation and to capture liquor license violations."

Marguerite Vey-Miller of Chadron gave a presentation on a "skid row" study of Whiteclay which was completed by students from Chadron State College. The behavior was observed and chronicled for assessment. The town scored high as a potential skid row and the only thing missing was a plasma center where people can donate their blood.

Chief Oliver Red Cloud spoke about the fact that Whiteclay sits on the "Whiteclay Extension" which was originally a part of the boundaries of the Pine Ridge reservation. The extension was signed by President Roosevelt in1904 as an executive order and is viewed as illegal and contrary to the treaties and mandates of Congress; therefore, making current alcohol sales also illegal.

The *Lincoln Star Journal* published a story on Jan. 29 which documented the fact that a 50 mile "buffer zone" was created in 1880 to protect the Sioux of Pine Ridge. Its purpose was to discourage "undesirable..,white squatters" and "whisky ranches" from being located on White Clay creek. In 1904 Roosevelt failed to allow the buffer zone to revert back to the public domain and allowed an Indian school to be located there. He failed to show why the buffer zone was no longer need to protect Pine Ridge.

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the council met with representatives of the Shakopee Mdewankton Sioux Community to deal with some problem areas and get the construction project back on track. Short of a council quorum on the following day, the Executive Board with Alex White Plume, vice president, Crystal Eagle Elk, treasurer and Rhonda Two Eagle, secretary passed an action plan with the understanding that it would eventually come before the full council.

The action plan approved by the Executive Board basically established the OST President and the project manager, currently Lenart Brown Eyes, as the owner's representatives with the authority and responsibility to approve all action on the construction project.

On Monday, May 6, the past council representatives overseeing the project, Walt Big Crow and Paul Little expressed an interest to remain on the project and the Economic Development Committee had met and wanted back in the mix. Council representative Big Crow asked that with all of the corruption and kickback charges being flung around just where was the documentation. Ruth Brown requested an executive session to hash this out and move forward.

"When we met with the SMSC reps last week, we were 63 days behind schedule on the construction project," said Brown Eyes, the temporary project manager, "today we are probably 70 days behind but we can get back on schedule if we get a solid action plan worked out, we should be able to finish the hotel by August 1 and the casino by Oct. 15."

After a three hour executive session, the council voted 10-6 to approve an action plan to get the project back on track with Garfield Steele/WK, Juanita Scherich/MR, Mary Poor Thunder/Lac, Will Peters/PR, Valerie Janis/Og, Kathy Janis/WK, Lyle Jack/PR, Ella John Carlow/PR, Ruth Brown/EN and Lydia Bear Killer voting for it and Bernard White Face/Porc, Austin Watkins/MR, Tom Poor Bear/EN, Paul Little/Og, Craig Dillon/Lac and Walt Big Crow/Wak voting no.

The action plan establishes the OST president and the project manager as the owner's reps, all pay apps and drawdowns are approved by owner's reps and if there is a dispute they will be reviewed by the finance committee with the process taking no longer than ten days, any changes need to be approved by the finance and economic and business development committees and the owner's representatives, a construction timeline and completion date be submitted by March 17, the OST treasurer forward all paperwork on the project to the secretary's office, drawdown requests are to be made by the 25th of each month for approval by the 26th and since this is a tribal project, TERO fees will be waived.

"Thank you council," said Lyle Jack, chair of the economic and business development committee, "I hope we are able to put all of this behind us and work together to get this important project completed."

After the special session was adjourned, Garfield Steele expressed a desire to have the construction attorney, Margaret Lineberry give a report to the council.

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Hansford, supervisory special agent for the BIA's criminal investigation division, "we'll probably never see an end to it though, the drug, meth is too easy to make, too cheap to process and there is a lot of easy money to be made by selling it and it is highly addictive - we need help, we need more money to educate the youth today about he dangers and we need the community to take a stand and say no more."

The investigation was conducted by the FBI, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, UNET, Rapid City Police Department, and the OST Department of Public Safety. Agencies assisting with the arrests that day included the U.S. Marshall's service, U.S. Forest Service, the National Guard, Dept. of Homeland Security and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Lakota film and television Group to meet

HERMOSA - The Lakota film and television group will meet on Saturday, March 11 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Lintz Pizza on SD Highway 36 at SD Highway 79. The agenda will be available at the meeting and new members are welcome. For more information, please call 605-745-5008.

Oglala Lakota College to be iTunes University

KYLE - Last week, Oglala Lakota College was notified by the ITunes of Apple computer, that the college has been approved to be one of 150 selected nationwide colleges and universities to use their services.

ITunes is an Internet iTunes University web based site that is a free, hosted service for colleges and universities that provides easy access to educational content, including lectures and interviews 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

It's the most powerful way to manage a broad range of audio or video content and make it available quickly and easily to students, faculty, and staff. And it is the only application that supports the overwhelmingly popular iPod. It is simple and easy to use once a user downloads free the Itunes program, which makes it easy to manage, downloads of class room instruction of lectures by either audio sound or podcast. A podcast is an Internet based video which can be played on computers.

Through iTunes U, users can download content to their Macs or PCs regardless of their location. They can then listen to and view content on their Mac or PC or transfer that content to iPod for listening or viewing on the go.

According to Tony Brave, media specialist, of Oglala Lakota College, what this means for Oglala Lakota College students and faculty is that their colleges classes can be recorded by audio or podcasts (video) and be uploaded to the iTunes University website, where by password, students can download their lectures or class presentations they missed and listen or view it on their computers for later use. The computers on all the college campuses will be equipped with the proper viewing programs.

This is a plus for Oglala Lakota College as the college has a more decentralized campus and this will be beneficial to the students who can't make some classes and will able to download them for later study.

Brave said the next step will be to work with the students and instructors in helping to record classes for audio or podcasts.

Brave said the college had in place the infrastructure of being an iTunes U already because of their television production courses they offer. Most of the equipment needed is already in place, so in reality it isn't going to cost the college said Brave.

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Our Lady of Lourdes uses third quarter run to break open Big Foot Conference A Boys championship game

BY TOM CRASH
Time's Correspondent



Our Lady of Lourdes set a goal last summer to come home with the 2006 Big Foot Conference championship, Saturday they knocked off American Horse 74-59 to win it, the Chiefs had beat them twice during the year. The OLL Braves include Shane Clifford(head coach), Carl Swallow, Kiley Weston, Brier Iron Cloud, Colby Weston, Dwight Kelly, JD Plume, Truman Rossman and Scott Weston(assistant coach); Photo courtesy of Sandy Cuny.

BATESLAND - Our Lady of Lourdes broke open a close game by storming out of the chute in the third quarter outscoring American Horse 28-10 and cruising to the 2006 Big Foot Conference championship 74-59 in Batesland on Saturday.

Brier Iron Cloud, an OLL eighth grader, led the charge with 18 of his game high 38 points in the wild and wooley third quarter. Oren Three Stars kept American Horse in the game hitting 16 of his team high 27 points in the first half, the Chiefs were down 38-31 at the half.

American Horse entered the game on Saturday with a 19-1 record that included two wins over OLL, a two point overtime win at the Red Cloud tournament and a four point win in Allen. Red Cloud gave the Chiefs their only setback until Saturday. OLL was 10-3 with the two American Horse losses and an overtime loss to Red Cloud in the Gordon tourney.

American Horse took the initial lead on a drive by Three Stars, OLL came right back on a Kiley Weston lay up to tie it up. Three stars drove the basket again for the last lead the Chiefs would have on Saturday. Carl Swallow tied up the game at four and JD Plume hit two straight, a three from the corner and a two on a short jumper on the baseline to give OLL a 9-4 lead. Three Stars scored ten points in the first quarter to hold American Horse close, down 21-16 at the first quarter mark.

After the third quarter explosion the Braves held a 66-41 lead and cruised to their 11th win of the season, the one they had set their sights on last summer and worked hard to attain through the fall and winter. In addition to his 38 points, Iron Cloud grabbed 11 rebounds with one blocked shot and one assist. Swallow made it a double double with 12 points and 10 rebounds, Kiley finished with 11 points, seven boards, five assists and three steals, Plume helped with nine points, five steals and four rebounds.

Three Stars added five steals and a couple of rebounds to his 27 points; Eugene DuBray chipped in 11 points and five rebounds off the bench and Geddy Pack hit for 11 points and grabbed six boards. David Red Bear chipped in 11 rebounds and four points.

Loneman knocked off Porcupine for third place as Dallas Two Lance led the way with 30 points and Johnny Yellow Cloud added 16; Derek Marshall led Porcupine with 14 and Casey Marshall helped with 10.

Red Cloud used a balanced scoring attack to get by Batesland 67-38 for the consolation championship. Dustin Brewer led the Crusaders with 14, Mike Ridhards and Jacey Twiss helped with 12 a piece and Montana Sierra added 10. Jordan High Horse and Wayne Mobley both hit for 14 points to lead Batesland.

Conference all tourneys included: Carl Swallow and Kiley Weston/OLL, Eugene DuBray and Sam Yellow Hawk/AH, Johnny Yellow Cloud and Ernest Long Visitor/Loneman, Casey Marshall and Daelan Black Bull/Porcupine, Jacey Twiss and Montana Sierra/RC, D. Quintana/Bates, Jeremy Blacksmith/PR, Enoch Yellow Hawk/LW, Allen Janis/RF, Monte Good Voice Flute/WC and Henry C./WKDS.

Team sportsmanship went to Rockyford Raiders, the cheerleading award to Wolf Creek School, Mr. Hustle to James Pine of Pine Ridge, Mr. Defense to Carl Swallow of OLL and the Mr. Offense and MVP to Brier Iron Cloud of OLL.

The family of Jared Red Cloud, a ballplayer and graduate of Batesland School who passed away in a car wreck the summer after he graduated, honored several student athletes after the championship game. Brier Iron Cloud of OLL was honored as Mr. Big Foot Conference, Dallas Two Lance of Loneman was selected for the Playmaker award and Oren Three Stars Down of American Horse was chosen for th eSpirit of Jared Red Cloud award.

Tourney problems bring school representatives together to plan for the future

RED CLOUD - Representatives from all 11 Big Foot Conference schools attended a meeting on Monday at Red Cloud School to address an escalating set of problems that are threatening the future of the conference and questioning the value of end of the year tournaments.

"We have to do something," said Travis Benson, conference president and athletic director at Our Lady of Lourdes in Porcupine, "the problems are getting worse, disrespect, a growing lack of sportsmanship and little of no positive leadership from the adult fans that attend the events."

The conference has a membership of 11 middle schools and works to provide a structure for competition during a regular season and a post season tourney in cross country, flag football, girl's volleyball, girl's and boy's basketball, track and co-ed softball. Schools involved include: Loneman, Red Cloud, Wolf Creek, Batesland, Rockyford, Porcupine, OLL, Pine Ridge, American Horse, Wounded Knee District School and Little Wound, Crazy Horse dropped out last year.

Problems coming up during the B in Pine Ridge and the A in Batesland include two schools removed from the B for playing overage players, and in the A players using foul language against officials, coaches pushing officials, objects thrown at officials, trash talking among the players competing, fans abusing the officials, fans having to be removed from the gym, a player attacking a coach, locker rooms trashed by a losing team and a general loss of sportsmanship.

"We were hoping for more administrators to attend the meeting," said Benson, "we need to deal with the issues at hand, put a structure in place, look at all of the rules and put together rules that we can and will enforce to make for a better environment to compete in both during the regular season and during the end of the year tournaments."

Another meeting is planned at the end of March and a third meeting in April to set the revised rules in place.

Area boy's basketball scores

14A Pine Ridge 102-49 Bennett County
Little Wound 101-71 St. Francis
Little Wound 72-43 Pine Ridge
15A Red Cloud 73-49 Hot Springs
Custer 46-45 Hill City
Red Cloud 50-40 Custer
13A Todd County 57-50 Winner
Platte 62-32 Gregory
Platte 61-53 Todd County
12A Chey Eagle Butte 68-49 McLaughlin
Mobridge 77-43 Stanley County
Mobridge 58-57 CEB
1B Tiospa Zina 72-42 Roslyn
Tiospa Zina 50-37 Wilmot
6B Lower Brule 61-47 Iroquois
James Valley Christian 51-40 Lower Brule
16B Faith 71-40 Takini

Williston State closes season with two home wins, looks to regions

WILLISTON, N.Dak. - Using their inside outside game to the hilt, Williston State Lady Tetons closed out their regular season with home wins against Bismarck State 75-47 on Wednesday and on Monday 89-38 against Dawson Community College.

Laura Big Crow opened the second half with eight straight points on the way to a game high 28 points to go with 12 rebounds and four blocked shots. Williston hit 11 threes in the game as Kayla Berenthsen and Jamie Wheeler both hit for four each and Lacy Heier had three.

Playing only a little over 15 minutes on Monday night against Dawson Community College, it was enough time for Big Crow to get team highs of 18 points, eight rebounds and two blocked shots as the Lady Tetons went out quickly to a 42-19 halftime lead and a 89-38 win.

Williston State finished the regular season 23-6 and second in the Mon-Dak Conference to Lake Region State College. The Lady Tetons will host a four team Region 13 tournament playing Iowa Western at 6pm on Mar. 11th. Lake Region will play North Dakota State College of Science in the second game. The winners play on the 12th and the regional winner earns a berth in the national tournament.

Big Crow has led the Lady Tetons in both scoring and rebounding this year after having led the team in scoring and was second in rebounding coming off the bench last year. Big Crow is getting a good deal of interest from colleges and universities from as far away as Georgia for the next two years.

Wounded Knee wrestlers to go to AAU

WOUNDED KNEE - Ten wrestling players will be attending the Amateur Athletic Union Regional tournament in Spearfish.

Frank Ghost, coach of the wrestling team said, "All season long the boys have surprised me with their talent and many of them are first year wrestlers. We are very proud of these kids that go out every weekend and try their best in all their matches. We believe they should be recognized."



The wrestlers include Leroy Looks Twice III, Kindergarden, Cruz Gibbons, 3rd grade, Maurice Broken Nose, 3rd grade, Robert Two Dogs Jr., 3rd grade, O'hitika Gibbons, 4th grade, Max Broken Rope, 4th grade, David Gibbons Jr., 4th grade, Joshua Chase Alone, 4th grade, Clayton Gibbons, 5th grade Daniel Villerreal, 5th grade, Tyson White Plume, 5th grade

Parents of the wrestlers are Stephanie Ghost, David Gibbons & Francis Villarreal, Tamera Villarreal, Violet Gibbons, Corrina White Whirl Wind, Alex and Debby White Plume, Wade and Maxine Broken Nose, Alberta Yankton and Leroy Looks Twice Jr.

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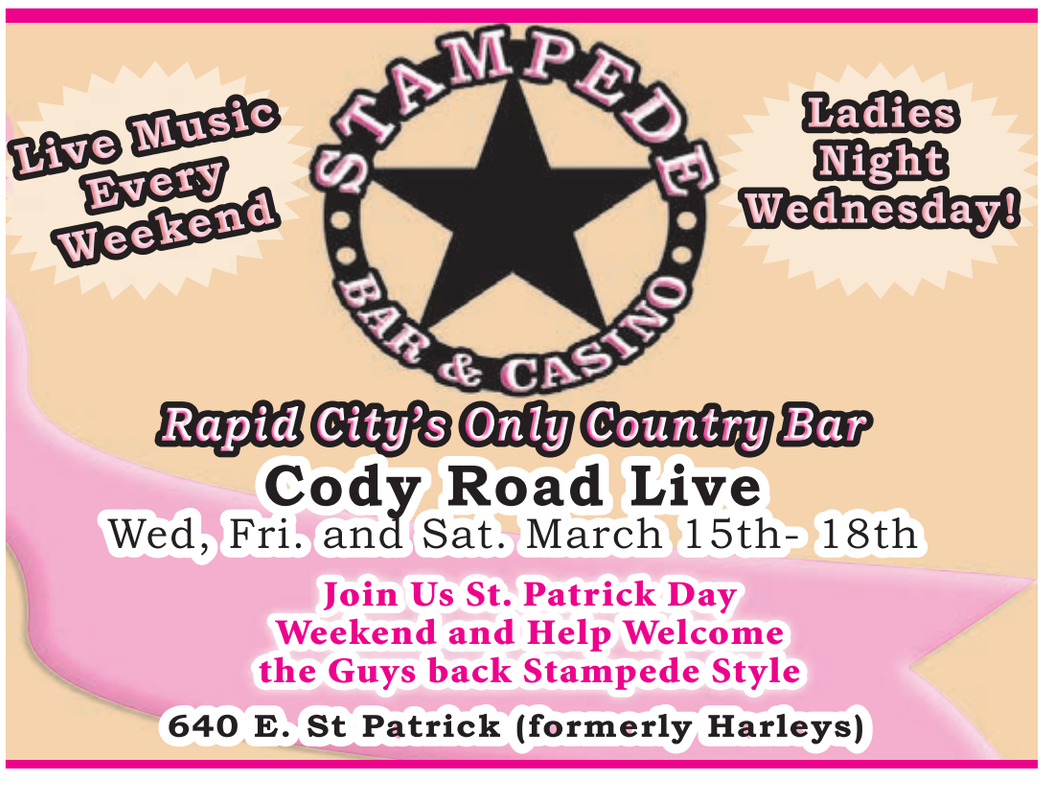
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OPINION PAGE

Our Views

People's right to know

Good sportsmanship is important to our kids

The people's right to know is supported by the first amendment of the U.S. Constitution. It allows for freedom of the press, free speech, the right to lawfully assemble and the right to a grievance. It is an important clause as it points out the complimentary function of the media to do its job and keep the people informed.

The First Amendment was interpreted to mean that we as citizens and we as an avenue of information all share in the responsibility to communicate with each other the important issues which directly or indirectly affect us as individuals and communities in general.

It is not only our job as journalists, but our responsibility to dig deep into the fray when answers to serious question prove elusive.

When questions arise and the players involved "Take the Fifth," which by the way is also guaranteed by the Constitution, flags go up as to why. So you know the old saying, "Don't kill the messenger." It's ringing true more often than not lately.

In a recent study at one university, many college students did not know what the first amendment provided for and that may be a sad commentary on individual freedoms.

The border towns of Chadron and Whiteclay, Neb. are in the headlines as communication between the Oglala Sioux Tribe and the Chadron city council is prompting discussion about civil rights, racism and eliminating points of conflict. In Whiteclay, the march on the town Monday, March 6 is drawing renewed attention to the fact some liquor businesses may be getting their licenses automatically renewed without a public hearing.

The *Lakota Country Times* is working to fulfill its mission of keeping Lakota people informed of recent developments that are impacting us on a daily basis.

We highly encourage you to continue to tell your story and let us transmit it to our tribal membership and Lakota readership.

We work in a very sincere manner to keep your trust as we tell your story in an objective and non-prejudicial way so that you can make up your own mind about the events.

There are so many stories out there that can be told. We have to publish it or video it ourselves for our families, our children and our communities.

We are roles models and need to act like it

Recently there has been issues revolving around the talk of violence that includes tribal politics, fans and parents actions with poor sportsmanship at school events.

Our children see these actions, they hear them, and the copy them.

It all starts in the home, we have to teach *uonihan* or being respectful. We can talk it, preach it, write it but we need to practice it.



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Finding relatives for my daughter

My name is Bernice G. Owens member of the Yakama Nation Tribe here in Washington State. I'm hoping you can help look for relatives for my daughter, her name is "Lydia RayAnne Sonja Owens".

Her father was Clifton Ardean VanEtten of Pine Ridge, SD., and his mother was Lydia Red Leaf and his father was Clifton VanEtten, my daughter is named after her grandmother Lydia. Her dad Clifton was the one who named her after his mom. I would really appreciate it if you can help me out by looking for somebody that's related to her!

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Things to empower yourself

A strong person has strength that comes from within



By Patty Pourier

I ran into Charlie Colome the other day in Big Bat's. I always enjoy hearing what he has to say. He has been everything from a rodeo cowboy to a successful businessman, from a rancher to the President of the Rosebud Tribe. He is witty and wise.

A one liner that he shared with me he had used during his administration as tribal chairman was "Trying to making me look bad does not necessarily make you look good." This gave me some food for thought.

I believe in synchronicity. The sermon at church that very Sunday kind of fell in line with Charlie's quote.

Our preacher asked the following questions:

Are you who you want to be? How do you live you life? Are your actions reflective of your emotions or of your spiritual beliefs? Is your word your word? Do you uplift or tear down with your words? Do you deal with dignity? Do you allow others their dignity or do you try to steal it from them with your words and actions? Are you vulnerable or vengeful? Do your actions foster peace or anger?

How do you deal with your enemies? Love is not a feeling, but an action. Can the people you love tell you love them by your actions? Does your mouth fume from vulgarity and profanity or do words of healing and love flow like a river to quench the thirst we have for acceptance?

Do the people you love know you love them? Do you edify or deny dignity to others? When you are angry, do you degrade the person you are angry with, or do you love your enemies?

A strong person has strength that comes from within, not from physical strength. Mother Theresa was one of the strongest people to have lived in this past century, and yet she was slight in stature.

When I do make mistakes, do I say a passing "I am sorry", or do my actions and words show the sincerity of my apology and acknowledgment of wrongdoing?

Another thing that Charlie shared with us that day was a 2 paged, type written letter he had received, and at the bottom of the second page was written, this would have been shorter, had I more time.

So I will end this article here with a quote from The Message Bible *Matthew 5, 33-48:*

Love Your Enemies

38"Here's another old saying that deserves a second look: "Eye for eye, tooth for tooth.' 39 Is that going to get us anywhere? Here's what I propose: "Don't hit back at all.' If someone strikes you, stand there and take it…. 42 No more tit-for-tat stuff. Live generously.

43"You're familiar with the old written law, "Love your friend,' and its unwritten companion, "Hate your enemy.'

44 I'm challenging that. I'm telling you to love your enemies. Let them bring out the best in you, not the worst. When someone gives you a hard time, respond with the energies of prayer,

45 for then you are working out of your true selves, your God-created selves. This is what God does. He gives his best--the sun to warm and the rain to nourish--to everyone, regardless: the good and bad, the nice and nasty.

46 If all you do is love the lovable, do you expect a bonus? Anybody can do that. 47 If you simply say hello to those who greet you, do you expect a medal? Any run-of-the-mill sinner does that.

48"In a word, what I'm saying is, Grow up. You're kingdom subjects. Now live like it. Live out your God-created identity. Live generously and graciously toward others, the way God lives toward you.

Other Views

SD Task Force on abortion may end up hurting women who want to continue pregnancies full term

By Charon Asetoyer
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In December the South Dakota Task Force to Study Abortion issued its majority report. As many now know, the task force members recommended a full ban on all abortions, explicitly rejecting a proposal by the Task Force's pro-life chair that would allow exceptions for rape, incest, and the life of the mother. What many people do not appreciate is an even more far reaching and dangerous recommendation that will affect all pregnant women and undermine both maternal and fetal health.

The Taskforce also urged the state to amend it's Constitution "to include provisions that provide the unborn child, from the moment of conception, with the same protection of the law that the child receives after birth . . ." This recommendation has already been acted upon by state legislators as Joint Resolution 2, to amend the South Dakota constitution.

The argument that unborn children have full legal rights - independent of and hostile to the pregnant woman's - has been used repeatedly to undermine both maternal and fetal health. In the name of such fetal/unborn rights, pregnant women have been subjected to unnecessary surgery, forcibly restrained, and denied the ability to make health care decisions for themselves and their children.

For example, in 2005, a self-described true believer in the Bible went to a Pennsylvania hospital to deliver her seventh wanted child. The hospital decided she needed a C-section and when she refused went to court using the argument recommended by the South Dakota legislature - that the fetus had full, separate constitutional rights. The hospital won. The court gave the hospital custody of the fetus before, during and after delivery and the right to take custody of the pregnant woman to force her to undergo surgery. In the end, she and her husband fled the hospital and delivered a perfectly health baby without surgery.

Angela Carder was not as lucky. At 27 years old and 25 weeks pregnant she became critically ill. She, her family and her attending physicians all agreed on treatment designed to keep her alive for as long as possible. The hospital however called an emergency hearing to determine the rights of the fetus. Despite testimony that a Cesarean section could kill Ms. Carder, the court ordered the surgery because the fetus had independent legal rights. The surgery resulted in the death of both Angela and her fetus.

Ayesha Madyun was forced to have a C-section based on the claim that she had been in labor too long and that her baby was at risk of dying from an infection. Her request to be allowed to wait longer before having the surgery so she could try natural delivery was portrayed to the court as an irrational religious objection to surgery. The court granted the order. After Madyun had been forcibly cut open, they found that there was in fact no infection.

Why would the South Dakota Task Force want these things to happen to the pregnant women of South Dakota? Neither women nor children would be protected by the existence of special fetal rights that make women flee from hospitals and subjects them and their unborn children to unnecessary surgery. In fact, leading medical groups and appellate courts have found such interventions to be unconstitutional.

In a free society it should be possible to value potential life as matter of religious belief, emotional conviction or personal experience without creating new and special fetal rights that in fact undermine maternal health and rights. The South Dakota Task Force was offered many positive suggestions for enhancing the interests of all pregnant women, including those who want to continue to term. It is a shame that the Task Force chose instead to use the hearings as a platform for the most radical positions opposing abortion and as a basis for recommendations that would make pregnant women who continue to term vulnerable to new, dangerous and counterproductive state interventions.

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Northern Perspectives

We honor the language and each other

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By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

When we meet and there is an introduction and greetings are exchanged in Lakota, I believe that we honor the language and each other.

I have been so very fortunate as a student of the Lakota language. My personal intent has been to combine with what I learned as a youngster with what I have observed as an adult. I am fascinated with what I call the "politics of language" as it applies to the Lakota language. I am far from being a linguist, but I am sure that some wasicu language professor has studied the things I have seen from appreciating the language and hearing it first hand.

I know that language has power and Lakota demonstrates that to the maximum. I spoke with Francis White Bird today and he explained that a word like inipi is just one example of just how complex and beautiful the language is. As you break it down into three syllables, it literally translates to breath, life and the pi is the plural form of the word.

Learning any language means being able to think quickly on your feet, especially Lakota. It is such a complex language that when you study it in depth, you just know that Lakota people from the beginning of time were extremely intelligent. Francis further explained another word that describes the Sicangu oyate and places us in relation to the Kul Wicasa or Lower Brule Sioux. It is an explanation, that I have not heard and I will need to re-visit that word with him soon.

Finally, Francis said that there is a lot of combining English with Lakota to make contemporary words and it simply is not right. For example, some will use a Lakota word and add an 's' to it to try to make it plural and it takes on an English form. That is incorrect as Lakota is made singular or plural by actually describing whether there is one or many people involved in the event taking place.

I don't mean to over emphasize the value of Lakota, but as I get older and am treated with increasing respect among Lakota people, I realize that what many possess in terms of their language and culture is so very unique and priceless.

As a very conscientious student of Lakota, I have gotten more compliments and positive reinforcement for trying to put it out there for all to see. I see the language very much alive and viable and we need to pass on to the younger Lakota and we can do that.

Every writer and educator loves to see their name listed as the author in any form of publication and I am the same. I have greatly enjoyed writing about Lakota people and will continue to do so. It helps me to be a good tribal citizen and to see what is happening with the social and moral fabric of our people.

Watohansna inagna woglaka masipi ca he lila wopila heca. Lehan Lakota eya hunhiya unspimicic-eye ca anpetu wanji upiyake woaglakinte ca anagoptanpo.

SHE ALSO SERVED ...
A column for and about women veterans

Some Veterans may strive for order in their homes because other areas in their life seem to be spinning out of control

Dear SAS: I have been out of the Army for a couple of years. One thing I learned in the Army was to keep things orderly. I have my own place which is a house on my father's land.

Recently my boyfriend moved in to live with me but he is beginning to complain about how I keep my house. He calls me a neat freak and I think he's a slob. He was not in the military and doesn't seem to understand the importance of things being kept in their place. This is beginning to hurt our relationship. How can I make him understand?

Dear Reader: It is difficult for those who were not in the military to understand the level of orderliness that was a required part of the duty. Many individuals, even those who kept things tidy all the time, had quite an awakening when they started basic training.

Keeping one's gear and physical environment in order reached new levels, and it was a part of the discipline expected of a good soldier. Many veterans report that they couldn't wait to get out of the military so that they wouldn't have to abide by such strict rules.

The interesting thing is that even though they had this freedom as a civilian it wasn't long before they found themselves keeping things neat and tidy anyway just as a course of habit.

Some veterans become obsessive about keeping their home in order and they develop rigid expectations that others find difficult to meet. Spouses/partners of veterans have reported that even one dirty dish in the sink was unacceptable in their home.
This is an unrealistic expectation and is an example of obsessive thinking regarding keeping a home neat and in order.

In some cases a veteran may strive for order in their home because other areas in their life seem to be spinning out of control. For example, a person who can't get a job, is having difficulty with finances, has legal problems, and disagreements with family members might turn to their home as the one area in their life over which they feel they have some control.

Regardless, many relationships suffer because of this issue. Both individuals in a relationship need to sit down and talk about the problem. Generally it involves a negotiation between the two to form an agreement about household responsibility. For example, he may need to pick up after himself more and you might discover that the dishes can wait if there are other things that need your attention. If it becomes too difficult to come to an agreement by yourselves, getting a counselor to help you is a good idea. The counselor can listen to both of you and offer an objective opinion about your needs.

Dear SAS: My aunt is a veteran and she has been giving me advice. I just got out of the military two months ago and am busy getting my life together after being deployed overseas.

She has been telling me I need to get enrolled with the VA. Right now I don't feel I have the time to do this and I don't need any medical care. I tell her there's no hurry but she wants me to do it right away. Is she right?

Dear Reader: Enrollment with the VA is a good idea. The process is not difficult and does not require a lot of time. What your aunt may realize is that even though you may not feel a need to seek care right now, it is hard to predict what can happen in the future.

Some medical problems can arise later that will be directly related to your military service. For some veterans, problems with living may develop. These problems might be more easily resolved with help from a counselor.

Veterans are a unique group and the VA provides expertise in treatment that is not necessarily found in the civilian sector. Veterans who served in Iraq or Afghanistan are eligible for free services within two years of discharge. There are other benefits associated with being enrolled with the VA.

You can contact the nearest VA facility, or your county Veterans Service Officer, to help you get enrolled and to give you more information.

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Notes From Indian Country

The basketball miracle of 1936



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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One of those rare, sports miracles happened in South Dakota 70 years ago.

It all came about when the State decided to create a new basketball class for smaller schools. The Class "B" designation became a reality in 1936 and the first playoffs for the state title ensued.

On the Pine Ridge Reservation in Western South Dakota a group of Lakota boys attending Oglala Community School at Pine Ridge Village played a version of basketball that evolved around a sound defense. Their aggressive style of defense came from the hours of playing basketball in the school gym. Many of the boys were boarders at the school and, in fact, the school itself was often referred to as "The Boarding School."

The boys, in actuality, grew up together. They started to play one-on-one basketball from the time they were able to cradle a basketball and gain the strength to shoot it at the baskets that appeared to be 80 feet in the air to them. Every recess and every evening after school saw the boys shooting baskets and learning to guard the boy dribbling the basketball.

The object of their game was to keep the boy with the ball from getting off a shot or getting under the basket. In later years this aggressive style would cost future Indian teams many close games.

The local daily newspaper was critical of the Oglala boys for having a poor defense. So how good was their defense? In their championship run they held Belle Fourche to 27 points, Tyndall to 33 points, Harrisburg to 33 points and in the State "B" Championship game they held Bridgewater to just 22 points.

Sterling "Chicken" Big Bear and Dave Brewer made the All-State Team that year. And although many of my readers will not know the other members of the team, they also deserve to be named. They were Walter "Hank" Means, who later became the father of the Indian activist and actor Russell Means, Irving "Boob" Jumping Eagle, Lawrence "Prunes" Ecoffey, Francis "Jacks" Brewer, and Raymond Chief. They are all now deceased. Oh yes, and Dave Brewer became my father-in-law and the grandfather of my daughter Marie and son Tim.

It is remarkable that a team of Lakota boys from a very small school on an Indian reservation managed to win the first State "B" Championship ever in the history of South Dakota basketball. In 1981, at half-time of the State "B" Tournament held in Rapid City that year, the surviving members of that championship were honored.

It would be many years before another Indian team won any state basketball championship in South Dakota again. Much of it had to do with the tight defenses the Indian teams used and their rapid fire, up and down the court in a flash style of play. The Indian teams usually drew two to three times the number of fouls in a game as their non-Indian opponents and in close games this made the difference.

Many of the diehard basketball fans from the nine Indian reservations in the state still believe that the referees discriminate against their teams but I believe that kind of thinking is common throughout America.

Seventy years later Oglala Community School is now Pine Ridge High School and their mascot has been changed from the "Indians" to the "Thorpes." But they are still the favorite of so many people living on this huge Indian reservation and their fans are as rowdy as ever and they still pack the gymnasiums on game nights.

What that team of young Lakota boys accomplished in 1936 was unprecedented. Most of them had never even traveled very far off of the reservation and in advancing to the championship game held at the Corn Palace in Mitchell, SD, they had to travel to a place they had never been and to a gym that to them was located in a foreign country.

Dave Brewer recalled the many insults hurled at them by the predominantly white fans at the games and he believed that the further they advanced to the finals, the worse the insults became. In later years "Hank" Means talked about the debris tossed at them as they entered the arena to the catcalls of "Redskin" and "Dirty Indian."

Is it any wonder that his son Russell became a powerful advocate for Indian rights.

If the Oglala Community School players of 1936 were still alive I think they would feel something like kinship to the five black starters of Texas Western University as it advanced to win the National Collegiate Athletic Association championship in 1966. Like this Texas team that faced several all-white teams that had never played against an all-black team, the all-Indian team of OCS played against white teams that had never played against an all-Indian team.

That they persevered to win the State "B" Championship at a time when Indians faced the worst discrimination in South Dakota's history was indeed miraculous.

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Red Cloud bounces back for 15A win over Custer

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

SPEARFISH - Red Cloud held a close 13-12 lead after the first quarter but couldn't buy a basket in the second going down 18-13 at the half before coming out with guns ablazing and a full court pressure defense to run off 14 unanswered points to start the third and finish with a 50-40 District 15A championship win.

"We let Custer determine the tempo of the game in the first half," said Matt Rama, Red Cloud coach, "I let them know at the half that we had to play our style of up-tempo game and pressure defense if we wanted to get back in the game."

Billy Scott scored 11 of his 12 points in the second half including five of six from the free throw line and Johnny Crow hit nine of his team high 14 points in the fourth to lead the Crusaders who picked up their 16th win of the season against five losses.

Custer was led by Trevor Cook who hit for 18 and Isaac Parsons who chipped in 10 on Friday night in a game played at the Young Center, on the campus of Black Hills State University in Spearfish.

Red Cloud downed Hot Springs 73-49 on Tuesday on their home floor to get to the district championship. Red Cloud went up strong 20-11 after one and held the Bison to six points in the second to go up 39-17 at the half. David Giago got a season high four threes and 22 points and Lester Gotheridge added 11 points.

Custer squeaked by Hill City 46-45 to get past the preliminary round.

Mustangs repeat as 14A champs with 72-43 win over Pine Ridge

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

RAPID CITY - Little Wound rolled into the 14A championship game on Saturday with the momentum of three straight 100 point games while Pine Ridge had won 11 straight games and had three wins over Little Wound to their credit this year. The Mustangs continued to roll as they opened the game with a 14-0 run and never looked back as they knocked off Pine Ridge 72-43 to win the 14A championship for the second year in a row over the Thorpes.

Ty Lunderman hit a couple of close in shots, Devon Lebeau hit two threes while Michael Apple and Brice Hornbeck helped with a couple of field goals and that quick Little Wound was up 14-0. Ryan Pourier hit two baskets and Jeff Big Crow sank two free throws to keep Pine Ridge from being shutout in the first quarter. Six players for Little Wound scored in the second quarter as LeBeau hit a third three and the Mustangs go up 30-14 at the half; John Provost scored six of his 14 points in the second period for Pine Ridge.

Once again the 14A championship game was played in Rapid City at Stevens High school; 3,500 fans, many decked out in either blue and gold or red, white and black of Pine Ridge proved once again that the game has outgrown any venue on Pine Ridge Reservation.

"We just did a good job of moving the ball around and finding the open man," said Jamie Feather Earring, in his first year as Little Wound head coach, "our players played very unselfish and they stepped up on defense and kept the pressure on Pine Ridge all night long."

Pine Ridge cut the deficit to 11, 51-40 in the third quarter but that was as close as they would get as Little Wound outscored the Thorpes 25-12 down the stretch and cruised to a 29 point win.

Michael Apple led the way for the Mustangs with 14 points, Shilo Pierce and Rich Big Boy helped with 13 each off the bench and LeBeau chipped in 12. Brice Hornbeck, Little Wound's sophomore point guard, missed two weeks of the season with tendonitis in his shoulder but has come back with a vengeance, he tallied only four points but pulled down 11 rebounds, finished with six steals, four assists and two blocked shots.

Ryan Pourier, playing in his fourth straight district championship, provided a steady hand for the Thorpes with 19 points and five rebounds. Provost with 14 points was the only other Thorpe in double figures as Pine Ridge struggled to get their shots to fall. Pine Ridge put up 31 three point attempts and hit seven and overall from the field on Saturday took 56 shots hitting 15.

On Tuesday, Little Wound travels to Pierre for the Region 7A championship against Platte, a team they beat 99-74 in the Snowball Classic in December in Winner; the team that comes out on top goes to the State A tournament in Sioux Falls March 16-18 at the arena.

Little Wound earned the trip to the District 14A championship game by knocking off St. Francis on the road on Tuesday, 101-71, their third straight game topping the century mark.



Little Wound Mustang, Devon LeBeau puts pressure defense on Jeff Big Crow, Pine Ridge Thorpe as he attempts a shot.
(Photo courtesy of Jerry Matthews of Double M Photography)

The Mustangs hit the floor running and built a 19-13 first quarter lead by closing out the quarter with a 7-0 run against the defending 13A and region 7A champs. Devon LeBeau hit three of his four threes in the second quarter to help Little Wound total 31 points for the quarter and a 50-26 lead The Mustangs kicked back in the third and led 68-46 only to finish the game off with 33 points in the fourth for the road win.

LeBeau finished with 18 points and eight rebounds, Willis Zephier led the way with 22 points, six assists, five rebounds and four steals, Hornbeck helped with 15 points, eight boards and five steals, Ty Lunderman added 15, Rich Big Boy hit for 10 while Michael Apple chipped in nine points and eight rebounds.

St. Francis was led by JJ Arcoren's 22 points; he was helped by Kris Leroy's 15, Travis Spotted War Bonnet's 13 and Royce Forte's 10.

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Habitat for Humanity creates partnerships

Charging Hawk family moves into new home

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

MISSION - The need for housing on the Rosebud reservation is rather acute, but with a little prayer and some "sweat equity" Harold and Stacy Charging Hawk are now fully moved into their new Habitat for Humanity home on the north edge of town.

Habitat for Humanity is a national Christian affiliated organization that operates on an independent basis, locally, with its own board of directors and which is comprised of a good cross section of talented people from the community and representing several businesses. The local affiliate is called "Sicangu Tikaga Okiciyapi" and it has been operational on the Rosebud for six years.

Habitat as a housing ministry has built over 150,000 houses worldwide for more than 750,000 people. Families who qualify must contribute "sweat equity" amounting to 500 hours. The program is a not a giveaway and families are not charged any interest on their mortgage which can be as long as 30 years. There is no profit margin for Habitat and the mortgage that is paid in each month is utilized by Sicangu Tikaga Okiciyapi locally for financing future projects.



Harold Charging Hawk and his granddaughter Ieshia outside their home in Mission. (Photo by Archie Beauvais)

The mission of the local Habitat is, "To partner with low income families, building simple, decent, affordable homes. In partnering with families, we not only construct a home, but offer training and education in budgeting, finance and home maintenance. Our goal is to insure the partner family is a successful homeowner."

The Executive Director is Doris Cardwell who has extensive experience in non-profit organizations. She originally arrived on the Rosebud with her family to teach bible school and ended up being passionate about fulfilling the housing needs of local families. She explained that families must meet three

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National women & girls HIV/AIDS awareness day

Challenge is public awareness on the facts

BY ANDREW CATT-IRON SHELL
Special to the Times

March 10 marks the first annual National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day.

Acknowledging the risk to women and girls is very fitting when speaking to this preventable disease within American Indian communities.

This day, hosted by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is set to raise awareness on the increasing impact of HIV/AIDS transmission on women and girls.

In 2005, women represented 30 percent of new HIV infections in the United States.

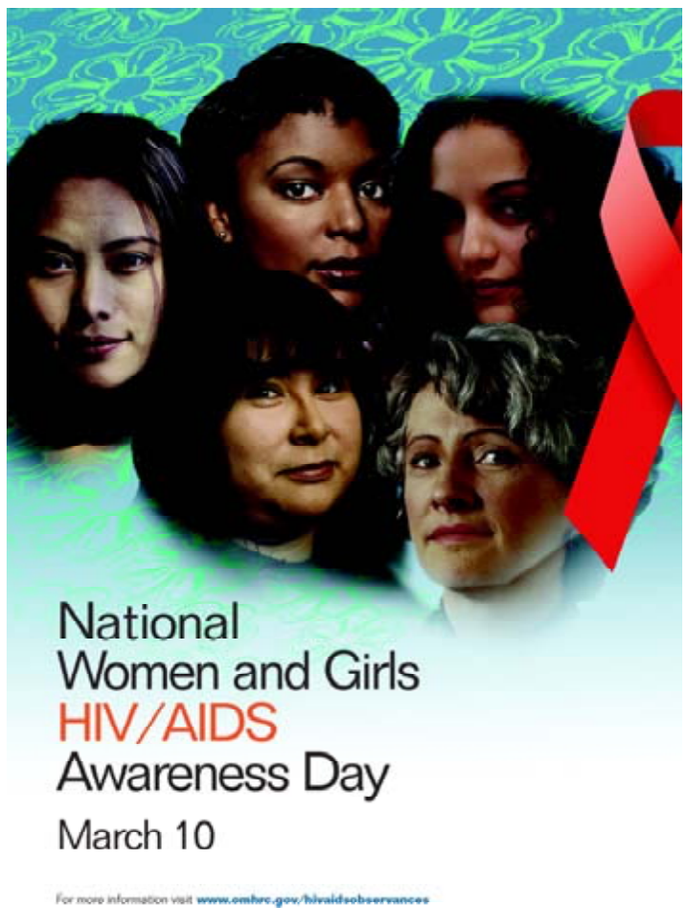
These national statistics highlight that many of these newly infected are young women and girls and most are members of minority

Cystal meth, Internet and lack of awareness accounts for increase in numbers

communities. The majority of our vibrant American Indian population in South Dakota are female. In South Dakota, American Indians account for 9 percent of the overall State population while accounting for 15 percent of all known HIV/AIDS infections.

In 2002, American Indians in the Crazy Horse Monument State accounted for 46 percent of reported chlamydeous cases and 48 percent of gonorrhea cases. Sexually transmitted disease

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Porcupine School spotlights Jamie White Face, Derek Marshall and Dreamer

BY DANELLE JOHNSON
Porcupine School

PORCUPINE - The student spotlight for this month is Jamie White Face and Derek Marshall.

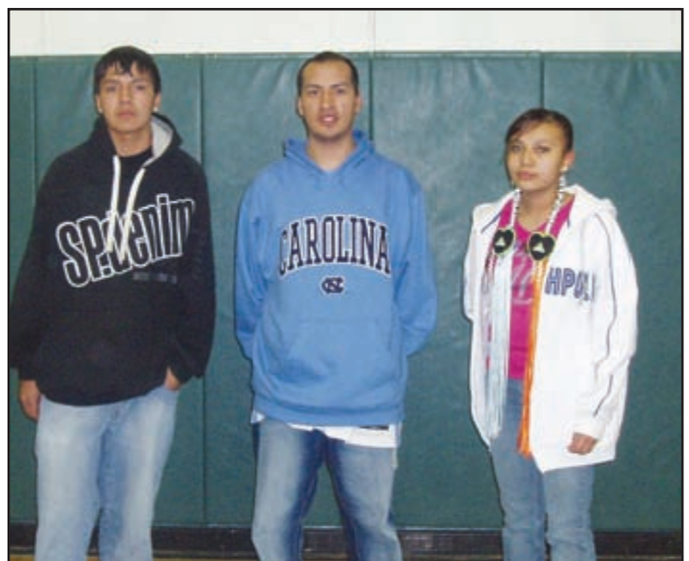
Jamie, 14, is the daughter of David White Face and Tracy Mesteth.

Jamie has three sisters and one brother, and a cat. They live in Porcupine at the Evergreen Housing. Her favorite hobbies are dancing, dancing at pow wow's singing, writing poems, and being myself. Her favorite music artists are Alicia Keys, Chris Brown, Ne-Yo and Mary J. Blige, she also likes a little rock and roll. After she graduates eighth grade she plans to go to high school at Rapid City Central, after high school she would like to go on to college. In college she would like to go to United Tribes Technical College in North Dakota or Southwest Indian Polytechnic Institute.

Some of her goals include, in the past present and future she is going to try and be a better person., being a great role model for the youth. And she hopes to have a good life in the future. Her role model is her dad. "He's funny, and tells me to be myself and to never give up on anything or anyone," she said. She would like to become a professional boxer and represent her family and state.

Jamie is Miss Pahin Sinte Owayawa, her Lakota name is Shining Star Woman. Jamie is

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Derek Marshall, George Dreamer Jr. and Jamie White Face.

Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Weekly Flu Clinic
Every Thursday at the Public Health Nursing Office in Pine Ridge for high risk adult population call Kendra at 867-3297 for additional information.

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Pahin Sinte College Center Walking Club
starting at 4 p.m. each day Monday through Friday at the center in Porcupine, for information call Janice or Alva at 867-5404.

Reservation wide recruitment for Oglala Lakota College Infant Toddler and Headstart Program
on-going, call Pine Ridge Headstart at 867-5649 or 867-5640 and recruitment days on Wednesday from 10 a.m.- 6 p.m

Grief Support Group
meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888

OST Commodity Issue
Thursday, Mar. 9 in Manderson and Wounded Knee; Monday, March 13 at Sunrise Housing in Martin; Wednesday, March 15 in Porcupine

Estate Planning Services
a free community education meeting with Dakota Plains Legal Services staff presenting information on the new federal law concerning the probate process and trust land and the need for a will set for Thursday, March 9 in Wanblee at the Eagle Nest CAP office at 1 p.m. with refreshments served and covering how to reduce multiple owners of trust land, writing wills, land consolidation options and gift deeds, for information call 867-1020

Public Hearing of the Oglala Sioux Nation Supreme Court
Friday, March 10 at 10 a.m. at the courthouse in Pine Ridge to review the proposed rules of conduct for professional attorneys and lay advocates

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
Rescheduled for Friday, March 10 at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee, grand entries 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with supper at 5 p.m.

Down Under or Bust 12 team men's six foot and under basketball tournament
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 10-12 at the Lakota Veteran's gym in St. Francis scheduled as a benefit for Taylor Brushbreaker to assist in attending the Down Under International Sports Tour in Golf, for info call Dave at 747-2732 or 208-1043

Second Annual Men's Memorial 16 team Basketball Tourney of Leo James "Slim" DuBray
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 10-12 at the Martin Grade School, call Joe or Lynette at 441-3263

Wopila for Naca Ki Yapi Na Wi ya ka Wanji Keith and Gerald One Feather
Saturday, March 11 at 1 p.m. at Loneman School gym.

Oomaka Tokatakiya 2006 Meeting (20th anniversary of Sitanka Wokiksuye Ride)
Sunday, March 12 at 12 noon at the Wounded Knee District College Center in Manderson, everyone is welcome, call Chubbs at 862-0097

Health Fair
Wednesday, March 15 in Manderson at the Wounded Knee District CAP Office from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. focusing on diabetes prevention, elderly vision, poison and inhalant education and nutrition.

Clandestine Laboratory Recognition workshop
Thursday and Friday, March16 and 17th at the new Pine Ridge Correctional facility 8am to 5pm each day

Team South Dakota Midget Division (15/16 year old girls) Tryouts
Saturday, March 18th 1 p.m. at the Sinte Gleska University multi-purpose building in Mission for info call 441-5725.

Little Lady's Shoot Out Girl's Basketball Tourney
Saturday and Sunday, March 18 and 19 at the Little Wound School elementary school gym with two divisions 11-12 years old and 13-14 years old, **call** 441-8313.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye Friday, March 31 at Little Wound School in Kyle with grand entries at 1 and 6:30 p..m and supper at 5 p.m.

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criteria in order to be considered for housing. The criteria are a need for housing, ability to pay, and a willingness to partner.

Cardwell said, "It was Amos Prue and Kernit Grimshaw who provided the idea for SWA and our leadership to talk about how to partner in building the first two houses under collaborations in 2004." She pointed out that Wells Fargo Housing Foundation has been instrumental in providing housing grants and volunteers. They do not charge any interest or make any profit in the grants they provide. Since the two home collaboration in 2004, the effort has expanded to include Sinte Gleska University's Vocational Trades Department and the Sicangu Nation Employment and Training Program. The year 2005 produced five homes through this joint effort with more being planned for 2006. Rosebud Episcopal Mission is also a partner organization in renting space to Habitat to build the homes, which are then moved to sites across Todd and Mellette Counties.

The late Frank Gangone was instrumental in envisioning the work of Habitat here and completed the affiliation process that would clear the way for their work.

Harold Charging Hawk said that qualifying for a Habitat home was the answer to his prayers. He often entertained the volunteers with his music and also told them the history and culture of the Rosebud. He said, "It's really satisfying and we have come to enjoy it. The location is great and I am thankful to Joel and Doris. I want to thank all of the volunteers. I want to also thank my brother, Richard, and my son, Joseph."

Stacy Charging Hawk said, "Last year they advertised as to where to apply.., when I applied I felt good in my heart. I felt like we had as good a chance as anyone. We prayed before and after." Stacy says she feels the process has been a rather personal experience, as her and Harold have been closely involved with the many volunteers who have worked on their home. She said she enjoyed meeting each one personally, cooking for them, and also working with them on fulfilling the "sweat equity."

She also said, "Harold started out mowing and I would cook for the people. He also sponsoreda t-ball tournament as a fund raiser and that was fun."

Sicangu Tikaga Okiciyapi is a great example of an agency making a dent in the housing needs of the Rosebud reservation and such work has demonstrated its rightful place as a positive approach to teaching responsibility and partnerships.



On March 3 and 4, Andrew Cottier took a basketball team to the YMCA to play in a tournament. The boys seemed to be excited and ready to play. Team players included Ernest Weston, Joseph Marshall, Tyler Lone Elk, Trevon Spotted Eagle, Delane Ghost, Tyler Iron Boy, Armad American Horse, Coach: Andrew Cottier, Daniel Pawnee Leggins, Bottom: TJ Hollow Horn, Doniel Lopez, Martin Mesteth.



Students that attended the mathcounts back row: Cody Young, Daylon Black Bull, Kim Janis: bottom; Jessica Carbojal, Jessica Yellow Boy.

Porcupine School spotlights: from page B1

involved in the pow wow group and enjoys fancy shawl dancing.

The one thing she plans to do is make her whole family and all her relatives happy, because she makes good decisions in her life.

Derek Marshall lives in Porcupine with his parents Colleen Marshall and Harrison Lone Hill. Derek has two sisters and one brother.

Derek plans to graduate from eighth grade and attend high school at Little Wound and play basketball for the Mustangs. After high school he would like to go on to college, still undecided as to where. These are just a few goals Derek has set for himself.

Some of Derek's hobbies include basketball, football. His favorite style of music is R&B/Hip Hop. His favorite singer is 50C. His favorite food is candy.

The employee spotlight is George Dreamer Jr., his parents are George Sr. and Bessie Dreamer and they live in Pine Ridge.

George attended Pine Ridge School and has been at Porcupine School for about a month.

Some of George's hobbies include reading, writing, and basketball.

George attended college at the United Tribes Tech in North Dakota. In his spare time he likes to be involved in different activities with children such as he has been the coach of a pee wee basketball league.

George says, "loves to coach children and watch them succeed." He also said he tries to be a good role model for children. He states that being in a positive manner helps to motivate the children

His favorite food is Chinese and he enjoys listening to Rap/R&B, and country music.

George has a pitbull dog. His favorite TV station is ESPN.

Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Health Fair - Thursday, Mar. 23rd at the Kyle Elder's Complex from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. focusing on diabetes prevention, elderly vision, nutrition, inhalant and poison education.

Developing Tribal Travel Policies and Procedures using IRS and OMB Guidelines workshop - Thursday and Friday, March 23 and 24 at the Best Western Ramkota in Rapid City from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day, call 867-5821 ext 207

Lip Sync Contest - Friday, March 24 from 7-10 p.m. at the Todd County Middle School with two divisions, youth and adult with categories including: country and western, rock & roll, Pop and Hip hop and rap, call Oyate at 747-5068 or Cheryl at 856-2105 also a chili and fry bread sale from 5-6:45 p.m. to raise money for the Down Under Volleyball Bowl in Australia for Shawndai Prue.

Health Fair - Monday, March 27 at the Red Shirt School gym from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., refreshments provided by meals for the Elderly Program and focusing on nutrition, diabetes prevention, inhalant and poison education and elderly vision

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye - Friday, March 31 at Little Wound School in Kyle with grand entries at 1 and 6:30 p..m and supper at 5 p.m.

New bill to prompt tribes to collect state tobacco tax

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) _ The South Dakota Legislature has passed a bill that is intended to prompt several American Indian tribes to make sure the state tobacco tax is collected on cigarettes sold on their reservations.

The measure would require liquor license holders to be current on state taxes. The measure would apply to tribes and tribal members.

SB98, which now goes to Gov. Mike Rounds, gained 34-1 final approval in the Senate and 53-15 approval in the House. It would require that liquor license holders collect and submit city and state sales taxes, the unemployment insurance tax, tobacco taxes or any other state tax before licenses could be renewed or transferred.

Liquor license holders already must be up to date on property and sales taxes to renew or transfer licenses.

Attorney General Larry Long and Michael Kenyon of the state Revenue Department said earlier that the bill would help the state comply with the 1998 settlement between tobacco companies and states.

Under that agreement, South Dakota receives about $22 million a year, provided the state diligently enforces tobacco laws, Long said. Those laws include making sure all tobacco is properly taxed, he said.

Long said five of the state's nine Indian tribes have agreements with the state to handle taxation, but the other four are selling untaxed and unstamped cigarettes, which violates the tobacco settlement.

If the tribes do not comply, the state risks losing some or all of the $22 million, Long said.

`This will be a tool in our toolbox in order to diligently enforce in those areas in Indian Country where the licensees hold liquor licenses and are selling untaxed and unstamped cigarettes," Long said.

Rep. Tim Rave, R-Baltic, said the bill would help expedite tax negotiations with the four tribes.

Rep. Paul Valandra, D-Mission, a member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, said some of the negotiations are nearly done and are awaiting the governor's signature.

The bill would take effect Jan. 1, 2007, giving tribes some extra time to finish tax negotiations with the state. Most new laws go on the books July 1.

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Crystal meth and Internet causes of AIDS/HIV :

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rates are one prime indicator of high-risk sexual activity. Ten years ago there were approximately 15 million Americans infected with a sexually transmitted disease. Currently, there are an estimated 19 million new cases of STD's each year in the United States.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, American Indians have the third highest rate of HIV/AIDS cases in the Nation.

The CDC has reported that there are more than one million Americans living with the chronic disease of HIV/AIDS.

Of those, American Indians and Alaska Natives represent 2,300 known individuals. Due to low testing rates for HIV/AIDS in Indian country, the infection rates in these populations are thought to be much greater than what is statistically visible.

The State of South Dakota reports an alarming increase in current HIV/AIDS infections rates due in part to people utilizing the Internet to meet perspective sexual partners. This increases the threat of sexual predators to our women and girls as many who hook up on the Internet do not take into consideration the sexual history of those they may encounter.

There are differences to examine on the issues of HIV/AIDS between men and women. Some are physiological and some are social. Women have a much higher biological risk than men for contracting HIV through heterosexual intercourse. In the United States, AIDS-related deaths among women was estimated to have declined by 35 percent, while it declined by 64 percent among men.

In speaking to HIV/AIDS in the context of American Indian populations, one must go beyond the disease, beyond the mortality rates and examine the high-risk lifestyles that may lead one to a path for infection. These high-risk behaviors are often and dangerously thought of as being acceptable in the harsh environment found in many Tribal communities. Substance abuse, poverty, intergenerational trauma, and lowered self esteem issues often lead many in Indian country into not seeing the road they may be on that leads to HIV/AIDS infection. An example, many do not see that when you have intercourse with anyone, you are basically sleeping with everyone your partner has ever had sexual relations with. Experts agree that sexually transmitted diseases such as HIV/AIDS are not on the radar screen of many American Indians.

The greatest challenge is educating the public to the risks associated with acquiring an STD and getting them into a medical facility for treatment. American Indian women tend to access health care much more frequently than men.

In turn, women may receive treatment for an STD but become re-infected due to lack of treatment for their intimate partners.

For many American Indians women in South Dakota, sexual safety is placed on the back burner to more imposing issues such as trying to meet one's daily need for food, safe shelter and the basic necessities of the family.

For native women, there are more obvious variables that could lead to an HIV/AIDS infection than their Caucasian counterpart. Native women experience much higher rates of domestic violence and sexual assaults than mainstream Americans.

These issues keep many women from having the ability to address their own sexual health and safety. They may not be able to negotiate such things as condom use when they live day-to-day in an abusive environment.

The chances for native women to re-experience violence during their lifetime is double, even triple in some tribal communities compared to women of other ethnicities. South Dakota leads all States in the number of criminal investigations in Indian country, with Arizona second and New Mexico a close third. The most common of these investigations involve simple assault, aggravated assault, robbery, rape and sexual molestation. These acts of physical and sexually violence are not isolated to AI/AN females, but are disproportionably high for native children and elders as well.

Beyond the complex social and cultural challenges that American Indians face in HIV/AIDS prevention, there is a new and imposing threat.

Crystal methamphetamine is becoming an extremely volatile issue in the daily lives of our tribal communities.

It expedites the decline of the contemporary Native family and social structures.

Methamphetamine users tend to graduate to intravenous drug usage, thus increasing the risk of sharing needles contaminated with the HIV virus or hepatitis C.

Individuals with substance abuse issues do not tend to practice sexually safety and this contributes to high, unintended pregnancy rates and high STD rates within tribal populations.

Sadly, it is no longer uncommon to see a young mother neglect prenatal care or deliver her child while under the influence of crystal meth.

Many native women see crystal meth as a means of losing weight or to be part of the "in" crowd in harsh reservation environments.

Often, they see the highly addictive nature of this drug only after it torn apart their health and lives.

Women may not always see the negative affect that alcohol and drugs have on their husbands or boyfriends.

Methamphetamine abuse among men are creating instances of men who don't identify themselves as bisexual, acting out high risk sexual activity with other men while under the influence of this drug.

These men who may engage these activities on the down low are at the greatest risk for HIV/AIDS as men who have sexual contact with men are at the highest risk for infection with intravenous drug users a close second.

The risk for HIV/AIDS among women and girls grows daily. The best way to protect the life force of our future generations is through education and helping our native women to have the skills, resources and support systems to address their reproductive health.

The Indian Health Service and the South Dakota Department of Health offer free and confidential testing for sexually transmitted disease.

They are also great resources in getting the facts about HIV/AIDS and sexual safety or find more information on the web at www.womenshealth.gov.

There is no excuse not to be educated to this 100 percent preventable disease.

If you are sexually active at any age, show yourself the ultimate in self respect and get tested for HIV/AIDS. Show your partner that much more love and respect by getting tested together.

Andrew Catt-Iron Shell serves as STD/HIV Prevention Coordinator for the Rosebud Sioux Tribe CHR Program and as an HIV/AIDS advisory board member to the Office of Minority Health Resource Center. He can be reached at igmu49@hotmail.com

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Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) Workshop

"Behavioral and Educational Strategies for Effective Outcomes"

Free one-day workshop: Thursday, March 16

Service providers in health, social service, mental health, addictions treatment, and education should plan to attend this one-day Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) Workshop. Family members and others will also benefit by learning how to cope with this devastating disorder.

Landmark Community Building
Main Street, Eagle Butte

For additional information or to register for the workshop, see www.bhsu.edu/businesstechnology/fas or contact Pete at (605) 642-6434 or Peggy at (605) 642-6204.

The goal of the workshop is to provide knowledge, technical support, problem-solving practice and assistance with the development of strategies which are most beneficial in working with people with FASD. The long-term goal of the workshop is to assist those working with children with FASD in their efforts to decrease the secondary disabilities associated with FASD.

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The Rosebud Sioux Tribe LIHEAP Program will not be assisting with propane, electricity and wood for the month of March due to limited funds.

The LIHEAP Program will only be assisting elderly households Age 60 and over, for the month of March.

We are sorry for the inconvenience but due to the increase in propane prices, funds are no longer available.

If you have any questions, please call the LIHEAP Office at 605-747-5273.

Request for Proposal

The Lower Brule Housing Authority is soliciting proposals for Architectural and Engineering services for ICDBG FY-2005 Project B-05-SR-46-1052. The project consists of design of a new roof on the 8 PLEX Elderly Complex and mold mitigation in the four PLEX elderly complex and mold mitigation on 34 units of low rental housing. Interested parties may contact the Lower Brule Housing Authority for more information on the complete scope of work. Firms submitting proposals shall be registered in the States of South Dakota and shall identify the direct contact person. The contact person shall provide architectural, structural, mechanical, electrical and civil planning programming services for the completion of the ICDBG FY-2005 project. Services required will range in the scope from program interpretation in cooperation with HUD, Tribal Officials and the local Housing Authority through completion of the project.

Proposal Evaluation Factors and points for the A/E Services are as follows:

1. Recommendations for other IHA's	**15 points**
2. Registered Engineer and Architect in SD	**15 points**
3. Capacity To accomplish mold mitigation	**10 points**
4. Past performances on Lower Brule Indian Housing contracts	**10 points**
5. Professional and Technical competence and experience	**15 points**
6. Statement for plan detailing employment and training of Indian persons	**10 points**
7. Indian Preferences	**15 points**
8. Geographical location of A/E offices	**10 points**

The Lower Brule Housing Authority plans to implement the Indian Preferences Procedure by the use of the procedures set forth in 24 CFR, Part 950: Indian preferences is in effect for the project, with total of 15% of the total points allotted for Indian Preferences. A/E firms that claim and provide documentation of Indian Ownership must submit the following items with their proposal in order to qualify for Indian Preferences.

1. Tribal certification of the Indian owner.
2. Certification that the Indian person is the controlling owner of the firm submitting the proposal.
3. A complete listing of the structure of the Indian owned firm, including the names of all persons associated with the firm and a listing of their job functions, registrations and areas of expertise.

All responding A/E firms must submit a statement describing how they will provide Indian Preferences in their subcontract work.

The successful firm will be required to comply with the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal TERO Ordinance, along with any tribal fees and licenses.

The LBHA will accept proposals until 3:30 pm, CST on April 15, 2006

Proposals received after the closing date and time will not be considered.

For further information regarding this RFP, contact: Jeannie M. Smith, Executive Director, Lower Brule Housing Authority, P.O. Box 183, Lower Brule, South Dakota 57548
Phone: 605-473-5522 or fax 605-473-5578

ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I recently received my papers to go to training and I'm anxious but at the same time afraid. I've never been to anything like that before and I'm afraid I won't pass and graduate from it. What do you see for me? Do you see me graduating?

Thank you,
Anxious

Dear Anxious:

I do see you striving really hard to get "into shape." If you would allow your fear of failure to side-track your road to success, then indeed your failure would become your reality and your worst fear realized by your quitting. I see that the strength to face your fear of separation from all that is familiar will not win, and that you will proceed to realize your own dream and become who you truly see you as.

Every step into the unknown does not need to be faced with fear. If I could pass on a dream to people it would be to face the future with the strength of the Creator in your heart and you will be protected.

I see you as successful. I see this as being just the first step on your journey to education and respecting of self. I see this as your first real step to create a better life; to return once again to the reservation to help your people. You are truly blessed on this journey.

Dear Anna,

Recently I filed a sexual harassment complaint and as a result, I was placed on "administrative leave."

I am a physically, mentally, spiritually and emotionally strong Lakota woman who has contributed only well in this community. Are my strengths and talents needed elsewhere? If so, where?

Standing Rock

Dear Standing Rock:

The people that have placed you in this position need to be aware of their own corruption (by trying to protect a perpetrator). In the long run they will not win even though what I see begins to smack of conspiracy.

They will be exposed, and hopefully they are continuing to pay you or your ensuing law suit will shake rattle and roll them. You are correct, I am writing this letter as a warning to them to straighten up, pay attention to the facts, and proceed as though you were their mother, sister or daughter.

The man you accused is guilty, and there are two other women that can confirm that this behavior is within a pattern. For the organization you work for to protect him will be a bigger disaster than their admission of liability and the seeking counseling for him, which may release him from a pattern of bad behavior.

Your strength is gracious and tremendous and you will not be mis-read. It may be in your best personal interest to pursue a career outside of your current environment, simply for personal comfort reasons. You should consider involving yourself with three or four other women, writing that grant, and stretching out there to continue to help others under your won administration. I see it; it's just a question of when.

Dear Anna,

Never in my life, have I felt so passionately for someone as I have with this man during the holidays. It was a friendship issue and then it evolved into something so precious to me. Then he left my life as suddenly as he came into it.

We both knew we couldn't have permanency right now because of both of our circumstances but we continued until the very day he left, it was an experience what I read in romance books and seen in the movies.

To feel love is such a wonderful feeling. The power of it, the spiritual sense of feeling so close to another and the happy feeling that comes with it. In the weeks we knew each other, I never felt such happiness and contentment.

He made me feel like I was the most beautiful woman in the world and he respected me for who I am. We spend hours and hours talking, and discussed all kinds of issues, he treated my children so nice and I grew to love him as someone special. He had to leave, it was just that way, nothing I could have done or he could have done to make it any other way. We both love our children very much and we work to protect them.

He's gone now and in my heart I know he is not returning. We both did what we did, because it felt good and we both knew we couldn't keep it. Why did Tunkshila bring this man into my life? I keep searching for answers. I know I have to get over him and go on with my life. He told me I have to, he told me to live my life to the fullest and to let him go. Our circumstances just won't let us be together.

First time love

Dear First time love:

I am not so sure he is gone forever, but nevertheless, I will treat your question as though your assumption is correct. Tunkshila brings to us that which the soul cries for.

Love is as necessary to life as breath and is the foundation for all life. Sometimes, we are given a brief time with another soul; to spend and share time, to "open" our hearts and minds to the understanding of love. Love helps put the past away and opens doors to possibilities never considered before.

This man has impacted your life greatly and softened your understanding of yourself and what is possible for you within your own life. Love is a blessing and a joy, you are fortunate to have experienced it, even though the time was short.

Unselfish love, as yours is, is so grand as to enhance the entire world, and guarantee you a good home in this world and beyond into the Spirit World.

Life will offer more opportunity for love for you; Tunkshila will offer you another chance, since you sacrificed for the sake of others. Blessings to you.

Dear Anna,

Thank you for your comforting words. I do have another question I hope you can help me with. A gift came up missing and I was hoping you can help me find them. Were they misplaced or stolen?

Baby shoes

Dear Baby shoes:

I see it as an accident. I see them on the table (a table of more than one level), I see wrapping paper and boxes...a plastic trash bag and a trash box - and you got it that is what happened. I'm sorry you lost the shoes, but glad it wasn't theft.

Dear Anna:

What do you think about the Rosebud women not being allowed to be on the Treaty Council because no women were signers of the original treaty? How will that work out?

P.O'd women on the Rosebud

Dear Upset women:

I really feel that back when the original treaties were signed that the women were there in another way. I see them "behind the scenes," as Elders and advisors. They did not speak directly or sign anything, but believe me they were present and heard, as the men consulted with them. Today, it is out of balance, because the women's voices are being made silent.

If they want to act in the traditional way, then consult with the Elders and women and speak for them, not exclusify them.

Balance is something that will always happen - sooner or later. If men really wish to exclude women from a voice that is powerful and is for the next seven generations, then they better start having all the babies themselves and they better all be boys, so the real voice of the Creator, which includes all men and all women, will truly ring silent.

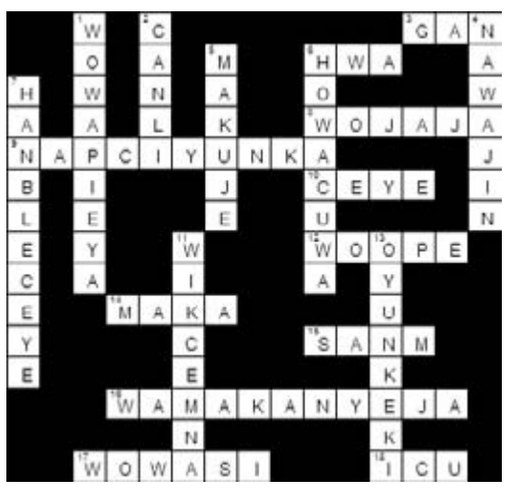
Sorry if I aggravated you Rosebud men, but without women, you wouldn't be here, and you would have no voice.

Either do it traditionally, with the women behind you, or come into the way of understanding of the contemporary traditional women (who has to work and support herself and her children, educate the youth, run the counseling programs, are the true activists, and are trying to clean up the historical injury caused by "men" in negotiation without women) or prepare for national embarrassment.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication. Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

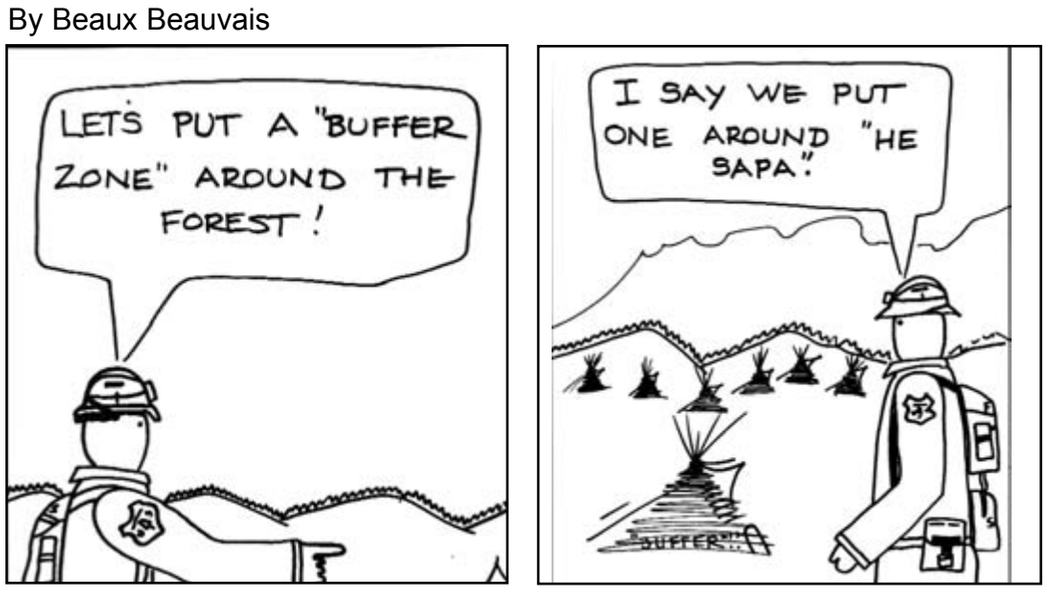
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Lakota Crossword Puzzle

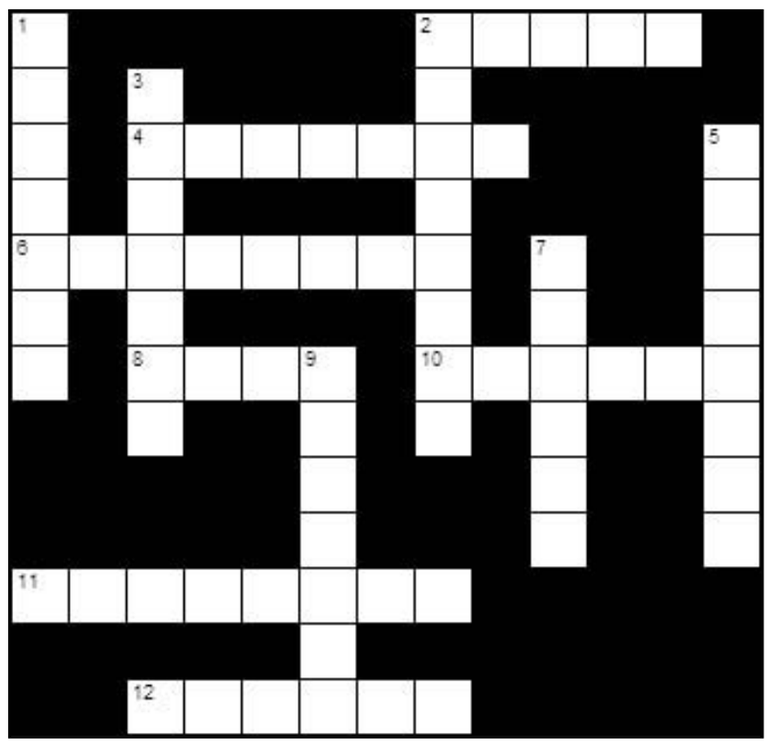
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

2. I am looking for something
4. think
6. muddy
8. leader
10. nephew
11. when
12. I am crying

Down

1. the real woman
2. I am good
3. my husband
5. and six more
7. daughter
9. I am meeting





TOP TEN REASONS WHY PEOPLE RUN FOR TRIBAL COUNCIL, OR BETTER YET, THE OST ELECTION BOARD?

1. Get to travel (to D.C)
2. Get your family and friends jobs.
3. Just want to see if you can make a difference
4. So they can take care of the 'hood.'
5. To fulfill their childhood dreams
6. So they can make those 3-4 political appointments
7. It might qualify them for a student loan deferment
8. To get it out of their systems once and for all
9. So, they can 'hobnob' with the likes of Cecilia
10. To bring jobs to the reservation

Next weeks topic is:

TOP TEN REASONS RESERVATION 'COME ON, FLIRTING LINES OR SNAG LINES'

Each week the Lakota Country Times has a topic for our "top ten." It is posted a week in advance in this column. You can submit your "top ten" response to next weeks issue by e-mail to: lakota1868@gwtc.net, or fax to 685-1870, or drop in the HAPPY AD BOX at Big Bat's or Lil' Angels. All respondors will remain confidential. We look forward to hearing your *TOP TEN REASONS!*

Baby Girl Brown Bull, stillborn..... Allen
Jade Ohitica Good Buffalo, infant..... Red Shirt
Edith Short Bull, ...Oglala
Barbara Ann Marshall, 63.....Rosebud
Steven Taken Alive, 51..... McLaughlin
Charles Heathershaw, 83..... Scenic

Baby Girl Brown Bull

ALLEN - Baby Girl Brown Bull was stillborn on March 4 at the Pine Ridge Hospital. Surviving are parents Ira Brown Bull and Jodie Waters of Allen.

Sisters Mariah and Rosalind Brown Bull of Allen; paternal grandparents Harold Brown Bull of Martin; Mona Mesteth, Porcupine, maternal grandparents Anthony Waters of Martin; and Nancy Broken Rope, Allen.

A two night wake begins Tuesday, March 7, St. John of the Cross Catholic Church, Allen.

Funeral services were Wednesday, St. John of the Cross Catholic Church with burial at the Waters Family Cemetery in Allen.

Arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Jade Ohitica Good Buffalo

RED SHIRT - Jade Ohitica Good Buffalo, infant, Red Shirt, was stillborn Sunday, Feb. 19, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include parents, Benedict and Thyra Good Buffalo, Red Shirt; a twin brother, Jude Ohitica Good Buffalo, Red Shirt; and two sisters, Rubi Sina Good Buffalo and Victoria Rose Good Buffalo, both of Red Shirt. A one-night wake was March 1 at the Benedict Good Buffalo residence in Red Shirt. Funeral services were Thursday, March 2, at the Benedict Good Buffalo residence, with Sr. Connie Schmidt officiating.

Burial was at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Cemetery in Oglala. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Edith Short Bull

OGLALA - Edith Short Bull, Oglala, died Thursday, March 2, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Survivors include five sons, Fay Short Bull, Gering, Neb., and Vladimir Short Bull, Regan Short Bull Sr., Kevin Short Bull Sr. and Thearl Short Bull, all of Oglala; four daughters, Judy White Dress, Scottsbluff, Neb., Genice Short Bull and Georgene Short Bull, both of Oglala, and Myrtle Short Bull, San Angelo, Texas; and 20 grandchildren.

A two-night wake was March 4 at Makasan Presbyterian Church in Oglala.

Funeral services were Monday, March 6, at the church, with the Rev. Asa Wilson officiating. Burial was at Makasan Presbyterian Cemetery in Oglala. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Barbara Ann Marshall

ROSEBUD - Barbara Ann Marshall, 63, died Feb. 27.

She was born May 9, 1942, to Opie and Armene (Swalley) Bordeaux, Sr. in Rapid City, South Dakota. She graduated from Holy Rosary (Red Cloud) High School in 1962.

After graduating high school, she attended two years of vocational school in Jamesville, Wisconsin. In 1967, she moved back to Mission and became a dispatcher at the Rosebud Police Department. In 1975, she became the first female police officer in Rosebud, working in that capacity until 1982.

She then became an administrative clerk, a position she held for 15 years.

In 1990, she moved to Flandreau and began working in the security department at Royal River Casino. In 1995, she became director of security and held that position until 2001, when she was diagnosed with cancer (non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma).

For four long years she battled cancer with chemotherapy until she beat it into remission.

She moved back to Rosebud in 2003 to be closer to family and relatives. In 2006, she was diagnosed with scleroderma, which she succumbed to on February 27th.

Barb enjoyed bingo, the Denver Broncos (especially John Elway), and spending time with her kids, grandchildren, relatives and friends. She will be greatly missed.

She was preceded in death by her parents; aunt, Armene White Mountain; and grandmother Millie Schwagman.

Barb is survived by seven children and 20 grandchildren: Eldon Marshall and wife Marc and their children John, Dylan, Tyler and Nicholas of White River, Kate Marshall and children Patrick, Dakota, Athena, Kaitlyn and Brady of Pierre, Valeria Wasson and children Travis, Clint, Charles, Rhiannah and Chance of Flandreau, Leilani and husband Richard Starr and their children Colton, Victoria, Lillian and Phillip of Pendleton, Oregon, Kelly Moran of Custer, Bennie Rae Kitteaux and son Dustin Jr. of Mission, and Calvin Kapule, Jr. and wife Autumn and their daughter Harmony Joy of Custer.

She is also survived by her brother Opie Bordeaux & wife Gladys of Mission; sister Carol White Mountain and husband Joe of McLaughlin,; and a very special aunt, Marcella Prue of Mission; and numerous other friends and family.

Wake services were held March 2 and 3, followed by funeral services March 4, at St. Thomas Hall in Mission. Burial was at St. Thomas Catholic Cemetery in Mission. Holmes Funeral Home of Valentine was in charge of the arrangements.

Steven Taken Alive

MCLAUGHLIN - Steven Taken Alive, 51, McLaughlin, died March 3, at the Indian Health Service Hospital in Fort Yates, N.D. A prayer service was Wednesday, March 8, at Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge. Funeral services were Thursday, at the Blue Gym in Little Eagle, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat and the Rev. Harvey Schmeichel officiating. Burial was at Elk Horn Congregational Cemetery in Little Eagle.

Charles Heathershaw

SCENIC - Charles L. Heathershaw, 83, Scenic, died Thursday, March 2, at the Fort Meade V. A. Hospital. He was born April 16, 1922 on the family ranch at Cane Creek, SD. He grew up on the ranch and attended grade school at Cane Creek and high school at Brookings.

In 1942 he enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps and served with the 303rd Bomb Group in the European Theater.

He survived 29 bombing missions as a tail and waist gunner. He flew out of England on a B-17 with the Ver Woods crew on the plane "Old Crow" until his honorable discharge in 1945.

On Feb. 15, 1943 he married Verna R. Pourier at Denver, CO. After the war he worked for Caterpillar and then operated an upholstery shop in Rapid City. He then worked on various ranches near Interior. For 21 years he worked at Badlands National Park where he became a mentor to many coworkers until retirement in 1980 when he returned to ranching. His life's desire was to return to the family ranch at Cane Creek. Charles loved his wife, his children, loved to garden, play Scrabble with his family and his tractor. He was proud of his "Seven Springs" ranch and especially proud of his cattle and horses. His hands were never idle and he could fix anything. He was a quiet, gentle tempered man and was a friend to many on and off the reservation. He was very proud of the accomplishments of his children and grandchildren as they competed in rodeo and athletics and would let them know when they were out of shape. There was always a place for others in his home. Surviving are three daughters, Marquittee Heathershaw, Scenic, Marilyn (Jerry) Halverson, Gordon, NE and Brenda (Ronnie) Wilson, Kyle; four sons, John (Donna) Heathershaw, Kyle, Fred Heathershaw, East Glacier, Mont., Mike (Anita) Heathershaw, Quinn and Pat (Jackie) Heathershaw, Scenic; twp daughters-in-law, Bobby Heathershaw, Rapid City and Phyllis Heathershaw, Potato Creek, 30 grandchildren and 38 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Verna, two sons, Chuck and Ron, his parents, Lew and Bessie, and three brothers, James, Kenneth and Ned.

Mass of Christian was Tuesday, March 7, at Mother Butler Center with Rev. David Matzko presiding. Burial was at Black Hills National Cemetery with military honors by Rushmore VFW Post 1273.

A memorial has been established to the S. D. High School Rodeo Association. Arrangements are with Osheim-Catron Funeral Home.

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March 19th
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From: Kathie and Kevin St. John, BJ Killsback, Cody St. John, Jeanette, Ceaser, Citrus Fire Thunder, Marilyn, Adam, Jade, Alicia, Gregg and Connie Cutshall, Ty, Stacey, Jermaine and Audrai Two Crow, Donna, DJ, Leon, Adam, Tom, Carrie, Tex Janis, Judy, Jenny, Jessica, Ashley and Amber Two Crow, Leo, Dean and Rolland.

"Happy Birthday"
March 15th
Rose Frazier
From: Kathie and Kevin St. John, BJ Killsback, Cody St. John, Jeanette, Ceaser, Citrus Fire Thunder, Marilyn, Adam, Jade, Alicia, Gregg and Connie Cutshall, Celeste, Ty, Stacey, Jermaine and Audrai Two Crow, Donna, DJ, Leon, Adam, Tom, Carrie, Tex Janis, Judy, Jenny, Jessica, Ashley and Amber Two Crow, Leo, Dean and Rolland.

I Love you very much
Amanda Rose!!
I appreciate everything
you've done for me.
Thank you and "Pops" for
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Love Always,
Your Youngest Daughter

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Grace Lynne Eagle Elk.

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Happy Birthday to Mr. Anthony Hopkins on 3/8/06. Hey nephew, how old are you going to be now? Enjoy your birthday and have fun in whatever you do. Always remember I love you no matter what and that I'm always here for you. So have a great birthday this year and all the years to come.
Love, Auntie Brionne

Chubby(Justin) & Sonny (Dustin)

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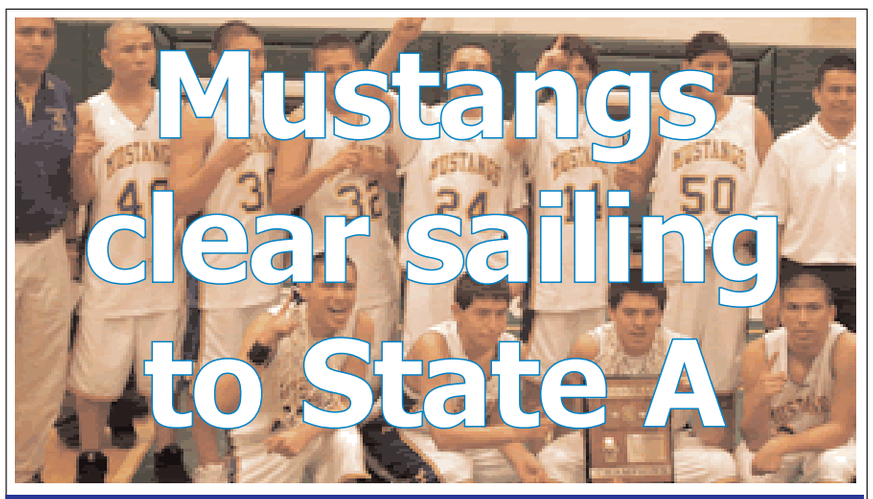
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CONTACT INFORMATION: BIA, Pine Ridge Agency, Administration, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770. For further information, 605-867-5126.

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QUICK HITS

Herseth, Miller to visit Pine Ridge and Rosebud

KYLE - Representatives Stephanie Herseth (D-SD) and George Miller (D-CA) members of the United States House of Representatives will be visiting the Pine Ridge reservation on March 22 and 23.

They will have dinner with OST president, Cecilia Fire Thunder at 5:30 p.m. and community leaders in Kyle and tour Little Wound School at 6:30 p.m. A discussion about education will also be held with parents, teachers, the OST tribal council, ONEC members, and the OST school administrators.

On March 23 they will tour Porcupine Day school at 8:00 a.m. At 9:00 a.m. they will be at Pine Ridge School. The discussion at each location will center around the impact that the No Child Left Behind legislation is having on their respective schools.

Herseth will be in Mission on Friday, March 24 and will be at St. Francis Indian School at noon and at Rosebud School at 2:30 p.m. and at the Sinte Gleska Multi-purpose building at 5:30 p.m. for a reception.

Man known as 'Charlie Smoke' faces fraud related charges

RAPID CITY - A former Regina man who calls himself Charlie Smoke and was deported to the U.S. three years ago is in trouble with the authorities again.

While living in the Saskatchewan, where he had a wife and children, he claimed to be a aboriginal person from an eastern reserve who had a right to remain in Canada. However,

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A piece of heavy equipment begins work within a stone's throw of the sacred Bear Butte. A 30,000 seat amphitheater will adorn the countryside as rock concerts and beer sales will now offer entertainment side by side with worshippers who want a quiet and serene environment that is not polluted.

Meade County to decide on bar near Bear Butte

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

STURGIS - The Bear Butte International Alliance issues regular monthly reports of meetings of the Meade County commissioners, which are presumably open to the public.

On March 7, the commissioners set the date of, Tuesday, April 4 to hear the application for a beer license by Jay Allen. The hearing will be held at 3:30 p.m. at the Meade County courthouse and BBIA is encouraging people to contact local, tribal, state, and federal legislators to express their concerns about the issue.

Bear Butte retains its State Park status and it is a nationally registered Historic Site and landmark. It is also an area that is protected as a National Wildlife Refuge. Bear Butte Lake is home to many migratory birds and is set aside for conservation and other purposes. It has taken center stage in the controversy over the proximity of proposed businesses to Bear Butte, which plan to sell beer and promote rock concerts during the summer months.

Many tribes on the northern plains consider Bear Butte a sacred shrine and any disturbance to the serene setting is seen as cause for concern. The proposed biker bar and any large venue such as the planned Sturgis Line Amphitheater, which will accommodate 30 thousand concertgoers or more, will surely represent a significant disturbance. Those who make a regular pilgrimage to pray in ceremony are concerned not only about the noise pollution and its effect on the wildlife, but also related problems that necessarily accompany alcohol use on a large scale.

BBIA is also concerned that any trash that accumulates as a result of any large gatherings could represent a taxpayer expense. The summer gathers are also seen as an exploitation of women and such blatant behavior could lead to increase numbers of women seeking shelter at local crisis centers.

Native Americans view the new business ventures as too close for comfort as the parcels have already been purchased and construction has began. What is disconcerting for some is the apparent confidence that the owners have in ultimately being granted a liquor license. Logically, a business owner would not invest in a large-scale project if he were uncertain as to being granted a liquor license.

Many hope that the application hearing is not a done deal, as two issues remain to be satisfied; location of the bar and the character

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White Clay liquor stores licenses renewed by commissioners

RUSHVILLE, Neb - The Sheridan County Board of Commissioners renewed the liquor licenses of the three stores which sell thousands of cans of beer each day to the residents of the Pine Ridge reservation. The Jumping Eagle Inn, Mike's Pioneer Service and State Line Liquor of Whiteclay were granted a license by unanimous vote of the commission.

The Nebraska Supreme Court was cited by commissioners to aid in their decision to renew. The case says that a license must be renewed if the establishment is the same as that which is seeking renewal and the premises are such that they are suitable for selling the product.

The Nebraskans for Peace have been opposed to the automatic renewal of liquor licenses by Whiteclay businesses and have made it a priority to further legal challenges to the continuing sales of beer. Their work is being mounted in a strictly legal manner and in deference to the statutes which govern the issuance of liquor licenses in Nebraska.

Those opposed to the sale of beer cite the fact that it is illegal to consume alcohol in an open container in Whiteclay, while the same prohibition exists on the Pine Ridge reservation which is designated as a dry reservation.

Russell Means, Frank LaMere, Duane Martin, Sr. and the Nebraskans for Peace were at the March 6 hearing of the commissioners in which the liquor licenses discussed and tabled for Monday.

Mustangs have other reasons to celebrate, besides State A

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

KYLE - Many folks are excited about Little Wound School qualifying for the State A tournament in Sioux Falls this weekend but there are a number of other things to be excited about at the school in Kyle that serves the Medicine Root, Eagle Nest, Pass Creek, Porcupine, Wounded Knee and Pine Ridge districts on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

"Last year we finished up with an average daily attendance rate(ADA) of 58.8 per cent, an improvement over the previous year of 51% but a long ways from where we need to be," said Dr. Linda Earring who is in her second year as principal at Little Wound high school, "at the end of the first semester this year, our ADA was 79.53 per cent an improvement of close to 21 percent, now that's exciting."

Little Wound made some changes that were publicly discussed and debated including moving to a later start, 9 a.m. and setting up a four day school week.

"Yes we made those changes, some people agreed and some did not," said Earring, "but just as importantly we made some changes inside the school;

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Secretary Norton resigns effective end of March

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

WASHINGTON, DC - Secretary of the Interior, Gale A. Norton has resigned effective at the end of March. At age 52, she has lead Interior for longer than most with a five year reign. She cites wanting to return to the private sector and to spend more time out west as primary reasons for stepping down.

Norton was confirmed as Secretary of the Interior on January 30, 2001 and was previously the Attorney General for the state of Colorado before joining President Bush's cabinet.

The Rocky Mountain News is reporting that Sen. Wayne Allard (R-Loveland) plans to send a letter to President Bush asking him to consider appointing former Senator Ben Nighthorse-Campbell as Norton's successor. If that were to happen, it would be a historic appointment since there never has been a Native American to head the Interior Department which has oversight over vast tracts of federal and Indian lands.

Night Horse-Campbell, a Northern Cheyenne, retired from the Senate in 2004 and was once mentioned as a possible appointee to head the Interior Department when President Bush won the election in 2000.



Gale Norton, Secretary
United States Department of the Interior

As a conservative, she has been at odds with environmentalist over some of the more conservative policies regarding the wilderness. She has been accused of not enforcing the Endangered Species Act as vigorously as she should and allowing snowmobiling in Idaho, which has caused caribou to head to Canada. She has also pushed for opening up more oil and gas drilling on federal lands.

In recent months, she has persuaded several western

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of the applicant. In a fact sheet that is being made available by BBIA, Jay Allen the owner of Broke Spoke Saloon purchased 600 acres of pastureland from rancher Jim Reed. He envisioned the largest biker bar and concert venue in Sturgis and ironically called it Sacred Ground originally.

The irony was not lost on Native people, as controversy surrounding the name eventually lead to a name change to Sturgis County Line.

The amphitheater has already begun to be constructed and is located within a couple of miles of the sacred Bear Butte.

Bear Butte International Alliance is encouraging all people to, "Think of the Future, to sign petitions, write letters and to keep informed." They want all Native and non-Native people who care about the future of Bear Butte as a sacred place to worship to be in attendance at the Meade County commissioners hearing on the application by Jay Allen to acquire a license to sell beer. They say that people's objections should be heard as the process allows for such concern from a wide variety of citizens.

For more information contact Nancy at 605-720-0282.

Interior Secretary North resigns

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states to enter into a pact that will allow them to manage reservoirs and contend with shortages of water from the Colorado River.

Winter snows that accumulate in the Colorado Rockies and Montana's Big Horn mountains are the primary source of water for most western states, including the expansive state of California.

Norton has also supported the exploration for natural gas on federal lands, while having to contend with a National Park Service maintenance backlog that may amount to billions of dollars.

The Interior Department administers several departments including, the National Park Service, the U.S. Geological Survey, the Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, Office of Surface Mining, Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Minerals Management Service, and the Bureau of Reclamation.

Some other interesting characteristics of the Interior Department include the fact that it manages 1 out of 5 acres of land in the U.S. and provides the energy resources for nearly one third of the nation's energy needs. The department also works with 562 federally-recognized tribes and provides water to 31 million citizens through 824 dams and reservoirs. Finally, it allows receives millions of visitors to its park system each year and improves habitats on millions of acres of land each year.

Little Wound improves attendance

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we did not have a safe school environment, we had a lot of fights in the school and we needed to do something about it."

Little Wound School put together a team that included the attendance clerk, Aquelyn Garnette, the attendance office, Ed Young Man Afraid of his Horses, the freshman adviser, RJ Trujillo, dean of students, Amanda Carlow, safe school officer Brian Hopkins, crossing guard, Desmond Richards and the principal, Dr. Earring.

"We patrol all the time and are constantly monitoring and supervising students," said Earring, "members of the team are visible at different parts of the school during the day and we respond right away to any problem and we do not allow any gang colors, caps or bandanas.

In November, December and January we had no fights and students just feel safer; we also get a list of students absent right away and call parents to find out what is wrong with the student and ask why they are not in school."

Dr. Earring had been warned that some of the changes might reduce enrollment in the high school but at the beginning of the second semester, just the opposite happened.

Enrollment increased. In the fall, the high school enrollment was 317 for the four grades and in the spring, the school enrolled 404 an increase of 87 students.

By class the enrollment at the time of the interview showed 178 freshman in the fall, 161 in February, 56 sophomores in the fall, 101 in February 33 juniors then and 75 now and 50 seniors at the beginning of the year and 61 in February.

"Everyone seems to agree that academics are important," said Earring, "but we have to get students in the door and keep them coming back every day to make a difference.

A good deal of the discussion around education revolves around the No Child Left Behind Act that schools on and off the reservation are trying to deal with. This year schools on the reservation are falling under the standards of the state of South Dakota, a requirement made by the Bureau of Indian Affairs after deciding that it was impossible to set a standard that worked for every tribal or reservation school across the country so to solve that problem, the Bureau put all of their schools under the state standards.

"Here in South Dakota, I figure there are 43 ways in which a school can miss making adequate yearly progress (AYP), for us the challenges are South Dakota's high school graduation rate of 94 percent, the Dakota Step test for our students in third, eighth and 11th grades and the ADA in the elementary school of 75 percent."

Work is being done in this area, last year in math, 20 percent of the students passed, this year 80 percent of the students are passing. The school has set up a freshman academy for all incoming freshman that test below a seventh grade level in reading and math, 61 freshman were included in the academy.

Little Wound set up a comprehensive career day on Feb. 28 inviting the Pine Ridge Area Chamber of Commerce, South Dakota and Nebraska colleges and universities, all branches of the armed forces, reservation businesses, Crazy Horse Mountain and Mount Rushmore that was open to all high school students with invitations going out to area students.

They plan to have one for eighth graders in March to help them learn about high school and how to better prepare.

The school has hired Imogene Roy to integrate Lakota Culture into our curriculum and the school is designing a model to do just that.

"We also have required our high school students to sign up for at least two activities throughout the year and in addition to all of our sports, we also have 28 clubs that offer a wide variety of activities," said Dr. Earring.

Over the last five years the school has graduated an average of 45.35 students and according to Earring, the goal is to graduate all 61 of the school's current seniors.

"We had 40 graduates last year in 2005 and we are trying to track them to see where they are ending up," said Earring, "we had six students eligible for the Gates and two were selected(Aaron DuBray is at the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks and Shawntay Lupi is at South Dakota State University in Brookings), overall we have 16 graduates enrolled in a college or university, we have four in a votech school, one in Job Corps, two are working, five are planning to enroll in a college in the fall and 12 we just do not know where they are at."

"My mother told me I was going to be a teacher and I became a teacher," said Earring, "after graduating from high school in Martin, I went to Northern State College and became the first woman in South Dakota to get an industrial arts education degree and I followed it up with a masters in education administration focusing on being a high school principal and a doctorate in education focusing on being a school superintendent, both from the University of South Dakota."

Dr. Lynda Earring is just over halfway through her second year as principal at Little Wound; she came to the Kyle based school with 30 years of experience in education that has included her first time as a principal at Cheyenne Eagle Butte High School, teaching for Wayne State College and working at Marty Indian School as a superintendent, at Winnebago, Crazy Horse, Pine Ridge and Wounded Knee District School.

"We have developed an exit outcome for our students, our teachers sat down and decided what our students needed to have on graduation day and from that we designed a curriculum and a syllabus," concluded Earring, "I only have four years to produce a product, I can't wait, we have to move along."

Smoke

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a United States tribal court judge ruled in 2004 that Smoke was actually Charles Roger Leo Adams Jr. from Tennessee and was not an Indian.

Adams, whom South Dakota authorities say also also goes by the name Leo Wolfslayer, was indicted by a federal grand jury on Feb. 15 for health care fraud, false statements and aggravated identity theft.

Adams, who now lives in Rapid City, appeared in court last month and pled not guilty to the indictment.

The maximum penalty upon conviction is 10 years imprisonment and a $25,000 fine.

American Indian Journalism Institute accepting nominations

VERMILLION (AP) - This year's session of the American Indian Journalism Institute is scheduled for June 4-23 at the University of South Dakota.

``We're expanding and improving the curriculum this year to help prepare more Native Americans for journalism careers,'' Jack Marsh, AIJI director and executive director of the Al Neuharth Media Center, said in a release. ``Students will be able to return to AIJI a second or third year and take different courses.''

This year's institute is the sixth-annual event.

The application deadline for students is March 31. Any American Indian college student with an interest in becoming a newspaper journalist may apply, organizers said.

In its first five years, AIJI graduated 127 students.

Program graduates earn four hours of college credit that they may transfer to their school.

Top graduates receive paid internships as reporters, copy editors and photographers at daily newspapers and with The Associated Press for up to six weeks in the summer.

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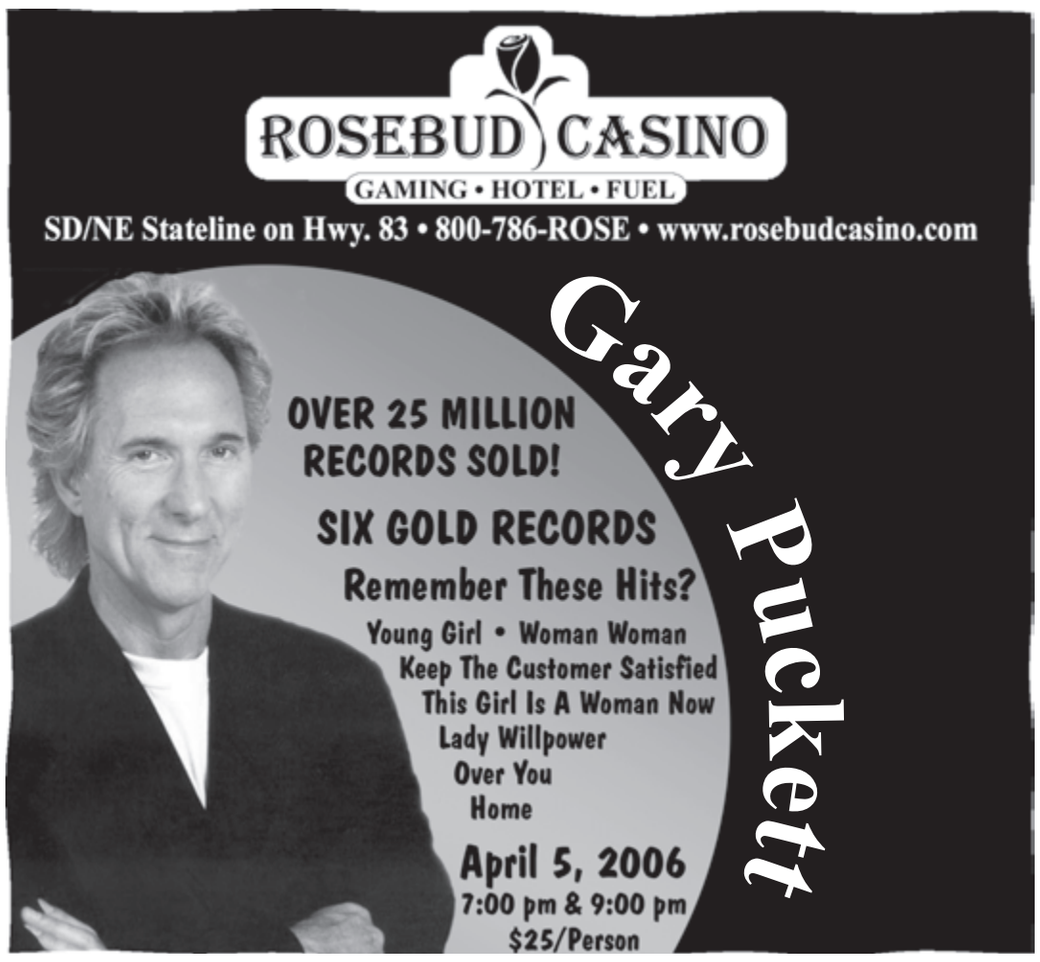
St. Josephs' Sobriety Walk April 28

CHAMBERLAIN - St. Joseph's annual Sobriety Walk will be held on Friday, April 28. Students and staff will begin walking at 4 p.m. Dallas Chief Eagle will perform afterwards.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get a hold of me.

Medicine Root District to honor *cepke*

KYLE - The Medicine Root District will be honoring all twins born in the district on April 30. Contact Corrine Zephier or Connie WhirlwindHorse for more information.







Rosebud amendments in limbo

BY ROSE CORDIER
Time's Correspondent

ROSEBUD - After more than two years since the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council appointed a Constitutional Task Force to gather proposed constitutional amendments, the election process is still in limbo. Tribal members, anxious to make changes to the 60 year old document, want to know why the amendment process is taking so long.

"As far as the Task Force is concerned, our job is over," stated Ronnie Neiss, a member of the now defunct Constitutional Task Force. According to Neiss, the Task Force submitted 27 proposed amendments t the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) on April 17, 2005. The amendments were gathered from tribal members throughout a series of public hearings and through the mail over a period of several months.

Neiss said that he is disappointed that the process is taking so long. "It is coming up on a year since we turned the amendments over to the Secretary of Interior (BIA) and they still have not scheduled an election," he continued, "the amendments should have been voted on by now. I see the delay as the continued paternalism of the federal government and outright obstructionism."

Other Task Force members appointed by the tribal council in January 2004 are Lynette Bodeaux, Duane Hollow Horn Bear, Linda Marshall, Eric Nixon, Ed Valandra and Ione Quigley. The Task Force received 182 written proposed amendments from approximately 50 tribal members. Twenty seven amendments were eventually approved by the Task Force. Tribal and federal law mandates that the amendments be submitted to the Secretary of Interior for final approval and that when approved, that the Secretary schedule a Secretarial Election so the tribal members can vote on the amendments.

On Feb. 8, Rosebud Agency Superintendent, Cleve Her Many Horses, met with the tribal council and discussed the BIA's concerns about several of the proposed amendments. The tribal council asked Her Many Horses to contact the Department of Interior Field Solicitor, Marcia Kimball, and request that she come to Rosebud to meet with the Task Force, BIA Election Board, and the tribal council.

In a telephone interview, Her Many Horses indicated that he would invite Kimball to Rosebud soon. Her Many Horses said it was his understanding that the BIA has comments on the wording of the submitted amendments only, not on their content.

Daschle may consider running for president

ABERDEEN - Former Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle says he is considering a presidential bid in 2008.

Daschle says he hasn't ruled anything in or out at this point.

He says he's encouraged by the strong support he has gotten in his home state of South Dakota and around the country.

Daschle lost his bid for re-election to the US Senate in 2004 by just 4,500 votes.

In discussing a possible presidential bid, Daschle said President Bush and Republicans have overemphasized the importance of the war on terror. He says the US is no safer now than it was before the 2003 invasion of Iraq.

Another possible candidate in 2008 is Democratic Senator Joe Biden of Delaware. Biden told NBC's "Meet the Press" Sunday that he intends to see if he can garner enough support to get the Democratic nomination.

Sitting Bull College cited in national publication

FORT YATES, N.D. (AP) _ A national business publication lists Sitting Bull College as one of 10 ``cutting-edge programs for budding entrepreneurs."

Fortune Small Business recognized the tribal college on Standing Rock reservation last week, along with business programs at Harvard University, the University of Texas and University of Arizona.

``We're very happy and excited," Laurel Vermillion, the college's interim president, said Tuesday.

Unemployment on the Standing Rock reservation, along the North Dakota-South Dakota border, fluctuates from 35 percent in the summer to 75 percent in winter, said Ron Walters, the college resource development director.

Sitting Bull College has started a computer consulting business on the reservation, which has a population of about 6,000. The school plans to open a $3.4 million business entrepreneurship center, possibly beginning construction next fall.

Jeffry Timmons, a business professor at Babson College in Wellesley, Mass., is to speak at the college next week about business start-ups. Timmons started a Native American Initiative at Babson College.

``We're anxious to hear what other tribes are doing," Vermillion said.

Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Tribe makes $1 Million challenge donation to NCAI's embassy

WASHINGTON - Indian Country's dream of a permanent embassy for Native nations in Washington, D.C. came closer to a reality today with a $1 million matching contribution from the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community of Minnesota to the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Embassy of Tribal Nations Capital Campaign.

"This is a tremendously gracious gift that will benefit Indian people for generations," said NCAI President Joe Garcia. "It is a huge step in securing a home in Washington where tribal nations and American Indian organizations can come together under one roof to continue to do the work so important to Indian people. I humbly thank the tribal leaders and people of the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community."

Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Vice-Chairman Glynn A. Crooks announced the grant at NCAI's Tribal Nations Legislative Summit: 109th Congress Executive Council meeting in Washington, D.C.

"It makes great sense for there to be an Indian Embassy in the nation's Capitol," said Crooks. "When Indian people are in town visiting their Senators and Congressman they will also have a place they can call home."

Crooks encouraged tribes to donate what they can to the Embassy campaign.

"We know that many tribes are not in the position of making a million dollar contribution to this project," he said.

"But considering the many tribes that are members of NCAI, anything you are able to give would help to make the embassy a reality."

The Shakopee tribe also made an additional $100,000 contribution to NCAI for general operational support.

To learn more about the Embassy of Tribal Nations Capital Campaign or to make a donation, please visit www.ncai.org or contact NCAI Director of Development Mellor Willie at mwillie@ncai.org or 202-466-7767.

Officials: Urban Indian Health Service in danger

ABERDEEN(AP) - The Urban Indian Health service could close in the next couple years unless more funding is found, officials of the federal agency say.

President Bush's budget for the next fiscal year does not have a line item for Urban Indian Health. The centers in Aberdeen, Sioux Falls and Pierre are considered one office, and together, they get about $1 million in federal funds.

Urban Indian Health gets some grant money along with federal funding.

If the federal budget approved later this year includes no money for Urban Indian Health, the 34 offices nationwide will be in trouble, said Val Jones, who heads the Aberdeen office.

That office serves about 1,600 patients a year, and Jones said closing the office would mean some people in Aberdeen would go without medical services.

Urban Indian Health receives money from Indian Health Services and focuses on caring for Indians, although it accepts all patients who meet income requirements.

The president's budget would cut $33 million, a significant part of UIH's overall spending, according to Georgiana Ignace, president of the National Council of Urban Indian Health, who testified in Washington last month.

Bobbi Piasecki of Aberdeen, a grant writer and Northern State University student, said UIH clinics offer some services that other medical centers don't.

``One of the main attractions I have to the clinic is how sensitive they are to the Native American cultures,'' she said. ``SDUIH works with specialized, culturally identifiable medical needs such as diabetes, which affects more than 15 percent of the Native American population.''

Along with primary medical care, UIH also offers some dental service, screenings, health care education, optical service and special programs.

Randi Chingman, 19, of Aberdeen, said she and her 17-month-old son often seek medical services at the Aberdeen UIH center. If it closes, Chingman said she will do what she must to make sure her son gets needed care. But she said she probably would not be able to afford general medical care for herself.

``I don't know what I would do with myself if I were to get sick or need something'' and the local UIH office was closed, Chingman told the Aberdeen American News.

Gov. Mike Rounds and the Legislature already have sent letters of support, along with the Aberdeen Area Tribal Chairman's Board and the U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

Kyle man pleads guilty to involuntary vehicular manslaughter

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) _ Instead of standing trial, a Kyle man has admitted to causing an accident that killed another man.

According to the U.S. Attorney's Office, Rex David Price, 20, pleaded guilty in federal court in Rapid City to involuntary vehicular manslaughter.

An indictment accuses him of driving while under the influence of alcohol and causing an accident that killed Laddimer Phillip Price.

The accident happened in May in Shannon County on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

Price could get up to six years in prison when he's sentenced.

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OPINION PAGE

Our Views

A good news, bad news kind of week

Good news

Good news comes to us in the form of the Little Wound Mustangs. Let us all be cheerleaders and show our young ambassadors that we are behind them one hundred percent. It is the kind of stuff that dreams are made of.

Getting to compete in the state tournament is an honor in any sport and a great indicator of a sports program that is promoting student-athletes who are making us all proud. Athletic director, Richard "Tuffy" Lunderman says that the Mustangs will be going up against Clark, who is undefeated, in the first round of the State A tournament on Thursday.

Cheer for the Mustangs as they represent each and every one of us who have a stake in promoting good sportsmanship and strong competition that is reflective of an enduring Lakota spirit.

Congratulations to a job well done to Bennett County Lady Warriors and White River.

Bad news

Bad news comes in the form of proposed beer sales with a couple of miles of Bear Butte.

Construction has already begun on a 35,000-seat amphitheater as the owners are already assuming that the Meade County commissioners will grant them a beer license.

It is time for people of all convictions to attend the hearing for the application to sell beer scheduled for Tuesday, April 4 and let the commissioners hear their voices. The people need to let them know that it borders on sacrilege to allow construction and beer, no less, to be sold and consumed in close proximity to such a sacred shrine to the Lakota.

It would be akin to selling beer next to the shrine in Bethlehem where Jesus was born. Or, even setting up an outside biker bar next to the 'wailing wall' in Jerusalem. People of all faiths just would not hear of it and would put a stop to it.



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Thoughts that come from the heart

Belief systems are part of ignorance in school systems



By Amanda Takes War Bonnett

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Throughout this last school year, I have read about the money problems of the Bennett County School system in the local paper. Without getting too specific, the school system has had a pretty hefty shortfall in their budget. Their status in being eligible for heavy Impact Aid has changed recently. Impact Aid is government money earmarked for school districts that have within their boundaries land that is owned by the federal government or is not a part of the local tax rolls such as Indian lands. The government provides on a per-student basis funds for students who live on Indian lands.

School districts like Bennett County and Shannon County receive money for those students who reside on federal land or trust land to educate those students. Basically, Indians are not levied a personal tax by the counties for their land because it is in trust, or most of it is, so the government funds the money through Impact Aid. In essence, it is also a treaty right. Our ancestors gave up thousands of acres of land for education and health care.

To meet that shortfall, two country schools will close this fall and the school will go to a four day week along with staff cuts and services to students being adjusted.

So the amount of money the public schools get for Impact Aid depends on how they apply for it and the formula is calculated on the enrollment of students who live on trust lands that are in the schools' boundaries.

The Douglas School District is an example of granting Impact Aid to a special population of dependents who are employed at Ellsworth Air Force base and which represents a significant portion of the district's budget. Any closure of the air base would have impacted the district in a rather negative way.

Several years ago, a civil rights movement was initiated by the Lakota people in Bennett County because of the alleged voting irregularities in the city voting procedures, and because of the problems Indian parents couldn't get resolved within the school system or the obvious prejudice of county residents.

Regardless, the school lost enrollment and parents moved their children to other schools. Whether it was the drop in the enrollment or irregularities in how the student count was calculated in order to qualify for receive Impact Aid, the fact is that there was a budget shortfall.

In the early morning hours of the school week, one can see how buses pull in and out of town at the stoplight on Highway 18. The buses come from neighboring reservation schools of American Horse, Little Wound, and Porcupine School. The amount probably averages more than 150 students.

Those students on those buses have to get up early in order to catch their bus before 7 a.m. and after school they return at 4 or 6 p.m. and later if they ride the activity buses.

One morning when I was at the convenience store getting fuel, I watched the buses coming and going and I thought of a time when I attended school in the county high school. Back then it was just a given, when you got to high school, you either made the choice to stay on and continue on to the high school after graduating eighth grade or you made a choice to go to another school and to board there.

I had no choice as my mother insisted I go to the local high school as I had the grade school. She taught me how to ignore the prejudiced minds of the non-Indian students and instructors. It was a survival skill that we learn in growing up in poverty and being Indian in a white community. My mother was tough, she held me to a structured educational life. She made go to school and I learned that it would benefit me in the end.

My first encounter with prejudiced minds was when I was in third grade. I loved art and design and was so proud of myself for designing an outstanding art piece. The pride I felt of that piece when I was finished had me beaming, especially when my teacher bragged about my art skills. She said I would surely win a ribbon in the upcoming art contest. I felt proud of my work, since she told me, and my fellow students thought it was a prize. I was confident I would get that ribbon.

The day of the art show arrived and wanting to see how the judges will place the ribbon on my art, I stood around the little gallery of the student's art watching and waiting. The judges were parents, mothers of my fellow students. At long last, after making their rounds with their clipboard and ribbons, they came to the area where my beautiful drawing was. I watched in anticipation and watched as one mother exclaimed how beautiful my piece was done and how much it stood out and she zeroed in my creation as did the other mother. The pride I felt at that moment as I knew my valued art was worthy of that ribbon. She knelt down and read the name and that expression on her face and how she mouthed a little oh and stepped back and walked on burned in my memory. It burned in my memory because I was confused as to why she didn't place the

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Other Views

Tribes want to show the world who they are

Charlee Bad Wound, 17, Pine Ridge, is winner of the Student Division of the annual South Dakotans for Open Government Sunshine Week Essay Contest. She is a senior at Pine Ridge High School. This year's topic was, "Equal Rights to All and Special Privileges to None." She will receive a $250 prize and a plaque. The essay was originally published in the Sioux Falls Argus Leader.

For me, equal rights has been a vague principle for my living situation. I am a 17-year-old Native American girl, and I live in one of the country's most poverty-stricken reservations.

Living on Pine Ridge Reservation is not always an example of equal rights. Equal rights means discrimination is prohibited, but on a daily basis myself and others are faced with slander and libel.

It has become an issue that Native American reservations get special privileges, because we get free medical care, free schooling, and we continue to get debit cards. They call it "favoritism," but I would say it is compensation for all the wrongs that have been done to our culture throughout history.

With all that, it still isn't the proper care we all desperately need.

People in other states, or maybe even our own state who have different ethnic backgrounds, seem to have an easier time getting basic things they need, such as electricity, heating and other home requirements. I have lived in these conditions long enough to say, "Freedom isn't always free."

Most times, getting a decent home can be a problem to many who are homeless or unable to buy a home. Like others, we aren't able to get a loan to buy a sturdy home, but instead we are given mobile homes that need much work to make that place seem like a home.

It's a normal thing to see houses torn down and rough looking, but when I go elsewhere, such as to cities, I see beautiful homes and neater living conditions. Maybe they have better resources or manage to do things on their own with more knowledge.

That isn't our situation. For instance, we are rarely taught how to manage money or how to be on our own. That isn't helpful when we need to make choices for ourselves or when we want to go out on our own.

It's hard to say that everyone is treated equally, because in reality, we're not.

We, as a people, are looked down on because of the way we live and by the way our environment looks. I know I plan to go somewhere and do something, as many others do, but how can we do that when our living situation and ethnic background puts doubt in the minds of those people who have better medical care, higher incomes?

A demonstration of equal rights would help Native American populations, along with many others across the country who struggle the way we do. If special privileges were to go to no one, then why is it we, as a people, fight so hard to gain the respect from those who are of different races?

Though others may not see our ability to prosper, we strive to prove that we are able to rise above, even when it seems hard. Equal rights would allow us, as a tribe, as an extended family, to better the way we live and to better the way we are looked at. It would help us lower the ongoing level of poverty that puts the lack of confidence in others around us, and mostly ourselves.

We are all supposed to be treated equally, so why can't we treat each other with the respect and dignity we all so rightfully deserve?

As a child growing up, I have been faced with equal rights problems, but I know if I voice an opinion I will have helped it just a little bit.

If we put our heads together and use our resources for constructive progress, we can be seen for who we really are and not for the statistics.

We can perpetuate growth in our culture again. We can express the strength and confidence that once made us who we were long ago and who we still are as people today.

With that, I leave to say we still await equality and the chance to show the world who we are as people of a Native American tribe.

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Northern Perspectives

I'm all 'rezzed out' and proud of it



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

My niece, Lisa, lives next door and we are forever exchanging ideas and sentiments about Lakota life on the "rez."

She often invokes the term "rezzed out" and I have worked to figure out the full ramifications of resembling that remark. Deep down and even on the surface, I think I'm uncharacteristically "rezzed" out.

Watohansna duwa cicikese doku ecun hantas he "rezzed out" ecakiyapi. Ins, duwe dokcinkiye ti nahan igluse hantas he "rezzed out" keyapi. He wicoiye ki lela woicake ce le. Tunjan wan hecunse omakiyake ca he doku ca kapi miseya slolowa wacin.

Before I engaged in my writing and reporting for the Lakota Country Times some people across the northern plains thought I was a white guy.

That has since changed as the picture I took with Sen. Tim Johnson one time clearly shows my rather visible brown tinge in the glistening sunlight.

There is something noble and beautiful in being able to identify with your own people of color, but then being "rezzed" out surely must encompass more. I think the term captures the essence of Lakota behavior, conversation, music, food, social interactions and many aspects of life on the rez.

Lakota people are wonderfully creative and humorous as they try to describe themselves in a mild self-deprecating way.

Put another way, Lakota people are able to jokingly tease each other about our way of life; however, there are some aspects of it that only we can use towards other Lakota people. If a white guy were to deliver a full lecture on the drawbacks to being "rezzed out" he might be run out of town. So, as we poke fun at ourselves, there are certain cultural rules that govern that kind of cultural humor, turned inward.

I think I qualify in several regards and aptly fit the profile of one who might be "rezzed out." I live in a trailer house and often describe myself as 'trailer trash,' but only I can say that. I earned my doctoral level credentials from Harvard, but I work for minimum wages. As I look at myself in the mirror, I think of my circumstances and think, "I could be rezzed out." I prefer to live in a place that suffers from an unemployment rate of 80-85 percent by one unofficial estimate.

I don't want to contribute to the reservation 'brain drain' and head for the hinterland where someone just might know what my credentials mean. I guess I could stand on the highway going toward the casino with a sign that reads, "Harvard grad will think for food." That's not very original, but perhaps it might qualify me for the label of being "rezzed out."

I think there are good ways that one might fit the mold of being "rezzed out." For example, if I were receiving some kind of pension or veterans disability check each month, you might see me trekking in my old SUV to the dollar store or Mickey Dee's.

That kind of behavior would be too predicable. Or, you might see me down at LIEAP in Rosebud, trying to get an additional allocation before winters end. Or, you might even see the old cars around my house and though they might represent a buffer zone for me, to you I could be "rezzed out" for exercising such behavior.

That's it; I think being "rezzed out" means doing things in a rather predictable way that often smacks of economy.

Or, it could point to behavior that is characteristic of those who live on reservation lands and when we engage in such behavior, someone might ridicule us in private because they could be more sophisticated. Sometimes our behavior might even border on tackiness, but then it has to do with being in the survival mode.

Ohan, ca le wicoiye "rezzed out", wasicu ya ki nahankci eyatela slolowasni eyas dokasni. Duweni elamatunsi ca he waste'. Upiya unpo nahan awinciglakapo. Nagik Sapa, le miye. Sicangu Oyanke lecetkiya wiohiyanpatakiya wati.

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Notes From Indian Country

Seeking the road to sovereignty



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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If you want to get into a knockdown, dragged out, two-fisted argument with a local non-Indian citizen (wasicu in Lakota), just bring up the subject about Indian sovereignty. Boy, does that raise their hackles.

"How in the Holy Hell can you guys claim to be a sovereign nation when the federal government does everything for you except wipe your behind?" is a comment that just missed my head as I ducked last week.

At this point, if you can consider this debate one of intelligent discourse, you then bring up Indian treaties. Of course, for the most part, this never does any good because the person seated across from you never read a treaty and doesn't believe that a legal document that is more than one hundred years old applies to him anyhow. "I wasn't around when those treaties were signed so they don't mean a damn to me," he says with a very red face. "Well, you weren't around when the U. S. Constitution was signed either, but you still believe that to be a legal document, don't you?" I retort.

As you have probably surmised by now this is an endless and too often, a pointless argument. Those who are adamantly opposed to the very thought of Indian sovereignty can bring up as many objections as I can positives.

To acknowledge their point, most Indian nations are indeed quite dependent upon the federal government. It funds our schools, hospitals, housing and our very government on most Indian reservations.

But as I always point out, using the Fort Laramie Treaty of 1868 as an example, the government signed those treaties with equal sovereigns and clearly laid out provisions for education, health and government within those treaties and gladly accepted millions of acres of extremely productive land in exchange.

The treaties were signed by two sovereign nations "in perpetuity." That literally means "for eternity."

We all know the Indian joke that it is written in very small print at the end of the treaty, "As long as the grass grows and the river flows or 90 days which ever comes first." But, fortunately, that little quip still remains just that, a joke.

John Reyhner, Northern Arizona University, a man who has written extensively on Indian education, expressed some very cogent thoughts on Indian sovereignty. He wrote that sovereignty involves taking back control and taking responsibility for one's life and for one's nation rather than leaving it to others to make decisions for you. "It can mean paying taxes to support one's tribal government; it means choosing competent, visionary leaders, and it means being educated," he wrote.

He continued, " Sovereignty means that one has to deal with other sovereign nations on a government-to-government basis and that involves knowledge about laws, treaties, policies, business, economics, and a vast variety of subjects that cannot be dealt with without a modern education."

Reyhner believes that you are not a sovereign nation if you have to call in a "white guy" every time something breaks down. In other words if you have to call a white mechanic, lawyer, or a medical doctor to fix your car, handle your legal matters, or see to your health, you are not sovereign.

Reyhner touched upon something many of us have been writing about for years. I started a newspaper on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota because like Mr. Reyhner, I firmly believe that if we want to move into the 21st century as a sovereign people, we have to start doing things by ourselves and for ourselves.

So much of what lies ahead is wrapped up in how we educate our children. If they do not stay in school or go on to a higher education they will become a part of the problem instead of a part of the solution.

We need our own engineers, accountants, business managers, teachers, college professors, doctors, lawyers, construction companies, newspapers, radio stations, television stations, department stores, gas stations, hotels, banks, schools and colleges. In other words, we need to take control of our own lives, our own resources and our own destiny.

But the curriculum in the reservation schools has to be adjusted dramatically to include the type of thinking that takes us away from the mentality of colonization.

We have been forced to learn our own history from those who do not know our history. We have been taught to seek out menial jobs in order to survive. In other words, we have been trained to look at the small picture instead of the bigger picture.

And I believe, as Mr. Reyhner believes, that we can do all of these things and still live within the boundaries of our own culture, our own spirituality and our own traditions.

The Indian colleges on the many reservations in America have begun this process and they cannot allow themselves to be whip sawed by outside associations and accreditation bureaus that do not know who an Indian is or what that Indian is striving to achieve. The key may well lie in the field of communications.

The road to true sovereignty is rife with pitfalls, angry people, and mountains to climb, but I believe a determined and educated Indian people can attain this worthy goal and turn back several centuries of dishonor.

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ribbon on my art. It wasn't until years later that I realized I didn't get that ribbon because my name was Indian and when she read that, her ignorance became her judge.

I am not telling this story to get pity as a poor little Indian girl but because of that little pain I endured as a little girl. It is somewhat the same pain that Indian students and their parents avoid so they get up early to bus out. They do it day after day because where they go there in a comfortable environment for learning.

It was with those same thoughts that I and my husband would rise early in the morning and get our children up to catch a bus to Little Wound or American Horse School. I wanted my children to get a good education just like I did in Bennett County. The school offers a sound academic learning foundation and the community has kept that high academic structure through years and years of development. We either had to learn to deal with ignorant minds or make that choice to move on.

In my sophomore year, I moved on. I went to live in Kyle with a relative so I could attend the high school there. It was the first time I felt comfortable to learn and I learned. I was on the honor roll all four semesters and I was free to join whatever school activity I wanted and felt comfortable in doing so.

It wasn't until I had read an essay written by my oldest daughter as she told her story of attending grade school at Martin and how she felt she was dark so she had to endure racial remarks by some of the non Indian students. My heart broke when I read the paragraph where a young man, whose family owned the local hardware store, would make her days hard to get through and she learned to avoid him, to avoid the racist remarks of being "a dirty, dark Indian." How she stayed in the bathroom because of her fear of him when she shoved her on the steps and wouldn't let her in the classroom.

I let her go to Little Wound High School where she aspired to be an honor student and eventually graduated with honors. She learned about her culture, language and the history of her Lakota heritage. It was worth it to wake up early and get them on the bus. It was worth it to wait up late until she got back home on the activity bus from basketball and volleyball games. I kept the scanner on so I can hear how the bus was progressing in bringing her home. But that long bus ride deprived her of valuable family time in the morning and at night.

In 1994, I left my newspaper career to return home to help care for my sick mother. I felt lucky that I landed a job with Bennett County Schools with a three year grant program that was designed to help bridge that gap between the white and Indian community to help Lakota students graduate. I remembered my childhood and wanted to make a difference. I left after the first year. It was going to take more than a three year grant to bond two cultures.

It was a system where we couldn't have a feather ceremony on school grounds because it was considered a religious act, but yet we couldn't plan activities on Wednesday nights because it was church night and the cooks in the cafeteria cooked for Lent.

On game nights, when the crowd enters the big Legion auditorium, it's Indians to the left and non-Indians to right. I don't know when that started, it's just been that way for years.

In time the community will adjust to the budget shortfall in the school system and Indian parents will still get up early to get their children on the bus to attend school up to 48 miles away. I felt for the parents who made comments in the local paper about the loss of their country schools and the changes they would have to make. That's similar to the emotions that Indian parents have when they bus their children out. It happens that way because of strong belief systems on both sides.

Whether it be ignorant minds that can't come together, or racism or prejudice on either side, it is still a belief system. And belief systems can't be changed unless there is desire.

Guest Editorial

Lance Morgan: Indian Country now has the 'Meth Diet'

Editor's Note: The followign column was written by Lance Morgan is the CEO of Ho-Chunk Inc., the economic development corporation of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska. Morgan is Winnebago. It was orginally printed as a column by Mr. Morgan on Indianz.com.

On Indianz.com the drug meth has been a big topic lately. There was a special session on meth and its impact at the Washington, D.C., meeting of the National Congress of American Indians.

I have touched on meth several times in my column for the Winnebago Indian News, our tribal paper, but always in a "why the hell would people do that to themselves way." The sullen look of the toothless, receding gums and sore covered face of the sleepy and unemployed is never a good look for anyone.

But I noticed something the other day, about meth and its impact on our thinking in our community that kind of scares me. I know someone who got thrown in jail for drugs, dried out, and then went to treatment. I went to visit them and the first thing I noticed is that they gained significant weight. I even said "Hey, you're getting kind of chubby. That's great."

The rez can be a strange place sometimes. It occurred to me that in the last few years I have thought that people gaining weight has been a healthy and positive sign before. Of course this goes contrary to everything we are being taught about health and weight gain, but since meth causes you to lose weight, it has the strange impact of transforming weight gain into a healthy sign.

The impact on our thinking doesn't stop there though. It also makes weight loss, especially rapid weight loss, a very suspicious activity in our community. If someone loses weight and you haven't seen them at the track or at Whirling Thunder, the tribe's wellness center, it looks bad. Now that I think about it, I have to admit that I have wondered and gossiped before about people losing weight and if they are doing drugs.

There is the South Beach Diet, the Adkins Diet, and now we have the Meth Diet.

I don't mean to try and make light of this, I just wanted to point out how this drug has crept so quickly into our thinking that it has dramatically impacted the way we view a simple thing like a healthy weight. I don't know when this happened, but it has definitely slowly evolved in the last few years.

When this little observation occurred to me, I thought it was witty and ironic and that I would write a funny column about it. But now that I think about it, it isn't funny. I

It is actually quite sad that this drug has impact so many families lives and our thinking, and yet we still do so little about it. I didn't grow up thinking this way about drugs and weight, but unfortunately our kids are.

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Go Mustangs

All the employees here at Pinkys wish Good Luck to the Little Wound Mustangs at the State A Basketball Tournament on March 16 - 18, 2006

V.A. holds compensation and benefits fair for veterans

ROSEBUD - The Department of Veterans Affairs Dakotas Regional Office and South Dakota's VA Medical Centers are holding a Veterans Compensation and Benefits Fair April 25-27 at the Rosebud Vet Center. The event is open to all veterans.

Rosebud Sioux Tribe, Indian Health Service and veterans service organizations are partnering with VA on this event, which will be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

The fair is an opportunity for veterans to apply for veterans benefits in one location without having to travel to Sioux Falls or the Black Hills VA facilities. It is also an opportunity for veterans' dependents and surviving spouses to receive assistance and information for benefits.

A VA disability examiner will be available to provide compensation and pension examinations along with VA Rating Board specialists to adjudicate certain disability and pension claims. All veterans are encouraged to bring a copy of their DD214 (military discharge papers), along with any service medical or personnel record, other medical records, and any VA paperwork they may have previously received. Social Security Administration will be available to provide assistance and accept claims for benefits. Representatives from South Dakota's congressional delegation will also be at the event to offer assistance.

For more information, contact Shirley Redmond, Sioux Falls VA Public Affairs Officer, at 605-333-6889.

Tribal leaders seek help from the White House on partnership for meth problem

WASHINGTON - The National Congress of American Indians President Joe Garcia announced recently announced a 'Call for Action' and request for a White House partnership to combat the ever increasing problem of methamphetamine use and drug trafficking in Indian communities.

"Methamphetamine is killing our people and devastating our communities." said Garcia. "It is our collective responsibility to put forth a collaborative effort to curb the use of this drug by increasing law enforcement on tribal lands, marshalling resources to address the health and social service needs of our people plagued by the drug problem and educating our young people on the deadly ramifications of its use."

Citing data from a white paper released by NCAI's Policy Research Center, Garcia noted:

"According to a report by the Denver Post, from 2003 to 2004 - the year characterized by the highest documented increase in crystal methamphetamine (meth) use - criminal charges for drug possession increased 353 percent, assaults tripled, theft nearly doubled, and child abuse increased by 85 percent on the Wind River Indian Reservation. Similar reports are cropping up from reservations nationwide. Farther south, the Navajo Nation has experienced a more than 100 percent increase in meth use on the reservation in the past five years. Recent data from the Indian Health Service estimate that 30 percent of American Indian youth have experimented with methamphetamines."

San Carlos Apache Chairwoman Kathleen Kitcheyan shared her own tribe's experience with meth use. "There have been 120 suicide attempts and 84 actual suicides in my tribe alone since 2002," said Kitcheyan. "Some of these were directly related to the abuse of meth. Last year, in my tribe, 63 babies were born addicted to crystal meth. This has to change."

Garcia laid out three objectives for a joint effort between tribal leaders, the Administration and Members of Congress: 1) tribal leaders to form reservation initiatives on drug enforcement and prevention; 2) the White House to organize an initiative for interagency cooperation on drug enforcement and prevention in Indian Country; and 3) a joint hearing of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs and the House Resources Committee to explore the needs for legislation and funding.

National Congress of American Indians Call for Action on the Methamphetamine and Drug Trafficking Crisis in Indian Country

1) Call for Tribal Leaders to Form Reservation Initiatives on Methamphetamine and Drug Enforcement and Prevention

a. Many tribes are already working in cooperative interagency drug enforcement and prevention task forces.

b. Drug trafficking does not respect reservation borders. NCAI encourages all tribes to develop local cooperative initiatives that respect tribal authority, promote prevention and health, and promote law enforcement against drug traffickers. Identify local needs and our job at national level is to help you meet those needs.

c. NCAI encourages tribes to pass legislation to outlaw meth use and production on tribal lands.

2) Call for a White House Initiative for Interagency Cooperation to Address Methamphetamine and Drug Enforcement and Prevention in Indian Country

a. White House organization and maintenance of a federal response in partnership with tribes and state and local governments. Law enforcement and health care in Indian country are federal responsibilities. The issue crosses many federal agencies - BIA Law Enforcement, Department of Justice (DOJ), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) and the Indian Health Service (IHS).

b. At the national level, the commitment of resources, manpower and cooperation are required to address the problem.

c. Focused attention of White House and federal agencies to improve the federal, tribal, state and local cooperation.

d. The first step is to involve Indian tribes in national and regional meetings on Methamphetamine and Drug Trafficking in order to promote cooperation.

3) Call for a Joint Hearing of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs and the House Resources Committee

a. A Congressional Hearing to focus the attention of key Congressional and Administration leaders.

b.Convene high level Administration officials from DOJ, DEA, BIA and IHS to discuss how Congress can help these agencies be more effective and focused in promoting law enforcement and prevention cooperation in Indian country.

c. Invite key tribal leaders to identify needs and concerns with regard to more effective and focused law enforcement and prevention measures.

d. Increase resources. Tribal police departments are stretched far beyond capacity. We need to ensure that federal agencies and tribal government agencies are appropriately funded to address this crisis that threatens not only Indian communities, but also their neighbors.

Council removes Sisseton-Wahpeton chairman from office

AGENCY VILLAGE (AP) - The chairman of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Tribe has been removed from office amid allegations he misappropriated more than $698,000.



J.C. Crawford

The tribal council's action against J.C. Crawford came Friday during a closed session.

Tribal officials refused to release information from the hearing. But Crawford _ who attended the session _ said the executive session vote to remove him was 5-3.

Attempts to reach tribal officials were unsuccessful.

The Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate District Chairman Association has accused Crawford of misappropriating $698,125 in seven separate incidents beginning in 2003 and continuing through 2005.

The association also accuses Crawford of gross incompetence, improper conduct and malfeasance of office. Among the accusations, Crawford is accused of misusing credit cards issued by the tribe, acting outside the scope of his authority and improperly entering into an agreement without seeking council oversight, according to documents obtained by the Watertown Public Opinion.

Crawford, who denies doing anything wrong, said the council threw out four of seven allegations before voting to remove him.

Following the hearing, Crawford said he was the victim of a political agenda.

``This was not an objective hearing,'' he said. ``Several of the council members went in there with premeditated decisions.''

Crawford also said his right to due process had been violated and that he could challenge the ruling in court. But, he added, he had not decided what he might do.

``It's a tough decision,'' said Crawford. ``I have to decide if I want the emotional burden of continuing to go through this.''

Even after his removal, Crawford said he plans to continue to be involved in tribal leadership.

``I want people to know that this is not a cancerous place,'' said Crawford. ``Politics aside, there are still plenty of very good people living in this area and our government continues to function.''

Daschle to keynote journalism fundraiser

RAPID CITY - Former Senator Tom Daschle will be the keynote speaker at a fundraiser for the Native American Journalists Foundation, Inc., on the evening of June 6. 2006.

Daschle has been a firm supporter of Indian journalism for many years and sees his appearance at the fundraiser as a chance to promote Indians into journalism.

"I will only be in Rapid City for the one night but I assured Tim Giago, the president of the Native American Journalists Foundation, Inc., and my longtime friend, that I would be there to help him in any way possible," Daschle said.

The fundraiser is by invitation only and will be held at the Prairie Edge Trading Post in Rapid City. Ray Hillenbrand, owner of Prairie Edge will be the host.

Food will be served and the special invitation to the fundraiser will be sent out in a few weeks, according to Giago, the president of the NAJF, Inc. A drum group of young Lakota singers will be in attendance and Giago hopes to have Jackie Bird, an accomplished hoop dancer, as the entertainer for the evening.

Daschle announced this week that he might consider running for president of the United States. He said, "I'm encouraged by the strong support many people have voiced for my candidacy around the country and in South Dakota. I'll make a decision at some point later on this year."

At one time Giago challenged Daschle for his senate seat, but dropped out of the race after a private meeting with the senator. "We talked about a lot of things impacting the Indian people of South Dakota and I liked what I heard and decided that as long as Tom was putting all of these things on the table, it was not important that I stay in the race," Giago said.

"I am very grateful that Tom would take the time out of his very busy schedule in order to support our foundation. He is a regular subscriber to our monthly magazine, Indian Education Today, which we publish in Rapid City to support the foundation," Giago said.

The fundraiser is set for June 6, 2006 and will begin at 6:00 p.m. and run until 9:00 p.m.

"We are inviting many of our special business friends from Rapid City and so I hope they will keep an eye out for their invitations," Christy Tibbitts, executive director of the foundation, said.

Ten arrested for embezzlement on reservation

PIERRE (AP) -Ten people were arrested this week for embezzlement - accused of taking money intended for use in Standing Rock Indian Reservation's Antelope District in South Dakota, the FBI says.

The suspects, responsible for handing out tribal funds, were nabbed by authorities last Monday and Tuesday and at least seven were ordered to appear in federal court in Aberdeen, said Stephen Pluta of the FBI in Sioux Falls.

The Department of Interior's Office of Inspector General and the Aberdeen FBI office continue an investigation.

The amount of money involved has not been released.

The Standing Rock reservation runs along the North Dakota-South Dakota border.

South Dakota company shooting film near Hermosa

HERMOSA (AP) -A Rapid City production company is filming a new movie in the Black Hills near Hermosa.

The Linn Productions work is about a prominent American Indian lawyer who returns to her home on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation to take care of her dying father.

While she's there, she sees ghosts and is challenged about her understanding of the past and her culture.

Indian director and producer Chris Eyre of ``Smoke Signals,'' ``Skins'' and ``Edge Of America'' is producing the film.

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Little Wound School plans spring events

KYLE - "Parents you Make the Difference" workshops to be held at the Little Wound School auditorium on March 15 at 5:00 p.m. include "Be the Power Family Workshop" with presentor, the Parent Resource Network and "Meth: 'The effects on the Brain" by Karen Red Star. Contact Reva High Horse at 605-455-6169 or Shelly Middletent at 605-455-6164.

The LWS elementary counseling department is presenting Karen Red Star of the OST Health Education Program as she presents a community prevention workshop. It will be entitled "Utilizing Therapuetic Massage to Relieve Stress." Incentives and refreshments will be served.

Please contact Shelly Middletent at 605-455-6164.The LWS Bilingual program will sponsor a "Welcome the Thunderbeings" ceremony on Monday, March 20 at 10:00 a.m. at the LWS elementary tipi village. Steve Dubray will conduct the ceremony and all parents, grandparents, guardians, and community members invited to participate. The event is also sponsored by the LWS counseling department and the Learning to Read - Wayawa Onspeciciyapi.

The 100 Mile Walking Club will begin March 6 and end on May 19 with the purpose of promoting wellness and healthy lifestyles.

All interested individuals are encouraged to sign up. T-shirts will be given to the first 50 people who sign-up. For more information call Shelly or Juanita at 455-6164.

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ANTELOPE - The Brownie Girl Scout Troop 7101 of Antelope Community collected hundreds and hundreds of stuffed animals of all sizes types to donate to local charities.

Pictured is the Brownie Troop 7101 with their donations as they give them to a representative of Rosebud Ambulance Service.

The Brownies decided to collect stuffed animals as part of their duty to show sisterhood and generosity according to the "Girl Scout Law." They wanted to give stuffed "friends" to other children who may be sad, scared or hurt.

The collected donations were taken by the Brownies to White Buffalo Calf Woman Society Shelter in Mission, Spotted Tail Crisis Center in Rosebud and Rosebud Ambulance Service to be distributed to children served by each of these facilities.

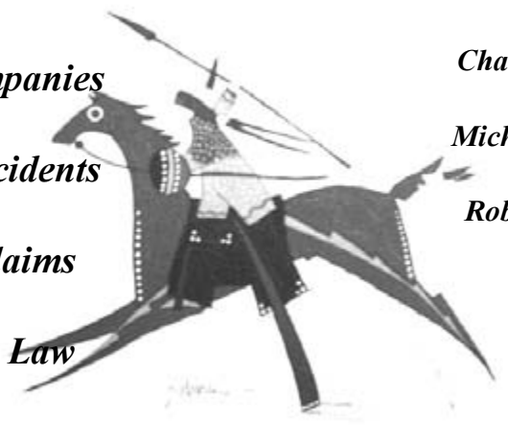
It is the Brownies' hope that the stuffed toys might offer some comfort to each child as they arrive at the shelter, group home, or while they ride on the ambulance.

Many people came forward with generous donations to help the girls. The Brownies would especially like to thank Okreek Community for their generous donation, Antelope Community for housing the donations, Todd County Tribune and Wells Fargo Bank for agreeing to be collection points and all the people that came forward to donate.

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He Sapa Leadership Academy lists advisory board members

ROSEBUD - The He Sapa Leadership Academy has announced the list of the first members of the school's advisory board. The new members include Richard Chavolla, former Associate Dean of Yale College, Jack Davey (Rosebud Lakota), Engineer, General Dynamics Corporation, Bill Mendoza (Oglala Lakota), Instructor, Pine Ridge High School, Professor Ed Valandra (Rosebud Lakota), University of California, Davis Professor Leona White Hat (Rosebud Lakota), United Tribes Technical College.

The academy, in its developmental stages, will be a private Native American College Preparatory School. It will serve students in grades eight through twelve, and be located in the Black Hills. The Academy's mission is to develop the next generation of Native American leaders through cultural learning programs and rigorous academic training. Graduates will be expected to continue on to college and eventually return home to serve their communities.

The advisory board serves as part of the governing body of the Academy by assisting in the decision making processes. President of the Board of Directors, Wizipan Garriott, said that the Academy is assembling an extraordinary collection of talent. The Academy is currently in the process of engaging in a major fundraising campaign, developing curriculum, and drafting operational practices.

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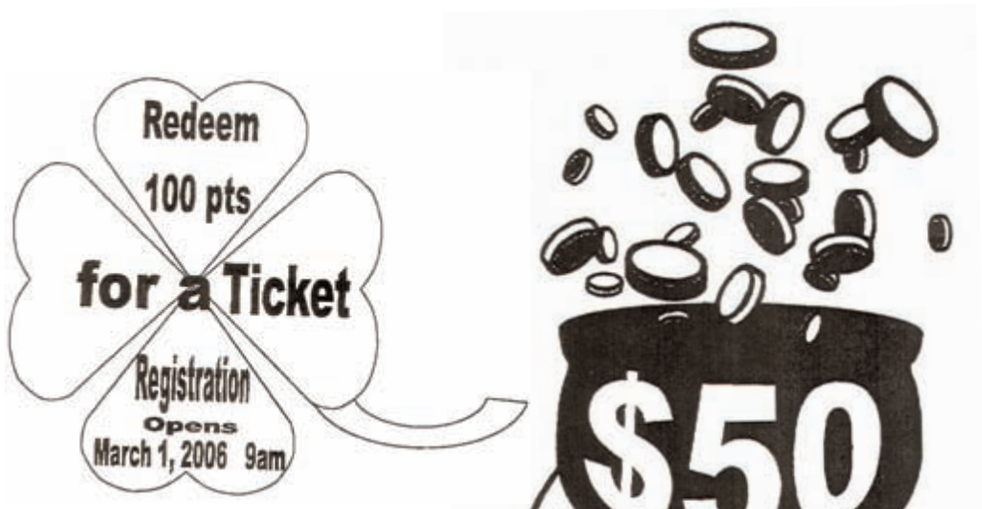
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Try-outs are open to all tribally enrolled Native American athletes throughout South Dakota born 1987, 1988 or 1989.

Ten athletes and two alternates will be selected.

The Games will be held July 2 through 9 at Denver, Colo.

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ROSEBUD - The 2nd Annual Four Directions Walk will be held Monday, March 20 at 9 a.m.

Registration will be from 8:30 to 9 a.m. at the RST Administrative Building in Rosebud.

The first 100 people to register from each direction will receive a t-shirt.

The walk is meant to serve as a gesture to unite the Sicangu Lakota in prayer and reflection against Diabetes. It is sponsored by the RST Diabetes Prevention Program and the SGU Diabetes Initiative.

Walkers will finish the walk at the RST Administration building in Rosebud where a public lunch will follow.

For more information contact RST DPP at 747-4600.



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Due to limited funding through the contract health service program the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility is required to review medical priorities when approving CHA referrals. At this time the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility will only be approving those CHS medical priorities that are viewed as **Priority I:Emergency -- Diagnostic or therapeutic services which are necessary to prevent the immediate death or serious impairment of the health of an individual.**

ROSEBUD COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE FACILITY CONVENIENCE CARE CLINIC (WALK-IN) SERVICE UPDATE

After careful consideration the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility has elected to CLOSE the Urgent Care Clinic effective immediately. Management has determined that the implementation of a Convenience Care Clinic (Walk-In Clinic) would better service the patients in the community.

Convenience Care Clinic (Walk-In Clinic) will begin effective Monday, April 3, 2006 It will be located within the Clinic Area and will be operational Monday thru Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Any patients presenting for care after 4:00 p.m. will be seen in the Emergency Room between the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. to meet the health care needs of the increasing number of patients that will be seen by the Emergency Room Department.

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Two Sections

Little Wound corrals Platte for Region 7A win and 5th state tournament trip

Red Cloud finishes 16-6 season with loss in Region 8A

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PIERRE - Little Wound and Platte met in a rematch of this year's Snowball Classic in Winner back in December; Platte definitely improved enough throughout the season to win the District 13A tourney 61-53 over Todd County last week but the Mustangs had done their own bit of improvement and stampeded the Black Panthers 87-61 to win the Region 7A title Tuesday in Pierre and earn a trip to the State A tourney this week in Sioux Falls.

Team basketball and balanced scoring has helped Little Wound become an offensive juggernaut over the last five games as they have averaged 99 points a game compared to their opponents 57. Tuesday was no different at Pierre Riggs high school as five Mustangs hit double figures.

"This team is peaking at the right time," said Jamie Feather Earring, Little Wound's head coach, "we took care of the ball tonight, moved it around to the open man and forced Platte into 21 turnovers with our pressure defense."

Devon Lebeau set the tone by hitting a couple of big threes right off as the Mustangs took an 18-11 first quarter lead and did not let up in the second quarter as both Brice Hornbeck and Shilo Pierce joined in the Little Wound three point barrage by hitting threes as the Mustangs pushed their lead to 46-26 at the half. Little Wound hit ten threes in the game on the way to knocking down 33 of their 65 shots in an offensive display, shooting 51 per cent from the field.

The teams played close to even up in the third before Little Wound finished the game with a flourish winning it by

Please turn to Little Wound: B2



The Little Wound Mustangs earned a trip to the SD State A tournament this week in Sioux Falls by defeating Platte 87-61 on Tuesday in Pierre; the state bound team includes: Back Row Travis Brave Bird (assistant coach), Sam White Face, Rich Big Boy, Michael Apple, Ty Lunderman, Devon LeBeau, Dustin Shangreaux and Jamie Feather Earring (head coach) and in the Front Row: Willis Zephier, Casey Montileaux, Shilo Pierce, Brice Hornbeck and Wendell Smoke (team manager). Photo courtesy of Mindy Hunter, Little Wound School.

McCauley moves from Lower Brule to Pierre, helps lead Governors to State AA Tournament

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PIERRE - Last year, TJ McCauley, a sophomore guard at Lower Brule, led the Sioux to four straight wins over Class A schools including an upset victory over St. Thomas More in the championship game of the 2005 Lakota Nation Invitational, earning the MVP award along the way. This year, McCauley moved a bit north to Pierre, played football for the Governors and during the basketball season became the starting point guard on a team that finished the regular season at 16-3 with a number one ranking in the AA polls

"TJ has made the transition to Pierre and Double A basketball," said Terry Becker, head boy's basketball, "he has been a great addition to our team, playing football in the fall helped and even though there were times I think he thought about returning home to Lower Brule, he made it through the rough times."

A year ago, TJ and Lower Brule lost to a tough Sully Buttes team in the District 6B championship game, last week Pierre defeated Aberdeen Central 60-45 and the defending AA champs Mitchell 60-48 to win District 3AA and earn the number one seed in this week's State AA tourney in Rapid City,

Against Aberdeen, McCauley hit two threes on the way to 12 points, grabbed four rebounds, had five assists and a couple of steals. The next night in a close game with Mitchell, TJ was one of three Governors in double figures scoring 16 with eight of those coming in the fourth quarter of a close game.

"It is different this year in Pierre, last year I was the main scoring threat at Brule so I have had to make an adjustment," said TJ McCauley, a junior at Pierre Riggs high school, "sometimes I feel like I haven't contributed enough like the game with Aberdeen but really it has meant getting used to a different role on this team; we have two good post players on this team so the first goal is to go to the big guys."

According to TJ, he started the first game this year as the

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McCauley driving for a layup at Rapid City Stevens High School, where Pierre won 66-40 over Rapid City Stevens. Photo courtesy of Randy Bachelor.

USDA supplemental commodity cuts could affect Lakota elderly

BY ARCHIE B. BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - President Bush's proposed 2007 federal budget will most likely have an impact on the USDA supplemental commodity program that many elderly qualify for on the Oglala Sioux reservation. Many on a fixed income have come to count on it on a monthly basis and cutting it will result in yet untold consequences.

On the Rosebud, it is often difficult to tabulate an accurate count when it comes to the census. That difficulty also extends to the elderly as Sicangu tribal members are sometimes leery of being surveyed and researched without good cause.

Bernard Herman of the RST commodity program noted that Rosebud does not participate in the USDA supplemental commodity program, and thus, they will not be affected by the proposed cuts in Bush's budget. The total number of tribal members who are served by the program amounts to some 2,400 people with half being the elderly.

The Sicangu Wicoti Awayankapi or RST tribal housing authority has recently embarked on an accurate census survey of the reservation in order to document an accurate count. Higher numbers than currently being used in official documents could result in increased housing funds and other grant funding opportunities. That was the case on the Pine Ridge reservation last year when the tribe was able to arrive at an official census that was higher than originally thought.

The USDA supplemental commodity program is funded at $120 million and feeds over a half million people nationally, many elderly.

In proposing to cut the program, the federal government says that the supplemental program essentially duplicates other food programs, such as food stamps.

Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Weekly Flu Clinic
Every Thursday at the Public Health Nursing Office in Pine Ridge for high risk adult population call Kendra at 867-3297 for additional information.

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Pahin Sinte College Center Walking Club
starting at 4 p.m. each day Monday through Friday at the center in Porcupine, for information call Janice or Alva at 867-5404.

Reservation wide recruitment
for Oglala Lakota College Infant Toddler and Headstart Program - on-going, call Pine Ridge Headstart at 867-5649 or 867-5640 and recruitment days on Wednesday from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Grief Support Group
meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888

OST Commodity Issue
Wednesday, March 15 in Porcupine

Parent Teacher Conferences
at Pine Ridge school on Wednesday, March 15 from 1-6 p.m. for info call Melvin at 455-6528.

Health Fair
Wednesday, March 15 in Manderson at the Wounded Knee District CAP Office from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. focusing on diabetes prevention, elderly vision, poison and inhalant education and nutrition.

Clandestine Laboratory Recognition workshop
Thursday and Friday, March 16 and 17 at the new Pine Ridge Correctional facility 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

Team South Dakota Midget Division (15/16 year old girls) Tryouts
Saturday, March 18 1p.m. at the Sinte Gleska University multi-purpose building in Mission, for girls 15 and 16 years of age, for information call 441-5725.

Team South Dakota Juvenile girl's (17-19 years of age) Volleyball Team tryouts -
Saturday, March 18 at Todd County High School in Mission at 1 p.m. for selecting a team to participate in the North American Indigenous Games in Denver July 2-9.

Team South Dakota Baseball tryouts
Saturday and Sunday, March 18 and 19 at the Wade Vitalis field in Pine Ridge for a 13 and 14 year old team, a 15/16 year old and a 17-19 year old team for info call 867-2153.

Team South Dakota Midget Boy's Basketball(15/16 year olds) Tryout
Sunday, March 19 at the Pine Ridge Middle School gym from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. for information call Alf at 867-5821 ext. 230 or 454-1746 or Tony at 455-2118.

Little Lady's Shoot Out Girl's Basketball Tourney
Saturday and Sunday, March 18 and 19 at the Little Wound School elementary school gym with two divisions 11-12 years old and 13-14 years old, call 441-8313.

Special Session OST Council
Tuesday, March 21 in Porcupine at the CAP Office to finish agenda for regular January meeting.

Health Fair
Thursday, March 23 at the Kyle Elder's Complex from 10 a.m. to 2 p..m focusing on diabetes prevention, elderly vision, nutrition, inhalant and poison education.

Developing Tribal Travel Policies and Procedures using IRS and OMB Guidelines workshop
Thursday and Friday, March 23 and 24 at the Best Western Ramkota in Rapid City from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day, call 867-5821 ext 207

Lip Sync Contest
Friday, March 24 from 7-10 p.m. at the Todd County Middle School with two divisions, youth and adult with categories including: country and western, rock & roll, Pop and Hip hop and rap, call Oyate at 747-5068 or Cheryl at 856-2105 also a chili and fry bread sale from 5:00 - 6:45 p.m . to raise money for the Down Under Volleyball Bowl in Australia for Shawndai Prue.

Little Wound Mustangs: from page B1

27 points. LeBeau led the Mustangs with six threes and 25 points, Hornbeck hit two threes on the way to 18 points, Rich Big Boy helped with 16, Michael Apple chipped in 12 and Pierce finished with two threes and 10 points. Platte finished their season at 12-10 and had two in double figures, Keith Cutler with 26 and Colin Ringling with 17.

For Little Wound, seeded seventh, it is the fifth time for the boys to qualify for the state tournament. Dave Archambault, Brice Hornbeck's grandfather, led the Mustangs to the B tourney as head coach in 1980 and 83 and Dusty LeBeau, Devon's father, coached Little Wound to consecutive fourth place finishes in 1999 and 2000.

Clark, Little Wound's first round opponent, is making their 16th trip to a state tourney, 13 times in the B and qualifying for the A for the third time in five years, taking second in 2004.

The 2006 State A opens at the Sioux Falls Arena on Thursday, March 16th with the number one seed, St. Thomas More 23-0 taking on the number eight seed, Sisseton 13-10 at 12 noon mountain time. This is the Cavaliers third straight trip to the State A and have been ranked number one in Class A since the preseason poll came out in early December.

Parkston, 19-4 takes on the 18-5 Lennox in the second game at 1:45pm. Clark, 22-0 against Little Wound 16-6 open the night show at 6pm and the first round wraps up with the 2004 State A champ, Chester Area 18-5, taking on the 19-4 Chamberlain Cubs.

"We need to keep playing with the same intensity that we have shown as a team over the last five games," added Feather Earring, "we need to play tough pressure defense and on offense continue to play unselfishly, finding the open man and take advantage of the transition game when possible and play patiently when in a half court game."

St. Thomas Moore ends Red Cloud's season in Region 8A

RAPID CITY - St. Thomas More hit 30 of their 49 shots Tuesday night in their Region 8A championship game at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center, a hot 61% from the field while Red Cloud hit 15 of 51 for 29% as the Cavaliers won their 23rd straight game this season 64-37 to earn their third straight trip to the State A tourney this week at the Arena in Sioux Falls.

Dylan Wince, a senior shooting guard, hit a deuce and two treys in the first quarter to help the Cavaliers to a 19-10 lead then Zack Finley, a 6'9" senior center hit four straight field goals in the second as St. Thomas More increased the lead to 31-14 at the half.

Working hard against the Cavalier defense, Red Cloud's top scorer, Johnny Crow hit a three in the first quarter and a free throw and two field goals in the second but St. Thomas More covered him hard and worked at wearing him down.

"It felt like I had a new defender with fresh legs on me every two minutes," said Crow, "they play very physical, they are big and strong and deep, it was a learning experience."

"Yes, we focused on both Crow and Christian McGhee and the team's defense made it tough, they had to earn every basket," said Dave Hollenbeck, Cavalier head coach, "and on offense we had a good outside inside game going as Wince opened up the inside for Finley to score down low in the lane."

Finley finished with 25 points and 13 rebounds, Wince chipped in 10 points. Crow led Red Cloud with 10 points and shared rebounding honors with sophomore Dave Giago with five apiece. Coming into the regional championship game, the Crusaders had won nine of their last ten games and finished the year off at 16-6.

"This was a great team to work with, they worked hard every day and supported each other throughout the season," said Matt Rama in his third year as head boy's coach at Red Cloud, "the parents and supporters were fantastic and after the loss to St. Thomas More they stood outside the locker room and applauded each player as they came out for the last time this year, it was a great way to let the team and the coaches know they really appreciated the team and the year we had."

Crow, Eugene Giago, Dallas Nelson and Gary Richrds graduate this year but a solid nucleus will be back including junior Chris Red Bear and sophomores McGhee, Giago, Lester Gotheridge and Billy Scott.

White River races by Wall, heads to Aberdeen for the State B

Tiospa Zina bows out in Region 1B

STURGIS/MILBANK - Using a full court press to open the game, White River forced Wall into turnover after turnover Tuesday night in Sturgis and rode the strong offensive skills of super sophomore Louie Krogman to a 94-67 win over the Eagles for the 7B championship and a ticket to the State B tourney this week in Aberdeen at the Barnett Center on the campus of Northern State University.

Krogman hit eight threes and finished with 46 points, along with seven assists to lead the Tigers, Cole Standing Bear and Joey Bechtold chipped in 12 points each as White River upped their record to 21-2 on the season. Wall was led by Conrad Kjerstad's 23 points and Jim Besson who hit 20 points and grabbed 17 rebounds; the Eagles finished 13-10 on the year.

White River earned the number two seed behind Arlington and open the B tourney against Doland-Conde at 6pm mountain on Thursday.

Tiospa Zina defeated Wilmot 50-37 to win District 1B but struggled in Region 1B as Doland-Conde defeated the Wambdi 59-49 in Milbank to win th eregion and earn a trip to State in Aberdeen.

Chancde Renville hit for ten points and Duran Eastman added nine in their final game, Tiospa Zina had been ranked as high a fourth in the B poll and finished in eighth in the last poll with a 19-4 season record.

Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Men's 16 team Double E basketball tourney
Friday-Sunday, March 25 and 26 at American Horse School in Allen with cash awards for info call Al Curry at 455-2540, 455-1360 or 441-1554.

Sioux Rhythm fundraiser men's basketball tourney
Saturday and Sunday, March 25 and 26th at the Bill C Bear Memorial gym in Batesland featuring a six team 30 and over and a six team six foot and under - for info call Woodzy at 867-5161, BeBop at 867-5172 or Donnie at 867-5161.

Special Session of OST Council meeting
Monday, Mar. 27th in the council chambers of the Red Cloud building in Pine Ridge to deal with National Park Service boundaries within the Wounded Knee Massacre site

Health Fair
Monday, March 27th at the Red Shirt School gym from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., refreshments provided by meals for the Elderly Program and focusing on nutrition, diabetes prevention, inhalant and poison education and elderly vision.

S.A.F.E. program at Pine Ridge High School
Stay Alive From Education will be presenting their Street Smart program at Pine Ridge High School at 9 a.m. on Friday, March 24. Street Smart reminds students of the dangers of teen drinking, drunk driving, illegal drug and not wearing seat belts. Taught by certified firefighter and paramedics, it is a hard hitting, real life look at the consequences of irresponsible actions aimed at helping reduce the number of accidents and fatalities among teens.

Kaihleya Co-ed Volleyball tournament
Saturday and Sunday April 1 & 2nd at the Sinte Gleska multi purpose building in Mission call Tate at 208-0871 or 208-2689 for Robin or 208-2607 for Merle.

Wounded Knee District School 8th grade graduation
fundraiser Co-ed staff tournament - Saturday and Sunday, April 1 & 2nd at WKDS in Manderson for info call Edwin at 455-6369, Frank at 455-6379 or Jesse 441-5728

Basketball Tournament
Thursday, Friday and Saturday April 7-9 at the American Horse School in Allen with two divisions, an eight team men's and an eight team women's as a fundraiser for the American Horse eighth grade class, for info call Hermus 455-1209 or Erin at 455-2483

34th Anniversary of Wounded Knee 73 planning meeting
Monday, May 8th at 1 p.m. at the Claudia Iron Hawk Sully residence in Wounded Knee, for info call 867-1413, 455-2590 or 454-1741 or 867-5713 with a potluck dinner

McCauley helps lead Govs : from page B1

two guard and from the second game on has played the point guard position.

"My teammates had to get used to my passing, I hit some of them in the head when they weren't prepared for a pass or had it bounce off of their chest or arm or even their hands," McCauley said, "all of us have had to make some adjustments.".

Transferring to Pierre has meant a tougher academic regimen, a challenge McCauley has readily accepted to get better prepared for going to college after graduation.

"Getting an opportunity to get a good education with a solid academic foundation means a lot to me," said McCauley, "I want to go on to college and play ball while I get a college education but that means you really have to focus on you r school work every day, I struggled in the beginning but its been getting better each quarter."

TJ's older brother, Derrick, made a similar move from a small school to a larger AA school. Their father, Ted, was a senior at Northern State University in Aberdeen and he encouraged Derrick to move from Waubay to Aberdeen Central. After three years at Waubay and earning a third team all state nod as a sophomore and first team all state as a junior, Derrick transferred to Aberdeen Central in the fall of 2003 and helped them to the State AA tourney in Rapid City and a fifth place finish earning first team all state honors along the way

"No one made this decision for him," said Ted McCauley who moved back to Lower Brule after graduating from Northern State, "he decided that going to Pierre was the best thing for him and his future; originally we thought maybe a year at Pierre and then I would go back to graduate school and he would go on to Aberdeen Central but it seems like such a good fit here in Pierre that he'll stay here for his senior year. The coach has been more than fair and everyone has appreciated TJ's contribution."

Doug White Bull originally coached TJ as a sixth grader in Lower Brule and as head coach of Lower Brule last year welcomed the chance to coach him again.

"When he was a sixth grader, we went to a tournament and won it, he hit nine threes in the championship game," said White Bull who left Lower Brule and assisted in McLaughlin this year, "TJ is a complete player, he has really worked hard on his basic skills and fundamentals and has developed his game, he shoots with either hand, has good body control, plays very unselfish and plays at both ends of the floor, both offense and defense - he adds to any team he plays on and I wasn't surprised at his transfer to Pierre. While living for three years in Aberdeen while his father was in school, he was involved in a lot of different activities in and out of school and there's not a lot to do after school in Lower Brule and using his older brother as an example he is looking ahead to laying a foundation for college and college ball, I really admire him for that."

Mike Stroup, athletic director at Pierre, commented that TJ has been a wonderful asset to the school overall and to the team that he has made a good transition.

"He has done all that we have asked of him and more," said Becker looking back over the year that will wrap up with the State AA tourney in Rapid City, "I know we asked him to handle a different role on this team and he's done it and spending a year with Michael Tveidt, a great student athlete who has signed with North Dakota State, has been a good experience for him as he looks ahead to his own senior year and to his future after graduating high school."

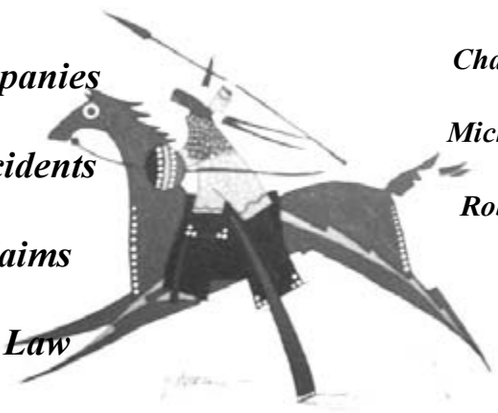
After earning the number one seed in the AA tourney this week, Pierre faces Mitchell in the first round at noon on Thursday, a team that the Governors beat in the 3AA final a week and a half ago and a team that is the defending AA champ. For Pierre, it was their first ever District 3AA championship. For Coach Becker it is his second straight trip to the State AA after coaching Dell Rapids St. Marys to the State B championship in 2004. Pierre finished fifth last year.

"Being away from my family and not seeing them every day is the hardest part about the move," said McCauley who lives with his uncle in Pierre, "its been great to play before a packed house every game, that really energizes you. In order to put my game where I can play with these guys, I've had to work really hard in practice and being ranked number one only means that we as a team have to go out and play our game every time we are on the floor, let's

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Overtime loss in Regionals closes out Williston State Lady Teton season

Big Crow named MVP of Mon-Dak Conference

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

WILLISTON, N.Dak. - Williston State hosted the National Junior College Athletic Association Region 13, District J Division I Women's basketball tournament on Saturday as the Lady Tetons took on Iowa Western in a semi final game. Iowa Western won the first half, Willistion won the second half and the overtime period went to Iowa Western as they won it 89-85.

Down by as many as 16 in the first half, Laura Big Crow, a sophomore from Pine Ridge, scored 16 of her game high 30 points in the second half as the Lady Tetons went up by seven, 76-69 with 3:11 to go in regulation. WSC struggled with turnovers the entire game, they had 25 overall, and turned it over three times in the last two and a half minutes to let the Lady Reivers back in and finish 78 all in regulation. Offensive rebounds and turnovers told the story as Iowa Western played strong on the offensive boards and Williston turned the ball over in the last two minutes to give Iowa Western a 89-85 win.

For the second year in a row, Iowa Western knocks the Lady Tetons out of the regionals and a shot at the nationals. Lake Region State College, the regular season Mon-Dak conference champs, clobbered North Dakota State College of Science 92-58 in their semi final game and came back in the finals to beat Iowa Western 79-67 for the Region title and a trip to the nationals.

Williston State finished the year at 22-8 and a second place finish in the conference. Big Crow finished with 30 points in her final game as a Lady Teton.

"At the beginning of the year I just didn't know if I could handle the main focus of the offense," said Big Crow who provided the bulk of the inside part of the Lady Tetons inside/outside game, "we developed into a good inside/outside team as Lacy Heier, Jamie Wheeler and Kayla Barenthsen all were threats from three point range."

For the season, Big Crow, averaged 22 points a game and 9.7 rebounds and on Thursday, she was named the MVP of the Mon-Dak conference. Schools participating in the conference include: Williston State, Lake Region State College, Bismarck State College, Dawson Community College, United Tribes Technical College, Miles Community College, Minot State University-Bottineau and North Dakota State College of Science.

"She anchored our inside game all year long, handling the scoring and working hard on the boards," said Hunter Berg, Williston State coach, "she's a 5'10" post and she had to adjust to a number of players taller than her, she had a great year."

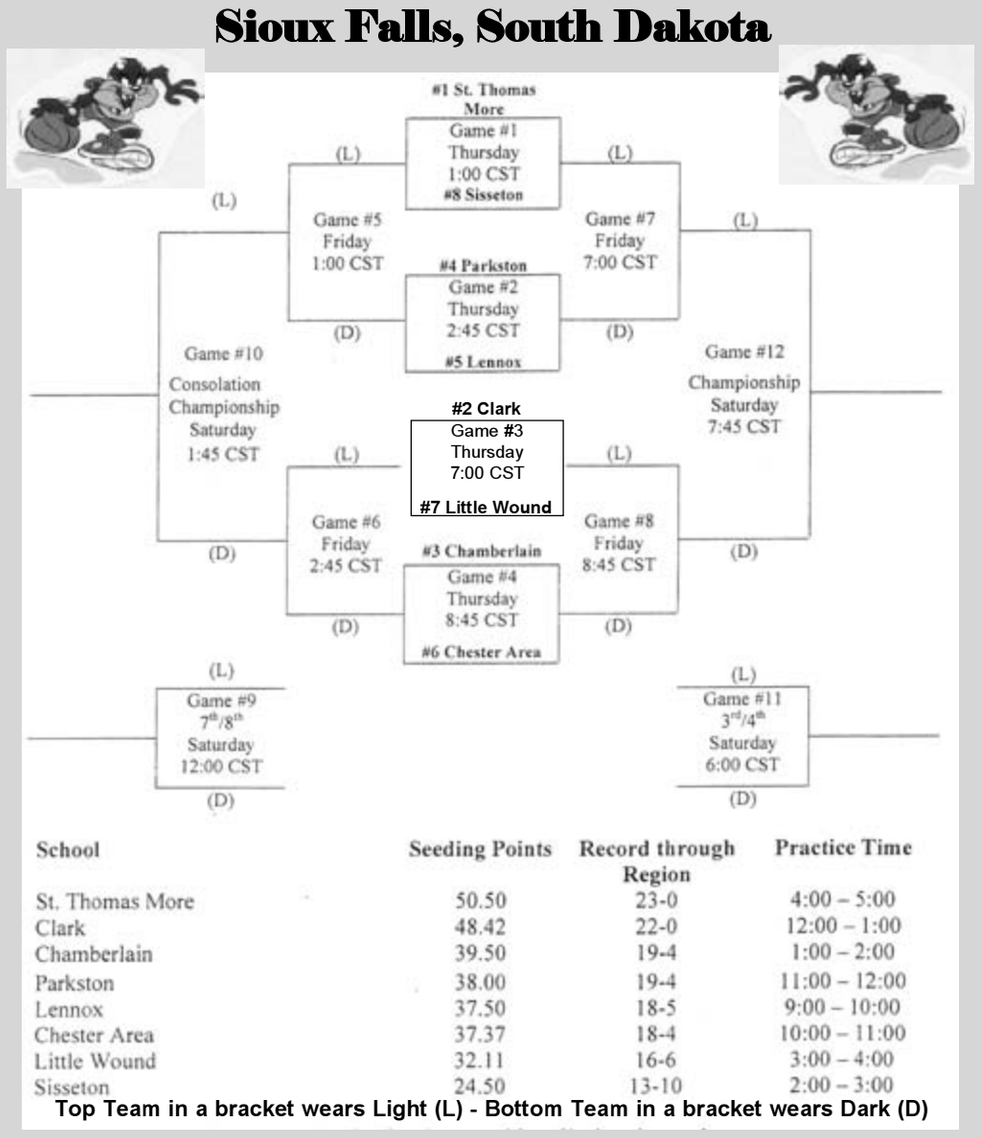
With her season cut short and a lost opportunity to go to nationals with the overtime loss in the semis of the region, Big Crow now has to sort through offers from four year schools as she looks ahead to the second half of her college basketball career. Schools as far away as Georgia have expressed interest in the Pine Ridge native.



SDSU sophomore guard MacKenzie Casey finds an open team mate Beran in the paint during SDSU's final game against Cal State Fullerton. Photo courtesy of South Dakota State University.

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Clark	48.42	22-0	12:00 – 1:00
Chamberlain	39.50	19-4	1:00 – 2:00
Parkston	38.00	19-4	11:00 – 12:00
Lennox	37.50	18-5	9:00 – 10:00
Chester Area	37.37	18-4	10:00 – 11:00
Little Wound	32.11	16-6	3:00 – 4:00
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Indigenous Games Juvenile Girls Volleyball Tryouts, March 18 at 1 p.m.

MISSION - The North American Indigenous Games Team South Dakota Juvenile Girl's Division Volleyball Tryouts will be held Saturday, March 18 at the Todd County High School Gym in Mission, S.D. at 1 p.m. Central time.

Tryouts are open to all Tribally Enrolled Native American Athletes throughout South Dakota born in 1987, 1988 and 1989. This will be the only day and place of try-outs so make sure you attend.

Ten athletes and two alternates will be selected.

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SDSU finishes second Division I season with two California games

Casey saves best game of roller coaster year for last

FULLERTON - In a season which started at Rupp Arena in Lexington, Ken. and Assembly Hall in Champaign, Ill and ended up with a two game California swing, the South Dakota State University Jackrabbits came up short in their last game losing to Cal State Fullerton 95-82 on March 5 finishing their second year in DI with a 9-20 record.

After four minutes, Scott Nagy, SDSU head coach said his team needed a wakeup call and he put a new five into the game.

"Mackenzie Casey was the leader of the team on the floor and he had to play aggressive," said Nagy, "when he plays aggressive he is a good ballplayer and other times he is passive and just trying not to make mistakes."

Casey quickly hit a three and gave SDSU their only lead of the game 9-6, he added another three and a two in the first half and after cranking up the team's energy level a bit, Nagy returned the starters, SDSU was down by 12 at the half 46-34 and even though they hung around all game the Jacks ended up loing it by 13, 95-82.

Matt Cadwell, a 6'3" red shirt freshman, led the team with 27 points and set a new SDSU scoring record for freshman with 453 points averaging 15.6 points a game this year, he also set a new record playing 1,056 minutes over the season.

Ben Beran finished with 19 points and eight rebounds, Michael Loney added 12 and Casey chipped in a season high 10 points, going two for two from three point range. Casey also helped with two rebounds, two assists and two steals in 16 minutes.

Cal State had five ballplayers score in double figures; they beat SDSU by 12 earlier in the season in Brookings and by 13 on their home floor on Sunday.

SDSU's second season included the loss of their top scorer to a torn ACL at the end of November and the suspension of their two top rebounders at the end of January and included the addition of four members of the SDSU football team.

The 9-20 season included eight wins over Division I opponents in a season that included six games with teams that made the NCAA tourney this year including Kentucky, Illinois, Marquette, Utah State, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and San Diego State as well as four teams playing in the NIT, Manhattan, Nebraska, Butler and Minnesota.

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In my future, what am I going to do as far as love and financial abilities are involved? Am I psychic? Did I really talk to him and his warriors in my dream? I am thank you for your reply.

Andrew

Dear Andrew,

Thank you for asking. I do see a time when the Lakota, Nakota, Dakota people stand as a Unit of One, Unified Nations. I do see a time when these peoples (hereafter referred to as The People) tear away their dependency on the understood U.S. government, except as Sovereign States would create an entirely open boundary, not to be broken by duress. I do see a time, that within The People the Spirit is of Tunkshila and the Red Road, by design.

I do see within The People a process based on tradition but realized in the contemporary world. The process is hard. To be as one, and independent, first each person must heal their own individual internal government. They must heal their injuries and wounds and reaffirm their belief in themselves as strong independent governments, then the respect that is inherent in birthright of a nation will be realized in unified government.

The pathway must be agreed on as a target, and must be perceived and conceived in the light of balance without jealousy and fear. All nations must agree to at first talk. All sides should be heard. Governments, remember, are not the bosses; but the servants. It is when they forget their place that they are dissembled.

Yes, how does it feel? Don't believe it yourself? Learn to be objective, not to ask a question with a predetermined view of "how you think it should be," don't listen to "fear based" answers, determine source(s) of information, pray a lot, bless yourself a lot, go to sweat, use a ton of sage, and constantly release "outcome." Also, everybody, by the way, has their own symbology, internal language in the connection to the Creator.

Learn what yours really is to you. Be truthful with yourself 100 percent of the time. For instance, once when I looked at this guy I saw a box of rocks and a microphone. He, of course, was a rock musician. But, if I had interpreted it incorrectly, I could have seen him being "stoned" while he was singing, or being stoned, as in hated, by the crowd. Remember, everyone creates and draws to them that which they need, in order to enrich their own lives with wisdom, love, and of course the combination of those two: the true relationship with the Creator. Remember, everything IS in Divine Order. Always start from there.

Then you can begin to solve the mystery as to what it means. For our world's reality is actually a healing realm. If you keep doing the same bad thing, the same bad thing will happen to you ...OR...change what you are doing and change the outcome. Do good things and .....guess what?

Yes. Crazy Horse and Sitting Bull are very close to the Lakota, Nakota and Dakota people right now. The veil between the Spirit World and the physical world is thinning. There is much concern as to outcome from the Spirit World. They are protecting and guiding. The Great Ones Are Here. It is because we are all on the cusp of change. People need to wake up, and so the Spirits of the Great Ones are on the team to kick butt until everyone wakes up.

Dear Anna,

A close relative was violently killed in the sanctuary of his home. He loves people and had many many friends and relatives. He was kind and welcomed people into his home when they had little else.

I'm hurt and the family is reeling from it. I can't stop thinking about how he struggled and fought for his life so he could be with his family.

Is he okay? Will we ever have closure? Can you give more insight into what happened and is the person wanted the right one? I

I will NOT be at peace until justice is served. God says he loves everyone equally but how could He allow people to suffer so?

Hurt and Reeling

Dear Hurt and Reeling:

Yes, he is okay. I know this is hard, but this wonderful man gave his life (at the soul level (i.e. an agreement with the Creator)) unselfishly, to help others.

His sacrifice is not about killing the one that did this to him, but stopping anyone from ever being that sick and killing another soul. It is a cry to heal the illness of alcoholism and drug addiction that robs a person of his Spirit and his humanity. It is a lesson to become aware. It is a Seven Generation Lesson. He was a sheep and he was slaughtered. It was a generous gesture. Please don't misread it through the angered response of rage moving into vengeance.

You can certainly make having no peace your reality a goal, but believe me, when you are more knowledgeable than God, then you will have earned that right. Until then, trust that his death has been noticed, and while "senseless" it is not without value and honor. The lesson is to prevent senseless murder by respecting the body, mind and Spirit. Say no to alcohol and drugs. See what it does. Call it out and call it by name. Do not encourage co-dependency. Take back your power.

This wonderful man stands beside you now, when you grieve. He says he did not suffer too much, but will now be there for those that love him to help them. He won't leave his nephews and nieces behind. He won't leave his sisters and brothers. He prays for understanding. Please understand, he gave his life to save the children.

Dear Anna,

I have a few question for you, to start I am going to curt here real soon and I am a little worried on the outcome. I am afraid that they are going to take my baby girl away, and give her back to her real mom. I don't want her to have to go to that type of enviroment; it isn't a good home for a child to have to grow up in. I try my best to be a good mom and I know that there are things that I can do better, but I am only human and I make mistakes just like everyone else. I don't know why she wants her back now she has never bothered to see her and now she wants her. Does she even know how that would affect the child? My other question is right now I am a little confused with my life; I have a job but I am not sure if I want to continue working here. Sometimes I feel that I am the only one that does anything and I don't like the fact that things are always being pushed off on me to get done. I feel that I am a good worker and I catch on fast to things and there are days that I feel like alot of things are being blamed on me when I really have no part in it.

I get along with my boss but there are days that I don't like her very much and I feel that she asks a little too much of me.

I am I wrong for this? I feel that I am stuck here and really have no choice but to stay and work. I don't have my high school Diploma or GED and I am afraid that I won't find a another job that pays me good because of this fact. I don't know what to do can you please let me know what you see happening for me?

Thank you very very much for your time Anna

Dear You're Welcome for my time:

There is a very real chance that the baby will have at least some visitation allowed with the birth mother. Due to other areas of concern that I see, it is not likely that you will lose custody - on that note; please talk to an attorney.

At your work, well the thing about working for somebody is that you do whatever you need to do to get paid. I have always found that if I do my best it makes me feel better.

I kind of like it that my best is usually a whole lot better than anybody else's mediocrity. If you are comparing what others do with what you contribute, and slow down what you do, who will look better? Don't quit your job because you work harder than everybody else. Work harder and know you do.

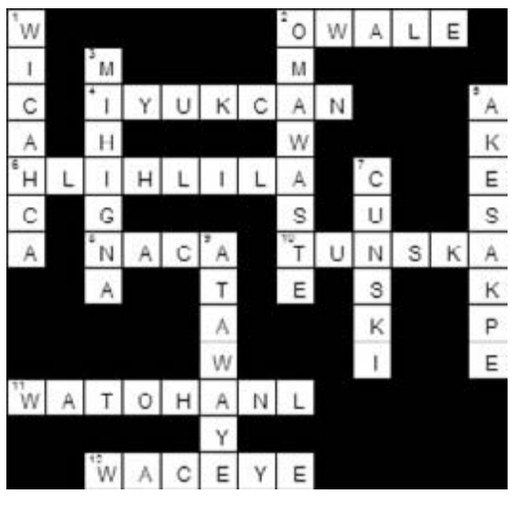
It is called self respect. Go back to school. You really need to protect your future. You will almost always have to work, so why not earn more money.

It isn't that people that have jobs that are directly tied to education work any harder than those without an education, it is that those without an education generally work ten times as hard to make half as much. Figure it out. Take a math class.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication. Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

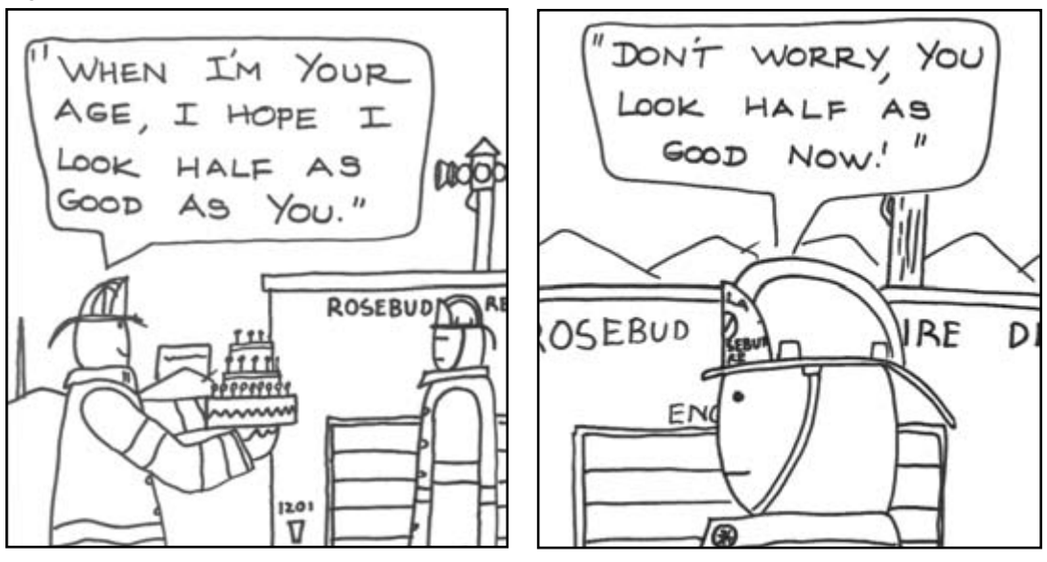
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Last week's Lakota Crossword Puzzle answers



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By Beaux Beauvais



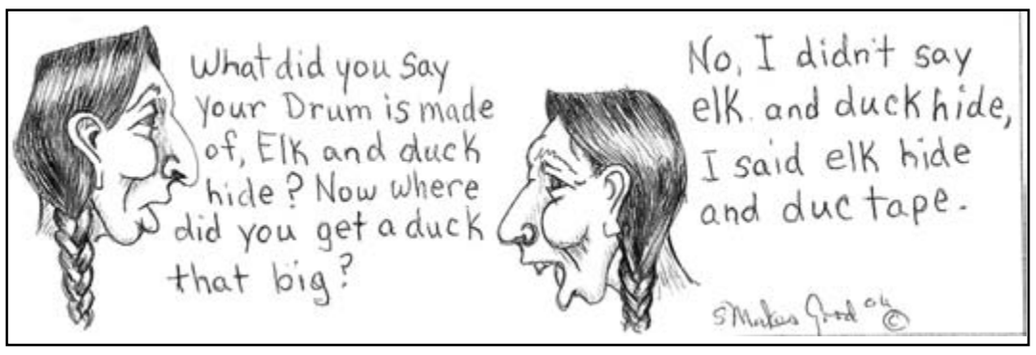
Frybread

By Thom Little Moon



Pow wow trail

By Stacy Makes Good



Lakota Crossword Puzzle

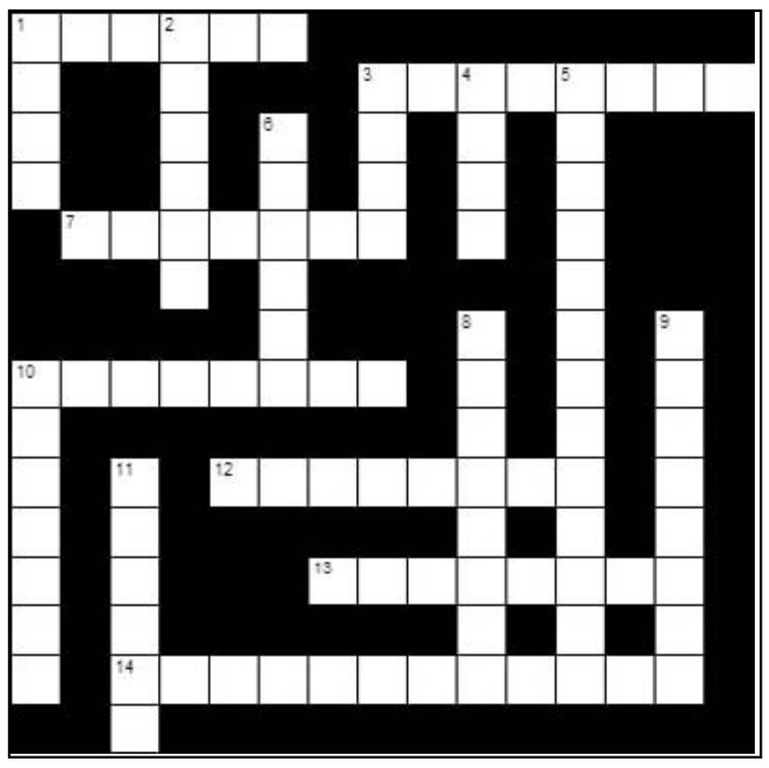
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

1. where
3. they read
7. chair
10. bed
12. near me
13. we are all sick
14. Monday

Down

1. stomach
2. the young
3. to cook
4. chapped
5. I am a young woman
6. knee
8. bring your hand here
9. I have a need
10. light
11. niece





TOP TEN REASONS RESERVATION 'COME ON, FLIRTING LINES OR SNAG LINES'

1. What's your (commod) phone number?
2. What's your last name? (in case your related)
3. Whaddup!
4. Can I buy you a drink?
5. After midnight we are not related, EEEEEEEEE
6. I like your braids!
7. Did it hurt? When an angel like you fell from heaven.
8. What brings you over to this neck of the woods?
9. We're REALLY not related you know.....
10. Sexy!

Next weeks topic is:

TOP TEN WAYS TO SAY HI in REZ TALK ...

Each week the Lakota Country Times has a topic for our "top ten." It is posted a week in advance in this column. You can submit your "top ten" response to next weeks issue by e-mail to: lakota1868@gwtc.net, or fax to 685-1870, or drop in the HAPPY AD BOX at Big Bat's or Lil' Angels. All respondors will remain confidential.

We look forward to hearing your *TOP TEN!*

Michael D. Witt, 51.....Pine Ridge
Louis Benjamin Dubray Jr., 65.....Eagle Butte
Christopher A. Beane Sr., 76 .....Pine Ridge
Denise Valara White Eyes, 45.....Eagle Butte
Boyd White Bull, 51.....Wanblee

Michael D. Witt

PINE RIDGE - Michael D. Witt, 51, Pine Ridge, died Saturday, March 11, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Survivors include his wife, Ardith Witt, Pine Ridge; four sons, Santee Witt, Martin, Seth Witt, Grand Forks, N.D., Joe Witt, Bismarck, N.D., and Sage Mahpiya, Pine Ridge; two daughters, Mozelle Witt, Grand Forks, and Danya Witt, Pine Ridge; his parents, Nate and Eva Witt, Pine Ridge; two brothers, Jhon Goes In Center, Rapid City, and Christopher Witt, Pine Ridge; six sisters, Deborah Bordeaux and Angela Stover, both of Pine Ridge, Geraldine Goes In Center and Nancy Miller, both of Rapid City, Margaret Witt, Portland, Ore., and Mary Witt, Korea; and three grandchildren.

A one-night wake will begin at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 15, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 16, at the church, with the Rev. Steve Sanford officiating. Burial will be at Holy Rosary Catholic Cemetery in Pine Ridge.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.

Louis Benjamin DuBray Jr.

EAGLE BUTTE - Louis Benjamin DuBray Jr., "Mni Kola Kiya" (Friend of the Water), 65, Eagle Butte, died Tuesday, March 7, at IHS Hospital in Eagle Butte. Mass of Christian Burial was Monday, March 13, at the church, with the Rev. Brian Lane officiating.

Burial was Monday at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis. Kesling Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Christopher A. Beane Sr.

PINE RIDGE - Christopher A. Beane Sr., 76, Pine Ridge, died March 8, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. He served in the U.S. Army. Survivors include three sons, Arthur Beane, Sheridan, Wyo., Wallace Beane, Sioux Falls, and Christopher Beane Jr., Lakeland, Fla.; two daughters, Linda Green and Sheila Beane, both of Sheridan; one stepdaughter, Gayle Boyer, Sioux Falls; one brother, William Beane, Pine Ridge; one sister, Alberton Hinton, Lead; and numerous grandchildren.

A one-night wake was Sunday, March 12, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hall in Pine Ridge. Funeral services were Monday, March 13, at the church, with the Rev. Steve Sanford officiating. Burial was Monday at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis.

Denise Velara White Eyes

EAGLE BUTTE - Denise Velara White Eyes, 45, Eagle Butte, died Monday, March 6, at her home. Wake services were March 10, at St. John's Episcopal Church in Eagle Butte.

Funeral services were March 11, at the church, with the Rev. Jeffry Barnes officiating. Burial was at Eagle Butte City Cemetery. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Boyd White Bull

WANBLEE - Boyd White Bull, 51, Wanblee, died Saturday, March 4, in Rapid City. He served in the U.S. Navy. Survivors include two brothers, Melvin "Choppa" White Bull, Pine Ridge, and George White Bull, Wanblee, and five sisters, Sylvia Brown, Isabell Brown and Mae White Bull, all of Wanblee, Rose Standing Bear, Rapid City, and Fay LeMay, White River.

Wake services were March 9, at Wanblee CAP Office and at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee. Funeral services were March 11, at the school, with the Rev. Lyle Noisy Hawk officiating. Burial was at Red Kettle-White Bull Family Cemetery in Wanblee.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

In loving memory of my mom Velma Rose Janis

July 24, 1935 to March 5, 2003

Mom, it's been three lonely years since you left us, I miss you so much.

I'll never forget all the things you did for me and my kids, Shantay Misses you so much she was Grandma's girl.

We had services for you on Sunday and Shantay cried for you.

It's still hard for her. Don't worry about your takojas I'm taking care of them, keep looking out for them and keep them safe.

I love you mom.

Alyce

In loving memory of my grandmas Velma Rose Janis

July 24, 1935 to March 5, 2003

Grandma, I miss you, it's been three years since you left me, I miss all the fun we used to have, I miss the hugs and the way you always made things better. You were always helping me and my little brother, you always protected us, took up for us and made sure no one hurt us.

You were the best Grandma. I will always keep your memory forever in my heart.

I love you grandma, your takoja, Shantay Rose Janis

We will never forget you grandma, you were the best grandma ever.

Shanay Rose, Shantay Rose and Jordan Rashawn Janis.

In loving memory of Walter 'Sage' Young

March 13, 1922 to October 27, 2002

He was born along the Little White River, just west of what is now known as the White River Project, to which area he returned 74 years later, living there for several years, before moving to Martin town.

A Lakota cowboy, working with cattle most of his life.

In the U.S. Navy, when he and brother Ray joined in November of 1942. Sage served aboard PC 1243, a convoy escort ship, protecting transport ships departing U.S. harbors to Europe from German submarines knows the the "Wolf Pack," which patrolled the U.S. coastline, seeking to destory as many ships as possible. When the war in Europe was over, he was sent to the Pacific side of World War II, where he served until the end of the war. He was a radioman 2nd class. He was honorably discharged in November 1945. He was a charter member of the American Legion Post 269 of Wanblee.

In constructions, working on the bridge on Little White River south of Kadoka and other highway work.

Always returning to working on cattle. Although he was nearing retirement age, he still held jobs with Dale Cady, along the Niobrara River in Nebraska.

Keen in wit, and had the (as one man put it) "deadly" sense of Indian humor, using it to make people laugh and think. He chastized the tribal council via a letter to the editor about the 'golden cows' which had all disappeared. He once told his step granddaughter Frankie that a study showed that caffeine killed lice and said, "So, Frankie, if you ever get bugs, drink lots of coffee."

Was romantic, never forgetting a person's birthday, always buying grandchildren a gift or a card for someone who lost a loved one.

Regarded highly by many people, some of whom named their children specifically for him. There is a whole generation of children named 'Sage' both boys and girls

Was many things, probably the most important that his spiritual life increased and at the end, despite his own pain and sorrow, he was doing what his Creator required. 'to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.'

He is remembered and loved by his family in Martin and Rapid City.

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MINUTES

Shannon County School Board Minutes February 27, 2006

The Shannon County School Board held the regular monthly meeting on Monday, February 27, 2006 at Batesland, SD. President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Board Members present: Angie Eagle bull, Todd O'Bryan, Ruth Cummings, Melvin Cummings

Member Absent: Laticia DeCory

Others present: Dr. Margo Heinert, Superintendent, Maurice Twiss, Special Services Coordinator, MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager, Loretta Giago, Wolf Creek Principal, Don Wince, Wolf Creek Asst. Principal, Darrell Eagle Bull,Wolf Creek Dean of Students, Bob Hall, Rockyford Principal, Monica Whirlwind Horse, Rockyford Assist. Principal, Wayne Goff, Batesland principal, Marlene Stout, Red Shirt Principal, Vickie Grant, Assessment Coordinator, Karen Bowen-Raymond, Curriculum Coordinator, Ted Hanson, Special Education Director, Patti nelson, Administrative Secretary, Jodi Weisz, Wolf Creek Teacher, Brian Wechslet, Wolf Creek Teacher, Brian Wechsler, Wolf Creek Teacher, Patrick Larvie, OLC Student, Stacey Phelps, OLC.

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

6144 Approval of Agenda: Motion by O'Bryan to approve the agenda, as amended. Motion carried.

6145 Approval of Minutes: Motion by R. Cummings to approve minutes of the 1/23/06 regular meeting and the 1/30/06 special meeting. Motion carried.

6146 GEAR-Up program: Stacey Phelps addressed the board in regard to the GEAR-UP Program, which targets 6-12 grade students in an effort to prepare them academically and socially for college success. Motion by O'Bryan to enter into a partnership agreement with the program for the district's 7th and 8th grade students in accordance with the grant requirements. Motion carried.

6147 Executive Session: Motion by M. Cummings to go into executive session at 5:52 p.m. to discuss personnel. Motion carried.

President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 7:00 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

6148 Negotiated Agreement: Motion by R. Cummings to ratify the 2006-08 negotiated agreement as proposed by the IBB Committee. Motion carried. M. Cummings expressed gratitude to the IBB committee, including the administration, R. Cummings, T. O'Bryan, and SCEA President, B. Wechsler for the work that was done regarding the negotiation process.

6149 Personnel: Motion by M. Cummings to approve terminations, contracts for approvals, Batesland recommendations and Rockyford recommendations, as listed. Motion carried.

6150 Personel: Motion by M. Cummings to accept resignation of staff member and approve 45 dayprobationary periods. Motion carried, three voted yes, O'Bryan abstained.

All recommendations are made by the Building Administrators and are submitted to the Personnel Office.

Resignation: Bessie Vitalis-Wolf Creek School Special Education Aide -effective 1-30-06.

Terminations: Listed on File

Contracts for Approvals: Francis Big Crow-Wolf Creek Bilingual Trainee-from 1-18-06 to 5-30-06-$6,656.65, Tracey Fortin-Batesland Bilingual Trainee-from 1-18-06 to 5-30-06-$6,180.25, Stephanie Ghost-Rockyford Bilingual Trainee-from 1-18-06 to 5-30-06-$7,826.95, Ardis iron Cloud-Rockyford Permanent Substitute-from 2-8-06 to 5-30-06-$12,604.42, Cindy Lakota-Red Shirt Bilingual Trainee-from 1-18-06 to 5-30-06, Valentina Makes Him First-Rockyford Bilingual Trainee-from 1-18-06 to 5-30-06-$6,234.45, Ryan Ross-Wolf Creek Bilingual Trainee-from 1-18-06 to 5-30-06-$5,859.00,Ginny Seger-Rockyford Bilingual Trainee-from 1-18-06 to 5-30-06-$6,817.25, Deborah Shedeed-Wolf Creek Bilingual trainee-from 1-18-06 to 5-30-06-$3,626.00, Gene Swallow-Red Shirt Bilingual Trainee-from 1-18-06 to 5-30-06-$6,234.45, Robert Fire Thunder-Wolf Creek Home School Coordinator-from 2-8-06 to 5-30-06-$3,626.00, Robert Fire Thunder-Wolf Creek Busdriver-from 2-8-06 to 5-30-06-$4,440.00, Tyson Mills-Rockyford in School Suspension Aide-from 1-9-06 to 5-30-06-$5,958.00, Margaret Ross-Red Shirt Lakota Studies Instructor-from 1-24-06 to 5-30-06-$9,756.90.

Batesland School Recommendation: Stacey Garnette-Home School Coordinator, Carment Walton-CCC Lab Aide, Jennifer Hooper-Preschool Aide, Luciano Fischer-Part-time Custodian.

Rockyford School Recommendations: Alfred Smith-Rockyford School Counselor/Social Worker, Stacy Two Lance-Early Reading First Administrative Assistant-transfer from Preschool Aide.

45 day probationary period completions: Violet Good Crow-Rockyford Special Education aide, Richard O'Donnell-Wolf Creek Custodian.

6151 School Improvement Evaluation: Motin by R. Cummings to approve the School Improvement Evaluation, as presented. Motion carried.

6152 Abourezk Law Firm: Motion by O'Bryan to approve the rate increase of the Abourezk Law Firm. Motion carried.

6153 High School Tuition Applications: Motion by M. Cummings to approve applications for high school tuition, as recorded on file. Motion carried.

6154 Administrators Contract Form: Motion by O'Bryan to table approval of the administrators; contract form until the March 13th special board meeting. Motion carried.

6155 Truancy Policy: The school district truancy policy was presented for the third reading. Motion by O'Bryan to adopt the policy. Motion carried.

6156 Financials: Motion by O'Bryan to approve the financial report, receipts, payroll, disbursements and supplemental budgets, as listed. Motion carried.

Revenue Report January 31, 2006

FINANCIALS

General Fund:

Revenue Sources-Local Sources-Taxes-$1,316.69;Other-$23,281.58;County Sources-Country Apportionment-$195.40;State Sources-State Aid-$336,067.67; Other-$0.00;Federal Sources- $360,746.85; Other-$0.00-Total Revenue for Fund-$721,608.19

Capital Outlay:

Revenue Sources-Local Sources-Taxes-$834.59;Other-$10.65;County Sources-Country Apportionment-$0.00;State Sources-State Aid-$0.00;Other-$0.00;Federal Sources-Other-$0.00.

Special Education Fund

Revenue Sources-Local Sources-Taxes-$389.46;Other-$0.00;Country Sources-County Apportionment;State Sources-State Aid-$106,831.17;Other-$0.00;Federal Sources-$290,582.99;Other-$0.00;

Pension Fund

Revenue Sources-Local Sources-Taxes-$83.39;Other-$0.00;County Sources-County Apportionment-$0.00;State Sources-State Aid-$0.00;Other-$0.00;Federal Sources-Other-$0.00;Total Revenue for Fund-$83.39;

Food Service

Revenue Sources-Local Sources-Taxes-$0.00;Other-$33,701.60;Country Sources-Country Apportionment-$0.00;State Sources-State Aid;Other-$0.00;Federal Sources-$122,223.74;Other-$0.00;Ttotal Revenue for Fund-$155,925.34.

T/A Service:

Revenue Sources-Local Sources-Taxes-$0.00;Other-$52,426.85;County Sources-County Apportionment-$0.00;State Sources-State Aid-$0.00;Other-$0.00;Federal Sources-Other-$0.00-Total Revenue for Fund-$52,426.85.

Impact Aid

Revenue Sources-Local Sources-Taxes-$5,499,154.46;Other-$0.00;County Sources-County Apportionment-$0.00;State Sources-State Aid-$0.00;Other-$0.00;Federal Sources-$0.00;Other-$0.00;Total Revenue for Fund-$5,499,154.46.

Payroll Report January 31,2006 Types of Service-

1000 Instruction Service Salaries-$392,826.77;Benefits-$99,207.21;Total-$4492,033.98.

2000 Support Service Salaries-$171,789.66; Benefits-$42,199.52; Total-$213,989.18.

3000 Other Community Services Salaries-$1,900.50; Benefits-$222.58;Total-$2,123.08.

6000 Co-curricular Salaries-$$2,502.45; Benefits-$218.45;Total-$2,720.90.

General Fund Total-Salaries-$569,019.38; Benefits-$141.847.76;Total-$710,867.14.

Special Education-Salaries-$133,717.69;Food Service-$20,165.00;Benefits-$4,399.93;Total-$165,314.52.

Food Service-Salaries-$20,165.00;Benefits-$4,399.93;Total-$24,564.93.

Total All Services-$722,902.07;Benefits-$177,844.52;Total-$900,746.59.

Total All Services-$Salaries-$722,902.07;Benefits-$177,844.52;Total-$900,746.59.

Disbursement Report January 31, 2006

Fund/Account-General Fund-$302,525.03;General;Capital Outlay Fund-$291,802.66;Special Education Fund-$31,109.19;Food Service Fund-$20,243;T/A Support Services-$3,143.66;T/A Wolf Creek-$0.00;T/A Batesland-$0.00;T/A Rockyford-$0.00; Total of All Funds-$648,823.80

Disbursements General Fund Vendor Name,Description,Amount-SASD-$75.00;Wayne Goff-$800.00;Chrystal Feather Earring-$289.95;Handi Stop-$10.65;SPED Parent-$401.92;Lynn Hernandez-$100.00;Maurice Twiss-$274.40;SPED Parent-$70.40;Dawn Lonberger-$82.56;Dana Christensen-$151.68;SPED Parent-$70.40;AUL-$20.40;SPED Parent-$304.84;SPED Parent-$64.00;DENR-$10.00;Big Foot Conference-$900.00;Amazon Visa-$1,400;SPED Parent-$45.76;SPED Parent-$64.00;SPED Parent-$170.88;SPED Parent-$58.88;Colonial Life-$2.66-Total-$5,636.02.

Checking Account 1 Fund: 10 General Fund

Vendor name-Description-Amount

A & I-RF Supplies-$419.63;ASBSD-Subscription-$250.00;ASCD-Supplies-$85.80;AT&T-Long Distance-$987.64;Abourezk & Zephier PC-Services-$409.91;Advanced Business & Computing-Consultant-$3,120.00;Alco Store#204-Supplies-$98.91;All Season Sports-supplies-$90.00;ALSCO-supplies-$139.12-supplies-$354.27;supplies-933.74;supplies-$849.87;supplies-$36.30-Vendor Total-$2,313.30;Amsterdam Printing & Litho-supplies-$397.51;Armstrong Extinguisher-repairs-inspect-$147.96;repairs-inspects-$147.96;Repairs-Inspects-$138.01-Vendor Total-$433.93;Bennett Country Booster II-supplies-$285.00;supplies-$275.00-Vendor Total-$560.00;Big Foot Conference-$300.00-Big Foot Conference-$300.00-$600.00;BIO Corporation-supplies-$323.70;Bird, Jackie-Leadership Conf-$1,500.00;Black Hills Electric-electricity-$535.53;Blaney, Barbara-Sioux Falls-$38.00;Bohlender,Melody-mileage-$16.64;Borders Inc.-supplies-$245.91;supplies-226.68-Vendor Total-$472.59;Branch, Shelly-Investigations Wkshp-$341.60;Buchli,Bridget-Investigations wkshp-$300.00;CCSSO-Fees-$175.00;Calloway House,Inc.-supplies-$113.65;Caton-Johnson,Jill-consultant-$2,944.80;Cedar Shore Report-Shannon Travel-$61.95;Cellular One-cell phones-$1,087.15;Chadron Wholesale-supplies-$708.29;Childcraft Education Corp-supplies-$1,039.21-supplies-$1,331.30-supplies-$882.63-Vendor Total-$3,253.14;Chris Supply Co., Inc.-computer repairs-$19.90-supplies-$45.75-computer repairs-$18.13-Vendor Total-$83.78;Christensen,Dana-travel-$70.40;File Maker-$52.00-Vendor Total-$122.40;Clark Kimberly L.-Investigations Workshop-$300.00;Cole Pest Control-pest control-$110.00-pest control-$139.00-pest control-$138.00-pest control-$258.00-Vendor Total-$645.00;Companion corporation-computer subscript-$1,297.00;Corporate Card-Credit Card Chgs-$10,289.83-$10,289.83;Countrytime Ceramics-Supplies-$89.61;Culligan Water Conditioning-Shannon Water-$720.00;Cummings,Melvin-mileage-$62.08;Cummings,Ruth A-mileage-$23.68;Custer School District 16-1-$9000;Dakota Schools Research & Devp-Services-$3,000;Dakota Supply Group-supplies-$98.68;Dakota Truck Trailer, Inc.-parts-%51.28;Datacomputer Products-computer supplies-$978.95;Debbies' Cakes & Floral-supplies-$27.00-supplies-$8.00-supplies-$27.00-supplies-$88.00-Vendor Total-$150.00;Decory,Leticia-mileage-$12.80;Delinger,Shawn-presentor-$75.00;Display Sales-Flags-$313.50-eagle Bull, Andrea-mileage-$16.64;Eagle Bull,Darrell-Sioux Falls-$38.00;Eagle Hawk, Chris-leadership conf-$277.40;East & West Coast-computer supplies-$358.60;computer supplies-$478.28;computer supplies-$358.60;computer supplies-$358.60;computer supplies-$358.60-Vendor Total-$1,912.68;Eddie's Truck Sales,Inc.-repairs-$402.84;Environmental Products Co.-$84.00;Eschool News-software-$60.00;Evergreen Office-Rockyford Bal Due-$203.28-supplies-$47.70;computer supplies-$119.92-supplies-$201.31-supplies-$8.88-supplies-$42.18-supplies-$154.50;computer supplies-$199.98-computer supplies-$565.90;supplies-$39.80-supplies-$14.99-supplies-$108.48-$137.15-Vendor Total-$1,844.07;Family Thrift Center-supplies-$24.99;Fedez-shipping-$10.32-shipping-$14.10-shipping-$23.04-Vendor Total-$47.46;Foltz-Hall, Candance-travel-$111.20;Fopreman Sales and Service-parts-$1,006.07-parts-$205.13-Parts-$276.02-parts-$193.24-Parts-$82.44-Vendor Total-$1,763.80;Fribley,Jonathan-Early Read-Services-$4,871.58;Georgas,Averie-investigation wkshp-$300.00;Gibbons,Terri Jo-travel-$274.40-travel-$650.24-Vendor Total-$924.64;Goff-Wayne-ravel-$274.56;Golden West Technologies,Inc.-Phone Maint.-$485.10-phone Maint-$485.10-phone maint-$485.10-phone maint-$485.10-phone maint-$485.10-Vendor Total-$1,940.40;Gopher Sport-supplies-$40.19;Gordon Senior Center-services-$837.00;Grainger,Inc.-supplies-$24.28;supplies-$152.12-Vendor Total-$176.40;Grant Vickie-travel-$270.40;Great Plains Communications-telephone-$572.63;Great Western Tire Company-tires-$424.80;tires-$487.75-Vendor Total-$912.55;Harcourt Assessment, Inc.-testing-$1,107.49;Heartland Paper Company-supplies-$69.85;Hillyard-supplies-$105.84;supplies-$1,567.92;supplies-$2,245.79;supplies-$1,189.80-Vendor Total-$5,109.35;Homestead Building-supplies-$88.65;House of Vacuums-repairs-$147.96;Hunt, Peggy-Investigations workshop-$3401.60;Husker Auto Parts-Parts-$127.39-parts-$99.50-Vendor Total-$226.89; IELE-services-supplies-$146.00-math services-$2,250.00-Vendor Total-$2,396.00;Ideal Super Market-supplies-$74.03;Indian Education Today-subscription-$33.75-subscription-$33.75-subscription-$33.75-subscription-$33.75-Vendor total-$427.50;Indistrial electric & Supply-supplies-$134.00;International Laser Group-somputer supplies-$309.00-computer supplies-$81.35-computer supplies-$54.00-computer supplies-$179.00-computer supplies-$221.65-computer supplies-$393.00-computer supplies-$649.00-computer supplies-$495.00-computer supplies-$342.00-Vendor Total-$2,724.00;Jefco Glass-supplies-$175.44;Jensen, Charlotte-Investigations Workhsop-$300.00;Johnson Machine-parts-$1,831.31;Junior Library Guild-supplies-$274.80;Keegan, Cindy-travel-$70.40;Labcorp, Laboratory Corporation-drug testing-$45.00;Lacreek electric Ass'n-Utilities-$11,658.01;Laker Chemical, Inc.-team lab-weed killer-$1,663.75;Lakeshore Learning Materials-supplies-$4,727.94;Lakota Country Times-Adv-$144.00-print publish-$503.20-Jan. 30, BD metg-$33.28-Vendor Total-$680.48;Lakota Language Consortium-Lakota language-$255.75;Library Store, Inc.-supplies-$37.47;Little Wound School-elementary payment-$15,523.70-High school payment-$8,053.80-middle school payment-Vendor Total-$26,160.43;Lonberger, Dawn-travel-$122.00;Loneman School-ISNA WICAOWAYAWA-Fees-5th grade-$100.00;Love & Logic Institute,Inc.-supplies-$185.90;Mailbox subscriptions grade 2-3-$29.95-subscriptions-intermediate-$29.95-subscription-kindergarten-$20.95-subscription grade 2-3-29.95-Vendor Total-$119.80;Marshall,Joe-Leadership Conference-$544.00;Martin, Madeline-Leadership Conf-$292.12;McDonalds-Guidance-$13.95;McKie Buick Pontiac GMC,Inc.-parts-$83.86;Medco Supply-supplies-$84.25-supplies-$65.85;supplies-$19.30-Vendor total-$169.40;Menards-supplies-$39.32;supplies-$291.16-supplies-$366.03-supplies-$399.00-Vendor total-$1,095.51;Merchant, Erica K.-pottery classes-$500.00-pottery classes-$500.00;pottery classes-$500.00;pottery classes-$500.00-Vendor total-$2,000.00;Mike's Heating & Air Condition-supplies-$58.85;Minervas-Rapid City Ventures-supplies-$129.58;Morris-Carlson, Michelle-investigation workshop-$300.00;Mt. Rushmore Telephone Co.-$159.00-$126.55-Vendor Total-$285.55;Muddy Creek Oil & Gas-Shannon Diesel-$12,403.33;NJL associates, Inc.-supplies-$110.28;Natioal Geographic Society-membership-$59.00;National Laboratories-supplies-$81.71;Norm's Carquest Auto Parts-Parts-$363.94;North Central Supply-supplies-$100.00;northwest pipe fittings-supplies-$53.46;OST Water & Sewer-utilities-$100.00;O'Bryan Todd-mileage-$49.60;Oelrichs School District 23-3-1st Semester tuition-$63,257.36;Office Max Credit Plan-supplies-$130.37-supplies-$73.68-vendor total-$204.05;Ogden Consulting, LLC-supplies-$1,325.00;Panhandle Sales & Service-supplies-$219.50-supplies-$22.50-vendor total-$242.00;Peterson, Madonna-travel-$154.40;Petty Cash-Batesland School-Reimburse Acct.-$369.00;Pine Ridge Village Garbage-garbage service-$1,000.00;Pitney Bowes-supplies-$50.98;Pizza Hut of Chadron-field trip-$100.00;Porcupine school-payment-$4,578.84-final-$7,773.48-vendor total-$12,352.32;Pourier, Rona-mileage-$145.00;Quest-telephone-$78.12;Ramkota-Pierre-travel-$279.00;Ramkota-Rapid City-travel-$75.99-travel-$118.00-travel-$120.00-travel-$120.00-travel-$84.99-travel-60.00-vendor total-$578.98;Rapid Chevrolet-repairs-$1,971.20;Rapid Tire & Alignment-repair-$224.20;Red Cloud Indian School-Fees-$171.80;Red Owl, Ann-File Maker-$52.00;Renaissance Learning, Inc.-supplies-$134.03;Repair Rangers-Repairs-$59.95;Rockyford School-K Winters-Stock show-$235.14;Rosane, Robert-mileage-$17.28;Rose, Amelia-investigation workshop-$300.00;Rushmore Plaza Civic Center-supplies-$900.00;Russell, Luanne-investigations workshop-$341.60;salomon Sanitation-garbage service-$780.00;garbage service-$780.00;garbage service-$260.00-garbage service-$780.00;garbage service-$780.00-garbage service $260.00-Vendor Total-#,640.00;Sam's Club-supplies-$355.05;supplies-$148.82-supplies-$65.07;supplies-$357.82;supplies-$216.99;supplies-$26.38;supplies-$222.22-suipplies-$160.97-supplies-$190.37-Vendor Total-$1,743.19; Scholastic,Inc.-supplies-$141.37;School Health corporation-supplies-$55.90;School Improvement Network-supplies-$393.75;School Specialty-supplies-$99.20;Schwiesow, Melissa-Investigative workshop-$300.00;Scooper Girls Basketball-Tourney fees-$100.00-tourney fees-$100.00-Vendor total-$200.00;SDN Communications-telephone-$1,870.22;Shannon Country School Imprest-Reimburse Acct-$2,716.94;Shedeed, Nancy-travel-$122.40;Sherwin-Williams-supplies-$848.66;Sign & Trophy/Westex-supplies-$65.00;Sioux Nation Shopping Center-supplies-$406.27;smart Apple Media-supplies-$221.35;State Publishing Company-supplies-$185.55;Stephens,Danelle R-Investigations Workshop-$300.00;Stern Oil Co. Inc.-propane-$12,465.00;TIE-registration-$55.00;evaluation contract-$22,500.00-Vendor Total-$22,555.00;Teeco Products Inc.-supplies-$30.99;temperature Technology-supplies-$60.92;supplies-$280.63-repairs-$884.75-supplies-$54.94-Vendor Total-$1,281.24;Tieszen Law Office, LLP-Attorney Fees-$1,047.00;Town of Batesland-utilities-$500.00;True Value-supplies-$1,310.28;Tschetter,Stacie M-Investigations Workshop-$300.00;Turn Around Publishing-supplies-$100.00-feels-$4,500.00-Vendor total-$4,600.00;Twiss, Maurice-travel-$613.42;vander May, Vicky-supplies-$175.00;Vanway Trophy & Awards-supplies--$805.00-supplies-$240.60-Vendor total-$1045.60;Wakpamni Bed & Breakfast-travel-$249.60;Walding,Traci-Investigation workshop-$300.00;Walmart Community-supplies-$18.93;Ward, Nancy-Investigation Workshop-$733.13;Weber, James-File Maker-$52.00;Wellmark Bluecross Blueshield-health premiums-$1,211.42;West River International-parts-$43.88;Westco-gasoline-$15,602.30;William V. MacGill & Co.-supplies-$76.38;Willsie Co-supplies-$114.30;Winters,Karla-reimburse-$103.48;Wohlenberg Ritzman & Co.-Audit services-$3,500.00;Zimmerman, Leeannl-supplies-$17.91; Fund Total: $312.210.97

Fund 21 Capital Outlay Fund

Best Business Products-copier lease-maint-$160.60;copier lease-maint-$506.69-Vendor Total-667.29;CDW Government, Inc.-MPC Desktop Bundle-$120,208.47;Monitor-$405.00-computer Equipment-$3613.00-computer equipment-$1,494.00-Vendor Total-$125,720.47;Corner Construction Corporation-Red Shirt Project#18-$319,512.45;Harcourt, Inc.-textbooks-$2,435.50;textbooks-$401.39;Textbooks-$164.98-Vendor total-$3,001.87;Houghton Mifflin Company-textbooks-$216.71;Koskan, Milo-textbooks-$510.00;NJL Associates,Inc.-Textbooks-$46.12-textbooks-$624.40-textbooks-$45.72-Vendor Total-$716.24;Pearson Education Inc.-textbooks-$294.29-curriculum-$6,184.52-vendor total-$6,184.52;Western Document Imaging Company-copier-maint-$9,333.07;Zanner-Bloser Ed Publishers-textbooks-$1,793.32-textbooks-$139.43-textbooks-$107.90-vendor total-$2,040.65- Fund Total-$468,197.56

Fund 22 Special Education Fund

ABC School Supply/Early Learing-supplies-$112.76;Black Hills Special Services-shannon tuition-Rm & Bd-$3,140.50;Brimark Inn-Shannon travel-$182.00;Childrens Care Hospital & School-tuition-$5,545.65-shannon Workshop-$1,650.00-Vendor Total-$7,195.65; Children's Home Society-Tuition-$1,418.00;Donovan,Mark-travel-$102.75;Hanson, Ted-travel-$262.40-$170.44;$38.00-Vendor total-$470.84;Heinert, Kylee-supplies-$73.62;Instructional Planning Center-tuition-$193.75;Lakeshore Learning materials-supplies-$337.79;Learning Resources-supplies-$56.10;Lindsey, angel-travel-$38.00;Moon, Jim M.-travel-$97.28;Moore, Krista-travel-$64.00;National School Products-supplies-$76.84;Oaks Hotel & convention-travel-$136.00;Perrenoud, PHD, Mark-services-$250.00;Ramanda Inn Airport-Sioux Falls-travel-$350.00;Riverside Publishing Co-supplies-$140.43;Shannon County School Imprest-Reimburse Acct-$1,244.68;USDpSchool of Medicine-services-$936.44;Services-$6,275.37-Vendor total-$7,211.81; Fund Total: $22,892.81

Fund 51 Food Service Fund

Blue Ink Distributing-Food Service-$1,074.00;Child & Adult Nutrition-DOE-Food Service-$576.00;Family thrift Center-supplies-$6.58;Food Services of America-Food Service-$1,671.26-Food Serice-$1,437.94-Food Service-$3,779.45-Food service-$3,151.52-Vendor Total-$10,040.17;Harker's-Food Service-$526.06-Food Service-$2,189.08-Food Serice-$4,964.03-Vendor Total-$11,434.45;Hillyard-supplies-$$663.14;HRS Food Service-Food Service-$5,896.55;Ideal Super Market-Supplies-$6.64;Kemps-Gillette Diary-Food Service-$964.93-Food Service-$2,240.31-Food Service-$2,149.93-Vendor Total-$5,355.17;National Chemsearch-Food Service-$361.14;Reinhart Institutional Foods-Food Service-$7,280.83-Food service-$974.07-Food Service-$11,898.77-Food service-$12,865.30-Vendor Total-$33,018.97;True Value-Supplies-$46.94; Fund Total:$68,479.75

Fund: 73 Federal Programs Special Services

Business Office Systems, Inc.-copier supplies-$331.42;Division of Criminal Investigation-background checks-$507.00;NAEIR-membership-$595.00;Occupational Health Network-Shannon Drug Testing-$2,540.00;Shannon County School Imprest-Reimburse Acct-$1,400.00; Fund Total: $5,373.42

Fund 76 BS Trust/Agency Account

Goff, Wayne-Reimburse-$130.00;Pepsi Cola of Rapid City-supplies-$76.00;Fund Total-$206.00;

Checking Account Total: $877,360.51

Supplemental Budget Title VI Rural and Low Income Carryover

Revenue - Federal Thru State-$25,161.71;Professional Services-$5,000.00;Supplies-$20,161.71;Total-$25,161.71.

Supplemental Budget Title V Innovative Programs Carryover

Revenue-Federal Thru State-$6,369.53

Expenditures-Professional Services-$3,000.00;Other Supplies-$3,369.53; Total Expenditures-$6,369.53.

Supplemental Budget Title IV Safe and Drug Free Carryover

Revenue-Federal Thru State-$20,290.80;Expenditures-Professional Services-$10,145.00.

Expenditures-Professional Services-$10,145.00;Other Supplies-$10,145.80-Total Expenditures-$20,290.80.

Supplemental Budget Title III Language Instruction for LEP

Revenue-State-$79,142.00;Expenditures-Salaries-$50,000.00;soc Sec/Med-$3,850.00;Health Insurance-$8,650.00;Professional Services-$15,000.00;Other Supplies-$1,642.00-Total Expenditures-$79,142.00.

Supplemental Budget Title II Part B Carryover

Revenue-Federal thru State-$26,584.32;Expenditures-Professional Services-$26,584.32;Total Expenditures-$26,584.32.

Supplemental Budget-Title II Part A Carryover

Revenue-Federal thru State-$47,467.32;Expenditures-Health Insurance-$12,001.00;Other Supplies-$35,466.32;Total Expenditures-$47,467.32.

6157 Final Audit Report The Business Manager present the board with the final 2004-05 Audit Report. Motion by M. Cummings to approve the audit. Motion carried.

6158 Reading and Math Coaches Motion by R. Cummings to create two positions,advertising for one reading coach and one math coach beginning with the 2006-07 school year. Motion carried.

6159 Bus Routes Motion by R. Cummings to authorize administration to continue planning 2006-07 bus routes, and present the plan to the board for approval at the March regular board meeting. Motion carried, three voted yes, O'Bryan opposed.

6160 WAPA Meeting The meeting with the OST revenue office, scheduled for February 17, regarding discussion of the WAPA credits was postponed until a later date.

6161 March School Board Meeting the March regular school board meeting will be held at Batesland on Monday, March 20, 2006 beginning at 5:00 p.m..

6162 Special Board Meeting The school board will hold a special meeting on March 13th at 5:00 p.m.

6163 Adjournment Motion by O'Bryan to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Motion carried.

Signed by MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager. College Center, Pine Ridge, SD.

WANTED

Program Administrator - Will support Program Managers on assigned accounts and develop reports regarding program status. AA in business or equivalent experience required. Proficiency is using Excel and/or Acess essential. Must have strong interpersonal skills. Send resume to: Human Resources, Sanmina SCI, 222 Disk Dr., Rapid CIty, SD 57701. EOE Employer

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Phlebotomy Instructor - BS Degree Preferred ■ Fire Science Instructor - Associate's Degree Preferred ■ Practical Nursing Instructor - BS Degree Preferred ■ English Instructor - Master's Preferred

All positions require at least three or more years experience working in the required field. Apply with a completed **"Certified"** application, resume, copies of transcripts (officiall upon hire) and three letters of references to: Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, Rapid City Area Schools, 300 6th Street, Rapid City, SD 57701, 605-394-4014. **Closing Date: Open Until Filled (Applicant screenings will begin March 27 and April 3, 2006.)**
For more information visit our website at www.westerndakotatech.org (EOE)

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To THE BOSS! Amanda War Bonnet - March 18th. Hope you have a good weekend and many more to come.
From The Staff

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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

>>> READVERTISEMENT <<<
POSITION: Legal Administrative Specialist (PROBATE)
GS-0901-5/7/9
GS-09: $42,955 - $55,846 Per Annum
GS-07: $35,116 - $45,648 Per Annum
GS-05: $28,349 - $36,856 Per Annum
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT #AB-06-39
OPENING DATE: 02/27/06 - **CLOSING DATE:** 03/20/06
SUMMARY OF DUTIES: The incumbent will provide legal assistance to and consult with attorney advisors in the Bureau and administrative law judges in the office of Hearings and Appeals. Examines legal documents to ascertain ownership status of lands and resources held in trust or restricted status, and to ensure the accuracy of legal descriptions.
NOTE: APPLICANTS WHO PREVIOUSLY APPLIED UNDER THIS ANNOUNCEMENT MUST RE-APPLY UNDER THIS RE-ADVERTISEMENT.
DUTY STATION LOCATION: BIA, Probate and Estate Services, Pine Ridge Agency, Pine Ridge, SD 57770.

>>> READVERTISEMENT <<<
POSITION: Realty Clerk, (OA), GS-1101-04,
GS-04: $25,338 - $32,944 Per Annum
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT #AB-06-36
OPENING DATE: 03/02/06 - **CLOSING DATE:** 03/22/06
SUMMARY OF DUTIES: Under the direct supervision of the Realty Officer. Incumbent performs duties for Tenure and Management, in the Branch of Realty as it pertains to the leasing of land on the Pine Ridge Reservation.
NOTE: APPLICANTS WHO PREVIOUSLY APPLIED UNDER THIS ANNOUNCEMENT MUST RE-APPLY UNDER THIS RE-ADVERTISEMENT.
DUTY STATION LOCATION: BIA, Realty-Tenure & Management Selection, Pine Ridge Agency, Pine Ridge, SD 57770.

>>> ADVERTISEMENT <<<
POSITION: Supervisory Social Worker, GS-0185-12,
GS-12: $62,291 - $80,975 Per Annum
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT #AB-06-53
OPENING DATE: 03/02/06 - **CLOSING DATE:** 03/22/06
SUMMARY OF DUTIES: Incumbent plans, develops, and monitors the execution of the General Assistance, Child Welfare Adult Assistance, Disaster, Emergency Assistance and Service-Only Program, Including other non-financial services such as specialist/consultant in matters relating to these components in addition to overall agency contract monitoring responsibilities. Provide professional expertise, direction and consultation to implement all areas of the social service programs. Develop, interpret, and conduct a complete and comprehensive review program for service provision.
DUTY STATION LOCATION: BIA, Branch of Human Services, Pine Ridge Agency, Pine Ridge, SD 57770.

>>> ADVERTISEMENT <<<
POSITION: Social Worker Representative, GS-0187-08,
GS-08: $38,890 - $50,556 Per Annum
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT #AB-06-59
OPENING DATE: 03/06/06 - **CLOSING DATE:** 03/24/06
SUMMARY OF DUTIES: Incumbent is under the direct supervision of the Supervisory Social Worker. Incumbent analyzes applications for financial assistance and determines eligibility of the applicant. Handles all phases of financial assistance cases, including interviews, home visits, collateral contacts, budget preparation and decisions regarding initial and continuing eligibility. Establish and maintain records, prepare required reports and letters.
DUTY STATION LOCATION: BIA, Branch of Human Services, Pine Ridge Agency, Pine Ridge, SD 57770.

>>> ADVERTISEMENT <<<
POSITION: Supply and Property Management Specialist, GS-2001-07,
GS-07: $35,116 - $45,648 Per Annum
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT #AB-06-54
OPENING DATE: 03/02/06 - **CLOSING DATE:** 03/22/06
SUMMARY OF DUTIES: Serves as the accountable property officer for the Pine Ridge Agency, incumbent is responsible for and conducts the annual fixed assets inventory; certify the inventory reports for approximately 350 fixed asset items within the agency's eight branches. Coordinate and plan property management functions, i.e., real personal property management, inventory control and accountability, excess and property disposal, moving and storage services, printing and publications management, and motor vehicle management.
DUTY STATION LOCATION: BIA, Branch of Administration, Pine Ridge Agency, Pine Ridge, SD 57770.
PROCEDURES ON HOW TO APPLY: Mail applications to the BIA Southern Plains Human Resources, (FedEx: 1 mile North on Hwy. 281), P.O. Box 368, Anadarko, OK 73005. Applications and all accompanying documents must be received by closing date of the announcements. Applications may be faxed to (405) 247-4991 and must be received by the closing date of the announcement. **Fax only those documents required in the vacancy announcement.** Electronic mail (e-mail) or government envelopes may not be used to submit applications.

CONTACT INFORMATION: BIA, Pine Ridge Agency, Administration, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770. For further information, 605-867-5126.

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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PURCHASING AGENT, GS-1105-07
GS-07: $35,116 - $45,648 Per Annum
Vacancy Announcement #AB-06-65
SUMMARY OF DUTIES: Makes purchases that vary in complexity, dollar amount, and availability. Prepares service contracts. Process acquisition documents and screens requisitions for compliance with regulations and policies. Recommend corrective action to potential problems, provide technical assistance and advice on the proper procedures, appropriate forms to use, and most effective method of purchase, develop procurement plans and procedural handbook for a more effective and efficient procurement operation, conduct training. Make contract award within delegated limits and Utilize the Federal Finance System (FFS) to encode financial connections, ie., accounting data for credit card purchases and payroll adjustments.
DUTY STATION LOCATION: BIA, Branch of Administration, Pine Ridge, South Dakota.
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OPENING DATE: 03/13/06 CLOSING DATE: 03/31/06
CONTACT INFORMATION: BIA, Pine Ridge Agency, Administration, Pine Ridge, SD, for further information call 605-867-5126.



Little Wound School
Kyle, South Dakota
JOB VACANCIES (03-08-06)

The following positions are open until filled:

High School Department:	**SPED Transition Specialist**
Middle School Department:	**SAC Counselor**
	Math Teacher

Extra duty positions are open until filled (2)

Elementary Department:	**1) K-12 Drum Group Sponsor**
	1) k-12 Drum Group Sponsor

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(73) Extra-duty positions Open until filled

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Happy 1st Birthday to my Beautiful Handsome son Te Sean Robert Richards on March 24. Hope you have fun. Love, Your mom Ariel Richards and friends!

Happy Birthday to my girls
Meghan Kaline
March 7
Kyt Kaline
March 15
Ginger Rose Wind
Yankton
March 17
Love you all
Al & Ginger Smith

Happy 20th Birthday Beau James Bissonette Wish you were here to celebrate. We miss you! love Sam Schneed and friends

On March 16 Who's going to be 43 years old? Happy Birthday Auntie Dedeer (Belnita Little Bear). You enjoy this day to the fullest and many more! May God Bless You! Love Ya!! Howard, Ann & Family

Happy Birthday to my lil' sister Inez "Tudi" Novotny - March 9 and her husband Doug on March 5
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Happy 14th Birthday Blaine Stephon Leftwich may the Great Spirit Bless you all the days your life.
We love you
Mom, Dad & Bryce

Happy Birthday to our most beloved sister Belnita Little Bear on March 16.
We all ove you for being the sister that you are! Keep that Smile!! All our love,
Your Brothers and Sisters

Just saying Hi to my 2 crazy cousins up there in Lowerbrule "Tanner and Camben Young. Oh, can't forget the newest edition, baby girl Adison from Ciara.

Happy Birthday to Tyrell Brewer on 3-11-06
From: Your cuz Melanie Brewer and Alexandria Clifford. We wish you the best.

Happy Birthday to my uncle Benny Apple on March 16th. Love, Jamie Leann Helper

Happy Birthday to our dad Verlin Old Horse Sr. on 3/18/06. Have a good one dad. From: your kids Kelc, Jheats, Rae, Mister. Happy Birthday Grandpa! From: Taiyah Iron Crow.

Happy 5th Birthday to Keonraad Jorge "HotDog" I love you and miss all of you kids.
Love, Mom
Dawnee Frogg
at Rapid City.

Happy Belated Birthday to my youngest Grandbaby Keonraad Jorge Caldwell
Have fun!
Love,
Grandma
Charlotte

Happy Birthday Roseanna! Finally 10! Thanks for being such a good kid sister! Love you lots, Jenni

Manuel, We love you, sorry about your trip to the hospital. Get well Soon!
Love, Your family

Happy 24th Anniversary to my parents Albert and Claudia Apple on March 19th, 2006. From: your daughter R.J. and the rest of your kids. "I'm so happy and proud that you 2 been together this long! We love you! Hang in there and be strong, so we can continue to celebrate many more years to come."

Welcome to the world 3-10-06. Baby Adison Marae Young, been waiting this whole time for you. Love, Auntie Tasha, Uncle Chris, and cousin Ciara.

Happy Birthday to our little bro Keonraad Jorge Caldwell. Love
Harrison, Stella, Kincaid Caldwell



Happy Birthday to my baby boy,
Keonraad Jorge Caldwell
on March 2, 2006
Hoping you're having a lot of fun. Wish I was there.
Love you
Mom Dawnee Frogg

Happy 18th BDay to Whitney Leigh Pourier on 3/15! Oh me, oh my, how time flies. Seems like yesterday you were just a little girl, now you are all grown up. Don't get too crazy there Whitney! Just have a very special day. We love you a lot. Love Grandma Aqualynne, Trevor & the rest of the crew.

Happy 8th BDay to Taylor Breeze March 17! We hope you have fun! We love you lots. Love - Gramma Aqualynne, Trevor & the Crew

We would like to say "Good Luck" to the Mighty Mustangs who will be playing in the State "A" Tournaments in Sioux Falls. Remember boys, we are very proud of you. You've come a long way - now bring home a big trophy! You found the glory & fame that the fans bring to cheer you on! Keep On Rockin' & Rollin'!! Best Wishes From: Trevor Iron Cloud, Aqua Lynne Garnette & The High School Staff

Happy 4 months on 3-14-06 to our beautiful Baby Girl
Ciara L. Mesteth.
Love Mom and Dad.

Dedicated to: Gerald George American Horse
ALWAYS THERE FOR ME
My one and only was there. He was alwayls fair. When I needed something, He stepped up to bat, And I thnk him for that. I'll never take advantage, because he raised me He is my Dad, My Ate! I'll be the wind beneath his wings, like he has been mine. We'll go flying back through time..... Thinking of all the memories we shared. Nothing else in the world can be compared.
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Dedicated to: Gerald George American Horse
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!
Happy 42nd Dad. Thank you for always being there for me! Thank you for helping my mother too! Thank you so much "Old Guy"! he he he!
From: Your son, Wanbli Wakinyan

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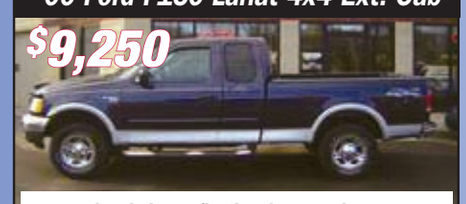
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OPINION PAGE

Our Views

Spring storm brings change

The powerful March snow storms can be seen as a time that "Unci Maka" chooses to cleanse the earth and provide some much needed moisture in time for the spring planting and the planting of trees.

It signals yet another change in the influential forces that Lakota people will confront as we look over the horizon and see what issues are most significant to our survival.

The departure of Gale Norton as Interior Secretary and the appointment of the new head signals an adjustment period for tribal nations.

In a couple of the articles about Norton's resignation there was little mention of her predicament in dealing with the individual Indian monies accounting scandal and the Cobell suit.

One has to wonder why, as many are now editorializing that the federal government should simply admit fault and settle the issue.

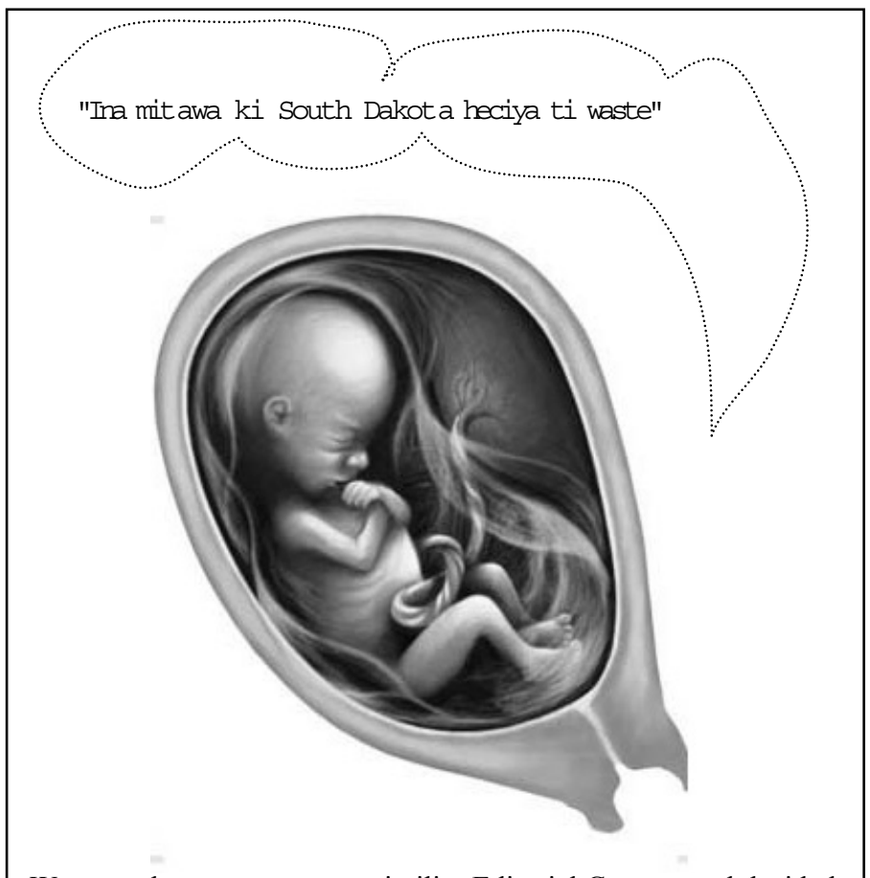
The final accounting is not in yet, on the impact that President Bush's budget will have on the Lakota community, however we know that funds for urban Indian health centers and the Johnson O'Malley program are history. We have to applaud the efforts of Senator Tim Johnson as he sponsored a measure seeking to restore one billion dollars for Native American funding.

Of course it was defeated in the Senate, but his efforts are noteworthy.

The same sentiment to Senator John Thune as he worked very responsibility in helping to get the COPS grant refunded.

Finally, with the Ambrahamoff scandal coming to light, many tribal nations are now utilizing their own people to lobby in Washington and that effort could get expensive for the smaller tribes.

Perhaps, the proposed creation of a Native American embassy in the nation's capital will allow a home base from which many tribes will be able to do some of their fieldwork.



We recently came accross a similiar Editorial Cartoon and decided to come up with a Lakota version of our own.

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Wiyukcan Wica Cante Ogna Heyu

Thoughts that come from the heart

A humorous view of weather and technology

This past weekend was cool. We got snow and it was great. Lately our winters have been sparse with moisture. Our seasons are changing, slowly but they are changing. It is inevitable. That's how Unci Maka Mother Earth has been for millions of years, she changes with time. The last several winters seemed bleak without the moisture we usually get from big snow falls. When that happens we get concerned with the nourishment of Mother Earth and when it finally snows like it did this past weekend, it gives one a joyful feeling despite the hardships of what the cold snow brings.



By Amanda Takes War Bonnett

EDITOR AND PUBLISHER
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Historically, as Lakota people we cling to our spiritual connection to the Earth and we honor what the Earth provides to mankind. It also obligates us to respect the actions of Mother Earth and we respect Her. It should be a connection that is felt by all mankind but it isn't.

With the snowfall, I read several articles in local news outlets where the farmers and ranchers are excited by the snowfall and that is because their economy comes from what Mother Earth produces.

"Lakota heuncapi ca, icamna hantas he upiya unglonihanpi. Ogna wasme eyas he dokasni. Unci Maka ki mni unkup hantas hecela waste."

The last really big snow that I remember is when the drifts were so big that I waded through the snow up to my thighs to get to the highway. That was eight years ago.

It was November 1998 and when my mother died there was so much snow.

She already had a heart condition and got sick from congestion. The snowstorm came and we had difficulties getting back and forth from the hospital because of the storm. We buried her with snow all around.

When it snows like it did this past weekend, it reminds me of that time. I thought of her wisdom and her knowledge that she passed on and her legacy in her children. When we knew her illness would eventually get the best of her, we stayed close to her as much as each of us could.

I wanted to keep something of her and I would sit and talk with her. It was so enjoyable to me when she would talk of long ago. I could spend hours and hours listening to her stories. She would talk about how she grew up and how different times were at that time and would share that wisdom. She shared and managed to link the past with the present and brought forth a lesson from it.

She wrote a journal and now when I miss her at times like this past weekend, I read her journal. She wrote of how in a time long ago, her grandparents (Philip Slow Dog and Mary Wears White from north of Allen) knew the signs of impending weather from reading the environment. It took years of surviving seasons to know those signs.

Today it takes a quick interaction with technology by watching the weather reports on television or tuning in on the radio or logging on to the weather and the doppler radar through Internet, punching in 511 on our cells phones to hear up to the hour road conditions.

My mom had a sense of humor that I loved and she was good in making sense of change.

Life doesn't stay the same, change happens and how we move with it will determine our own contentment.

She used to joke about the technology age in her efforts to understand the transition from what she was used to, to what was available today. That ranged from understanding how the recording on voice mails or how message machines worked to computers, satellites, and the almighty microwave. She would joke about learning the mechanisms of the technology age.

Recently I came across a joke that I knew she would have enjoyed and I am going to share it here.

It was October and the Indians asked their new Chief if the coming winter was going to be cold or mild. Since he was a Chief in a modern society he had never been taught the old secrets.

When he looked at the sky he couldn't tell what the winter was going to be like. Nevertheless, to be on the safe side he told his tribe that the winter was indeed going to be cold and that the members of the village should collect firewood to be prepared. But being a practical leader, after several days he got an idea.

He called the National Weather Service and asked, "Is the coming winter going to be cold?" "It looks like this winter is going to be quite cold," the meteorologist at the weather service responded.

So the Chief went back to his people and told them to collect even more firewood in order to be prepared.

A week later he called the National Weather Service again. "Does it still look like it is going to be a very cold winter?" "Yes," the man at National Weather Service again replied, "It's going to be a very cold winter. The Chief again went back to his people and ordered them to collect every scrap of firewood they could find.

Two weeks later the Chief called the National Weather Service again. "Are you absolutely sure that the winter is going to be very cold?" "Absolutely," the man replied. "It's looking more and more like it is going to be one of the coldest winters ever." "How can you be so sure?" the Chief asked.

The weatherman replied, "The Indians are collecting firewood like crazy."

This next one was one my mother told me.

There was a *wasicu* farmer who relied on an elder Lakota man to tell him of the impending weather. The Lakota man lived not far from his farm near a hill. He would take a gift to this Lakota man and ask him about the weather.

The Lakota man would walk up the hill and come back down and would tell the *wasicu* that it was going to rain or snow or whatever the weather was up to.

This went on for *tona* (many) years and one day, the wacisu man approached the Lakota man and asked of the weather and to his astonishment, the Lakota man said he couldn't tell him of the weather 'today.'

When the *wacisu* man asked why, the Lakota man said, "the batteries on my transistor radio are dead and so I can't take it up on the hill to listen."

Guest Editorial

Settle trust fund dispute

A REGISTER-GUARD EDITORIAL, EUGENE, ORE.

Published March 17, 2006

A decade has passed since Elouise Cobell sued the U.S. Departments of the Interior and Treasury on behalf of 500,000 Indians nationwide whose trust funds she claimed were criminally mishandled by the federal government.

Cobell, a banker and member of Montana's Blackfeet tribe, has prevailed at nearly every turn in court. But Interior and Treasury officials under the Clinton and Bush administrations have frustrated efforts to resolve the latest chapter in this country's shameful mistreatment of its native population.

Congress should correct this wrong by approving a reasonable settlement, one that a 2002 study warned could total anywhere between $10 billion and $40 billion.

Some historical background may be helpful: In 1887, a paternalistic U.S. government assumed control of Indian assets such as timber, oil and mineral deposits. Consistent with most of its dealings with the Indians, the government mishandled the federal Indian Trust Fund - so badly that Interior officials say they no longer can figure out how much money was misappropriated, stolen or just vanished.

Despite pressure to settle from Congress and the courts, Interior and Treasury officials have refused to seriously discuss a settlement. Now, Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz., and Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., are planning to introduce legislation that would mandate a settlement.

The amount of the proposed settlement is certain to give some lawmakers pause, but they should reflect on the government's 119-year history of mishandling Indian resources. They might also read the opening paragraph of an article that Cobell wrote two years ago:

"Imagine a bank that took your money on a regular basis, never gave you a statement, had no idea how much was supposed to be in your account and argued it has no responsibility to return your money to you or provide any information about your money.

"Now imagine that same financial institution is destroying the documents; routinely defying court orders; and lying in sworn statements and in the court."

Congress must act honorably and provide justice to American Indians, even if that justice costs billions of dollars.

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Northern Perspectives

Tunkasila guided us through the ground blizzard



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

In the spring of 1977 I was finishing off the semester on the faculty at Sinte Gleska College and an early spring ground blizzard caused a semi-tractor trailer to jack knife and block the road that connects Rosebud and highway 18. I was attempting to get home after work with professor Godfrey Loudner and a student who happened to jump in for the ride back.

I had just been admitted to Harvard University and I was hoping that nothing would inhibit my attendance in the fall. I made the wrong choice of taking a back road, but in the end the whole incident turned out fine and good fortune was realized.

The student's name escapes me, but the memory of that day does not. We returned to Rosebud and took a back road to what is known as the six-mile corner. It connects with the Lakeview road, which travels north and south and is graveled. We were successful in busting through a couple of minor snowdrifts, but happened to hit one that my old GMC pickup would not overcome. We could not get unstuck after repeated attempts and simply sat there as the wind howled and the sky was a pretty blue. It was not particularly cold, however, the temperature would have most likely dropped as the sun went down. Most people on the northern plains know that the temperature and the wind chill can be treacherous if one is not prepared. It is no wonder then, that there are not a whole lot of weather related deaths in this area, as most people know when to stay put.

To make a short story long, I was only wearing a corduroy dress coat and asked the professor if we could switch coats as he was wearing a hooded parka. He agreed and I struck out on foot south toward Lakeview school as I knew that there were farmhouses in that direction. I made the decision rather quickly to do that, as I knew that something had to be done. I came upon the house of Jim Epke who I did not know, but he was on the Todd County School Board at the time. Lakeview wasn't exactly the kind of place that was friendly to Lakota people over the years, but the Epkes were kind as he drove me back to my two companions and we picked them up.

As we sat and drank coffee in their living room, they called the Rosebud Search and Rescue unit and they came and pulled us back to Rosebud. To this day, I am forever thankful to the Epkes for helping us. I don't know if they even remember that incident, but their neighborliness ensured our safe return to warm shelter. It is the kind of compassion and concern that many people practice on the plains, especially when the chips are down.

The only thing I can say about such generosity of spirit is that we have an obligation to turn around and extend the same kind of generosity and helping hand to others. I think I have done that many times. When I was given my Lakota name, Nagik Sapa,by Lloyd B. One Star, Sr. and my war bonnet for serving in Vietnam I was told that I had to help others when asked. I do extend my services when asked and I usually do it willingly, especially for those who also extend their respect.

We spent the night at the old Spotted Tail agency building that used to be SGC in its entirety. I recall that everyone had a nice time visiting and getting to know each other better. Being a teetotaler, I can't say there were distilled spirits in the building, but something caused everyone to be happy in spite of the winter storm. The college was a much smaller place then and everyone seemed to like each other. I couldn't wait to earn my postgraduate training in Boston so I could return and make a difference.

I don't remember if Victor Douville was among the small group of stranded employees or students, but I do recall visiting with Arvol Looking Horse and remember trying to impress him with my burgeoning use of Lakota. I saw Arvol last fall at the Two Stike community center and he recalled that period of time, as he and sister, Martina, we students at the college.

With the spring storm that swept onto the northern plains this weekend, I am reminded of a simpler time when my life could have been in jeopardy. It was not to be, as tunkasila helped to guide me to safety.

Dr. Archie Beauvais (nagik sapa) Sicangu Lakota, is a decorated Vietnam Veteran with a Doctor of Education (Ed.D) degree from Harvard University. He resides on the Rosebud with his son Beaux and is also the proud father of Yvonne and Anthony.

Things to empower yourself

Saddened by the loss of two wonderful friends



By Patty Pourier

I have heard the term religious fundamentalist in the news when referring to the Christian Right and Islamic Terrorist.

What does "Religious Fundamentalist" mean?

According to Jimmy Carter in his 2002 Nobel speech it means "Since I am aligned with God, I am superior and my beliefs should prevail, and anyone who disagrees with me is inherently wrong' and the next step is ' inherently inferior.' The ultimate step is 'subhuman,' and then their lives are not significant."

How many people reading this article felt 'subhuman' because of being Native? Or because of being poor?

How many have judged others because they are not Native and treated them as 'subhuman'? Have you condemned others because they do not practice your type of religion, or are not of your race?

Maybe you have treated someone this way because they are not YOUR relatives, or do not go to YOUR school. I have felt this way and it feels awful to be treated subhuman.

Feeling superior in religious beliefs may not seem significant, however, murders, gangs and wars do not generally start over large things.

They start with smaller seemingly insignificant things that grow. Things like trying to control others to believe as we do, or treating others less than because of something they may not have any control over. It creates a "we" / "they". President Bush refers to the "axis of evil" and then "us". I think the "us" he is referring to are the Religious Right Fundamentalist - not all of America.

This is where the trouble starts. Sometimes the two sides have not taken the time nor care to try to understand each other. We have come to the point in America where it is acceptable to strike first, to take without authority or right.

Gangs do this for territory. The government did this when taking land from the Indians. And now we are doing it in the Middle East.

President Bush constantly reiterates how the views of the religious Christian right are the only true beliefs, they are superior and all others are less than.

He bases policy of the United States on this premise.

However, this is the same thing we are hearing from the Fundamentalist Islamic Terrorist. That we are the infidels, their religion is superior and we are evil.

And to oppose the Fundamentalist Religious Right has become un-American. I resent the fact that I am judged as un-American because I support the troops in Iraq and oppose the war. I do not believe in surpassing the peace process that America has tried to foster in the last 50.

I oppose the cost of war in American lives (over 2300) and American dollars (over $250 billion). A fraction of this cost could make substantial differences in our state and on our reservation.

I resent the fact some folks consider me non-Christian because of my political affiliation or because of my support of stem-cell research and limited abortion.

Isn't there a constitutional amendment against mixing church and state?

Politicians are starting to campaign for the fall elections.

We will undoubtedly hear politics from pulps AGAIN. Just as we have recently heard in South Dakota over the issue of abortion.

Wasn't our country formed and based on freedom of religion and to keep the state out of the church and vise versa?

I believe in God, America, and the US Constitution. I believe in treating others like I would like to be treated. I believe in allowing others to practice their beliefs, without harming or intruding on my beliefs. I believe in the peace process.

I believe all people are created equal regardless of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, disability or sexual orientation.

When I think of how women, Islam's, Indians, and homosexuals are being treated by the Oval Office, I am appalled.

When does it stop? It stops when we get out to vote, or run for election so we can have politicians that reflect America and its ideals.

South Dakota's abortion law

When Governor Mike Rounds signed HB 1215 into law it effectively banned all abortions in the state with the exception that it did allow saving the mother's life. There were, however, no exceptions for victims of rape or incest. His actions, and the comments of State Senators like Bill Napoli of Rapid City, SD, set of a maelstrom of protests within the state.

Napoli suggested that if it was a case of "simple rape," there should be no thoughts of ending a pregnancy. Letters by the hundreds appeared in local newspapers, mostly written by women, challenging Napoli's description of rape as "simple." He has yet to explain satisfactorily what he meant by "simple rape."

The President of the Oglala Sioux Tribe on the Pine Ridge Reservation, Cecilia Fire Thunder, was incensed. A former nurse and healthcare giver she was very angry that a state body made up mostly of white males, would make such a stupid law against women.

"To me, it is now a question of sovereignty," she said to me last week. "I will personally establish a Planned Parenthood clinic on my own land which is within the boundaries of the Pine Ridge Reservation where the State of South Dakota has absolutely no jurisdiction."

Strong words from a very strong lady. I hope Ms. Fire Thunder challenges Gov. Rounds and the state legislators on this law that is an affront to all independent women.

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Notes from Indian Country

A book for all seasons and a challenge to the governor



By Tim Giago
(Nanwica Kciji)

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What weighs nine pounds and is red all over? No, it's not a very large Indian baby. The question is always "spoken" so the sound "read" comes out "red." Of course, we all knew the answer to that question while still in elementary school. What's black and white and read all over? A newspaper, of course.

But the book that weighs nine pounds is a hefty, 1,120 pages book named "Tiller's Guide to Indian Country" and if you haven't seen it yet you really don't know what you are missing.

The book was first published in 1996, but with the fast changes taking place in Indian country the second and expanded version came out in 2005.

It was edited and compiled by Veronica Tiller, PhD, and a member of the Jicarilla Apache Tribe of New Mexico.

Using websites and shoe leather, Tiller set out to publish the most comprehensive list of Indian tribes, nations, villages, pueblos, and rancherias ever put into one book. In the foreword Tiller wrote, "In addition to the research and inquiries conducted from our offices, we also dispatched a small army of field researchers made up almost exclusively of my sisters and nieces to visit more than 220 reservations and Indian communities in the 'Lower 48' states. From treaty fishing grounds at the very mouth of the Klamath River in Oregon to the bottom of the Grand Canyon; from the Las Vegas-style Indian casinos of San Diego County to the tribal bison herds on the high plains of Montana and the Dakotas; and from the Florida Everglades to the island chain of the Penobscot River in Maine, we 'kicked the tires' of Indian country USA for this 2005 edition of Tiller's Guide."

I love this book because when Tiller gave it the name "Guide," she knew exactly what the book was about. It is a guide through Indian Country like no other. Pick any tribe in the United States or Alaska and if you want to know the size of the tribe, how many of its members have college degrees, what are its main sources of economy or what its basic language is, you will find it all in Tiller's "Guide to Indian Country."

As a publisher of a newspaper for many years I found this book to be the bible of my business.

Just helping my writers find the correct spelling of an Indian tribe can be most difficult because many of the tribes spell out their names in their own language.

Every Indian nation is pinpointed on a map showing where it is located within the state.

The Guide will tell you the total land area of the tribe, the population and total enrollment and even how many people are in the workforce. Does the tribe have a casino? Does it have a high school? How about an Indian college? The answers to all of these questions are explained in detail. Oh yes, and the book is also beautifully illustrated.

I seldom tout any book or product unless I find it to be essential to Indian country. This book fills that bill.

I would highly recommend it to anyone working in Indian affairs, to every high school and college on and off the Indian reservations of America, and to all public libraries.

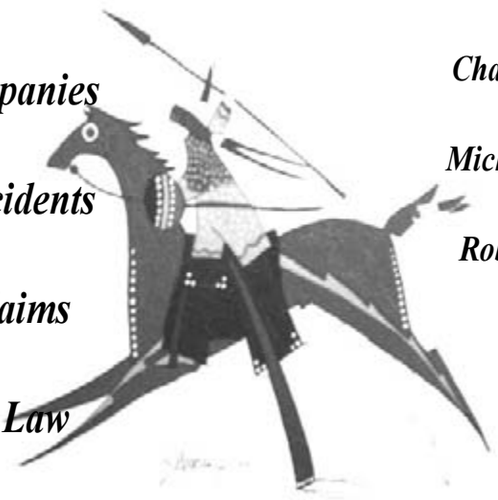
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Gang activity assessed on the Rosebud

Gang like behavior of many Sicangu youth spark great concern

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Chris Cuestas of the National Violence Prevention Resource Center conducted an assessment of gang activity on the Rosebud Sioux reservation from October 11-14, 2004. The NVPRC of Tucson, AZ was contracted by the Aberdeen Area Mental Health office of the Indian Health Service to conduct the study.

Cuestas presented the report to the RST tribal council and copies were presumably available to the tribal membership. The assessment yielded information, which will serve as baseline data upon which future assessments may be built or against which a comparative analysis may be performed.

Cuesta has provided training for several entities on the Rosebud reservation, including presentations to area schools. The awareness building and sensitizing of the public to increasing gang activity on the Rosebud is very helpful as it informs the public of the potential impact of such activity.

The assessment essentially provides baseline data upon which future assessments may be built.

Cuestas conducted site visits to several communities and 772 respondents gave their opinion on several risk factors relative to the youth and which are affecting the Rosebud reservation. The influence of gangs, a lack of parental supervision, truancy, and substance abuse issues were the top four risk factors, which were identified as most significant. The lack of adult role models and a lack of cultural attachment were also described as problematic for the youth.

Meetings were held with community members and program personnel who were able to provide insight and perceptions about gang activity and youth violence. Data that was supplied by the schools, law enforcement, housing and the courts was used to enhance the suggested strategies to identify and increase awareness in order to pursue funding opportunities.

The report also included more than sixty interviews with community members from age ten to age 78. The field interviews revealed the fact that the youth fear for their safety and that the community sees gang activity as a serious problem. The adults interviewed expressed anger of the serious problem and a lack of attention to the Lakota culture and related traditions.

Some of the anecdotal comments from the three segments, elders, community, and the youth seemed to underscore the complexity of the problem. One elder said, "Give our elders airtime on our radio station to educate our parents and youth about our culture, traditions and responsibilities as tribal members." A community member said, "What is happening is the proof that our parents are failing in their jobs." Finally, one youth said, "Our so called role models are never around" while another, wrote, "It all starts with the examples that we have at home."

Cuestas also conducted observations of the community between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 1:00 a.m. and in interviewing gang members it was revealed that they do not worry about being accountable for their behavior. Some members also said that they became involved in gang activity because their families held some animosity with other families. Many also were of the opinion that illegal sales of marijuana, methamphetamine, and prescription drugs were on the increase.

Focused interviews were also conducted with program personnel representing the tribal court, tribal leadership, probation, the Indian Health Service, the housing authority, chemical prevention, and the youth program.

Program personnel indicated that they recognized the gap in services to youth and a lack of coordination between the schools, local law enforcement, and youth-related services. Furthermore, this section of the report noted that program personnel would benefit from professional development, court administrative procedures and protocols, and an updated tribal code to oversee the youth.

Cuestas also documented 150 sites that indicated gang related graffiti. The power point presentation contained the number found from Spring Creek to Antelope and over to Parmelee. Such gang related markings could be indicative of the level of the maturity of the gang, while providing yielding information about past and future events, according to the study.

RST is currently dealing with an established and evolving youth gang problem and an active adult drug dealing influence, according to a major conclusion that came out of the report. An alarming statistic arrived at noted that 30-60% of the Rosebud youth population are engaged in some form of gang-like behaviors. There are at least 15 gangs in varying stages of sophistication and a greater concern is their connection to other larger jurisdictions and the influence of adult gang members.

Governor Rounds' approval rating plummets

PIERRE, SD - In a Survey USA poll released today, Governor Rounds' approval rating dropped from 72% in February, to 58% in March. The Governor's disapproval rating rose from 23% in February to 38% in March.

"The citizens of South Dakota understand that the Governor is not leading them in a positive direction," said South Dakota Democratic Party Executive Director Jason Schulte. "The clumsy effort to distance himself from the signing of controversial legislation and the failure of his legislative package are clear indicators of his inability to lead."

"South Dakotans are growing weary of a Governor who can't deliver on the meat and potato issues that effect their lives," Schulte continued. "Then they see the three million dollar mansion he built, and how he abuses taxpayer resources - this drop in approval was inevitable. South Dakota Democrats are going to continue to lead on core issues like education, better wages, and open government, and Governor Rounds' support is going to continue to drop."

Census Bureau starts test to improve count of American Indians

BY CHET BROKAW
AP News Bureau

EAGLE BUTTE, S.D. (AP) - American Indians living on reservations often pose a multitude of problems for census takers: They live in sparsely populated rural areas without regular addresses and often mistrust government officials.

As a result, the head count of Indians had some of the highest error rates for any minority group in the country. The Census Bureau wants to change that by the 2010 count - by making it personal.

The new methods include lobbying from tribal leaders and an emphasis on door-to-door visits by enumerators, rather than the mail form sent to most Americans.

``We know there was a huge undercount on the reservations, mainly because when they came to the reservations they didn't ask to come. They showed up uninvited," said Don Loudner, a member of the Crow Creek Sioux Tribe. ``If the Indian people don't know who you are, they aren't going to tell you nothing. They don't trust you."

Census Bureau Director Louis Kincannon arrived Wednesday on the Cheyenne River Sioux Indian Reservation for the formal kickoff of a project that will test the new counting methods for use on reservations across the nation.

Nearly all the enumerators who will visit houses are themselves residents of the Cheyenne River reservation, located in northern South Dakota, west of the Missouri River. One benefit is they know the terrain.

``Sometimes they are really hard to get to. You might need four-wheel drive," said Marjorie Gunville, an enumerator.

Counters who visit houses also will enter information into hand-held electronic devices that include Global Positioning System technology to identify the exact position of each household.

Tribal officials are encouraging residents to cooperate because an accurate count ensures that each tribe gets its fair share of federal funding for housing, welfare, health, day care and a wide range of other programs.

Many Indian people have been reluctant to disclose how many people live in their homes because houses in some government programs are supposed to hold only a certain number of people, Loudner said.

Publicity campaigns will emphasize that census information is confidential, so answers cannot be used to affect anyone's eligibility for government assistance programs, said Susan Lavin, the Census Bureau's regional director in Denver.

``We just keep harping on the need to cooperate," said Barbara Dupris, who has been handling publicity for the census test.

Tribal Chairman Harold Frazier also has written a letter encouraging people to cooperate, and that letter will be handed to the person who answers census questions for each household, she said.

All households will get only the short form, with only eight questions, which could prompt better cooperation. The long form, with 50 questions, will be done through monthly samples to get an ongoing detailed picture of the population.

In 1990, the Census Bureau estimates it missed about 4.5 percent of the American Indian population; the national rate was 1.6 percent. More alarming to the National Congress of American Indians is that an estimated 12.2 percent of all Indians living on reservations were missed.

The Census Bureau believes the reservation count improved in 2000, but it was still less accurate than the national average.

Kincannon planned to meet Thursday with officials of tribes from South Dakota, North Dakota and Nebraska before attending a ceremony marking the beginning of the only test on an Indian reservation before the 2010 census.

``This is to see if the things we plan to use are going to work," he said.

Garner and Cross family home burns seeking donations

SHARPS CORNER - The Cross/Garner family is seeking donations for the loss of their home. Their trailer home burned completely down on March 14 due an electrical problem.

The family has set up a fund at the Security First Bank of Martin under the name of Loretta Garner. For more information on how to submit money call the bank at 685-6776.

The family has five children ages 16 months to 13 years old that will need clothing and household items and food.

Call 454-0227 for more information.





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Janis and Flye are Porcupine Schools' "Student Of The Week"



Pictured from Left to Right: Danelle Johnson, Porcupine School, and Eighth Graders, James Flye Kim Janis.

PORCUPINE - Student spotlight this week for Porcupine School are Kim Janis and James Flye. The staff member is Danelle Johnson.

Flye is an eighth grader and his parents are Sandy Flye and Don Cuny. James has six brothers and three sisters. His hobbies include hanging out with friends, playing basketball, and listening to music.

Upon graduating eighth grade he plans to attend Little Wound High School. He would really like to go to college at Duke and play basketball for them. His role model is his older brother because he too enjoys playing basketball, this is the person James likes to battle it out with on the court, in his free time. James is trying to teach his younger brother about respecting others, now and as he gets older.

Janis lives in Martin along with her mother Shawnna Janis, two little brothers and one little sister. She is an eighth grader at Porcupine School. When Kim graduates eighth grade she plans on going to high school at Red Cloud.

Her favorite singer is Cris Brown and N B Ridaz, some of her hobbies include riding horse, playing volleyball, playing Hand Games and writing. Kim's favorite food is Cajun food.

Kim's role model is her Auntie Dawn because she has a good job, a good home, and 'three like really cool cars,' she doesn't drink, smoke or chew. Kim's goals are to do good in school and stay out of trouble. She would like to be valedictorian of her eighth grade class.

Danelle Johnson is the K-8th grade computer teacher. "I am the mother of two boys and one girl, they all live in Martin. This is my first year here at Porcupine School."

"I graduated college from Oglala Lakota College in 2000 with a bachelors in business administration and an associate of applied science in business computer science. My previous teaching jobs include working at American Horse School in the special education Department, then I was the GED tutor at OLC in the Pass Creek District.

Some of her hobbies include playing darts, pool, watching NFL and NBA, and other various movies. She also enjoys hanging out with her children, friends and also playing cards. Her favorite music is R&B/Hip Hop, with my favorite singer is Usher and her favorite food is Chinese and Mexican.``

"Since my employment began I've enjoyed working here, the children are amazing and make everyday different and fun," said Johnson.

Porcupine School March Birthdays

Darien M Youngman
2nd 3/26/97
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4th 3/27/96
Shilo Pourier
4th 3/12/96
Latrice W Spotted Eagle
4th 3/06/96
Roy Swallow
4th 3/22/95
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Joseph Thunder Hawk
5th 3/22/94
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6th 3/26/93
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8-1 3/06/91
Lisa Comes Killing
8-2 3/09/92
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8-2 3-14-92
Emerson Never Misses A Shot 8-2 3/17/92

Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Weekly Flu Clinic
Every Thursday at the Public Health Nursing Office in Pine Ridge for high risk adult population call Kendra at 867-3297 for additional information.

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Pahin Sinte College Center Walking Club
starting at 4pm each day Monday through Friday at the center in Porcupine, for information call Janice or Alva at 867-5404.

Reservation wide recruitment for Oglala Lakota College Infant Toddler and Headstart Program
on-going, call Pine Ridge Headstart at 867-5649 or 867-5640 and recruitment days on
Wednesday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m

Grief Support Group
meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888

Pruning trees and bushes
seminar on getting ready for new growing season by pruning trees and bushes, Wednesday, March 22 in Martin at the Bennett County Extension office from 6-8:30 p.m., no charge, open to the public, for information contact 685-6972.

Pine Ridge Junior ROTC Spring Blood Drive
Friday, March 24 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Pine Ridge HS gym, for information call 867-6401.

Developing Tribal Travel Policies/Procedures using IRS/OMB Guidelines workshop
Thursday and Friday, March 23 and 24 at the Best Western Ramkota in Rapid City from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day, call 867-5821 ext 207.

Lip Sync Contest
Friday, March 24 from 7-10 p.m. at the Todd County Middle School with two divisions, youth and adult with categories including: country and western, rock & roll, Pop and Hip hop and rap, call Oyate at 747-5068 or Cheryl at 856-2105 also a chili and fry bread sale from 5-6:45pm to raise mondy for th eDown Under Volleyball Bowl in Australia for Shawndai Pru.e

Men's 16 team Double E basketball tourney
Friday-Sunday, March 25 and 26 at American Horse School in Allen with cash awards for info call Al Curry at 455-2540, 455-1360 or 441-1554.

Sioux Rhythm fundraiser men's basketball tourney
Saturday and Sunday, March 25 and 26 at the Bill C Bear Memorial gym in Batesland featuring a six team 30 and over and a six team six foot and under - for info call Woodzy at 867-5161, BeBop at 867-5172 or Donnie at 867-5161.

Special Session of OST Council meeting
Monday, March 27 in the council chambers of the Red Cloud building in Pine Ridge to deal with National Park Service boundaries within the Wounded Knee Massacre site.

Health Fair
Monday, March 27 at the Red Shirt School gym from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., refreshments provided by meals for the Elderly Program and focusing on nutrition, diabetes prevention, inhalant and poison education and elderly vision.

Financial Literacy Training
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 27-29 at Joyner Hall in Pine Ridge from 1-5 p.m. with an early bird session from 11-12 noon, enrollment is limited to 20 participants, for information or to enroll call OST Partnership for Housing office at 867-1555.

2006 Pine Ridge Reservation Clean-up
March 27-31 for Wounded Knee, Porcupine and White Clay Districts, April 3-7 for Medicine Root, Eagle Nest and Pine Ridge and Aprtil 10-14 for LaCreek, Wakpamni and Pass Creek, for more information call 867-5236 or 867-5624.

Special Session OST Council
Tuesday, March 28 in Porcupine at the CAP Office to finish agenda for regular January meeting.

Health Fair
Wednesday, March 29 at the Kyle Elder's Complex from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. focusing on diabetes prevention, elderly vision, nutrition, inhalant and poison education.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
Friday, Mar. 31st at Little Wound School in Kyle with grand entries at 1 and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m.

Kaihleya Co-ed Volleyball tournament
Saturday and Sunday April 1 & 2 at the Sinte Gleska multi purpose building in Mission call Tate at 208-0871 or 208-2689 for Robin or 208-2607 for Merle.

WKDS 8th grade graduation fundraiser
Co-ed staff tournament
Saturday and Sunday, April 1 & 2 at WKDS in Manderson for info call Edwin at 455-6369, Frank at 455-6379 or Jesse 441-5728.

Education Summit
Friday and Saturday, April 7 and 8 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City sponsored by the OST Education Committee.

Basketball Tournament
Thursday, Friday and Saturday April 7-9 at the American Horse School in Allen with two divisions, an eight team men's and an eight team women's as a fundraiser for the American Horse eighth grade class, for info call Hermus 455-1209 or Erin at 455-2483.

Indian Education Teacher Job Fair 2006
Thursday, April 27 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Albuquerque Convention Center, an event to recruit teachers for all subject areas, elementary, junior high and high school, for information call 1 877 284-3822.

34th Anniversary of Wounded Knee 73 planning meeting
Monday, May 8 at 1 p.m. at the Claudia Iron Hawk Sully residence in Wounded Knee, for info call 867-1413, 455-2590 or 454-1741 or 867-5713 with a potluck dinner.

Great Plains Regional Golf tournament
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 19-21 at the Lee Park Golf Course in Aberdeen. For information call Gordon at 605 216-2586, John at 605 226-7347 or Henry at 605 290-3344.

Santee Sioux Tribe celebrates return of jurisdiction

SANTEE, Neb. (AP) _ Law enforcement on the Santee Sioux reservation has run smoothly since the tribe took over jurisdiction of minor crimes committed by tribe members against other tribe members on the reservation.

``It's been pretty much the same - no major changes,'' said Waylon LaPlante, a patrol officer on the six-man squad. ``I try to make the highways safe. I have been averaging 130 miles a day on my patrol.''

The Department of Interior approved the request for retrocession _ reinstating criminal jurisdiction over the reservation to the tribe and federal government _ effective Feb. 16.

U.S. Attorney Mike Heavican attended a retrocession celebration Tuesday at the reservation, which is in northern Knox County.

He said the process is unique and ensures good law enforcement for the reservation.

``Before, it was difficult knowing who had jurisdiction _ the tribe, local government or federal,'' he said. ``Now, you don't have to make the decision immediately.''

In 1953, Congress adopted a law that gave five states, including Nebraska, criminal jurisdiction over certain crimes committed on American Indian lands.

The retrocession process started in May 2001, and for five years went through several legal processes, said Elmer Four Dance, special agent in charge for the Bureau of Indian Affairs district office in Aberdeen.

Over that five years, the Santee Sioux tribe worked with state and federal governments on cooperative agreements for law enforcement services, said tribal chairman Roger Trudell.

``Basically, the criminal and civil codes will be an adaptation of the state statutes. We will fine-tune it for the needs of our community and reservations,'' Trudell said.

Now, smaller crimes committed by Santee against Santee are subject to tribal jurisdiction, said Conley Schulte, attorney for the tribe. The federal government has jurisdiction of major crimes, such as murder or drug offenses.

In addition to that, smaller crimes committed by Indians against non-Indians could be subject to tribal court, but federal court could also have jurisdiction, Schulte said.

The tribe used a federal grant for law enforcement startup expenses, Trudell said.

The tribe has contracted with jails in South Dakota and Nebraska and has its own court and police force.

Under the agreement, Santee can take advantage of state and federal programs, said Heavican.

The Nebraska State Patrol will to work with Santee officials on the retrocession process, coordinating law enforcement service in the area, said Col. Bryan Tuma, the patrol's commander.

Hot Springs VA names Minority Veteran's Program Coordinator

HOT SPRINGS - Connie Moffitt has been appointed as the new Minority Veterans Program Coordinator at the Hot Springs VA Medical Center, officials announced today.

Moffitt, who is an enrolled member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe (Sicangu Lakota Oyate), is a Pharmacy Service Program Support Assistant and will handle the MVPC duties as a collateral assignment.

Born and raised in South Dakota, Moffitt has been involved with VA's EEO program for over 25 years, previously serving as chairperson of the committee, Assistant EEO Manager, special emphasis program coordinator and EEO Counselor. She served as a member of the Gathering of Healers core planning group since its inception in 2002.

Veterans interested in contacting Moffitt should call the Hot Springs MVPC office at 745-2000, extension 2333.

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Kyle man pleads guilty to voluntary manslaughter for slaying

RAPID CITY (AP) - A Kyle man has pleaded guilty to charges in a July 4 slaying on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Wesley Rooks, 18, entered his plea Feb. 28 in federal court in Rapid City, according to the South Dakota U.S. attorney's office. He was charged with voluntary manslaughter in the stabbing death of Brian Two Crow, 31, also of Kyle.

The maximum penalty is 10 years in prison and a $250,000 fine.

A sentencing date has not been set.

ASK ANNA

Psychic - Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I want to know how come I can't seem to hold onto any man? I just always seem to pick the wrong men. I want to get married, have babies...my clock is ticking.

Aren't men supposed to want to get married too? How come they all run when the word "relationship" pops up. Do you see me with a husband and babies?

Tick Tock

Dear Tick Tock:

You should have signed it 'desperate' instead of Tick Tock. Relax please. Breath...in...out... Men can smell desperation. It's like a claustrophobic all consuming smog. You have to get into balance girl. First of all, the relationships that don't work aren't supposed to.

Don't be untrue to yourself. Don't disguise who you are with a desperate woman's facade. Don't ever just "settle." Be okay. That's the first rule. Be okay. All those "don'ts" I gave you really all boil down to that.

Men that you are no longer "with" are not regrets, they are the road to travel to the understanding of love realized. They are another list of "don'ts."

I see you married. He is a cowboy type or has cattle and a ranch. He also works in a public or a 501-3(c) type of institution. He is around 40 years or so old (looks about that age anyway).

I do see children. I see two. I see a family picture taken of him and you and he is holding the little girl in a cowboy outfit, and you have the baby boy on your lap, and he has a cowboy hat along with a sheriff's pajama outfit on. It is charming. When? You want to know when? Well, the reason that it isn't now is because you are not okay, and he doesn't want to be with a woman that needs to be fixed, because that equals "needy."

Get it together girl, trust in the Creator that your equal is here on earth, wait and heal yourself from jealousy and insecurity. As you develop a stronger relationship to Source, or the Creator, Tunkasila, or God, the grace that is inherently in the female aspect of the Creator (also referred to as "goddess") is called into your being. It is part of your true Spirit.

The spirit of woman is not insecure, she is in grace. She knows that she is the moon, and that her brightness comes from the Sun (male).

She knows that she does not smother the Sun, but reflects his light back at him in cycles.

She knows that although he can create the Earth, he cannot affect the tide, and without Moon, all life dies. Now that, woman, is POWER. So 16 times as much power as the poor men have. And 16 times the emotional energy as a man. And 16 times more intuition as a man.

And 16 times the mental imaginings as a man...and that's not even mentioning the brain.

Give the men a chance, relax, teach them what love is...bring to him your gentle loving spirit. If he does not reflect his light on you in balance, working with your cycles, then he is not the man for you.

Dear Anna,

There is some real horrible gossip about our medicine man. One woman said she saw him doing something during a ceremony. Is it true?

Kind of afraid to ask

Dear Afraid,

No, unequivocally, absolutely and completely not true. The woman that said she saw this probably did "see" it, but not anywhere but in her head.

She might be under the influence of other medicine (from an antagonist, ho cikala) or having a psychotic or schizophrenic episode (this is western terminology for how doctors might describe her "vision)." Either way, however, she isn't using her good sense.

Her paranoia may have taken over, but if she can remember the truth about this medicine man, how very wonderful and good he is, then she can begin to heal herself from her misconception, and understand that somebody may be using her in a bad way. I feel very badly about this.

Please help your friend that said these things to see the truth, before everybody suffers what is absolutely unnecessary to suffer.

Dear Anna,

I am 12. I have two girlfriends, one on the Rez, and one in Rapid. I like them both. Sometimes I feel bad that I like both of them, but mostly I just like to like both of them. Will

I have to choose soon? Which one should I choose?

Got Two

Dear Got Two:

Since you are not officially "going" with either one of them it is okay to like both of them.

It is not okay to "go" with one, and string the other along. The best answer is to keep talking to both of them and liking them, because you are 12, and not "going" with either one.

I see you liking the girl that has long hair and sometimes wears it in braids the best. SO...you decide to tell the other one that you like her as a friend and that you have a new girl friend....then she will not talk to you for a while...but when she's older, and you are older too, then she and you will like each other again. Good luck

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868@ gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 4386, Martin, S.D. 57551. Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request.

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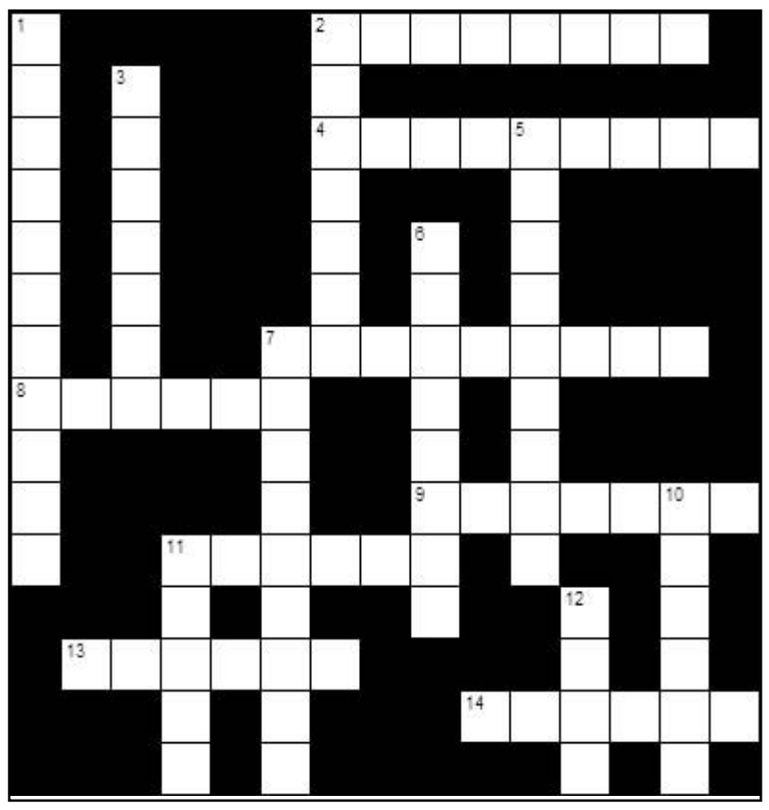
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4. back then, ago
7. spouse
8. daughter
9. evening
11. nephew
13. niece
14. male cousin

Down

1. asked me to remember
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6. day before
7. younger sister
10. younger sister
11. older sister
12. ask me to come



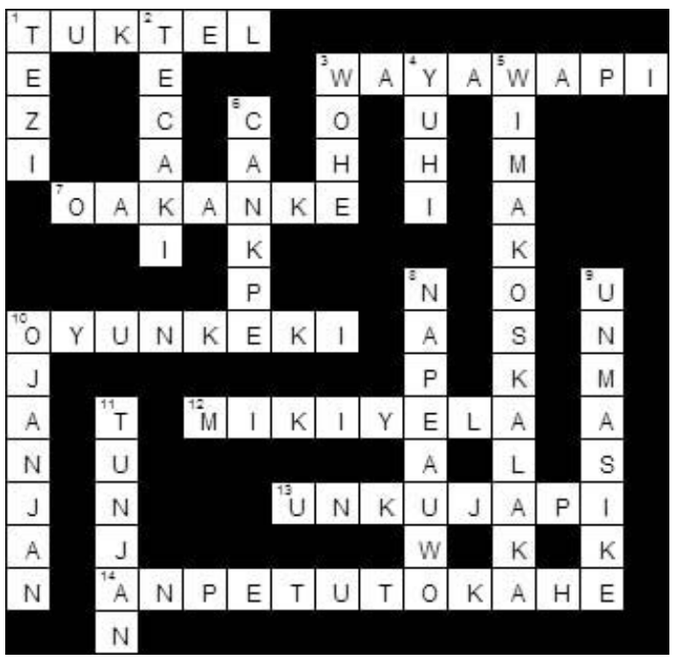
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Great Plains Regional Golf tournament

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 19-21 at the Lee Park Golf Course in Aberdeen. For information call Gordon at 605 216-2586, John at 605 226-7347 or Henry at 605 290-3344.

Last week's Lakota Crossword Puzzle answers



Basketball Tournament

Thursday, Friday and Saturday April 7-9 at the American Horse School in Allen with two divisions, an eight team men's and an eight team women's as a fundraiser for the American Horse eighth grade class, for info call Hermus 455-1209 or Erin at 455-2483.

Indian Education Teacher Job Fair 2006

Thursday, April 27 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Albuquerque Convention Center, an event to recruit teachers for all subject areas, elementary, junior high and high school, for information call 1 877 284-3822.

34th Anniversary of Wounded Knee 73 planning meeting

Monday, May 8 at 1 p.m. at the Claudia Iron Hawk Sully residence in Wounded Knee, for info call 867-1413, 455-2590 or 454-1741 or 867-5713 with a potluck dinner.

Grace Hollow Horn, 85	Wounded Knee
Georgia 'Joy Leau' Davis, 69	Slim Buttes
Catherine C. Silva, 77	Rapid City
Harley Lone Eagle, 50	Mesa, Ariz.
Carol L. Mesteth, 39	Manderson
Micheal D. Witt, 51	Pine Ridge
Mercy M. Fast Dog, 88	Soldier Creek

Grace Hollow Horn

WOUNDED KNEE - Grace R. Hollow Horn, 84, Wounded Knee, died March 14 at Castle Manor Nursing Home in Hot Springs.

Survivors include four sons, James Hollow Horn Sr., Pine Ridge, William Hollow Horn and Theodore Hollow Horn, both of Wounded Knee, and Ellison Moody, Columbia, S.C.; seven daughters, Deloris Hatchet, Mary Bull Bear, Elizabeth Yellow Horse, Alva Forney and Bernadine Hollow Horn, all of Wounded Knee,

Sharron Larrabe, Chadron, Neb., and Corrina White Whirlwind, Manderson; one sister, Edith Wounded Horse, Wounded Knee; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Wake services were March 16 at Church of God in Wounded Knee.

Funeral services were Saturday March 18, at the church, with the Rev. Stanley Hollow Horn Jr. officiating.

Burial was at Johnson Memorial Presbyterian Cemetery in Wounded Knee.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Georgia "Joy Leau" Davis

SLIM BUTTES - Georgia "Joy Leau" Davis, 69, Slim Buttes, died March 13, 2006, in Slim Buttes. She served in the U.S. Army.

Survivors include three sons, Lester "Bo" Davis, Slim Buttes, and Linfred Davis Jr. and Phillip Davis, both of Pine Ridge; two adopted sons, Ray Bucko, Omaha, Neb., and Louie Janis, Pine Ridge; one daughter, Theresa Bettelyoun, Slim Buttes; one sister, Bernice Alcon, Denver; and 17 grandchildren.

A wake service was Thursday, March 16, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall in Oglala.

Funeral services were Friday, March 17, at the hall, with the Rev. Ray Bucko officiating and traditional Lakota services by Mike Carlow Jr.

Burial was at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Cemetery in Slim Buttes. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Catherine C. Silva

RAPID CITY - Catherine C. Silva, 77, Rapid City, died Thursday, March 16, at a local nursing home. Survivors include five children, Elaine Holy Eagle Delores, Maria Holy Eagle, Sonja Darlene, Dino Holy Eagle and Dixie Holy Eagle, all of Rapid City; 16 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. Wakes services were Monday, March 20, at Mother Butler Center in Rapid City.

Funeral services were Tuesday, March 21, at Mother Butler Center, with the Rev. Paul Sneve officiating.

Burial was at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis.

Harley Lone Eagle

MESA, Ariz. - Harley Lone Eagle, 50, Mesa and formerly of Eagle Butte, died Thursday, March 16, in Mesa.Arrangements are pending with Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge.

Carol L. Mesteth

MANDERSON - Carol L. Mesteth, 39, Manderson, died Sunday, March 12, at Pine Ridge Hospital. Survivors include three sons, Curtis Mesteth, D.L. Mesteth and Shane Mesteth, all of Manderson; her father, Max Mesteth, Manderson; two sisters, Christine Mesteth and Maxine Mesteth, both of Manderson; five stepbrothers, A.V. Fire Thunder, Bluch Fire Thunder and Burnell Stands, all of Manderson, Harlan Stands, Pierre, and Ray Stands, Fallon, Nev.; and four stepsisters, Lucy Running Horse and Leah Fire Thunder, both of Manderson, Lita Running Hawk, Pine Ridge, and Ingrid One Feather, Oglala.

Wake services started Thursday, March 16, at Wounded Knee District School in Manderson.

Funeral services were Saturday, March 18, at the school.

Burial was at Mesteth Family Cemetery in Manderson. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Kenneth James Brown

WAKPALA - Kenneth James Brown, 41, Wakpala, died Sunday, March 12, as a result of a one-car rollover near McLaughlin.

A wake service was Friday, March 17, at the community center in Bullhead.

Funeral services were March 18, at the community center, with Mother Danny Westerlund, the Very Rev. Leslie Campbell and lay readers Marge Hawk and Beatrice Skinner officiating.

Burial was at St. John's Episcopal Church Cemetery in Bullhead.

Michael D. Witt

PINE RIDGE - Michael D. Witt, 51, Pine Ridge, died Saturday, March 11, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include his wife, Ardith Witt, Pine Ridge; four sons, Santee Witt, Martin, Seth Witt, Grand Forks, N.D., Joe Witt, Bismarck, N.D., and Sage Mahpiya, Pine Ridge; two daughters, Mozelle Witt, Grand Forks, and Danya Witt, Pine Ridge; his parents, Nate and Eva Witt, Pine Ridge; two brothers, Jhon Goes In Center, Rapid City, and Christopher Witt, Pine Ridge;

Six sisters, Deborah Bordeaux and Angela Stover, both of Pine Ridge, Geraldine Goes In Center and Nancy Miller, both of Rapid City, Margaret Witt, Portland, Ore., and Mary Witt, Korea; and three grandchildren.

A wake service was Wednesday, March 15, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services were Thursday, March 16, at the church, with the Rev. Steve Sanford officiating. Burial was at Holy Rosary Catholic Cemetery in Pine Ridge. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Mercy M. Fast Dog

ROSEBUD - Mercy M. Fast Dog, 88, died March 17 at Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls.

She was born April 17, 1917 at Rosebud.

Wake services were March 18 to 20 at the Harold James Building in Mission.

Funeral services were Tuesday, March 21 at the Grace Chapel in Soldier Creek. Officiating at the services is Rev. Mary Spruhan of the Episcopal Church.

Burial was at the Grace Chapel cemetery.

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Happy 22nd Birthday to our Uncle Tone on March 26, 2006. We love you lots and hope you enjoy your day. We wish you many more to come. Love, Nauna & Dallas

Happy Belated Birthday to our Great Grandpa, Calvin "Butch" Stands. Hope you had fun and wishing you many more to come. We love you lots. Love, Alan, Vanessa, Alaunna & Dallas Metcalf

Congratulations to OLL Braves Kiley Weston, All Tourney, Carl Swallow, All Tourney and Mr. Defense, and Bryer Iron Cloud, MVP, Mr. Big Foot Conference, and Mr. Offense Awards. We are very proud of you and all the team. Sandy Cuny

Happy Birthday on March 26th to my brother, Tone. Wishing you the best and hoping you have lots of fun. Don't forget that I Love You and am always here for you no matter what!
Love, Vanessa & Alan

Happy Belated Birthday on March 8th to our Grandma Unci, Evelyn Gregg. We love you a whole bunch and hope you have many more to come. Hugs & kisses Love, Vanessa, Alaunna, & Dallas

Happy Birthday on March 22nd to Kyle May. Wishing you many more to come. We hope you have a whole bunch of fun on your special day.
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Due to limited funding through the contract health service program the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility is required to review medical priorities when approving CHA referrals. At this time the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility will only be approving those CHS medical priorities that are viewed as **Priority I:Emergency -- Diagnostic or therapeutic services which are necessary to prevent the immediate death or serious impairment of the health of an individual.**

ROSEBUD COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE FACILITY CONVENIENCE CARE CLINIC (WALK-IN) SERVICE UPDATE

After careful consideration the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility has elected to CLOSE the Urgent Care Clinic effective immediately. Management has determined that the implementation of a Convenience Care Clinic (Walk-In Clinic) would better service the patients in the community.

Convenience Care Clinic (Walk-In Clinic) will begin effective Monday, April 3, 2006 It will be located within the Clinic Area and will be operational Monday thru Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Any patients presenting for care after 4:00 p.m. will be seen in the Emergency Room between the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. to meet the health care needs of the increasing number of patients that will be seen by the Emergency Room Department.

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IHS, state prepare for bird flu

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The 'avian influenza' or bird flu has been getting a lot of media attention in recent months, including in the state of South Dakota and now on the Rosebud reservation. The current posturing by government officials and others is not to create any kind of panic, but to simply inform the public that such a public health concern is likely to become a reality if it is found that the bird flu is transmittable to humans.

The avian flu is something that occurs among birds naturally, while the seasonal flu among human occurs is contagious and is caused by influenza viruses. If the bird flu or other illness were to spread on a global scale it would be called a pandemic and currently there is no pandemic.

If history is any indication, officials are saying that it is not a question of if, but when, as there have been three pandemics in the last century. The bird flu is being carefully monitored, as it is suspect in some isolated cases where it has been transmitted from birds to humans. If there comes a time that it demonstrates an ability to be passed from human to human that is the time for great concern.

Domestic birds like turkeys, chicken and ducks can get the influenza virus by directly coming into contact with the secretions of wild birds and they may experience varying levels of illness and mortality. Early reports spoke of the bird flu originating in Vietnam and Thailand, and now it is being reported in the Middle East and a number of

Please turn to Bird flu: A2

QUICK HITS

ACLU files federal lawsuit against Winner School

SIOUX FALLS - The American Civil Liberties Union today filed a class action lawsuit in federal court against the Winner School District in South Dakota, charging that the District maintains an environment hostile to Native Americans by, among other things, disciplining Native American students more harshly than Caucasians and by forcing them to sign "confessions" for minor rule breaking, which often leads to juvenile court convictions.

"The treatment received by Native American students in Winner and throughout the region is completely different than that of their white counterparts," said Jennifer Ring, executive director of the ACLU of the Dakotas. "These experiences demonstrate the reasons why Native American children so often fail to reach graduation - hostility of peers, discrimination of school officials and knee-jerk police involvement."

ACLU national staff attorney Catherine Kim said the problems in Winner are part of a nationwide trend of "get tough" policies on school misconduct, which lead to increases in suspensions for trivial conduct and the use of law enforcement to handle minor school discipline. According to Kim, research consistently shows that students of color are far more likely than Caucasian students to feel the brunt of this trend, which advocates refer to as the "school-to-prison pipeline."

"Winner is a prime example of the national school-to-prison trend," Kim said. "Minority students are being pushed out of the classroom and into jail cells at alarming rates and for very minor wrongdoings." Native American students in Winner are three times more likely than their Caucasian counterparts to be suspended, and ten times

Please turn to Winner: A2

$30 million meant for Pine Ridge roads

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - On Monday, the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council debated both the boundaries of the Wounded Knee and the route for a rebuilt BIA Highway 27 through Wounded Knee. The construction project that currently has $10 million committed to it is a portion of an overall $30 million in construction projects scheduled for the next several years for the Pine Ridge Reservation.

The council was concerned about the impact of the National Park Service having influence over the boundaries of Wounded Knee in relation to a National Historic Landmark Designation and that impact on future decisions about Wounded Knee. It decided by a vote of 16-0 to reject all boundaries established or influenced by the NPS on the Pine Ridge reservation.

The council heard comments from visiting council representatives from Cheyenne River, Steve Moran, Pete Condon and Terrance Veo as well as Birgil Noble, Jay Vogt, State Historical Preservation Officer, tribal representatives and community members including Jeff Whalen, head of the OST Transportation Program. Gary Rowland, representing the Fire Lightening tiospaye and his attorney, Russell Means were also present.

Paul Hoffman, BIA, spoke about working on streamlining the Environmental Impact Statement, something that has to be completed before any construction work is initiated. If everything goes smoothly, the EIS could be completed by the end of December.

Maps were distributed and discussed that examined several alternative routes for Highway 27 through Wounded Knee. "In the last administration, the council voted to go with alternative four and that is what we have been working on," said Whelan, "we have brought this before the council several times over the

Please turn to $30 million: A2

Nations gather to defend Bear Butte

A rally to oppose Jay Allan liquor license

STURGIS - An alliance of organizations are gearing up for a rally to oppose the issuance of a liquor license to Jay Allen by the Meade County Commissioners on April 4. The Intertribal Coalition to Defend Bear Butte, Owe Aku, the Bear Butte International Alliance, Mennonite Central Committee and the Lakota Action Network are informing the public of their opposition and will be present when the hearing occurs. The theme for their latest effort is, "Resist the Desecration of Places Sacred to Many Nations: Lakota, Cheyenne, and Arapahoe." The schedule as provided by the alliance is as follows: 10:00 a.m. - Gathering at Bear Butte for prayer. Noon - Meal at the community center in Sturgis. 1 p.m. - Rally at the Meade County Courthouse. 3:30 p.m. - Meade County commissioners hearing on Jay Allen's application.

The inherent and sacred relationship of Lakota people to Bear Butte is an integral part of Lakota existence in the He Sapa. Lakota people have gone to pray at Mato Paha for time immemorial and its location has always been within the boundaries of treaties entered into with the federal government. As such, despite tension over continual encroachment upon He Sapa many indigenous nations, as well as Lakota people have continued to journey to Bear Butte today is also a state park that enjoys certain protections as well as serving as a destination location for thousands of visitors each year. Nearby, Bear Butte Lake is a wildlife refuge and a growing concern is that any development will infringe upon the habitat and ecosystem that is the domain of wild life and migrant birds.

Mato Paha is located near Sturgis which holds its annual ten day rally and attracts up to

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New motel open for business

BY AMANDA TAKES WAR BONNETT
Times Editor

KYLE - The Lakota Prairie Ranch Resort is open for business and a grand opening is planned very soon to showcase the newest business in town.

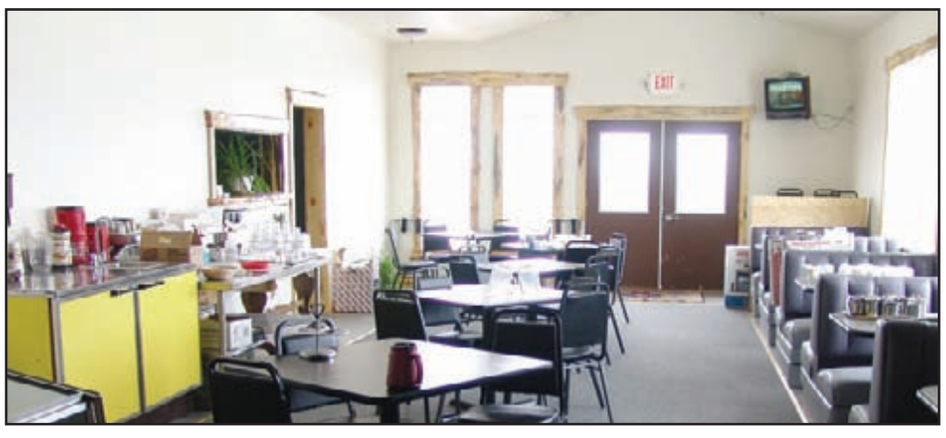
The motel and restaurant is located in a small valley across from Oglala Lakota College's main campus Piya Wiconi on BIA Road Two. The highway has been estimated to have 1,400 travelers on busy days. It is likely that the strategic location will allow local people and travelers, alike, to take advantage of much needed lodging.

The motel was originally the Stables Motel from Rapid City. Rusty Puckett and Kathy Stover bought the motel last year and moved it to the Kyle area and have remodeled the majority of it into a beautiful, rustic wood style motel, with restaurant and a meeting room. The need for an additional eating establishment in the area is

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Above left: the gift shop and gallery sells a variety of items. Above right: One of the 19 units offers guests clean, spacious rooms. Right: The restrauant sits up to 60 people and has an outside deck for additonal sitting. Photos by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.

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ACLU files suit against Winner

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more likely to be referred to law enforcement.

At the heart of the class-action complaint filed today is the issue of coerced confessions at the Winner Middle and High Schools in Tripp County. The ACLU said the principals of the schools have been singling out Native American students for perceived violations of school rules, and then forcing them to write a "confession," which is in fact a legal document. The principal, having acted in a law enforcement capacity, then calls the police, who come to the school and take the child into custody often without notifying parents, and forwards the "confessions" to the Tripp County State's Attorneys. These prosecutors, both of whom serve as legal counsel for the Winner School District, use the confession to secure a conviction against the child in juvenile court.

Dana Hanna, the Attorney General of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and an ACLU cooperating attorney in today's lawsuit, noted that while the school district is the second largest employer in the county, only two employees out of more than 100 are Native American. That disparity is reflected in the treatment of Native American students, he said.

Out of Winner Elementary School's 340 students, 30 percent are Native American, while only 14 percent of the 320 Winner High School students are Native American. Between two and four Native American students have graduated from Winner High School in recent years.

Last June, acting on behalf of 14 Native American families, the ACLU filed a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights, documenting the racial harassment and discriminatory discipline in Winner schools. But the Office of Civil Rights did not respond until March 2006, nine months later, and by then, most of the complainants had left the district - either transferring to other districts, dropping out of school, or becoming incarcerated.

Today's federal class action lawsuit seeks to challenge not only the discrimination, but also the unlawful policy of coercing confessions from Native American students.

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always welcome as it allows people an option when seeking a place to meet that might be combined with a catered meal. Many entities, tribal and otherwise, often require additional capacity for meetings and the Lakota Prairie Ranch Resort will look to supply that need.

The 19 unit motel has six kitchenettes, one suite and single and doubles rooms. Stover said they offer their guest wireless Internet and satellite television. The motel is lined with a wrap around front deck, where guests may enjoy the scenery and still have protection from the weather.

Inside the resort is the Iron Road Gallery and Trading Post, which boasts a rustic hewn log look and offering guests and visitors a variety of Lakota arts and crafts from jewelry to native clothing and music.

The gallery previously was located in the Lakota Fund building and is known to carry some rather fine Lakota crafts that the public will surely appreciate as the prices competitive for the area.

The restaurant which will be open to the public after the grand opening can sit 60 people and will have a full menu. On the east door of the restaurant is a door that leads to a wood deck for outside eating. As many travelers know outside seating can be an enjoyable dining experience and this feature is often a draw for many of the finer restaurants.

Another service that is open to the public is a large meeting room that is set off to the west of the check in area. The meeting room can accommodate 30 people and Stover said catering services are available for meetings or workshops.

Stover said eventually a RV park will be available for campers. And trail rides will be offered when horse stables are built.

The motel is now open for overnight guests with some menu items available from the restaurant; the gallery is open as well as the meeting room.

The owners will soon announce a grand opening in the near future. The Lakota Prairie Ranch Resort is 455-2555.

Group to attend liquor hearing

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a half million bikers and countless visitors. There is much activity that causes people to converge around Sturgis and Bear Butte and without zoning laws, liquor can be sold almost anywhere in the county.

Jay Allen, is the latest entrepreneur who is determined to build a biker bar in close proximity to Bear Butte in time for the annual "Sturgis Bike Rally" in August. The fact that he has already began to build his concert venue is seen as putting pressure on the commissioners who may feel that his application for a liquor license is a done deal.

The gathering on April 4 in Sturgis is intended to address this concern as well as to make known the nature of the opposition to the issuance of a liquor license in a location that is already fully inundated with alcohol sales.

Deb White Plume of the Intertribal Coalition to Defend Bear Butte explained the rationale for the days activities and related schedule. She said, "On April 4 we will have our gathering at Bear Butte at 10:00 a.m. We will caravan into Sturgis and at the first junction begin our march. We will march through Sturgis, then meet at the community center for lunch and then go over information for the meeting. Then, we will walk to the Meade County courthouse. We will hold a rally and have speakers. We hope to have Chief Oliver Red Cloud speak along with Arvol Looking Horse, Alex White Plume and the Northern Cheyennes."

White Plume also explained that the criteria contained in an application for a liquor license involves a couple of major criteria and that is what her alliance will address. She said, "There will also be an open mike for the young people to talk. We would like to have a really big march and let them know our opposition to development around Bear Butte. There are two ways that the commissioners look the application and those are character and location. We are asking people to talk of the inappropriate location. There are also many local people, farmers and ranchers, who are opposed to development."

Finally, White Plume explained that the opposition to the liquor license will require more time during the allotted time slot. She said, "We are talking to the Meade County Commissioners. Now, whoever has the floor will be only given 30 minutes to talk in opposition and 30 minutes for those in favor. We hope they will extend the time to at least an hour. There are 50 establishments that sell liquor in Meade County. How many more do they need?"

$30 million for Pine Ridge reservations

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years, we have held field hearings in Wounded Knee and in Manderson and we need to move ahead. We had money appropriated before that ended up going to other projects because we couldn't make a decision on the route." Several council representatives did not want to delay the project but wondered if there was any way to move the route further to the south to put more distance between the road and the massacre site. Their thoughts were echoed by Leola One Feather, vice chair of the Wounded Knee community, who presented an alternate route that would close the #3 presented by Paul Hoffman. Rowland also expressed an interest in routing the road farther south and covering up the current highway in the massacre site.

Even though the council was leaning towards the number 3 route that moves the road to the south, the council voted 12-2 to take the issue back to the community for one or two listening sessions and bring it back to the council floor in 30 days.

The rebuilding of BIA 27 is the last stretch of road between Highway 18 and Scenic to be rebuilt with a modern approach, better sight lines, shoulders, fewer curves and less hills; the project has $10 million appropriated for the completion and if everything goes right it would start in the summer of 2007 and be completed in late fall of 2008.

Other road construction projects on Pine Ridge include the completion of the highway from north of Loneman at the White River bridge to south of the Buffalo gap junction, a project that has been upgraded from a base and blotter project to asphalt at a cost of $5 million.

Currently, the state has contracted with Heavy Constructors to do curbs and gutters in Pine Ridge and replace the old bridge below the old hospital with a boxed culvert, a project slated to be completed in early summer at a cost of $3.32 million. The state also is redoing Highway 18 from down town Pine Ridge to Oglala and includes a bike and pedestrian pathway from Oglala to Loneman with a completion date in 2010 at a cost of $12 million.

Bird flu

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Arab nations.

Bird flu is one form of avian influenza identified by scientists as avian influenza A (H5N1.) There are a number of websites, which are offering an excellent overview of just what the bird flu is. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website, the bird flu has caused birds in Asia and Europe to be infected. Also in Asia humans are known to be infected and those occurrences are being studied to understand how that is possible. A cross species infection from birds to humans is apparently rare. The hope among scientists is that it will not be resistant to drug therapy.

Facts about pandemic flu heard at South Dakota Summit

A couple weeks ago, a pandemic flu summit was held in Sioux Falls and U.S. secretary of health and human services, Michael Leavitt, was on the agenda, along with Governor Mike Rounds and South Dakotan Julie Gerberding, who is the director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Leavitt said the government would provide funds for the state to begin preparations for an epidemic and more funds would be available on July 1. He cautioned the audience of some 450 people that South Dakota has 5,000 communities and they should not depend on the federal government.

Rural people on the northern plains are used to making preparations for blizzards and other hazardous weather and they are being asked to use this as a model for taking care of their families. It is notable that some estimate that thirty percent of the state's population could be sickened if there is an outbreak of some form of the flu that is resistant to treatment.

That concern brings up another issues that hospital must face. The sickest patients will have to be attended to and that will require emergency rooms to make hard choices. The elderly, those with chronic health conditions and the very young will be most at risk.

Gerberding noted that if there were such an emergency that it would necessitate being isolated from others, staying home from church and avoid face-to-face contact as much as possible. The Sioux Falls Argus-Leader quoted her when she said, "It's going to be very easy to become complacent. We need to channel our fear into long lasting commitment that outlasts the news."

Tim Jacobs, safety officer at Pine Ridge Indian Health Service, said they are in the planning stages of doing some drills and developing an awareness plan and working with the tribe's emergency preparedness program. They have been involved in working with the state.

Information being disseminated by the Rosebud Hospital

The Rosebud I.H.S. hospital has been rather conscientious in meeting its public health responsibilities to the Sicangu Lakota people and disseminating information on a possible bird flu epidemic is within their scope of authority.

Charles Mack of the environmental health department of the Rosebud service unit sent out a packet of information dated March 16 to area schools, municipalities, and area officials. He notes, "This is basic information on preparation for the community and should not be perceived as a cause for panic. Personal planning is paramount in the threat of this possible bird flu pandemic."

The packet notes that many businesses, schools and communications networks would be closed and this would leave the responsibility to family units to make preparations for a 6-8 week time period to withstand the onslaught if it occurred.

One recommendation of interest to families and which can easily be carried out is the first item, which asks families to assemble a disaster supply kit. The kit should contain water and food supplies and can also be used during other emergencies. It also recommends a 30-day supply of prescription medication as well as other over the counter medicines and sports drinks.

An excellent list of non-perishable supplies are recommended since many of these items may not be available during an emergency such as a pandemic.

The Rosebud Hospital and other organizational entities, including the state will most likely continue to inform the public about this potential threat to the public health by other media campaigns. It will require repeated attempts to inform the public of its responsibility to be prepared in any emergency.

Team South Dakota prepares for 2006 North American Indigenous games

MISSION - Four years ago, Team South Dakota sent eight teams with 128 athletes to compete in five different sports at the 2002 North American Indigenous Games in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada; this year preparations are coming together to send 19 teams representing Team South Dakota with at least 276 participants in nine different sports to the 2006 North American Indigenous Games in July in Denver, CO.

"It was such a great experience for all of our athletes four years ago," said Denise One Star, chef de mission(team leader), "during the competition in Canada, we earned five gold, three silver and seven bronze medals and had a chance to compete with teams from Canada and the U.S. in an international setting."

Team South Dakota has been holding tryouts and coordinating a variety of activities to come up with teams to compete in basketball, volleyball, wrestling, athletics (track and field and cross country), baseball, golf, archery, taekwando and boxing. Basketball has the largest participation with girls and boys teams in the 13/14, 15/16 and 17-19 age groups and an adult women's team.

Tryouts for the 17-19 year old boys (Juvenile Division) were held on Saturday at St. Francis and 12 young men and two alternates were selected for this year's Indigenous Games. TJ McCauley/LBST, just back from his State AA runner-up finish with Pierre high school, led those players selected which included: Colton Douville/RST(helped Chamberlain to the State A), Lucas Good Shield/RST/RCCentral, JJ Arcoren/RST/SF School, Kansas and Kyal Middletent/LBST/LB high school, Zeke Parvin/RST/Winner, Duran Eastman/SWST/Tiospa Zina, Gunner Krogman/RST/Todd County, Jeff Big Crow/OST/Pine Ridge, Tyson Maxon/CRST/McLaughlin, and William Edwards/LBST with Eltwin Grassrope/LBST and Otto Flye/OST as alternates.

Dave Brushbreaker is the head coach and will be assisted by Lino Spotted Elk.

In 2002, Team South Dakota defeated Oregon, Manitoba, Ontario, Wisconsin and North Dakota on the way to the gold medal. The Midget boys (15/16 defeated British Columbia, New York and Nova Scotia and lost to Washington in the semis to earn a bronze. The juvenile girls downed New York and Manitoba and lost to Wisconsin in the semis for the bronze. The Midget girls beat Manitoba, Wisconsin and New York and lost to North Dakota in the championship for the silver.

Tyrone White earned three golds winning the 800 and the 1500 and anchoring the 4X400 with David Sanchez, Mervin Marrowbone and Tyson White. Nupa White Plume won silver in the 800 and David Sanchez won the bronze in the 1500. Flora Miller won silver in traditional archery and Quenta Two Charger a bronze. Jamie Two Charger earned a bronze in compound archery. Cory Jensen won the gold in golf, Richard Crow Eagle took a bronze. "All of our rosters are due in Denver by April 2nd," said One Star, "we are very excited about this year's Team South Dakota, we are taking twice as many athletes and we should do really well the the international competition. The 2006 North American Indigenouis Games are set for July 2-9th in Denver.

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OST president Fire Thunder considers donating individual land for abortion clinic

Opposes recent criminalization of abortion in South Dakota

By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

PINE RIDGE - The eyes of the nation were on the legislative actions of South Dakota and the Governor as the historical signing of HB 1215 made abortions illegal in the state. It created a controversy that caused Oglala Sioux tribal president, Cecilia Fire Thunder, to sit up and take notice also.

Fire Thunder was recently interviewed by syndicated columnist Tim Giago in reference to the state's abortion ban and she expressed her willingness to assist women. She also expressed her concern about continuing violence against Native women. Following the interview with Giago her office was flooded with inquiries from press about her position relative to the ban and what might be done in reality to assist women.

In a press release issued on March 24, Fire Thunder reiterated her stance on the issue and offered to assist women in exercising their own health decisions, which had been recently deemed illegal by the signing of HB 1215. The possibility of donating individual land was mentioned as a way to provide an option to women regarding their own health decisions. It would curtail the necessity of having to drive to other states in order to exercise those choices. "We want to have a viable option closer to home. Of course in our culture children are sacred, but women are sacred too and somebody who has been victimized by rape or incest should have options," Fire Thunder said.

The abortion ban is an issue that will continue to pit both sides against each other, as members of Planned Parenthood and other groups have recently demonstrated against the legislation. At present, the ban is not in place and it will most likely be challenged in the courts as being unconstitutional.

In the press release Fire Thunder wrote, "Establishing a clinic on the reservation is part of bringing a sense of dignity back to the victims from whom it was viciously stripped away."

Fire Thunder said that standing firm against the ban was not a matter of asserting tribal jurisdiction, but rather upholding federal law as it now exists. She wrote, "We are making it clear that we support the constitutional right of women all over this country, and particular here in South Dakota to make their own decisions and their own choices regarding their health… We intend to take the lead to make sure that we live up to our constitution and our own ideals and respect our female citizens."

The right to exercise such personal choices when it comes to rape or incest will need to be reconciled and interfaced with the Lakota notion of *wakanyeja* in which all children are considered sacred.

Dorothy Marshall, the Co-Chair of the Lakota Women for Change on the Rosebud shared a similar viewpoint with Fire Thunder as she noted, "The only one who can judge us is God. I believe in freedom of choice. The government can't tell us how to live our lives. There is so much hypocrisy in religion. I think it is her decision and her choice offering it to women to make that choice. We have that right. South Dakota feels that they can make that decision."

Marshall continued, "If you are versed in Lakota history, our people practiced birth control. They didn't have a whole of children. We were nomadic and couldn't be dragging a lot of kids around."

On the other side of the issue is certainly the traditional Lakota viewpoint which does not tamper with the sanctity of human life. It is an issue that, again, will likely lead to further discussion and debate around other Tiospaye in Lakota country.

Philomene Lakota, an Oglala, was asked about the term 'abortion' and she said, "*Lakota wicoiye wanice*, my research tells me" meaning that traditionally there was no such word to describe such an event. She did note that there is a term that was used to describe a miscarriage or a premature birth and it was, "*hoksi hiyuye*."

Furthermore, Lakota said, "It is a matter for all the people. If that is going to happen, it doesn't need to happen here." In the Lakota language, she noted her disdain for the way things are now days and that there was no such thing as abortion. "*He wicohan ki unhapsni eyas lehan ebah waicunpi*." She also said that the people have not been consulted about this issue when she said, "*Tohante oyate inagna waiyungesp sni*."

Dakota Sioux language saved by scrabble

HANKINSON, N.D. - Those who hope they can stop the Dakota Sioux language from dying have hit on the perfect word: Scrabble.

A special Scrabble tournament in the language made its debut last Friday, pitting teams from reservation schools in North Dakota, South Dakota and Manitoba.

The game is part of the tribe's campaign to revitalize the Dakota language, now spoken fluently by a dwindling number of elders. One survey predicted the last fluent Sisseton-Wahpeton Dakota speaker would die in 2025.

"With these efforts, we'll try to prolong that," Darell DeCoteau said as he gestured to a nearby Scrabble board. "This will probably push that back a little bit."

"Start in the middle," David Seaboy told a group of middle-school students from the Enemy Swim Day School at Waubay, S.D. "Everybody help somebody make a word."

The first word to take shape was sa, pronounced "shah" - the color red.

After a few minutes of frantic consultation with the official Dakota Sioux Scrabble dictionary, a team built on the base to form the word sapa, pronounced "shah-pa," or dirty, a word worth seven points.

"This is a good stimulant for the mind," said Seaboy, 63, one of a group of Sisseton-Wahpeton elders, all fluent in the language, who wrote the 207-page Dakota dictionary.

Pine Ridge High School announces Honor Roll

PINE RIDGE - Pine Ridge High School third quarter honor rollresults as follows:

4.00 GPA 9th Grade-
Brown Eyes, Justin; Cortier Harley; Leftwich Roman; Michaud, Dusti; Mousseau, Shontel;Tasso, Saadia; Bearing, Nicole.

10th Grade-Bearing, Nicole; Fast Wolf, Lakota; Hart, Miriam; Pond, Aimee; Swift Bird, Tia.

12th Grade-Akers, Tia; Bad Wound, Charlee;Big Crow, Deanna; Crazy Thunder, Christin; HighH awk, Norman; LoneHill, Travis; Long, Tamera; Pond, Ashley; Rowland, Dawn; Rowland Phillip; Shangreau,Katrina.

9th Grade GPA 3.00 and above

Fast Horse, Brandon; LaCosta,Roberta; Ramos,Juan; Quiver, KayCee; Janis, Breant;Red Cloud,Mary; Keith,Jonnie; Watters, Robert; Weasel Bear, Kayeloni; McLaughlin,Casey; Red Shirt, Brittney; Black Bear,Jaymz;Tuttle,RaeDawn;Janis,Sophia; Goggleye,Joanie; Cedar Face,Anne; Jealous Of Him,Anyna; Two Bulls,Cecelia; Two Bulls,Arlana;Two Bulls,Justin;Fast Wolf,Duggan; Bad Heart Bull,Airik;Yellow Horse,Cody;Flying Hawk,Beau;Holy Dance,Helen; Thunder Hawk,Francis; Hawk,Bradley; Novotny,Katie; Brewer,Jese;LeBeau,Lester;White butterfly,Katrina; White Butterfly,Delilah.

10th Grade GPA 3.00 and above

Belt,Charles,Keith,Shawn;Brewer,Keisha; Mesteth, Cherise; Pleasant,Stacee; Oldson,Macey; Beane,Elizabeth; Brewer,Stan; Tall,Stephanie; Merrival,Misty; Martin,Julia,Helper,Maria; Eagle Bul,Jared; Little Hawk, Mark; Pourier, Randee; Dreaming Bear, Felecia;Bissonette, Samantha;Her Many Horses,Liane; Running Hawk,Tiara; FastEagle, Carl; Chief, Diandra; Thunder Horse,Kelly;Poor Bear,Stephanie; Maea,Ailine; Twiss,Stephanie; Janis, Shalane; Richards,Jessica,Veronica Two Bulls/

11th Grade GPA 3.00 and above

Red Shirt,Austin; Brewer, William; Jack,Michael; Red Cloud, Devon; Rodriquez,Missy; Michaud, Davidl; Clifford, Donald; Brewer,Shawna; Provost, Jonathan; Webber,Robin;Iron Cloud,Michael; Two Bulls,Ashley; Toledo,Richard; Jealous Of Him,Glenn; Hart,Marti; Two Bulls,Jarred; Weston, Issac; Cedar Face,Cheryl; Brown bull,Sara; Pourier, Jeffrey; Merrival, Yvonne; Bettelyoun, Shira; Grass, Aldo; Morrison,Orris:

12th Grade GPS 3.00 and above

Janis,Robert;Big Crow,Jeffery; Janis,Kelsey;Yellow Horse,Ryan; Dillon,Jon; Escamilla, Marietta; Little Bear Jr., Garrett; Two Two, Mary; Wounded Arrow,Jamie; Lessert, Monique; Jealous Of Him, Roxanne; White Calf,Tishena;White Eyes, Emily; Clifford,Clayton; Sierra,Laura; Brown, Lyndon; Swallow, Colette; Wells,Tex; Valandra, Gwendolyn.





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OPINION PAGE

Our Views

Biker bars, hot hot women & spring cleaning, what a combo

It's spring and we should celebrate! The big snow we were hoping for arrived and nourished Mother Earth. Now it's time to celebrate the green that's fast approaching and to celebrate life. On Saturday, people celebrated *"wakinya agli"* welcoming back the thunders on Harney Peak *(Hinhan Kaga Paha)* which is the beginning of spring and welcoming back the rains. It is a traditional event that Lakota people do that is in association with the constellation time and the spring solstice. There are five journeys made every year on behalf of the children and the families. There are five sites in the Black Hills that are considered sacred homelands to the Lakota people. Each one has a spiritual connection and meaning to the Lakota people.

The month of April is Oglala Sioux Tribe's *Mni gluonihanpi na Unci maka ta anpetu*, Respect Mother Earth, and reservation wide clean-up days are scheduled throughout the month.

The dates have been rescheduled from last month due to the spring storm. Each of the nine districts, the OST Environmental Protection Program, and the Natural/Water Resources are coordinating efforts to do clean ups in the districts. For the week of April 3 to 7, Wounded Knee, Porcupine and White Clay districts; for the week of April 10 to 14 for Medicine Root, Wanblee and Pine Ridge and for the week of April 17 to 21, the districts of LaCreek, Wakpamni and Pass Creek.

We shouldn't think of this as a once a year chore, but make it a daily/weekly habit to keep our homes and communities clean.

The fate of Bear Butte

On Monday several grass roots, as well as International organizations will gather at 10:00 a.m. at sacred Bear Butte, East of Sturgis, South Dakota in Meade County for a small ceremony and will proceed into Sturgis for the County commissioners meeting.

As we showed you a few weeks ago on our front page, construction has already begun on the proposed site and it has us wondering if the County commissioners haven't already unofficially given the green light on the project.

Deb White Plume, Oglala Lakota tribal member and coordinator of International Coalition to Defend Bear Butte strongly put it this way, "I think there's something really wrong with Meade County because they would rather have drunken behavior, drugging, violence, abuse, other criminal behavior and people peeing in the ditches, but they don't want Indians praying at Bear Butte."

"Other cities and counties around the country have laws to protect the integrity of schools, hospitals and churches. Bear Butte is where we pray, teach our way of life and it's where we receive healing. We want the same respect given to Bear Butte that they give to schools, hospitals and churches in the United States, that's all we are asking for. This is a 'Call to Action' for all allies to come out and support us."

Tuesday, April 4, at 3:30 p.m. the Meade County Commissioners will hold a public hearing to discuss whether they should give Jay Allen a malt beverage license. Allen is planning a huge "World Biggest Biker Bar" at the bottom of Bear Butte, which will include a big amphitheatre with the butte as the background, a bar and lots and lots of asphalt where truckers can park to enjoy what Allen's Sturgis County Line Biker Bar has to offer.

We urge people who are concerned to get involved in preventing this from happening. In reality, this license means a lot of money to the county in terms of the sales tax they get from alcohol sales.

Jay Allen has been promoting his Sturgis County Line biker bar as hundreds of acres to party, lots of parking space for bikers and plenty of ice cold beer and "oh yea, hot, hot women."

Things to empower yourself

What is liberated?



By Patty Pourier

Liberated? What is liberated? To women today living in rural America- this is liberated:

*Rising before dawn to throw a load of laundry in the dryer before going off to exercise- keeping the muscle tone up and the cholesterol down.

* is getting harder every year…. I want to be healthy and have enough vanity to want to look as good as possible as everything on my body seems to be going south.

*making coffee and breakfast early enough to have a few minutes with my husband to read an inspirational affirmation for the day and doing a prayer to hopefully let God know I am still here-and to reassure myself He is still there.

* is making sure I keep a sense of humor and be treated like a man with ovaries.

* is sitting in a meeting and hearing the CEO of a large oil company make power point jokes about a "husband store that proves you cannot make women happy", when over 80 percent of the people clerking, scrubbing toilets and receiving minimum wage at the local oil company branded store are women. Liberated is wanting to stand up and leave the room when these comments are made and being too afraid to because of retribution.

*is hearing white middle class men, making a decision of forcing a 15 year old girl who is pregnant because of rape to have to go through the pregnancy because politics has infringed on a woman's body.

* is still making sure you cook a homemade something to take to church for the Sunday pot luck.

* is going back to work too soon after having a baby, with the expectation that you should have no feelings different than any other person in your office.

* is being treated like one of the guys, but having none of the guy pay, none of the guy's respect, and no entrance to the "good old boys club".

* is not what we thought it was going to be in the 1970's, but know that what we did in the 70s was the only thing that could help to balance the scale?

* is knowing that the television networks rarely show (on a regular basis) a series where a capable woman is President of the United States.

* is having the first female Tribal President and having the fact she is female be a topic of discussion.

* is having one of the few husbands that see the things are not equal and that women in America are less repressed than any other women in the world.

* is still believing that my granddaughter can be anything she wants to be-telling her so- and knowing in my heart a lot has to change before this is true.

* is doing all of this and still feeling less than.

* is having a fellow Christian woman tell you that after you are SUPERWOMAN at work and at home that you should be subservient to your husband, while all the time you know she is being physically, emotionally and mentally abused by her husband.

* is sitting in a board room with owners of the company telling you are one of them-just not on paper.

* is knowing you can and will do more, better and faster than some others and not be rewarded or even recognized because you have something different under your slacks than the men does under his!

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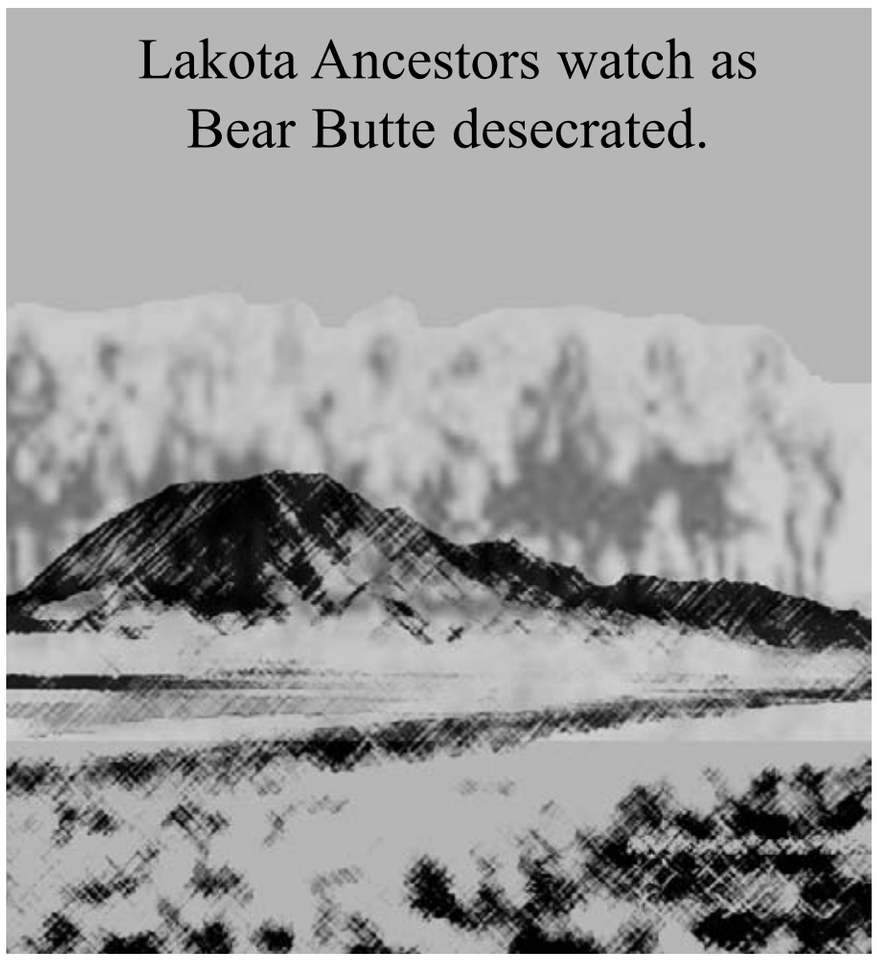
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We are asking respect for our 'sacred mountain'

My name is Carter Camp, I'm a Ponca Indian and I have been chosen to be the "Eyapaha" or "Traditional Speaker" for the Inter-Tribal Coalition to Defend Bear Butte. (www.defendbearbutte.org).

As such, I would like to announce a major effort by more than 30 Sovereign Indian Nations in America to stop the obscene developments which are being built all around the Mountain each of our Nations hold sacred and inviolable. For over a century our Nations have attempted to explain to the encroaching Americans that this Sacred Mountain is a place where we come to pray and it holds an exquisitely important place in the ancient religious ways of each of our Nations. For example, during each of America's World Wars, plus Korea and Viet Nam, our Nations and our Veterans pilgrimage to Bear Butte to pray for the victories of American Armed Forces and the safe return of our tribal warriors who fought in those wars in such great numbers. In fact all year around hundreds of Indian people make their pilgrimage to Bear Butte to pray, fast, and hold religious ceremonies. The Mountain holds such tremendous meaning to our people that many of us believe our entire way of life will be destroyed if the continued exploitation of the land around Bear Butte is allowed to continue by local and State governments.

Now because those same local and state governments refuse to hear our pleas to mitigate the developments or in any way cooperate with our requests for a five-mile buffer zone around her base, we must attempt to convince them in a more direct way. Therefore we have decided to hold another "Great Gathering of the Nations" such as the one Hunkpapa Chief Sitting Bull held in the mid 1800's for the same reason… to protect our sacred grounds. Chief Sitting Bull gathered 6,000 of his people; we plan on gathering over 10,000 native people on Bear Butte during this year's "Sturgis Bike Rally" to stand and march in witness and protest to the destruction of our most holy site. Each day of the "Rally" we plan on exercising our Constitutional right to assemble on Bear Butte and march to the Sturgis City Hall and/or the various scenes of noisy, drunken debauchery taking place around the slopes of our sacred mountain.

Our people will begin gathering to hold ceremonies on the Fourth of July and we will continue to gather our people until August when a "Grand Council of the Tribes" will be held to determine our future course of actions. All Traditional Societies will take their place in the grand circle; Traditional Chiefs will lead societies of Kit Fox, Dog Soldiers, Ponca He'Thuska, and other Lakota Tokala and Akicita to take their places at the front of the people. Our effort will be led principally by American Indian Veterans who have fought for America in all of her wars.

The second effort will be an International boycott of the Broken Spoke Saloon and all booze serving campgrounds within the five-mile buffer zone. This effort will be spearheaded by the newly formed biker group "BIKERS FOR BEAR BUTTE" who will take it upon themselves to inform the biker nation that Meade County and South Dakota are turning a deaf and racist ear to Indian people and only the bikers themselves can take the proper steps to enforce the buffer zone by asking all bikers not to patronize any campground, booze party, or concert venue within the buffer zone. They will "request" in the strongest terms that their fellow bikers stay off Highway 34 and 79 within five miles of Bear Butte. This effort has already begun and will grow much stronger before the "Rally".

In closing I would like to assure the people of South Dakota that our gathering and marches will be peaceful and within Constitutional bounds. We will seek permits for our marches and gathering places and we intend to comply with existing laws. But in the end, we fully intend to protect the sanctity of our sacred mountain no matter how long it takes; we have done so for hundreds of years and we intend to continue as long as she is being shown disrespect and remains under attack.

We further ask the people of South Dakota to help us by writing or calling their legislators and asking them to enact the five-mile buffer zone as law.

In 2001 the World Trade Center ruins became "Sacred Ground" to all Americans so it seems America can understand the concept with which our people have regarded Bear Butte from time immemorial.

All we're asking is that South Dakotans give our sacred mountain the same respect given to New York's sacred site.

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Northern Perspectives

Emergency preparedness on the 'rez'

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By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

The prospect of a major catastrophe on any tribal lands in the nation is something we probably do not give much thought to as average citizens. On the Rosebud, we have a volunteer emergency preparedness program that is headed up by the very energetic and capable Brian Herman. I had the honor of interviewing him several months ago and was able to get a sense of his responsibility and commitment.

I didn't think to inquire of him the strategies he might employ when facing such things as an oil tanker spill, chemical spill or a major roadway accident involving multiple injuries and trauma. I suppose there are many other scenarios, which we might think of and the same probably applies to the emergency preparedness folks as they must sit around and ponder the same kind of questions.

When I was in college, I can remember taking a graduate statistics class where one was asked to calculate the risk of a chemical spill occurring in a fictional town by one of the many tractor-trailers hauling their load. It was a fun exercise and exactly the kind of thing that emergency personnel probably concern themselves with if time permits.

It makes one wonder what kinds of public health concerns Lakota people had centuries ago when we experienced the encroachment and pressures of westward expansion by the masses. Such catastrophic events as the slaughter of buffalo and the mining all of our gold at a stir crazy pace must have represented such a public health concern.

It occurs to me that defining a public health threat and a related catastrophe depends on which population you happen to be from throughout the ages. Lakota people were alarmed at the incursion of white people onto our dwindling land base and equated the killing of the buffalo as a tragic event. The frontiersmen who were bent on making a buck or two, most likely saw it as commerce rather than a scourge upon a way of life for a proud people who only wanted to be left alone.

Lakota people most likely saw the excavation and extraction gold from our sacred He Sapa as an affront to 'Unci Maka' as well as to Lakota people who occupied the area from time immemorial and wished to have their property rights respected.

In this day and age, we know now that the possession of a land base is based upon historical treaties, which are to be held in perpetuity, or based upon power. Power is the issue worldwide which dictates why some nations can have weapons of mass destruction and some cannot, while others will not allow a proper accounting.

Now, we find ourselves having to prepare for a possible worldwide epidemic called the bird flu. When it is expected to mutate into something difficult to treat with medicine and kill many by spreading from nation to nation, it is called a pandemic. God forbid if it should visit the Lakota people, as enough invading forces, which took everything from our dignity to our childhoods, have assaulted us.

My sincere hope is that we will all prepare ourselves with enough supplies to last a couple of months and observe common sense things like washing our hands and staying home when we are sick. I think the Lakota people who live far off the highway and in places where their 'tiospayes' were traditionally located will be the better off, as they will avoid contact from the rest of the community. They will enjoy a certain isolation from those who may get sick as they wait for things to get better.

The bird flu represents yet another public health concern that many local health professionals will be looking at very seriously in the coming months. We will ask 'tunkasila' to be with us as we ponder what kind of strategies to employ as we work to protect our families and ourselves.

Notes From Indian Country

Driving the snakes out of South Dakota

Notes from Indian Country
By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)
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Ah, St. Patrick's Day has passed us by, but in the wee city of Rapid City an untimely blizzard the day after caused the annual parade to be postponed until the following Saturday.

I remember that as a student at Holy Rosary Indian Mission boarding school on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota, the nun who was our teacher, would give all of the students a green strip of paper to clip to their bibbed overalls so that we wouldn't get pinched for not wearing the green. Her name was Sister Patricia and I think this is a play on the name Patrick.

In our Catechism class we were told that St. Patrick lived in the Emerald Isles and was famous for driving all of the snakes from the land. Chief Day Boy, a fellow student at HRM, wished that the good Saint had come to the Pine Ridge Reservation one spring day.

His name was actually Aloysius Day Boy but we called him "Chief" for some strange reason. We were playing softball in front of Red Cloud Hall when Chief Day Boy spotted a huge snake. After close observation he determined that it was a bull snake that closely resembles a rattlesnake. He made a grab for it and missed and found out soon enough that even a bull snake can bite. It chomped down on the fleshy part of his right hand and sent him screaming to the infirmary. Where was St. Patrick when you needed him?

As I said, the St. Patrick's Day Parade will go on this coming Saturday because it is a tradition late or not. But you see St. Pat's Day isn't even a legal holiday. People still go to work and the schools are still open. The post office and the banks keep operating. And yet, all around the town one sees shamrocks and everybody wears something green. It's a nice day to have and some of the guys drinking green beer in the local pub seem to enjoy it immensely.

But there is a legal holiday in South Dakota that gets little attention from the general population. The day became a holiday in 1990, sixteen years ago. It is called Native American Day, and it was recognized by the state legislators and the governor as a legal holiday.

Perhaps because I had something to do with it, the local media hardly mentions it. You see, I have been critical of the South Dakota press and electronics media for more than 30 years. It appears the media moguls in this state have very thin skins. They can dish it out and ruin a lot of lives in the process, but don't you dare ever criticize them. You will be forever censored if you do.

Indian activists called the State of South Dakota the Mississippi of the North in the 1970s. And yet, 20 years later it became the only state out of 50 to set aside a special day to honor the Native Americans.

Native American Day replaced Columbus Day 16 years ago, and yet many of the department store chains located in this fair city still advertise Columbus Day instead of the day that replaced it. Some of the local banks now put up signs at their drive up windows proclaiming that they will be closed on Oct. 12 to celebrate Native American Day.

After all of these years it seems that Native Americans are the invisible people although in Western South Dakota we make up nearly 25 percent of the total population. After observing the television advertising by Golden West Telecommunications Co., and determining that all of the participants were non-Indians, I called the director of the company, Dwight Flatt, and mentioned this to him. He immediately called in his advertising agency and set about to include Native Americans in his company's commercials. As a matter of fact, Golden West also gives their employees a holiday on Native American Day.

An Indian friend of mine from another state was visiting me one day when a commercial for South Dakota State University aired. The ad showed various people in various jobs and asked the rhetorical question, "What do all of these people have in common." My guest said, "They're all white?" It is a shame because SDSU has had several very influential American Indians graduate from that fine institution. And at a time when the Indian children of this state badly need role models, where are the ads lauding these Indian graduates? Roe v. Wade is not the problem in South Dakota; the problem is white v. Indians.

Like most of the Lakota people in this state, I try to wear something green on St. Patrick's Day, but I also try to attend the wonderful Black Hills Pow Wow that is celebrated on Native American Day each year in Rapid City.

When the advertising agencies of America, especially in states with large Indian populations, understand that not all of its citizens are black or white, perhaps they will then color us (Indians) into their advertising so that we will no longer be the invisible people.

In the meantime, I intend to enjoy the annual St. Patrick's Day parade on Saturday.

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Fire Thunder should run for Governor

Dear Editor:

I read Tim Giago's column last week about Cecilia Fire Thunder's pledge to build an abortion clinic on her land to serve the women of South Dakota. This reminds me of the fairly recent event here in Wisconsin where several regional tribes pooled their resources to buy land that had for many years been owned by mining companies determined to start up a copper mine near the headwaters of the Wolf River. Citizens from around the state stymied this project again and again by working the system. But it was like a bad smell that just kept coming back. After the last legislative/administrative defeat, several tribes made the owners an offer they couldn't refuse and purchased the land. Some of the tribes are wealthy due to casino operations, but at least one had to borrow their share of the money.

As a grandaughter of Scandinavian immigrants, I can't tell you how grateful I am to the first Americans for taking these steps in defense of the earth as well as, now, in defense of basic liberty. Many years ago when I was a senior in high school, I had the great good fortune to be befriended by a fellow student. This was a big deal in a small Northern Wisconsin school for a girl relocated from Chicago. My friend and her family were Chippewas. Her father was a teacher at the nearby Job Corps facility, but their family home was on the reservation at Rice Lake. I spent many weekends with them, traveling to their home as well as the homes of family members living at Lac du Flambeau. She and I were both rejects, but our friendship was about more than that. Sadly, we parted ways when we went off to different colleges and lost track of one another.

Now I live in the part of Wisconsin where the Oneida tribe dwells. They have done well financially in this area, thanks to the casino near Green Bay. Whites have for the most part changed their attitudes and the racism that was so blatant 35 years ago has subsided somewhat. But it emerges every year when the sturgeon run and the white men get together to complain about the 'discrimination' they experience in this context. It's really obnoxious, though this is also subsiding somewhat as time passes.

Anyway, if you want to pass this on to Ms. Fire Thunder, please let her know I think she's a hero and the women of South Dakota are fortunate to have her. Perhaps she should run for governor of South Dakota. She'd probably have a great chance of winning.

Best Regards,
Joanne Roush

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Congratulations Mustangs

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my congratulations to the Mustangs Boys Basketball Team on placing seventh at the 2005-2006 South Dakota State Boys A Basketball Tournament. I commend you for your hard work to get to this level of competition.

As a former South Dakota high school basketball player, I know firsthand how much time and perseverance it takes to achieve your team's success. I am certain that you have endured long practices, countless sprints, and difficult scrimmages on your journey to the state tournament. Clearly every single one of you deserves credit for the efforts you put forward to reach your goals. Your school, family, teammates, and the entire community can be proud of your accomplishments.

Congratulations again on a very successful season. Keep up the good work.

Senator John Thune
Washington, D.C.

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Due to limited funding through the contract health service program the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility is required to review medical priorities when approving CHA referrals. At this time the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility will only be approving those CHS medical priorities that are viewed as **Priority I:Emergency -- Diagnostic or therapeutic services which are necessary to prevent the immediate death or serious impairment of the health of an individual.**

ROSEBUD COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE FACILITY CONVENIENCE CARE CLINIC (WALK-IN) SERVICE UPDATE

After careful consideration the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care Facility has elected to CLOSE the Urgent Care Clinic effective immediately. Management has determined that the implementation of a Convenience Care Clinic (Walk-In Clinic) would better service the patients in the community.

Convenience Care Clinic (Walk-In Clinic) will begin effective Monday, April 3, 2006 It will be located within the Clinic Area and will be operational Monday thru Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Any patients presenting for care after 4:00 p.m. will be seen in the Emergency Room between the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. to meet the health care needs of the increasing number of patients that will be seen by the Emergency Room Department.

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Two Sections

Pine Ridge students earn honors at AISES

BY MISTY MOUSSEAU
Special to the Times

PINE RIDGE - Last week a late spring snow storm had cancelled a trip for a group of Pine Ridge High School students who were traveling to Albuquerque, N.M. to attend the 19th Annual National American Indian Science & Engineering Society. By Tuesday afternoon the trip had been reorganized and the students departed Wednesday on a very interesting trip.

The annual science fair event is sponsored by the American Indian Science & Engineering Society. This event serves as a qualification to the International Science Fair held each year as well as awards, cash prizes, scholarship, and awards for additional categories. This undertaking is an educational activity that allows students to teach themselves, to take from the established information what they need to discover something new, and to identify and choose the tools they need to conduct and conclude their projects. When a student completes a science fair project year after year, through junior and senior high school, the science project produces mature, self-confident, skilled and competitive young leaders who have career goals and the preparation to attain them.







(Above) Michael Jack and Ashley Ponds with 3rd place team prizes, simulating disease transmissions. (Above right) Brittney Red Shirt 2nd Prize Earth Science-Glacier Formation. (Right) Group picture outside of students who attended. Photo courtesy of Misty Mousseau.

AISES is a private, non-profit organization that nurtures building of community by bridging science and technology with traditional native values. The fair is one of AISES' K-12 educational initiatives that supports the advancement of American Indian students in mathematics, science, and engineering. The fair provides a learning experience that promotes academic and cultural enrichment for students.

I had worked with various schools

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Josh Steele wins Golden Gloves, advances to championships

MANDERSON - In February, Josh Steele of Manderson, and of the Nation of Outlaws Boxing Club coached by Chissie Spencer won the state Golden Gloves in Omaha, Neb.

With that win, Steele advanced to the mid west championships March 17 and 18. The first night he fought the three times defending champion in the 178 pound class and won by the decision over Sean Bobier of Omaha.

On March 18, Steele fought Dustin Hedrich of Kearny, Neb. and defeated him. Hedrich is last year's defending champion. Steele will now go on to fight in the United States Nationals which will be April 24 in Omaha, where 300 of the best fighters in the nation will compete in this national level.

The parents of Josh Steele are Tim 'Rabb' Steele of Manderson and Roseann Ladeaux-Clifford of Pine Ridge. Grandparents are Josh and Margaret Steele and Sam and Lucy Ladeaux.

Clayton Gibbons, 12 years old and David Gibbons Jr. 11 years old, also of the Outlaws Boxing Club, competed in the Silver Gloves Championships in Independence, Mo.





Right: Josh Steele will compete in the nationals on April 24. Clayton and David Gibbons Jr. placed in the Silver Gloves. Photo courtesy of Chissie Spencer.

Wounded Knee District School boxing smoker April 8

MANDERSON - The Wounded Knee District School boxing smoker will be April 8 with weigh ins at 12 to 2 p.m. There will be a coaches meeting at 3 p.m. and fight time is scheduled for 5 p.m.

The awards will be jackets for outstanding fighters, a travel trophy, best bout of the night, sportsmanship trophy, team trophy, trophies and medals to all fighters and jackets for male and female.

The participating clubs will be the Wolves Den of Eagle Butte; Young Guns Boxing club of Standing Rock; Wakpala Boxing Club of Wakpala; Medicine Root Boxing Club of Kyle; A-Town Boxing Club of Allen; Welch Boxing Club of Vermillion; Oglala Boxing Club of Oglala; North Ridge Boxing Club of Pine Ridge.

The rap group Native Era will perform at 4 p.m. and intermission.

The smoker is sponsored by White River Crossing Drum Group, Pinky's Store and Wounded Knee District School. Contact Chissie Spencer at 605-455-6384. The event is a fund raiser for the eighth grade class.

Pine Ridge area cleanup scheduled for April

PINE RIDGE - There will be a reservation-wide clean up for the Pine Ridge Reservation for April, 2006.

Rescheduled clean up dates are as follows:

April 3 - 7 for Wounded Knee, Porcupine and White Clay Districts.

April 10 - 14 for Medicine Root, Wanblee and Pine Ridge Districts.

April 17 - 21 for Lacreek, Wakpamni and Pass Creek Districts.

The clean-up is initiated to promote individuals into taking pride in their homes and communities. This will be a one-time clean-up only.

All interested individuals to take part in the clean up and provide additional trash bags, gloves and individual volunteers to assist with this effort.

The OST Natural and Water Resources, Environmental Protection Program, OST Solid Waste, Pine Ridge Agency BIA, District Governments, ONEC Schools, OST Housing Authority, OST Transportation and others are working together to make this happen.

For more information, please contact either: Bob Pille, Director, OST Environmental Protection Program at 605-867-5236 or Mike Catches Enemy, Director, OST Natural/Water Resources at 867-5624.

2nd Annual Four Directions Walk rescheduled for April 5

ROSEBUD - The 2nd Annual Four Directions Walk will be held Wednesday, April 5 at 9 a.m The public is cordially invited to attend.

Registration will be from 8:30 to 9 a.m. at the Rosebud Sioux Tribe Administrative Building in Rosebud.

The first 100 people to register from each direction will receive a t-shirt. The walk is meant to serve as a gesture to unite the Sicangu Lakota in prayer and reflection against Diabetes. It is sponsored by the RST Diabetes Prevention Program and the SGU Diabetes Initiative.

The walk will be four miles in each direction. Walkers will finish the walk at the RST Administration building in Rosebud where a public lunch will follow.

For more information contact RST DPP at 747-4600.

Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Weekly Flu Clinic
Every Thursday at the Public Health Nursing Office in Pine Ridge for high risk adult population call Kendra at 867-3297 for additional information.

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Pahin Sinte College Center Walking Club
starting at 4 p.m. each day Monday through Friday at the center in Porcupine, for information call Janice or Alva at 867-5404.

Grief Support Group
meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888.

Financial Literacy Training
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 27-29 at Joyner Hall in Pine Ridge from 1-5 p.m. with an early bird session from 11-12 noon, enrollment is limited to 20 participants, for information or to enroll call OST Partnership for Housing office at 867-1555

Flea Market/Indian Taco/Baked goods sale
Wednesday and Thursday, March 29 and 30 at the Sacred Heart Church Hall in Pine Ridge with flea market opening each day at 10am and the food sale at 11:30 a.m., call Angie Stover for information, 867-5551.

Manderson Tenant meeting
Wednesday, March 29 at 5:30 p m. at the Wounded Knee District CAP office in Manderson with supper scheduled for 5 p.m.

First Tee of Pine Ridge Reservation meeting
Set for Wednesday evening March 29 at 6 p.m. at the Pine Ridge CAP office, meet the board and get information on goals of organization, call Larry at 867-3038 or Terry at 867-3037.

Special Session OST Council
Wednesday, March 29 in Porcupine at the CAP Office to finish agenda for regular January meeting.

Health Fair
Wednesday, March 29 at the Kyle Elder's Complex from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. focusing on diabetes prevention, elderly vision, nutrition, inhalant and poison education.

Loneman School's Gifted and Talented Program Open House
Wednesday, March 29 from 3:30-5:30 p.m. with a family night set for 5:30 p.m. in the gym with a meal provided.

Sioux Nation Treaty Council meeting
Thursday, March 30 at 10 a.m. in the council chambers of the Red Cloud Building in Pine Ridge.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
Friday, March 31 at Little Wound School in Kyle with grand entries at 1 and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m.

Oglala Lakota College celebrates 35th anniversary
Elder's Forum set for Friday, March 31 in main conference room of Piya Wiconi with an original founders recognition program on Saturday, April 1 at Little Wound School gym at 10 a.m. with a lunch to follow and with a contest pow wow to follow with grand entries at 1:30 and 7 p.m.

Kaihleya Co-ed Volleyball tournament
Saturday and Sunday April 1 & 2 at the Sinte Gleska multi purpose building in Mission call Tate at 208-0871 or 208-2689 for Robin or 208-2607 for Merle

WKDS 8th grade graduation fundraiser Co-ed staff tournament
Saturday and Sunday, April 1 & 2 at WKDS in Manderson for info call Edwin at 455-6369, Frank at 455-6379 or Jesse 441-5728

2006 Pine Ridge Reservation Clean-up
April 3-7 for Wounded Knee, Porcupine and Whiteclay Districts, April 10-14 for Medicine Root, Eagle Nest and Pine Ridge and April 17-21 for LaCreek, Wakpamni and Pass Creek, for more information call 867-5236 or 867-5624.

Education Summit
Friday and Saturday, April 7 and 8 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City sponsored by the OST Education Committee.

PRHS students place at AISES: from page B1

that had sent and gained awards at this event but had never had the opportunity arise until this year to work with Pine Ridge High School students. As a graduate of PRHS and trip manager for AISES-NAISEF it is definitely a sense of true accomplishment to return to my old high school to work with new students who are preparing to enter their college endeavors.

I have many great things to speak of these students as I recall being in there exact shoes over almost 10 years ago. AISES has been my extended family since my days at PRHS and I am proud to have had the chance to be represented by so many great students and projects at this years NAISEF event. The students' eyes were so big and their smiles and words spoke very highly of their appreciation for participation in this event.

This years NAISEF had reached its capacity for projects submitted back in early February. PRHS had entered five projects with one not attending and four representing their high school. The students had competed in several categories by grade level and among over 325 projects and 526 students from across the United States and Alaska. Students had traveled from Miami, Fla. with their parents to take part in the event. I was blessed to have a great group represent PRHS as well as local AISES chapters and sponsors from our area and region. Two of the four projects submitted had placed in there respected categories and grade levels.

Brittney Red Shirt - Grade 9
Earth Science - Glacier Formation

2nd Place Award
Michael Jack and Ashley Ponds - Grade 12
Team Project- Simulating Disease Transmission

3rd Place
Austin Red Shirt - Grade 11
Sound Waves

Participant
Devon Red Cloud - Grade 11
Reaction Times
Participant

These students deserve to be commended for their effort, dedication and participation to the AISES and team NAISEF events. I would also like to thank among the sponsors of this trip Ruth Ziolowski at Crazy Horse Memorial Foundation for her generous donation for this trip. A special thanks to Pine Ridge High School for there travel for the students to and from New Mexico, as well as the chaperones for this event Lynelle Long and Martin Pilcher. Also, a huge thank You! To Sylvia Pendleton for assisting the students in completion of their projects submitted. And the many thanks to anyone who contributed to assist me at AISES get these students to NM for NAISEF. I do look forward to Detroit in the fall!

If anyone has any questions or interests in future AISES events please feel free to contact me via email at mousseaux@yahoo.com or your local college chapter. This is a great opportunity for any high school students to embark on early as AISES offers paid summer internships, scholarships, travel, and leadership trainings to members in there active chapters thru college.

Porcupine School highlights Young, Pawnee Leggins and Cottier

PORCUPINE - Cody Young, 14, eighth grader, she lives in Rapid City with her auntie and cousins. Young's parents are Louis Young and Angel Brave, grandparents are Rose LaDeaux and Louie Young.

"My favorite sports are basketball, and baseball," she said. She likes to chill with friends in her spare time. Her favorite music is R&B and rap and sometimes country. Her favorite food is jo jo's with cheese! The brands of clothing she admires and likes to wear most are And 1 and South Pole. Cody enjoys reading books that are fiction. Her favorite NBA Team is 76ers and her favorite player is Allen Iverson!

"My favorite teacher that inspired me would have to be Roz Parisien, she challenged me to read and to do the best that I could possibly do!"

Cody plans to attend Central High School and go out for basketball.

Upon graduating High School she plans to go on to college and study to be a pediatrician.

The other student is Alfonso Pawnee Leggins, he is 14 and also in the 8th grade. Alfonso lives North of Manderson. His parents are Lisa Pawnee Leggins and Johnny Pawnee Leggins, he also has 4 sisters and 2 brothers. Alfonso has a pet and it's name is Stinky.

Alfonso's goals are to finish high school and go on into the Army and learn to be a pilot.

He plans on attending Little Wound High School for his freshman year and then to Crow Creek.

In his spare time he likes to play basketball and draw. Alfonso's favorite sports are basketball and baseball. Alfonso says "My role models are Kevin Garnett my dad. His favorite dog is a St. Bernard. His favorite music is Rock -n- Roll, Rap, and old Rock. His favorite rock band is Guns-n-Roses. Alfonso really likes Science and U.S. History; he thinks all the other subjects are boring. In Alfonso's spare time he enjoys playing one on one with his brother, but he always beats him somehow.

The staff spotlight this week Andrew Cottier. Andrew Cottier lives in Rapid City and his parents are Rose Cottier and John Red Hawk.

Cottier is a substitute teacher for all grades and is also the B Team basketball coach and also took this same team to YMCA, in Rapid City, for a tournament. "I enjoy working here with the students and staff," he said.

Andrew's favorite music is classic rock, his favorite band is Creed. His favorite food is Chinese and Perkins.

His favorite NBA Team is Heat and is favorite player is Shaq.



Alfonso Pawnee Leggins, Andrew Cottier and Cody Young, selected for the spotlight of the week.

The Dance Club members that placed at school dance contest at Wanblee. K-2; Girls Traditional-Katie New Holy, 1st Place ; 3rd-5th Girls Jingle, Crystal Kills Back 4th Place(not pictured) ; 6th-8th Girls Fancy, Kateri Means 4th Place ; 6th-8th Girls Fancy-Jamie White Face-1st Place(not pictured); 6th -8th Girls Jingle, Lynssey New Holy 1st Place.



Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Rally to Protect Bear Butte
Tuesday, April 4 with a prayer gathering at Bear Butte at 10 a.m., a meal to follow, a march through downtown Sturgis at 1 p.m. and a rally on the steps of the courthouse at 3 p.m., hearing on new liquor license for new biker bar set for 3:30 p.m., for information contact Nancy Kile at 605 720-0282.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
Friday, April 7 at Wolf Creek School, sponsored by Shannon County Schools with grand entries set for 1pm and 6:30 p.m., celebrating Lakota music and dance with dance and drum groups from schools across the reservation.

Basketball Tournament
Thursday, Friday and Saturday April 7-9 at the American Horse School in Allen with two divisions, an eight team men's and an eight team women's as a fundraiser for the American Horse eighth grade class, for info call Hermus 455-1209 or Erin at 455-2483.

OST Council Regular Session
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 11-13 with the location yet to be announced.

2nd Annual Easter Egg Classic youth basketball tourney
Thursday-Sunday, April 13-16 at Wolf Creek School with age divisions 15 and under, 12 and under, 10 and under and eight and under, call Tiny at 454-0518 or Doni at 867-2200.

Indian Education Teacher Job Fair 2006
Thursday, April 27 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Albuquerque Convention Center, an event to recruit teachers for all subject areas, elementary, junior high and high school, for information call 1 877 284-3822.

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No one ever told Otakuye Conroy that Lakota girls aren't good at math

Lakota winyan first American Indian to earn doctorate in environmental engineering

BY MARY GARRIGAN
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No one ever told Otakuye Conroy that Lakota girls aren't good at math.

"I never got that message," said the 29-year-old Lakota woman and math whiz from Rapid City, who may become the first Lakota - if not the first American Indian - to earn a doctorate degree in environmental engineering when she graduates from the University of Arizona on May 6.

"I was never told that girls don't do math," Conroy said of the stereotype. "In fact, most of the science and math teachers I've ever had were females."

Her own aptitude for numbers was apparent early in life.

"I was always better in math and science. It always made more sense than English or history did," she said.

Conroy (whose first name is pronounced "Oh-TOCK-oo-yay" and means Many Relatives Woman in Lakota) was born on Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. She and her family moved from Porcupine in time for her to start kindergarten in Rapid City.

What Conroy did not see in the classroom, even after 22 years of formal education, was an American Indian teacher.

"I've never had a Native American teacher - not in grade school, high school, college or graduate school," she said. "I've had Native counselors, but never a teacher."

Conroy first remembers being excited by science at Horace Mann Elementary School in Rapid City. When she progressed faster than her fifth-grade classmates, the teacher let her study independently. "Pretty soon, I was a year ahead of the rest of the class," she said.

At Rapid City Central High School, physics teacher Mark Farrand remembers Conroy as a hard-working, self-motivated student who excelled in the classroom. Farrand had lost touch with his former student after she graduated in 1994, but he was not surprised to learn of her academic accomplishments.

"What I remember was that she really didn't need a lot of special attention," Farrand said. "You can typically tell by the time they're seniors which ones are going to go on to achieve great things academically. Otak was definitely one of them."



Otakuye Conroy, a 1994 graduate of Rapid City Central High School, studied endocrine changes caused by human hormones in wastewater for her doctoral degree in environmental engineering from the University of Arizona. Conroy is the first Lakota person to earn a doctorate in environmental engineering in the U.S. (Photo courtesy of University of Arizona)

It was Farrand who first exposed Conroy to the American Indian Science and Engineering Society. Nationally, AISES provides opportunities for American Indian students to pursue their interests in science, technology, engineering and math, also known as the STEM disciplines.

Conroy attended an AISES convention during her junior year in high school and, for the first time, the idea of pursuing a career in science became a real possibility to the bright Lakota teen with a gift for math.

That pleases Pamala Silas, executive director of AISES, who works to open science and math fields to American Indian students.

"AISES is very pleased to hear of the success of Ms. Conroy. There are too few Native Americans that have obtained this level of achievement, and through her accomplishments, she blazes a path for others," Silas said.

Conroy earned an undergraduate degree in chemistry from the University of Notre Dame and two master's degrees in chemistry and engineering from UA.

Her parents, Vina and Arlo Conroy, will be in the audience when the oldest of their five children walks across the stage wearing a doctoral-degree hood.

"We're all going," said her mom, Vina. "Her dad, her sister and brothers, even her grandma." Her grandmother is planning a big honoring ceremony and Lakota give-away at her home in Porcupine later this summer to celebrate Otakuye's graduation.

The importance of education was a message that was sent early and often in the Conroy home.

"My mom and dad always sent the message that education was important," Otakuye said.

Both of her parents work for Indian Health Service in Rapid City and, although they have taken college courses, neither has a college degree.

They wanted more education and better job opportunities for their five children.

"We just raised all the kids that way," Vina said. "Everyday, me and my husband told the kids that good grades mattered, that college was important."

Otakuye's sister, Weewashte, 24, attends nursing school and a brother, Jesse, is planning to attend a vocational-technical school. The youngest son, 12-year-old Shota, is in middle school.

Vina Conroy said her oldest daughter has always been driven to succeed.

"She has that drive in her," she said. "She always had that drive."

And academics weren't her only interest. She was chosen as Miss Black Hills Nation at the Black Hills Powwow in the mid-1990s and she had a short-lived movie career that included a small role in "Dances with Wolves" and the role of Mary in "Miracle in the Wilderness."

Joe Hiller, Ph.D., is an assistant dean at the University of Arizona and a role model of sorts for Conroy. He is of Lakota heritage and graduated from Hot Springs High School in 1970.

"Otakuye is quite a scholar," Hiller said.

Hiller mentors Indian students such as Conroy in the Alfred P. Sloan Program, which is part of the university's strong track record of enrolling and graduating Indian students. Approximately 600 undergraduates and 200 graduate native students attend UA, and it ranks among the top five universities in conferring doctoral degrees to American Indians.

As a Sloan scholar, Conroy is unusual in that she is Lakota, but not because she is a woman.

"Most of the graduate students I know are Navajo, perhaps because the school is in Arizona," she said. Navajos are the largest U.S. Indian tribe.

And although engineering is still a male-dominated field, that may be changing in environmental engineering. "Half of my classmates are female," Conroy said, "and in my doctorate program, there are more females than men."

After four years of college and six years of graduate school, Conroy is excited to finally get to apply her academic degrees in the real world where environmental pollution and water contamination threaten the nation's water sources.

Her doctoral research measured concentrations of human hormones, chiefly estrogen, found in Arizona ground water supplies and focused on endocrine disruption caused by wastewater effluent.

"There's a water shortage here in Tucson, and the area will soon need to start using treated wastewater as a water resource," she said.

But sewage contains estrogen in amounts that can be harmful to humans. Regulating and removing estrogen from water supplies are future challenges that scientists such as Conroy will face.

It is a fascinating field of research in which she could easily spend her entire career, Conroy said. "I would like to focus on water quality monitoring in some way. That would be very exciting to be a part of," she said.

Whether that happens in an academic setting, in private industry or in tribal government, she doesn't know yet.

"I have to decide soon," she said of her job options. She's applying for faculty positions at the university level, but she also considers working for the Indian Health Service as an environmental engineer or coming back to South Dakota to work with water management and water quality issues at the tribal level.

Stacy Phelps, a science educator at Oglala Lakota College, would love to see Conroy return to Pine Ridge Reservation to work on water issues.

"We operate an EPA-certified water quality lab at OLC and are very interested in offering her a position to work with our labs and to begin working as an instructor down the road," Phelps said. "... If we can get her back, she'll be a great role model for our students."

Vina Conroy tells her daughter to follow her own heart.

"Me and her dad would both like her to do what she wants to do," Vina said. "She's worked really hard to get to this point. It's her choice. Wherever she wants to go, whatever she chooses is fine with us."

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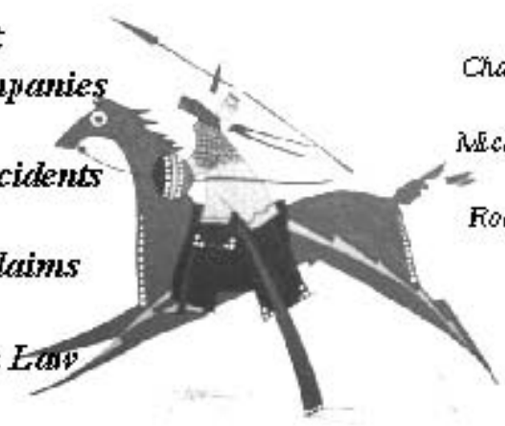
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Feeling Bad

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I see the ring underneath a dresser, caught between something and the wall. For some reason, I don't see you finding it for about three months, when it will be located.

Dear Anna,

I've recently had some issues in my life concerning court dates. My significant other is being taken to court over child support. The female that claims these children are his states that he does not want anything to do with them and that's not true. He isn't allowed to have visitation by her so I guess my question is: Are these children biologically his and what will the outcome in court be?

Do you see us having visitation with these children?

Worried about court

Dear Worried,

I see two children being his. He will be assigned child support. Visitation will be allowed on a reasonable basis. The relationship with his ex was not a very pleasant one, and the anger that resides there is not healthy for these children.

Please help your mate to understand that a grudge against the mother will only enhance his own difficulties with her and with his children.

People that are not meant to be together in life do not need to hold a grudge for the manner that they chose to escape the relationship. He didn't hate her when he met her and out of respect for her as a mother to his children and for the life forces they created together he Need to wash away his embitterment.

His ex needs to do the same thing. She is so angry about what didn't work out that she carries it with her everyday as part of her energy and attitude, and thereby is creating a future that will duplicate her past until she heals from the anger generated from her own unwillingness to let it go. You will find life a whole lot easier if you do not participate in enhancing his anger with his ex, by listening and not "adding to her sin list" with your comments.

You can release your anger and jealousy as they do not serve you in a good way. Remember, these children are sacred, make sure what hits their ears and hearts is sacred too.

Hey Anna,

I am 14 going on 15 and I still don't have a boyfriend and I am wondering what do you see in my future? Because you know all the girls in my class have boyfriends and still I don't. If you find anything please send me his name or something.

Do you see anybody liking me? I have a few crushes in my school but I am just wondering do you see anybody for me?

Or anywhere near liking me, you can say I'm not the average girl I am a little large but I still think this boyfriend thing is messing my life up because some boys in my school tease around with me but I don't find any of them liking me. Please anna I need your help on this one because I am very shy around boys, so if you can please send me his name please!!

Sincerely:damsel in distress

Dear DID,

Just keep everybody around you as your friend. A boyfriend or a girlfriend just for the sake of having one will lead to an imbalance. What I mean is if you're target is to have a "boyfriend" and that is what you are seeking, then you set yourself up for abuse.

You may place yourself in a place where you will do almost anything to keep him. That equals a bad start. Rather seek love, and wait and see what happens.

Love gentles the human spirit and releases the truth of who we are. I do see a mate for you, but not for quite a while. I also see a young man that has interest in you, he also carries more weight on him than is healthy. You are already his friend.

No names will be given in the paper, because then everybody would know. He is just a little taller than you, has dark hair, not real short, and I think he needs glasses sometimes. Don't worry, stick to your studies, get in shape for your body, mind and spirit, and go to college - where you will find the right relationship.

Dear Anna,

I am in a seven month relationship . I'm now six months pregnant. Me and my baby's dad are having troubles in our relationship . I'm scared it's not gonna work out for us. I don't want to be a single mom, but I feel he's seeing other women behind my back. Tell me what's going on . I don't want to give up on him. Please help.

Just don't know

Dear Just don't know,

There is a chance for you to heal this relationship. I don't think your baby's dad is really ready for the responsibility involved in a home and family.

He is just plain "freaking out." He runs around with friends, flirts, and parties to try to place his nagging fear aside. It is time for him to face himself, make a decision, get his act together, go back to school, work part time and make a plan for a successful future.

You also have to make a plan. Go back to school after the baby is born and learn a skill to support yourself and any and all children that you may have. It is not entirely up to the male in today's world to support the entire family without help. In the ideal world, mom gets to stay home for at least five years...but that is difficult to create so there have to be compromises.

If your boyfriend does not straighten out by July, then leave him. Let me grow up, and see about talking about having a relationship with him in four or five years. Oh, by the way, giving him hell every time he calls will not bring him home sooner - if at all. Gentle your spirit and talk to him, don't whine or use that special "tone" of voice. Good Luck

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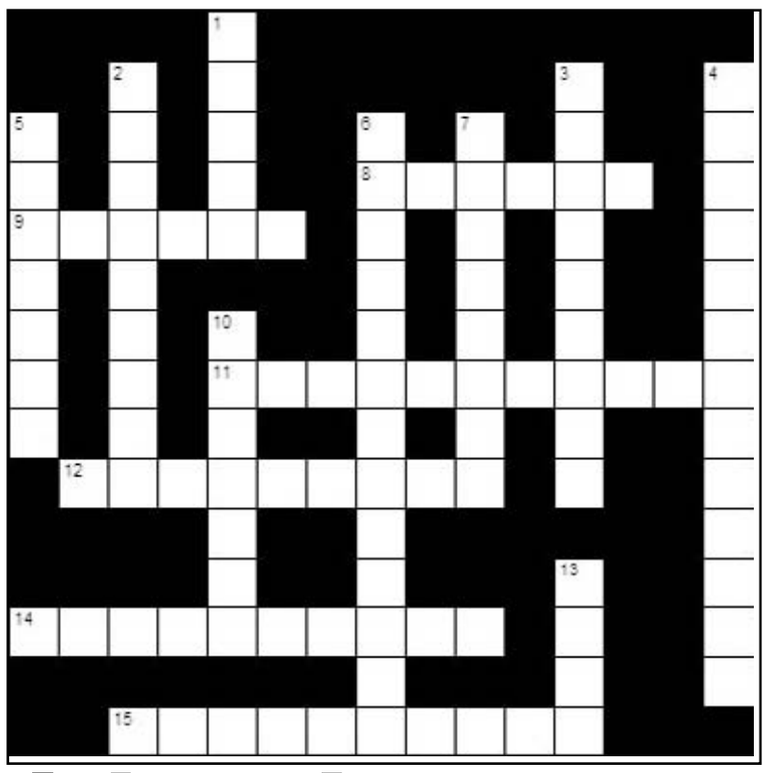
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

8. milk
9. where
11. on the side
12. hail
14. it cleared up
15. I am going to eat

Down

1. to drink
2. candy
3. one hour
4. made with grease
5. a tiny bit
6. 'The thunder beings have returned'
7. I am drinking
10. frost
13. to eat



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2. By the age of 13 you are an expert at driving, where as other children off rez at the age of 15 are learning how to back out of a 12 foot drive way.
3. When listening to the scanner you can usually look out your window to see the action. yeee!!!
4. Most injuries can be fixed at home, going to the clinic is torture in its self.
5. You at some point have cried while watching Smoke Signals, or Pow wow Highway or Skins.
6. Most of the knowlege you've gained about the world abroad comes from the discovery channel.
7. Someone near your home if not you has their house painted in some type of easter egg coloring.
8. The local mechanic's garage is his yard.
9. An essential thing to have in your house is duct tape, or WD40, they can fix anything.
10. You have never been to a salon to have your hair cut, either you use the bathroom or the back porch.
11. Such a small community, your on a first name basis with the entire
12. You have your own dialect and can usually tell what rez another native is from by their speech and features.
13. You point with your chin, or your lips, instead of your hands.
14. Your car has at one point in time been held together by some type of adhesive, duct tape, crazy glue, some wire, or bubble yum, aye don't laugh I tried it, it works.
15. You have tried to use one of the following excuses for a hickey, it's a rug burn, an allergic reaction, you fell, you were pinched, heh, heh, don't bother they never work.

Next weeks topic is:

TOP TEN INDIAN WEDDING IDEAS ...

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Marie Kills Back, 60.....Porcupine
LaVonne Frazier Gmeinder, 81.....Seargent Bluffs, IA

Isiah Ian Fire Thunder

RAPID CITY - Isiah Ian Fire Thunder, 3, Rapid City, died Wednesday, March 22, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Survivors include his mother, Rachel Fire Thunder, Rapid City; two brothers, Shane Spotted War Bonnet Jr., St. Francis, and Cruz Lopez, Pine Ridge; his grandparents, Benjamin and Gloria Fire Thunder and Darlene Fire Thunder and Christopher Stanley, all of Rapid City, Thomas and Eileen Crandall, Lompok, Calif., and Louie and Melvina Winters, Pine Ridge; his grandmothers, Helen Red Feather, Denver, and Carol Eagle Pipe, Sioux Falls; and his grandfather, Lloyd Larrabee, Denver.

An all-night wake was Sunday, March 26, at Mother Butler Center in Rapid City.

Funeral services were Monday, March 27, at Mother Butler Center, with the Rev. Paul Sneve officiating.

Burial was at Mountain View Cemetery in Rapid City. Serenity Springs Funeral Chapel of Rapid City was in charge of arrangements.

James Kills In Water

OGLALA - James Kills In Water, 85, Oglala, died Thursday, March 23, at the State Veterans Home in Hot Springs. He served in the U.S. Army. Survivors include one sister, Hannah Running Eagle, Oglala.

Funeral services were Tuesday, March 28, at Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge, with the Rev. Rhoda Mesteth officiating. Burial with full military rites was Tuesday at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis.

Baby Poor Bear

PINE RIDGE - Baby Boy Poor Bear, infant, Pine Ridge, was stillborn Friday, Feb. 3, at Pine Ridge Hospital. Survivors include his parents, Kevin Poor Bear and Josephine Standing Soldier, Pine Ridge; three brothers, Daniel Crow, Gabriel Poor Bear and Timmy Poor Bear, all of Pine Ridge; and three sisters, Jessica Crow, Stephanie Crow and Charlie Little, all of Pine Ridge.

Graveside services were Saturday, March 25, at Holy Cross Episcopal Cemetery in Pine Ridge, with the Rev. Abraham Tobacco officiating.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

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Marie Kills Back

PORCUPINE - Marie Kills Back, 60, Porcupine, died Saturday, March 18 at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Survivors include one son, Elmer Kills Back Jr., Porcupine; one daughter, Julie Kills Back-Eagle Bull, Chandler, Ariz.; one brother, Bert Sherman, Florida; four sisters, Edna Baily, Mae Sherman, Mary Sherman and Ella Sherman, all of Alaska; 46 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren. Wake services were Saturday, March 25, at Porcupine CAP Office. Funeral services were Monday, March 27, at Porcupine CAP Office, with the Rev. Simon Looking Elk and the Rev. Cecil Weston officiating. Burial was at Porcupine Presbyterian Cemetery. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.



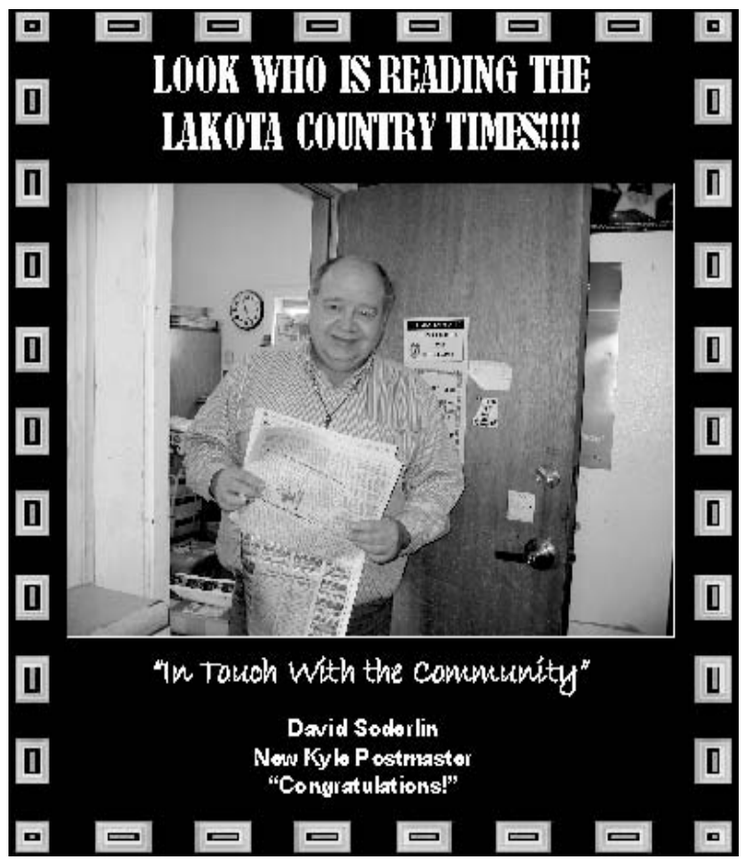
LaVonne Frazier Gmeinder

SEARGENT BLUFFS, IA - LaVonne (Frazier) Gmeinder, 81, of Sioux City died Sunday March 26 at Seargent Bluffs, Iowa; Embassy Rehabilitation Center. Services will be 10:00 a.m. Wednesday at Waterbury Funeral Home, as were her wishes her remains were cremated.

LaVonne was born Nov.16, 1924 in Niobrara, Nebraska to Emma (Chase) Frazier and Samuel Frazier. Her paternal grandparents were Isaah and Elizabeth Frazier. Her maternal grandparents were Joe Chase and Jenny Wakute. She attended grade school at Pierre Indian School and she went to high school in Bloomfield, Nebraska. She married Jesse Willard Peniska, in the early 1940's and to this union was born one son, her only child, Jesse Willard Peniska, Jr. She lived in Sioux City, Iowa. most of her life. She worked at Aalfs Maunfacturing in Sioux City, Iowa., a blue jean manufactory for 35 years from 1953-1988. She married Bud Gmeinder in the early 1960's. She was known to her four grandchildren as Grandma Blue. She was preceeded in death by her son Jesse Peniska, Jr. and her parents Emma (Chase) Frazier and Samuel Frazier, three sisters Dorothy, Marie Hughes and Fern LeClaire, and two brothers Melvin Frazier and Gerald Frazier. She is survived by one sister Caroline Besett, Seargent Bluffs, Iowa, four grandchildren, Kevin F. Peniska, Sr., New Underwood, South Dakota, Lisa Peniska, Rapid City, South Dakota, Greg Peniska, Kyle, South Dakota and Dana Peniska, Rapid City, South Dakota and 17 great-grandchildren, Jace Peniska, Kellon Peniska, Kevin F. Peniska, Jr., Waysha Goodluck, Cera Swiftwater, Eriq Swiftwater, Marcell Swiftwater, Raegan Swiftwater, Wetu Locust, Tate' Locust, Hunter Cartier, Cole Pretty Weasel, Donovan Pretty Weasel, Sonny Dane Peniska, Ryan Peniska, Jesse Peniska, and Clarissa Roebuck.



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Congratulations to: T.D. & Tiffiny Garnette on the birth of your new handsome baby boy who was born on March 24, 2006!! That is a cool name you gave him too!! Welcome Tearin LouRiley Garnette!!

We hope you enjoy your bundle of joy. . .Love Mom Aqualynne, Trevor & the crew.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
Tearin LouRiley Garnette
D/O/B: March 24, 2006 @ 12:49 AM
5 lb, 8 oz, 19 inches
Parents: T.D. & Tiffiny Garnette
Siblings: Tyrone, Taylen, & Telence Garnette
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Happy Birthday
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Happy Birthday to: Ron Two Bulls-March 5 Jordan Satterlee-March 6, Alyssa Hicks-March 6, Otto Flye-March 15, Jennie Flye-March 30. Happy Birthday to the Nuts & the Peaches! From your families in Pajola Otunwahe

I would like to wish my baby Thea BuBray a Happy Easter. Love Mom, Brooks DuBra

A Special Shout out to my niece Anthonia Petra Good Lance. Hey "neesa" remember Auntie loves you a lot no matter what happens. Okay, Love Auntie Ginger

Happy 22nd Birthday Chris & Casey and many more from the crew at Pinky's Store.

Happy 1st Birthday Tyson John Ghost Bear-Waters on March 24th. From Auntie Freed, Uncle Tom & Laci.

Happy Birthday Gilligan. From Ginger. Hope you enjoy like I enjoy your friendship

Congratulations to the White River Tigers. We are very proud of you! 4th Place in State B- From all your Fans

We would like to say Congrats to Joshua Steele for winning Golden Gloves (Champion) in Omaha. We are proud of you. Keep it up and Good Luck in the National Finals. Go all the way, you can do it. From the Crew at House #406 in Manderson.



Happy 50th Birthday to my mommy Hilda Diaz 3-21-06. All the way in Japan. From: Her 29 years old grand son Bubba & Baby Girl.

Happy 1st Birthday to Hayden Garnette on 3-19-06.It was great seeing you grow so fast, being such a smart, handsome little man. Love Auntie Lynnette, Uncle Jeremy K.S.

Happy belated 3rd birthday to our bro Charlie Jr. and 32nd birthday to our dad Charlie Sr. whose birthday was o March 7. Hope you guys enjoyed yourselves even though we didn't get to spend it with you Dad, Baby Charlie even though you get on our nerves we still love you. Hope you two have many more to come. Love you from your daughter/sister Amanda, son/Bro Lane, & daughter/sister Alexis Iron Rope.

Happy Birthday to Melvin Swallow, March 24th and Stacy Shedeed, March 25.Have fun guys at the Casino, Win Big! From your biggest fan, April

Happy 2nd Birthday to Jeremy Kills Straight on 3-23-06. I hope you enjoyed your party, just wanted to let you know I luv U!. Love, Lynnette

Happy 2nd birthday to our baby sister Alexis Iron Rope. We want to tell you we love you and will help take care of you because you're the baby. From your big sis Amanda, big bros Lane and Charles J. Iron Rope.

Happy B-day to our grandma/Unci on 3/22. We just want to say Thanks for being the greatest grandma and hope you have many more to come. Love you, From Amy, Amanda Lane Baby, Charlie and Alexis

You guys and Gals are so helpful, that I love you guys…sigh?????????

Happy Birthday on 3-15-06 to Frieda Brewer. Thanx for everything you U do for me. Hope U have a fine birthday & many more. U God Daughter Leigh Little Moon.

Happy belated 3rd B-day on March 7 to my handsome momma's boy, Charles Iron Rope, Jr. Just want to let you know how much I love you and I hope you have many more B-days to come. Love, your mom, Amy Poor Bear and dad, Charles Sr.

Terryl Blue-White Eyes- Happy B-Day on March 22, 2006. from all your staff, Thanks for everything.

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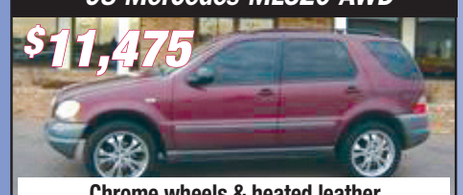
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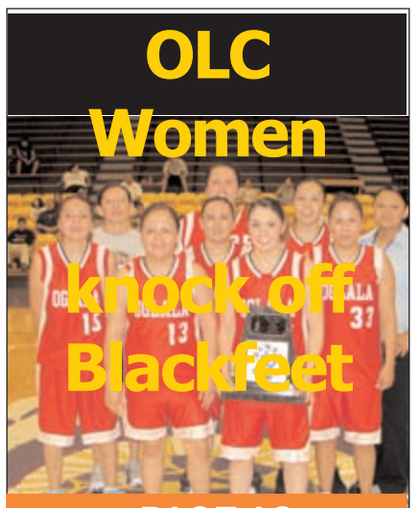
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Remains finally come home

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The ceremony to bury four newly repatriated Sicangu from the Denver Museum of Science was sad and, at the same time, a happy occasion for those assembled at the tribal council chambers on Friday, March 31.

RST councilman Russell Eagle Bear and Sicangu medicine man Roy Stone, Sr. had journeyed to Denver the weekend before to collect the remains of four Sicangu Lakota. The remains were that of an infant, a teenager and two adults. When they arrived at the museum, Stone prayed with the remains, as well as for other Native remains that were stored at the musueum.

On this day four bundles were prepared and laid out on a table with cloth of traditional Lakota colors of red, yellow, black and white and green. Afterward the bundles would be taken to a hilltop just east of the RST tribal building where they would be laid to rest after their long journey home.

The repatriation process had began on December 6, 2005 when Steven R. Holen of the Department of Anthropology wrote to the Rosebud Sioux tribe and described the human remains in their possession. In his letter he noted that under the Native American Graves Protection Act (25 USC 3003) possession of the remains were to be given over to the tribe and he proceeded to give their description. He wrote that between 1895-1897 the remains were, "removed from an unspecified area on or near the Rosebud Indian reservation." They included 16 small fragments, of long bones, five teeth, part of a mandible and two vertebrae of long bone.

In his letter Holen said the remains

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Repatriation Ceremony-on this day four bundles were prepared and laid out with cloth of traditional Lakota colors of red, yellow, black and white and green.
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QUICK HITS

"Week of the Young Child" 3rd Proclamation

Whereas, the Oglala Sioux Tribe believes in the importance of children's earliest years in shaping their learning and development and feels this is the time to recognize that children's opportunities are our responsibilities, and to recommit ourselves to ensuring that each and every child experiences the type of early environment--at home, at child care, at school, and in the community--that will promote their early learning.

Whereas, the Oglala Sioux Tribe firmly believes that all young children deserve excellent early care and education and that high quality early experiences make a difference in children's lifelong academic and social success.

Whereas, the Oglala Sioux Tribe is investing in a vibrant nation of healthy, achieving children and more stable families and support our parents as effective, loving parents to the next generation of children and that we must all work together to build a better learning environment for our youngest children.

Whereas, The Week of the Young Child is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), the world's largest early childhood education association and the purpose of the Week of the Young Child is to focus attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs.

Whereas, NAEYC first established the Week of the Young Child in 1971, recognizing that the early childhood years (birth

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OST President Cecelia Fire Thunder goes national

MICHAEL EASTMAN
Times Correspondent

RAPID CITY - Oglala Sioux Tribal President, Cecilia Fire Thunder held a teleconference March 31 which amounted to a national press conference where she demonstrated her support for building an abortion clinic within the Pine Ridge Reservation boundaries.

President Fire Thunder voiced her support for an initiative brought about not only by her, but by a growing number of supporters voicing concerns about the ramifications of a ban on all abortions in the state of South Dakota.

The state of South Dakota recently passed bill HB 1215 banning all abortions in the state. The ban will likely be challenged in the U.S. Supreme Court according to opponents. When asked about the governor's response to her position, Fire Thunder answered, "I don't expect the governor of South Dakota to respond, he hasn't been very cooperative with Indian tribes in the past. No I haven't heard from the governor."

Asked about the federal government's historical obligations and subsequent treatment pertaining to the tribe being abandoned by the United States Government, Fire Thunder said, "That's always a discussion at tribal leaders' meetings. The biggest role I play as a tribal leader is to make sure the government lives up to treaty and trust responsibility and we're always afraid that those meetings will end."



OST President Cecelia Fire Thunder

Fire Thunder stood by her position relative to the state and reiterated that she will donate her own personal land to establish an abortion clinic, that the project is in the planning stages and that she has substantial support across the reservation and throughout the nation.

Fire Thunder has a group of volunteers that are going door to door to gather 15,000 signatures that would force the issue into a state-wide referendum vote which may or may not overturn the state ban on abortions.

After fielding various questions concerning the highly debated abortion issue, she was asked about the COPS Grant and how the tribe may lose much needed law enforcement officers. The question held much relevance for the national media, who are obviously concerned about the issue of violence and death threats that inevitably surround abortion clinics nation-wide.

Fire Thunder enthusiastically assured them that she has secured a waiver on the COPS grant, that Public Safety will be funded for $1.5 million to carry out immediate obligations and that she's formulating a plan with all those involved within the next 45 days. She is also working with other tribal leaders to ensure future funding for the seven other cooperating South Dakota tribes.

Fire Thunder assured them that any protestors or outside agitators would be removed from the reservation and not be allowed back in. She repeatedly stated this was not a sovereignty issue, but about women and their rights.

When asked if she was asserting her authority as President of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, she said it was about women and the rights to her body and her choices.

She stated that she is proud to stand up for her nation and exert her power and status as tribal president to protect the rights of women world-wide, while exerting the sovereignty of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. She is proud to be leading the Great Lakota Nation in this national fight to protect women's rights.

Fire Thunder reiterates that, "The reason I stepped up to the plate and have used my status as Tribal President, is to show women that we can stand up and

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BY TOM CRASH
Times Editor

KYLE KYLE - Oglala Lakota College celebrated their 35th anniversary this past weekend in Kyle with an elder's forum on Friday, an honoring of the founders and a dance contest pow wow at Little Wound School.

"We have to take time to honor our heroes," said Tom Shortbull, president of Oglala Lakota College, on Saturday at Little Wound School in Kyle as the founders of the college were honored; "we need to honor those men and women that were responsible for the beginning of the college back in 1970, they are important to the college and to the entire nation."

OLC started in 1970 using borrowed buildings and volunteer staff as the Lakota Higher Education Center. As the college got its feet on the ground and set up shop in each district, the name changed to Oglala Sioux Community College and when the North Central Association accredited the reservation based college, it became Oglala Lakota College.

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through age 8) lay the foundation for children's success in school and later life. The Week of the Young Child is a time to plan how we--as members of a community and a nation--will better meet the needs of all young children and their families.

Whereas, the Oglala Sioux Tribe encourages our parents, elders, teachers and schools to share in the responsibility with our children and ensuring the well being of children and families and to hereby renew our commitment as a nation to create opportunities that help all children and families succeed with a higher quality of early childhood education.

I, the 36th Oglala Sioux Tribe President, Cecelia Fire Thunder, do hereby proclaim April 2nd through April 8th as the Week of the Young Child for the Oglala Lakota Nation on the Pine Ridge Reservation and encourage everyone to promote awareness to improve early learning opportunities for our children, which are crucial to the growth and development of our young children and to building better futures for everyone on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Cecelia Fire Thunder
OST President

OLC Celebrates 35 years

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Colors are vivid as dancers participate in dance contest pow wow at Little Wound School during OLC's 35 year Celebration.

"In 1967, I remember we sent out letters to all of the South Dakota colleges and universities, asking for help on starting a college on the reservation," said Birgil Kills Straight, one of the founders honored on Saturday in Kyle; "not one school in the state said they would help but we heard from schools like Oregon University and the University of Colorado in Boulder that they would be willing to help-through CU we offered 15 college courses in the New Careers Program in Pine Ridge."

Shortbull talked about enrolling in the University of South Dakota in the mid 60's and out of 20 Indian students that started at the time, two stayed and earned a degree from the university. With a ninety per cent drop out rate off the reservation, a different strategy had to be found for higher education.

"Jim Hamm started the initial organizing in the fall of 1970, the tribe chartered the college in March of 1971," said Gerald One Feather, tribal president from 1970-72, an original founder and a prime mover of getting the college off the ground; "we did whatever we had to, to get the college off the ground, after working as tribal president, I would spend four nights a week teaching college courses."

Many people have mixed memories of Dick Wilson, tribal president from 1972-76, but he gave us everything we asked for and more, added Shortbull, he worked it out for us to set up the central office in the log cabin on the OCS campus and he helped us with double wide trailers for several of the college centers in the districts.

In addition to Norman Rogers who was in attendance and was the CAP director in Wanblee in the early 70's, those honored included Calvin Jumping Bull, Geraldine Janis, Hattie Twiss, Jacob Little Thunder, Alma Jacobs and Ray Howe.

Ed Young Man Afraid of His Horses and Robert Two Crow led the founders into the Little Wound gym, Kiyaksa Singers opened with an honoring song and the flag song and John Around Him provided an opening prayer.

Cecelia Fire Thunder, president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe and Newton Cummings, chair of the college's board of trustees opened the honoring ceremonies with a welcome.

OLC currently has an enrollment of 1,300 plus students across Pine Ridge Reservation and at the HeSapa center in Rapid City.

"We have seen a tremendous growth at our college and there are so many people to thank," said Cummings, "we have built a strong student base, we have added degree areas including a graduate degree; we have built permanent facilities in each community where we offer courses and now we are looking at building dorms in Kyle and Pine Ridge."

An elders forum opened the weekend activities on Friday and a dance contest and pow wow wrapped the events up on Saturday at Little wound school in Kyle.

Nebraska Supreme Court rules for liquor tore

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) -

The Nebraska Supreme Court said last Friday the state was wrong to deny a liquor license to a store in the border town of Whiteclay.

The high court rejected an appeal by the state Liquor Control Commission. It challenged a judge's decision allowing the son of a one-time Whiteclay beer store owner to obtain a liquor license to run the business.

A handful of stores in the village, which is just across the border from South Dakota's Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, sell millions of cans of beer annually - most of it to residents of the reservation.

Alcohol is barred from the reservation, a 5,000-square-mile expanse that is home to 15,000 Oglala Sioux and has one of the nation's highest alcoholism-related mortality rates.

Common alcohol offenses in Whiteclay include public consumption of alcohol, selling to intoxicated people, rules and regulations bootlegging onto the reservation, the sale of alcohol on credit, sale to minors, public intoxication, trespassing, assault and theft.

In November, Lancaster County District Judge Jeffre Cheuvront overturned a decision of the commission denying Jason Schwarting's application for a license to sell beer from the Arrowhead Inn. The inn has been run by the Schwarting family since 1980.

The commission said he was not fit or willing to conform to the commission's because of previous liquor law violations.

At the time of the 2004 hearing, Schwarting, who had worked in the store as a clerk, had been cited once in the previous four years.

The commission also said it believed there was a hidden ownership arrangement between Jason Schwarting and his father, Don Schwarting.

Don Schwarting lost his license to run the Arrowhead Inn after he was convicted of a felony for selling cars without a license.

State law does not allow a convicted felon to hold a liquor license.

Jason Schwarting's lawyer, Andrew Snyder, hailed the ruling, saying there are other license holders who have had more violations in a shorter period of time who have been allowed to continue in business.

Earlier this month, American Indian activists and others rallied in Rushville to oppose automatic renewal of liquor licenses for three remaining stores in Whiteclay.

The Sheridan County Board of Commissioners later passed a resolution automatically renewing the liquor licenses for the three stores.

Nine American Indians, including American Indian activist Russell Means, were arrested in July 1999 as hundreds of Oglala Sioux marched from the reservation to Whiteclay. They were protesting the beer sales and the unsolved murders of Wilson Black Elk Jr., 40, and Ronald Hard Heart, 39, whose bodies were found in a culvert near the South Dakota-Nebraska state line.

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demand the right to choose. Women of America have the obligation to stand for all women of the world."

When asked if she had consulted the elderly and medicine men, she said, "Yes, I've consulted with many elderly women and medicine women and they said abortion was a practice that the Oglala historically practiced."

She went on to say that according to her knowledge and that of the elders there were natural ways in which this was conducted.

Fire Thunder announced the name of her new clinic as Sacred Choices Clinic.

When asked if she could say anything to the President of the United States, concerning any and all issues pertaining to the Pine Ridge reservation, she said, "President Bush, there is more to America than Texas and there's more to America than Washington, D.C. I think the president is really out of touch with America."

The New York based National Planned Parenthood spokesperson added that they are more than willing and able to help with financial resources, yet still voiced concerns about the safety of clinical personnel and the tribes' ability to protect them. President Fire Thunder assured them that this issue is being addressed.

Fire Thunder stated that she's adamant about following federal and tribal law. No website has been established yet, but you can reach President Fire Thunder at firethunder_president@yahoo.com

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Russell Eagle Bear

PHOTO BY: AMANDA TAKES WAR BONNETT

came, "Into the possession of Jesse H. Bratley, a teacher at the Lower Cut Meat school. He died in 1948 and his daughter sold the remains to Francis V. Crane who donated them in 1983 to the museum." The remains apparently were collected from the ground surface. Eagle Bear, who served as the host for the ceremony explained that remains had originally been placed on a burial scaffold above ground and had fallen to the ground over time. Victor Douville, a Lakota historian from the SGU Lakota Studies Department also supported this notion.

Leonard Crow Dog spoke at length at the efforts to properly repatriate the remains. He said, "Who gave the white teacher permission to take the remains." He noted that they were already in the happy hunting grounds and should not be spoken of in terms of heaven or hell or judgment day. Even though the remains were unidentified he noted that they had names and the power of their spirit is something one cannot analyze.

They were given the name, "Tatanka Najin" (Standing Bull) and it was the name they were buried with as we are all related to them.

Eagle Bear said, "We don't know who they are. We are not going to send them into the spirit world without a name." The drum group "Eagle Mountain" sang several songs to help them continue on their journey. He noted that it was important to educate the young ones about this ceremony, which was a learning experience for all. Photographs were allowed to be taken, but not during any of the traditional songs or prayers.

Duane Hollow Horn Bear of SGU spoke in Lakota and translated into English he said, "You are all feeling bad at the white institution. They made us feel sad. We do not know them, but we will talk to their spirit, if lost, we will send them to their relatives."

Hollow Horn Bear said that speculation could continue for a long time as to who the people were. Where did they come from and what if they came back from the Little Big Horn battle? Whatever the questions were the remains needed to be set free. Chief High Hawk of the Wajaja band is buried north of the location where the remains were found and the remains were likely part of that band.

Douville of SGU noted that it was a sad, yet happy day and their spirits were probably restless for the ordeal they were subjected to in finally coming home. Medicineman Sam Wounded Head said in Lakota, "Lakol wicohan ki suta, woiyukan waste luha. Dakomni otehi.Wacekiunkiciyapi iyuskinya tokatakiya." He said, "The Lakota way is strong and the intentions and thoughts are good. It is going to be tough. We will pray so that they will be happy in the future."

SGU president Lionel Bordeaux also spoke of a time long ago when the Lakota first encountered the presence of long horn cattle in Lakota country. He said, "whether they were born in the 1800's, 1850's or 1870's, those were turbulent times for our people. They began to see something happening that was not going to be good."

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Florentine Blue Thunder also spoke entirely in Lakota about the ceremony. Eagle Bear closed the ceremony by noting that there should have been thousands of people at the ceremony, which saw some fifty, or more in attendance. The four bundles were carried out to a waiting vehicle as Eagle Mountain sang and they were carried to a nearby hill as they completed their journey home; Eagle Bear said it was a learning experience for all.



Russell Eagle Bear with remains

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OLC Women closes out AIHEC Champtionships

Tera Cuny, Alberta Wright earn All Tourney Honors



BY TOM CRASH
Times Sports Correspondent

LAWRENCE - Oglala Lakota College closed out the women's side of the 2006 American Indian Higher Education Consortium national basketball championships in Lawrence, KS this weekend with a 79-49win over Blackfeet for third place. Tera Cuny and Talana White Woman both tossed in 20 points while Alberta Wright added 18 points.

The ten team tourney, hosted by Haskell Indian Nations University, opened on Thursday with pool play and got down to serious business with the single elimination tourney on Saturday.

OLC opened the tourney with a 44-32 loss to Salish Kootenai College of Pablo, Montana. Alberta Wright led OLC with 10 points, White Woman hit for nine; Salish was led by Cali McLean's 17 points and Red Cloud graduate Elaine Yellow Horse with eight. Little Big Horn got by SIPI 59-33, Blackfeet over Ft. Berthold 34-21, Northwest Indian College 52-34 Chief Dull Knife and Haskell 95-21 Stone Child.

Tera Cuny led the way in the second pool play game as OLC defeated Little Big Horn 48-42, Cuny hit for 24 points. Yellow Horse led Salish with 15 points as they won their second pool game 73-25 Ft. Berthold. Blackfeet downed SIPI 31-23, Haskell 58-32 Northwest Indian and Chief Dull Knife won by forfeit over Stone Child .to close out pool play.

OLC opened tournament play with a 71-67OT win over Salish to move into the semi finals. Tera Cuny led the way with 28 points and White Woman chipped in 23. Yellow Horse hit four threes and finished with 14 points to lead Salish. Other tournament games included: SIPI 45-42 Ft. Berthold, Little Big Horn 92-48 Stone Child, Northwest 71-56 Dull Knife, Blackfeet 65-37 SIPI and Haskell 106-49 Little Big Horn.

In the semis, Haskell proved to be a bit much for OLC as Haskell earned a trip to the championship game with a 83-32 over OLC. Haskell had five players in double figures and OLC was led by Cuny and TJ Randall with nine each. Northwest Indian downed Blackfeet 68-61 in the other semi.

Haskell dominated Northwest Indian 84-46 to win the AIHEC championship. Tera Cuny and Alberta Wright earned all tourney honors for OLC. Sara Buckman, Kim Randall and Lian Gabaldon also played for OLC.

left:
OLC took third in last weekend's AIHEC championship tournament hosted by Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, KS. OLC's team included TJ and Kim Randall, Talana White Woman, Alberta Wright, Tera Cuny, Sara Buckman and Leann Gabaldon; Mary Tobacco was the coach and Joanie Tobacco was the manager and assistant coach.

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Wilson-Pine opens 2006 track season with 3200 win

O'Bryan places in 100, 200

BY TOM CRASH
Times Sports Correspondent

BOX ELDER - Alex Wilson-Pine, a junior at Pine Ridge High School, won the 3200 meter run and took fourth in the 1600 on Saturday at the Douglas Early Bird track meet in Box Elder. Wilson-Pine won the State A Cross Country championship this past fall and Saturday he served notice that he will be a factor in the upcoming track sesson in the distance races.

Marissa O'Bryan, a senior at Red Cloud, has set her sights on the100 and 200 and developing into a long jumper in preparation for a possible college track opportunity at the University of South Dakota. On Saturday, O'Bryan opened the season with a personal best 27.1 in the 200 and a fourth place, a 13.20 and fifth place in the 100 and a ninth in the long jump.

"We are really happy with Marissa's first meet," said Matt Rama, Red Cloud track coach, "our students only had two days outside before this meet and O'Bryan has put some work into the preseason and it shows, we are going to work on her form and the start and we should only get better from here."

Sophia Janis of Pine Ridge took 21st and Crystal Apple of Little Wound was 28th in the 100. Little Wound's Erin Boyce was fourth in the 800 and 16th in the 400 while her sister Julie was tenth in the 400 and 13th in the 800. Lisa Ferguson/LW took 18th in the 400 while Summer Christenson/LW was 12th in the 800 and 14th in the 1600.

Bobby Janis/PR was sixth in the 100, Johnny Clous/LW was 32nd , Jeff Pourier/PR was 34th and Orlando Fineran/LW was 36th. In the 200, Desmond Ridhards/LW was 27th and Matt Janis was 31st.

Public involvement hearings set up for road through Wounded Knee

WOUNDED KNEE - Following a decision by the tribal council to set up one or two listening sessions in Wounded Knee before any decision is made about the route of a new road through Wounded Knee and the massacre site, four hearings were set up to get input from residents of Wounded Knee, the community and the district and interested community members from across the reservation.

Hearings start on Monday, April 10th at the CAP office in Manderson at 1pm. On Tuesday, April 11th, the hearing will be at the Wounded Knee Community Center at 6pm and on Wednesday, April 12th the hearing is set for Wounded Knee District School in Manderson at 3:30pm with the last hearing set for the Fire Lightning Tiospaye Tipi in Wounded Knee on Friday, April 14th at 10am.

Residents of Wounded Knee are encouraged to participate in the hearings and have their opinions heard. The tribal council asked that the input be returned to the council within 30 days so a decision on the route of the reconstructed BIA Highway 27can be made in time so the work is not held up any more.

According to Jeff Whelan, transportation director, $10 million has been appropriated to complete the reconstruction project.

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Our Views

Lakota media has obligation to access information

We survived the harsh winter weather and LIHEAP funds came through most of the time. It is a valuable program for the needy and many Lakota tribes need to continue to fund the program next year through their own budgets. We tried to connect with the office of Senator Tim Johnson in a planned conference call to get a sense of the budget cuts, which will ultimately impact Lakota people on the northern plains, but he was tied up in committee discussions on agriculture. We will make an attempt to reconnect perhaps this week.

It points out the tremendous need for the Native print and broadcast media to access the data that will keep tribal citizens informed of those things, which will immediately have an influence in their lives. Making such up to date and informed choices requires sound judgment on our part and we hope to live up to that responsibility.

We recognize that the landscape that is the 'news' is forever changing. We focus on newsworthy events and people who are making a difference in Lakota country, while emphasizing that language and culture is important to us. Some news stories can be repetitive and it is incumbent upon certain media outlets to recognize that not all Lakota people want to hear news that speaks of someone's misfortune or hardship. We hope that focusing on the movers and shakers in Lakota country, examining innovations, and presenting the positive influences and ideas of role models is what will create an enduring impression.

Making preparations for the April 15 tax filing deadline is important as we need to take time to secure our needed documents such as, social security cards, W-2's, 1099's and to make sure we are clear on the deductions we might qualify for.

Things to empower yourself

Our character is formed early



By Patty Pourier

"From prebirth to the age of 7 our characters are formed, " according Drs. Nancy and Ron Rockey. "If a traumatic event happens between these ages, the emotional and character formations in our brain are dwarfed (stunted) at that age."

After hearing this at a lecture I attended last weekend, I saw why progress is hard to make on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

With 80% alcoholism- it could be assumed that 80% of children on the reservation are traumatized by an alcoholic during the birth to age 7 years of life. And if what they say is true, that would mean we would have people that appear to be adults, running around in adult sized bodies, with characters and emotions of a pre-school aged child.

After being around for a while, I tend to agree with the Rockey's. Many times I see the tribal council, employees, and some of my own relative's actions resemble those more of a 5 year olds than the adult they seemingly are.

Stop and think about your behavior in the past 6 months, are there times that it resembled a child rather than an adult?

I also learned that we don't fall in love with a person, we fall in love with our dysfunctional equal. OUCH! That hurts. This is saying that we are just as emotionally damaged as the person we chose to spend the rest of our life with. Or another way of saying it is, we are as emotionally healthy as the people we are attracted to. No matter how you say it- it boils down to being just as sick as the person we love. No more looking at our significant other and seeing how they need to change--according to our lector- the need for healing would be equal between two mates.

The good news is, if you are teachable, you are fixable. You do have worth and value and you are worth fixing. Stop looking around you, pointing fingers and look in the mirror.

Thank you letter to Cecelia Fire Thunder

An Open Letter to Cecelia Fire Thunder

Dear Editor:

I just wanted to thank Cecelia from the bottom of my heart as a woman, a citizen, a sister of light and a human being, for her actions….I don't even live in South Dakota, but I have followed the nonsense going on there with great interest as I am worried for our freedoms as a nation with the direction many states and of course, federally, that this nation is going.

Will you please let the honored Cecilia know how much her courage is appreciated and applauded from a distant land…I live in Chumash territory.

Thanks for writing so well of the news…I think we should pass the idea along to other tribal areas as a solution if it continues to happen.

Many thanks and peace to you all
Teresa

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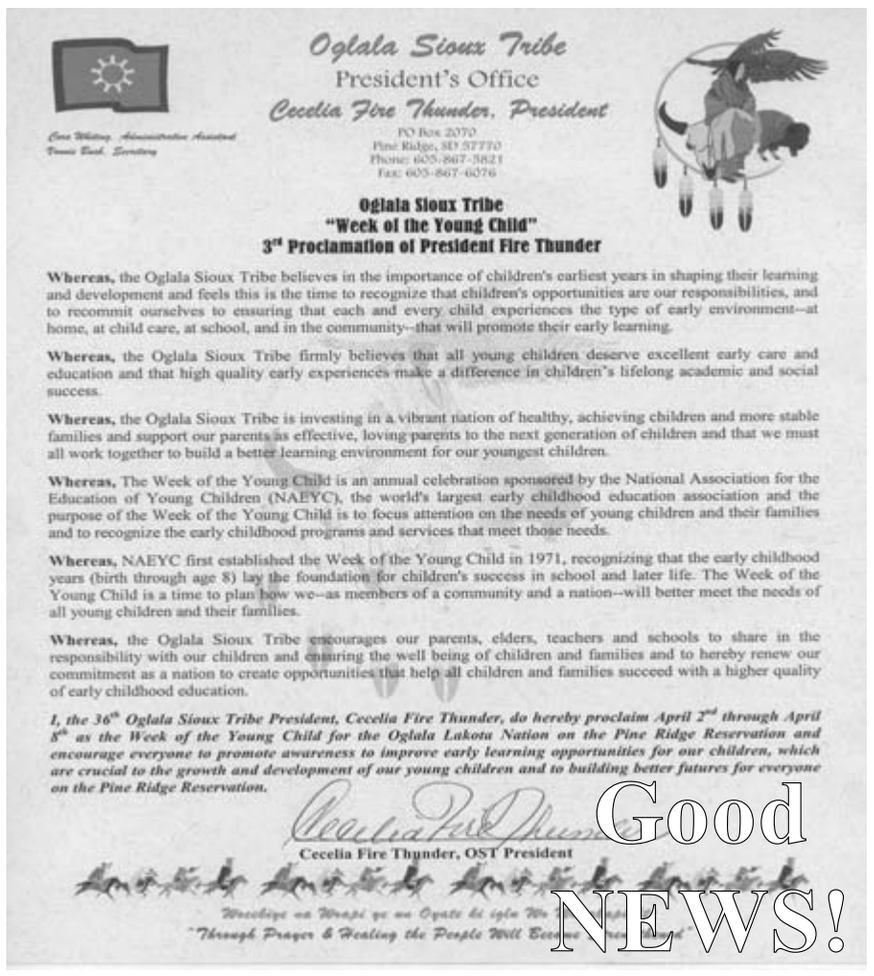
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Oglala Sioux Tribe
"Week of the Young Child"
3rd Proclamation of President Fire Thunder

Whereas, the Oglala Sioux Tribe believes in the importance of children's earliest years in shaping their learning and development and feels this is the time to recognize that children's opportunities are our responsibilities, and to recommit ourselves to ensuring that each and every child experiences the type of early environment--at home, at child care, at school, and in the community--that will promote their early learning.

Whereas, the Oglala Sioux Tribe firmly believes that all young children deserve excellent early care and education and that high quality early experiences make a difference in children's lifelong academic and social success.

Whereas, the Oglala Sioux Tribe is investing in a vibrant nation of healthy, achieving children and more stable families and support our parents as effective, loving parents to the next generation of children and that we must all work together to build a better learning environment for our youngest children.

Whereas, The Week of the Young Child is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), the world's largest early childhood education association and the purpose of the Week of the Young Child is to focus attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs.

Whereas, NAEYC first established the Week of the Young Child in 1971, recognizing that the early childhood years (birth through age 8) lay the foundation for children's success in school and later life. The Week of the Young Child is a time to plan how we--as members of a community and a nation--will better meet the needs of all young children and their families.

Whereas, the Oglala Sioux Tribe encourages our parents, elders, teachers and schools to share in the responsibility with our children and ensuring the well being of children and families and to hereby renew our commitment as a nation to create opportunities that help all children and families succeed with a higher quality of early childhood education.

I, the 36th Oglala Sioux Tribe President, Cecelia Fire Thunder, do hereby proclaim April 2nd through April 8th as the Week of the Young Child for the Oglala Lakota Nation on the Pine Ridge Reservation and encourage everyone to promote awareness to improve early learning opportunities for our children, which are crucial to the growth and development of our young children and to building better futures for everyone on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Cecelia Fire Thunder, OST President

"Through Prayer & Healing the People Will Become"

Good NEWS!

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More support for President Fire Thunder

Dear Editor:

I just read this story in the San Francisco Chronicle, and I immediately went online to see if I could find an email address to show my support for Cecelia Fire Thunder and her brilliant idea to use the reservation's sovereignty to aid women in their right to choose whether or not to give birth. I would like to donate money to this cause. If you have any information about how to donate, please let me know or forward this letter to the appropriate people.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Ball
freerangechickens@comcast.net

Letter to Mead County Commissioners

" Protect Bear Butte"

To The Meade County Commissioners:

I would like to make one final request that you take the first steps to protect Bear Butte and deny Jay Allen's request for a malt beverage permit at that location. I ask you to respectfully consider the following actions:

Please be brave and recognize that there is something that each of you can do right now to protect the legacy of Bear Butte for the current generations and to those that we will pass along our legacy.

1. Deny the permit as it is not currently seen as a suitable location. Bear Butte holds very special meaning to most who have come to know it as a Local, State and National place of spiritual, cultural and social meanings. It is a beacon in our community and deserves your protection.

2. I ask you to call for a gathering of State, City, County and Federal political leaders and members of the SD Game Fish and Parks Commission. In addition to these people to bring to this gathering Local Residents, Local Ranchers, Local Home Owners and Citizens, Tribal Representatives, Campground Owners and other interested parties. Bring all these people together in a local forum and as a group to pay a visit to the Butte and then discuss the future of Bear Butte in light of the recent commercial and urban growth that threatens its place as a local Beacon On The Prairie in Meade County.

There is the newly passed SD HB 1161[http://legis.state.sd.us/sessions/2006/DisplayBill.aspx]. Let us discuss as a community what is a relevant action, if any, to take to under this new and thoughtful piece of legislation

3. It is clear the Community is concerned and wants there to be more discourse on what is to be the future of Bear Butte. To allow this project to move forward without this discourse would be abandoning the trust placed in each of you by the community when they elected you to the positions of responsibility that I know each of you takes very seriously. If after a thorough exchange on this issue, the Community as a whole desires for Jay Allen to build the Sturgis Version of "Disney World" . . . then so be it. If Jay Allen truly desires to be a part of the Community, then he should be willing to wait a while longer to realize his dreams.

These are actions we can take together as a community. I encourage you to have the courage to stand in front of your community and take the lead in protecting what we all hold special in our community. . . . the right to stand together as a community and defend what is ours.

Andy Hollander
20460 Black Dog Place
Sturgis, SD 57785

Northern Perspectives

Lakota Insights gained through sharing

Dr. Archie Beauvais (nagik sapa) Sicangu Lakota, is a decorated Vietnam Veteran with a Doctor of Education (Ed.D) degree from Harvard University and resides on the Rosebud.



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

Lakota ceremony and insights are gained through sharing

I was able to witness the repatriation efforts as coordinated by Rosebud Sioux Tribe councilman Russell Eagle Bear. It was a valuable experience for the younger Sicangu Lakota. It was as Russell said; there certainly should have been more people in attendance to pay their respects. The prayers and insights shared at the ceremony were mostly in Lakota and that, in and of itself, is a valuable lesson these days.

It is not likely that you will see three highly regarded Sicangu medicine men on one occasion, lending their integrity, cultural wisdom, and Lakota prayers. That fact is scary as one-day things will change and the complexion of Lakota society will also change. Lionel Bordeaux spoke of the fact that we do not know what circumstances will look like years from now and what impact the actions we are seeing, will have in the future.

Leonard Crow Dog spoke of a similar issue when he said that we do not know a person may have left behind or what he did, but when he dies we do know that he has traveled to a place that is neither heaven nor hell, as Christians describe it. He says that that person is not sitting in purgatory somewhere waiting for judgment day, so we should not see it that way. It was a valuable way to underscore the Lakota manner of thinking of the after life.

When outsiders come to such ceremonies, it is a great honor, and there is an obligation to ask about the proper protocol. In such a setting, one should never ask the elders and medicine men to line up for a 'photo op.' When that happens, you can imagine every Lakota cringing in the room, but doing it quietly so that the moment is not made even more awkward. Just as mainstream media are sometimes ignorant of cultural protocol, so is border town media.

Those of us who have grown up here know that cultural protocol all too well, especially around the elders. Of course, it may be the obligation of the event sponsors to also tell the people what is acceptable behavior and what is not. The main thing is not to anger or upset some of the elders attendance as they have a strict sense of what their expectations are without having to drill into our heads.

Eagle Bear also said that it was a learning experience for all and that is a great reason for the young to listen to and observe such cultural experiences. It is especially valuable when the public is able to listen into and understand what is occurring.

There is hope that more repatriated items and remains will be returned to their respective homelands. Can you imagine Lakota people hording the bones of white people in our museums for anthropological study? It would never happen as we have much respect for the dearly departed. Also, I believe that Lakota people would prefer to leave things undisturbed instead of having someone's property or remains languishing in some mausoleum far from home.

It brings up the age-old argument, however, between putting on display ancient cultures and possessions and leaving the artifacts undisturbed. I still don't know how that works. "Tos duwa ihanni wiconi iyustan hantas dakuku yahupi, hena ta pi, ca iyustanpi waste'. Doku yahapi, duweni iwozasni ca etanpsni waste." (In English, for example, if someone dies, what they have is theirs so we should leave their possessions alone. What they have, no one has control over and it would be good if they were not touched.)

Notes From Indian Country

Watching the Mayflower drop anchor

Notes from Indian Country
By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)
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There was a cartoon floating around Indian country several years ago of two Indian men crouched on a hill watching the Mayflower dropping anchor in what is now Plymouth Rock.

In the cartoon one Indian is saying to the other, "Do you think we should start thinking about creating some immigration laws?"

Of course, the cartoon was funny then and is funny now. The Indians in the cartoon were attired in the regalia of the Indians of the Northern Plains, but I suppose that is how most Americans see Indians in general never mind that the Indians of the East Coast dressed in an entirely different manner.

I would venture to say that no other segment of the American population was affected by immigration as much as the American Indian. Lands occupied for centuries by the indigenous people were opened up (stolen) and a flood of settlers converged wiping out the livelihood of the people and forcibly removing many tribal groups to unwanted and unproductive lands.

What caused the infamous Trail of Tears? It was the greed of the immigrant settlers salivating over the rich farmlands and homes of the Cherokee people. With the full support of the United States government thousands of happy and productive Indian families were uprooted from their homelands and marched to Oklahoma Territory. Many of the elders and young died on this infamous death march. A lot of recent immigrants profited from this callous takeover of Indian lands.

Since 9/11 the American people have been taking a second look at the porous borders between the United States and Mexico. Congress is atwitter with grandiose ideas about how to stem the flow of illegal immigrants. But the one factor looming largest in the newly hatched schemes is greed. Farms and factories would have serious economic problems if their source of cheap labor were suddenly cut off.

Latin American immigrants, legal and otherwise, have staged mass protests in hopes of changing the minds of the lawmakers set upon bringing new laws to curb illegal immigration. I find it a little ironic that the protestors are flying American flags upside down while vigorously waving the flag of Mexico.

I often wonder why so many thousands of people left their homelands in Norway, Germany, Ireland, France and so many other countries to settle in a land where the only obstacle to expansion and untold wealth was the indigenous people. How many Americans are aware of the fact that thousands of Indians were shipped to the lands in the West Indies as slaves? There they died by the thousands and they also died by the thousands while being used as slave labor in the newly formed Colonies. Unable to find the cheap labor for the cotton fields of America and the sugar cane fields of the West Indies, black Africans were rounded up by the millions and brought to America as slave-immigrants.

America found it hard to classify Native Americans in those days. They were not citizens of the United States and they were not immigrants. What were they? They were an obstacle standing in the path of Manifest Destiny. Their lands had to be taken illegally or purchased in order to make room for the influx of immigrants.

If America is a shining beacon of hope for legal immigrants perhaps the laws should be adjusted to make it a reality for the illegal immigrants. They also see America as a place where dreams can be lived. Ironically, most of the illegal immigrants are Indians, or Indios as they are known in Mexico, and in Central and South America. Most of their ancestors did not come over on the Mayflower or on the Spanish galleons. They were indigenous to the Western Hemisphere.

I admit being surprised when I visited Spain and observed that the people did not look like the indigenous people of the Americas and their restaurants did not serve enchiladas and tacos. No, the brown people of the Americas are Indios and their cuisine of hot chili peppers and tortillas are also indigenous foodstuffs. I still hear people say they are going to a certain restaurant to eat "Spanish food." What would the cuisine of Italy be without a vegetable grown by the Indios called the "tomato?" For that matter all of the chocolate connoisseurs attending the Winter Olympics in Turin, Italy would not have had that succulent treat if not for the indigenous people of the Americas.

If the citizens of Mexico and other Latin American countries want to immigrate to America they should do it legally even though the first immigrants faced no such provisions. If there were no jobs available, they would not come. The first immigrants would not have come if there were no land available. And as Molly Ivins suggested in her column today, simply arrest those people doing the hiring and it would effectively end illegal immigration.

It is written that many of the original immigrants came to this country in search of freedom of religion. It is a sad chapter in our history that although they found freedom of religion they chose to suppress and destroy the religions of the indigenous people.

Many Indians look at that cartoon of the two Indians watching the Mayflower drop anchor and wonder "what if?"

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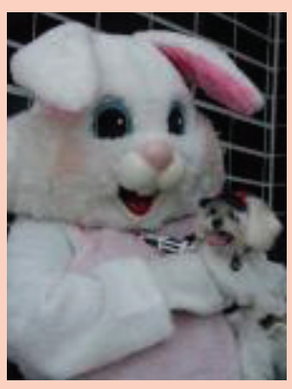
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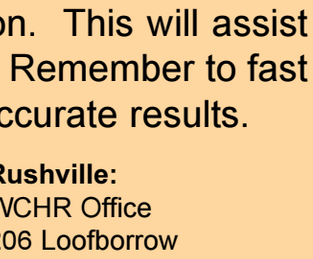
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Busch, High Wolf, Eastman, Kratovil earn All State honors

By Tom Crash
Times Sports Correspondent

RAPID CITY - Sunni Busch, a 5'9" senior at Todd County, averaged 20.7 points per game and led her Lady Falcons to an 18-5 record this year, losing to Bennett County in the Region 7A championship game, one game short of going to State A tournament for the second year in a row. Busch earned first team Class A All State honors for the second straight year.

"It was such a delight to coach Sunni the last three years," said Chuck Wilson, Todd County head coach, "She has such determination to win and be competitive, she played every position on the floor for us at one time or another; she makes every person on the team a better ball player."

Abby Kratovil, a senior at Bennett County, joined Busch on the Class A All State first team as she led the Warriors to a fifth place and the consolation championship at this year's State A tourney in Mitchell. Abby moved up from the third team last year, averaging 18.8 pints a game along with 10.3 rebounds a game.

Kratovil has already signed to attend school at South Dakota State University in Brookings and play basketball for the Jackrabbits who just completed their second season in NCAA Division I with a 19-9 season record and coming up just short of a WNIT bid for postseason play.

Michelle Amundson of State A champion Dell Rapids, Ashley Johnson/Stickney-Mt. Vernon, both seniors and Kristin Rotert, a junior from McCook Central joined Busch and Kratovil on the first team.

Second team included: Krista Rabenberg/Mobridge, Maggie Malloy/Parkston, Amber Wollschlager/Milbank, Lacey Powell/Parkston and Allison Johnson/Stickney-Mt. Vernon.

The third team included: Lennea Mueller/Custer, Brit Fuhrman/Mobridge, Annie Roche/Vermillion, Ashley Mailley/Dell Rapids and Abby Plucker/Parker.



Above:
Daelan High Wolf
Cheyenne Eagle Butte



Right:
Duran Eastman
Tiospa Zina

Cheyenne Eagle Butte's Daelan High Wolf was named to the first team Class A All State today joining Zach Finley of State A champs St. Thomas More, Zach Seefeldt of State A runner-up, Clark, Bryce Kruetzfeldt of Chester Area and Ryan Dix of Aberdeen Roncali.

"High Wolf just loves the game and has put the time in to develop his skills," said Jess Mendoza, Cheyenne Eagle Butte head coach, "He has been a positive role model for all of his teammates as he shows everyone what it takes to succeed at the high school level but what it takes to play at the next level as well."

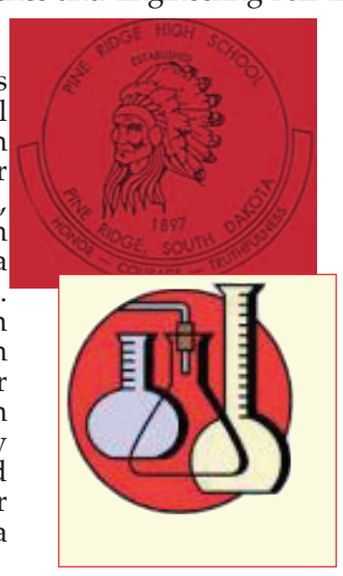
Daelan averaged 27.5 points per game, 10 rebounds a game along with 4.5 assists and four steals. Although it is not set, High Wolf is looking at attending Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kansas in the fall. Eagle Butte lost to Mobridge in the District 12A championship game this year.

Second team Class A All State honors went to Kyle Doerr/St. Thomas More, Cedric Seefeldt/Clark, Matt Malloy/Parkston, Adam Holt/Redfield and Michael Prince/Miller Area while third team Class A All State honors go to Billy Hardcastle/Mobridge, Drew Reuman/Lyman, Ethan Friesz/Chamberlain, Daschle Larson of Elk Point-Jefferson and Randall Velgersdyk.

Duran Eastman, a senior at Tiospa Zina, was selected to the Class B All State second team today by the South Dakota Sportswriters Association; he was on the third team last year. Averaging 14.2 point per game, 6.8 rebounds and 3.6 assists, Eastman led his team to the Region 1B championship game, losing to Doland-Conde. He plans to attend North Dakota State College of Science in Wahpeton and play both football and basketball. "The coaches feel with work and dedication, Duran has the potential to be a Division I wide receiver," said Eric Heath, Tiospa Zina coach.

Pine Ridge students place in regional Science Fair

PINE RIDGE - The following students from Pine Ridge High School placed at the AISES Science and Engineering Fair in Albuquerque, N.M. and the 51st High Plains Regional Science and Engineering Fair in Rapid City on March 24.



There were 14 projects entered in the Regional Fair Shira Bettelyoun placed first in Biology for Osmosis and Diffusion, Jon Provost placed third in Biology for Modeling a Swim Bladder, D.J. Clifford and William Brewer placed third in team projects for Water Pollution, and Robin Weber and Jeff Big Crow received a specialty award from the SD Society for Clinical Laboratory for a Model Heart.

Four projects were entered in the AISES fair. Brittney Red Shirt placed second in Earth Science for Crystal Formation and Ashley Pond and Michael Jack placed third in team projects for Disease Transmission.

All of these projects will be entered in the Oglala Lakota College Reservation Wide Science Fair April 19.

Shannon County School District Celebrates Week of the Young Child

BATELAND - Shannon County School District celebrates Week of the Young Child April 2-8 to recognize the needs of young children and thank educators and others involved in building better futures for all children. Week of the Young Child is celebrated across the country by hundreds of local organizations working to improve opportunities for all young children.

"Early learning experiences are crucial to the growth and development of young children," said Shannon Country School Districts Early Reading First Coordinator, Can di Foltz-Hall. "Week of the Young Child provides opportunities for all of us to recognize the importance of the early years, and to work together to build better futures for all children" she said.

The Shannon County School District located on the Pine Ridge reservation offers all day preschool at Rockyford, Wolf Creek and Batesland Schools. After the United States Department of Education awarded the only Early Reading First Grant in South Dakota to SCSD, the district was able to increase from three certified early childhood teachers to seven. The number of children enrolled increased from 55 to 130. Research shows that high-quality early childhood programs help children, especially those from families with low-incomes, to develop the skills they need to succeed in school, including language, pre-mathematics and social-emotional skills. A preschool child should learn two new vocabulary words a day, imbedded into their daily life. Shannon Country School District is a public school district serving 1,028 students from pre-K through 8th grade in a rural, remote, high-poverty reservation area.

To celebrate the Week of the Young Child, the children will see a 'Dragons Are Too Seldom Puppet Show" and have a visit from the Police, Fire and Ambulance service.

Across the country, young children and their families depend on quality education and care which help chil-

Community Calendar
Rez Happenings

Weekly Flu Clinic
Every Thursday at the Public Health Nursing Office in Pine Ridge for high risk adult population call Kendra at 867-3297 for additional information.

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30pm in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Pahin Sinte College Center Walking Club starting at 4pm each day Monday through Friday at the center in Porcupine, for information call Janice or Alva at 867-5404.

Grief Support Group
meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30pm at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6pm in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841

2006 Pine Ridge Reservation Clean-up
April 3-7 for Wounded Knee, Porcupine and Whiteclay Districts, April 10-15 for Medicine Root, Eagle Nest and Pine Ridge and April 17-21 for LaCreek, Wakpamni and Pass Creek, for more information call 867-5236 or 867-5624

Basketball Tournament
Thursday, Friday and Saturday April 6-8 at the American Horse School in Allen with two divisions, an eight team men's and an eight team women's as a fundraiser for the American Horse eighth grade class, for info call Hermus 455-1209 or Erin at 455-2483

Little Wound HS Parent/Teacher Conference
Set for Friday, April 7th, 8:30am to 3:30pm at the school in Kyle

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
Friday, April 7th at Wolf Creek School, sponsored by Shannon County Schools with grand entries set for 1pm and 6:30pm, celebrating Lakota music and dance with dance and drum groups from schools across the reservation

Education Summit
Friday and Saturday, April 7th and 8th at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City sponsored by the OST Education Committee

J/D Youth Shoot Out
Friday-Sunday, April 7-9 at the Bill C. Bear gym with four division age groups, boy's nine and under and 10-12 and girl's nine and under and 10-12, no co-ed, for info call Jen 454-0609, Debbie at 441-7524, Joe at 862-2327 or Courtney at 867-2556

Men's Basketball Tournament
A 16 team double elimination fundraiser at Little Wound High School scheduled for Friday and Saturday, April 7th and 8th to raise money for Catlin Fraser to attend the Down Under Bowl, call 455-6190 or 455-2477 for information

Commodity Issue
In Kyle on Friday, April 7th, in Manderson and Wounded Knee on Tuesday, April 11th and in Martin at Sunrise housing on Thursday, April 13th

Prayer Service
Set up for students and staff at Little Wound School, elementary, middle school and high school with everyone who needs prayers welcome on Saturday, April 8th from 6-10pm at the elementary auditorium, for information call David Lays Bad at 862-2026 or 441-5124

Public Involvement Hearings
On reconstruction of BIA highway 27 through Wounded Knee set for Monday, april 10th at Wounded Knee District CAP office in Manderson at 1pm, at Wounded Knee Community Center on Tuesday, April 11th at 6pm, at Wounded Knee District School on Wednesday, April 12th at 3:30pm and at Fire Lightning Tiospaye Tipi in Wounded Knee on Friday, April 14th at 10am OST Council Regular Session Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 11-13 no location yet.

Mato Luta, Porcupine, Lil Thorpes crowned in 18th BJ Weston tournament

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PORCUPINE - For the 18th year, teams came to Porcupine to honor the memory of BJ Weston who was killed by a drunk driver and to celebrate life and basketball as 48 teams in three divisions competed for the team championships and individual honors in the BJ Weston Memorial Pee Wee Basketball Tournament at Porcupine School. Mato Luta knocked off the Braves 52-47 to win the 13-15 championship, Porcupine edged the Hot Shots 41-34 for the 10-12 title and the Lil Thorpes wore down the Wizards 23-19 for the 7-9 year old crown.

The house was rocking Sunday night as a full house came to Porcupine School to cheer on their teams and watch basketball played with enthusiasm and unchecked energy each game. The Braves set the tone for the three championship games by winning an overtime semi final 69-64 over Da Bulls, a game that brought the crowd to their feet several times and set the stage for the championship round.

The Braves, featuring seven ballplayers from the Big Foot Conference champs, Our Lady of Lourdes Braves and Lacey Weston from the Pine Ridge Thorpes and Marque Lunderman from Red Cloud, struggled in the first quarter as Billy Scott led Mato Luta to an 18-8 lead at the end of the first. Scott, finishing up his sophomore year at Red Cloud, scored six more points in the second to go with six in the first while Carl Swallow and Kiley Weston led the Braves back to within one 28-27 at the half. Swallow drove the lane for three strong baskets and Weston knocked down a two and a three to help the Braves get back in the game.

The Braves outscored Mato Luta six to two to take a 33-30 lead in the third period before Scott hit two baskets and Orin Three Stars added a lay-up to put Mato Luta back up 36-33 at the end of three. Swallow hit a two and a three in the fourth and Lacey Weston put in five of her nine points in the fourth to help the Braves to a 47-46 lead midway through the fourth. Kevin Eagle Heart, Three Stars and Scott kept the pressure on with two baskets each to help close out the Braves and win the championship 52-47 by scoring the last six points of the game.

Scott finished with 20 points and 12 rebounds and earned the MVP award, Three Stars helped with 12 points and Eagle Heart added eight points and nine rebounds, both earning all tourney honors. Swallow hit a double double with 13 points and 10 rebounds while Kiley Weston and Brier Iron Cloud both chipped in ten each and Lacey Weston added nine, all three earned all tourney honors and Swallow won the most three points award.

Da Bulls, led by all tourneys Michael Cuny and Cubby Two Lance took third while the Running Sioux took fourth with Jacob Pond and Ron Leftwich named all tourneys.

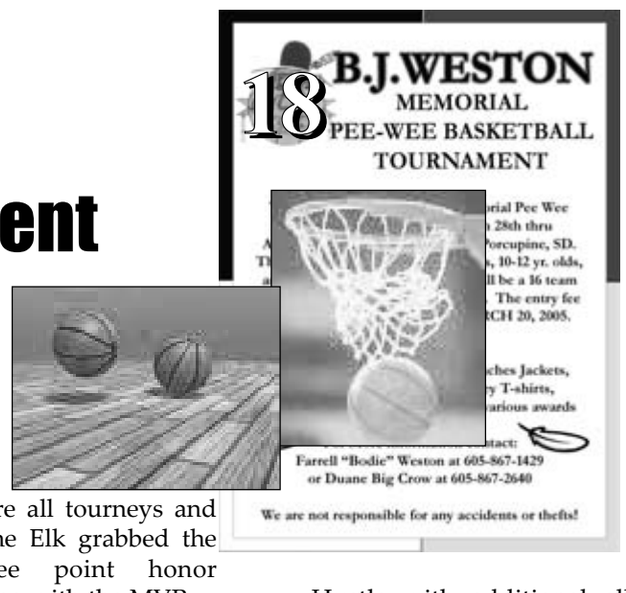
Mato Luta coach, Isaac Red Bear, earned the outstanding coach award while Ezra Zephier and Marque Lunderman were named the Mr. And Ms Hustle award winners. Additional all tourney nods went to Jeremy Black Lance/The Finest, Steve Vitalis/Blue Devils and Carmen Bull Bear.

Down at the end of the first 11-7 and 21-19 at the half, Porcupine used a 17-0 run from late in the third to deep in the fourth to overtake the Hot Shots and win the 10-12 division 41-34. Tyler Lone Elk did not score in the first period but finished the game with a game high 15 points and nine rebounds to lead Porcupine to the championship and earn MVP along the way.

"We honor BJ's memory, we provide a positive event for our youth and we deliver a powerful message about the dangers of drunk and drugged driving," concluded Weston."

Lyle Jacobs led the Hot Shots with 13 points and five rebounds but needed more help from his teammates, Chris Tobacco helped with five points and Shaq Ten Fingers added four; all three earned all tourney honors.

Gene Kaline helped Porcupine with four points, seven rebounds and five steals, Dan Whirlwind Horse chipped in 10 points while Ernest Weston hit 10 points and grabbed 12 rebounds; Kaline and Whirlwind Horse were all tourneys and Lone Elk grabbed the three point honor along with the MVP.



Twila Standing Elk, Porcupine's coach, was selected as outstanding coach, Adonis Saltes was Mr. Hustle and Paige Provost Bettelyoun was Ms. Hustle. The Kings took third, the Running Wizards took fourth and all tourney honors also went to Eric Kills Enemy/Bulls, Charlie Spotted Eagle/Wizards, Francis Around Him/KT Ballers, Jeff LeBeau and Jacob Frown/Def Jam and Derrick Tyon/Ball Hogs.

After being down the entire game, Samantha Weston scored four of her game high ten points in the fourth quarter to help the Wizards tie up the game at 19 a piece late in the fourth. Brannon Cousin came off the bench in the second half and hit three field goals in the fourth including the final two baskets to give the Lil Thorpes a four point win 23-19 and the championship of the 7-9 year old division.

Gabe Chief Eagle scored five points and pulled down ten rebounds to anchor the Lil Thorpes in the paint and earn the MVP award while Walter Cournoyer added six points and four rebounds and an all tourney nod. Aaron Black Bull and Jordan Phelps earned all tourney honors and Cecelia Two Lance was named Ms Hustle.

Magic earned third place honors and Little Braves were fourth while Duana Bissonette of the Lil Thorpes was the outstanding coach. Michael Brae won the three point competition and RJ of Rambling Wreck was Mr. Hustle with additional all tourney awards going to Shalene Richards and Kirkland Ross/Lil Thorpes, Jay Oliveras and Colton O'Rourke/Def Jam, Jacob Dreamer and Michael Long/Magic, Latrel Richards/Mato Luta, Nathaniel Brown Bull/KT Ballers and Davey Clifford/Little Braves.

"This was a great BJ Tourney and I can't thank the family and all the volunteers enough for all of their help," said Bodie Weston, tournament coordinator, "we work hard all year to get ready, it is a lot of work by everyone and it goes by so fast."

The tournament was started to honor the memory of BJ Weston who was killed north of Wounded Knee by a drunk driver. Alex Wilson Pine, a junior at Pine Ridge high school and the 2005 State A cross country champ was honored during a halftime and entertained the crowd with a break-dance demonstration. Sadie In the Woods, a senior at Little Wound was also honored at the halftime; she has been accepted by Duke University for the 2006/2007 school year.

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Community Calendar

Rez Happenings (Cont.)

Immunization Clinic
At Porcupine Clinic on Tuesday, April 11th and 18th from 11am-3pm each day, for info call Stella at 867-5655 or Mary at 867-3145

OST Council Regular Session
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 11-13 with the location yet to be announced

2nd Annual Easter Egg Classic Youth Basketball Tourney
Thursday-Sunday, April 13-16 at Wolf Creek School with age divisions 15 and under, 12 and under, 10 and under and eight and under, call Tiny at 454-0518 or Doni at 867-2200

Men's and Women's Basketball Tourney
Third annual Big Wolf Creek tourney at Pine Ridge school, Thursday-Sunday, April 13-16, or info call Verlyn at 867-2153/867-2371 or 441-6849

Lil Lady's Shoot Out
A girl's basketball tournament set for Saturday and Sunday, April 15th and 16th at Little Wound School in Kyle with three divisions, 11-12, 13-14 and 15-16 with ieght teams per division, Jonas at 441-5770, Tuko at 441-8313 for more info

Lakota Omniciye Pow wow
Co-sponsored by the Black Hills State University Center for Indian Studies for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 21-23 in Spearfish at the Donald Young Center with grand entries set for Friday at 7pm, Saturday at 1 and 7pm and Sunday at 1pm with a community awareness night on Thursday, April 20th from 6-9pm at the Spearfish City Park Pavillion, the Kevin Whirlwind Horse Memorial run on Saturday, April 22nd at 10am at the Young Center and a free buffalo feed at the BHSU Student Union Marketplace on Saturday, April 22nd at 5pm, for info call 642-6578

Indian Education Teacher Job Fair 2006
Thursday, April 27th from 11am to 5pm at the Albuquerque Convention Center, an event to recruit teachers for all subject areas, elementary, junior high and high school, for information call 1 877 284-3822

34th Anniversary of Wounded Knee
73 planning meeting Monday, May 8th at 1pm at the Claudia Iron Hawk Sully residence in Wounded Knee, for info call 867-1413, 455-2590 or 454-1741 or 867-5713 with a potluck dinner

Great Plains Regional Golf tournament
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 19-21 at the Lee Park Golf Course in Aberdeen, S. Dak. For information call Gordon at 605 216-2586, John at 605 226-7347 or Henry at 605 290-3344

Crazy Horse Ride
Set for Sunday through Friday, June 4-9 in honor of all veterans, for information contact Bam Brewer at 867-1119 or 441-8810

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Position: Realty Specialist, GS-1170-5/7
GS-07: $35,116-$45,648 Per Annum
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Vacancy Announcement Number: AB-06-38
Opening Date: 03/27/06
Closing Date: 04/14/06

Summary of Duties: The incumbent performs duties for Tenure and Management, in the Branch of Realty as it pertains to the leasing of land on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Duty Station Location:
BIA, Realty-Tenure & Management Section,
Pine Ridge Agency, Pine Ridge, SD

Procedures on How To Apply:
Mail applications to the BIA Southern Plains Human Resources
(FedEx: 1 mile north on Hwy 281)
PO Box 368, Anadarko, OK 73005. or you may fax to: 1-405-247-4991.

Applications and all accompanying documents must be received by the closing date of the announcements.

Please submit the forms as indicated in the position vacancy anouncement.

Contact Information:
BIA
Pine Ridge Agency
Administration
Pine Ridge, South Dakota,
For More information Call: 605-867-5126

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing
P.O. Box 603 - East Hwy. 18 - Pine Ridge, SD 57770

*** Vacancy Announcement ***
IN HOUSE ATTORNEY (Part-Time) - PINE RIDGE, SD
Opening Date: March 30, 2006, 8:00 am Closing Date: April 28, 2006 4:30 pm
- Salary Negotiable -

How To Apply:
Submit a completed Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing employment application to the Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Manager. Attach all pertinent documents,Blood Degree if claiming Indian Preference, Veterans Discharge DD214, High School or GED Diploma, College Transcripts, College Diploma, Reference Letters, Licenses or Certifications and State Driver's License. Resumes mjust have addresses and telephone numbers of past or present employers. All information submitted will be verified.

Will be drug/alcohol tested. Selection for the position will be contingent upon a negative test result. Applicant is subject to Background investigation. Expenses are at the applicants cost. No late or incomplete applications will be accepted.

For position description and additional information please contact:
Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Office at 605-867-5161
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NOTICE OF VACANCY ON SCHOOL BOARD SHANNON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #65-1

The following school board positions will become vacant due to the expiration of the present terms of office of the following school board members:

Laticia "Doni" Decory (3 year term)
Andrea Eagle Bull (3 year term)

Circulation of nominating petitions may begin on April 18, 2006. Petitions may be filed in the office of the business manager located at Batesland SD between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., (Mountain time) no later than Friday, May 12, 2006 at 4:30 p.m. or mailed by registered mail no later than Friday May 12, 2006 at 5:00 p.m.

Madonna Cummings
Business Manager

Sicangu Lakota singer Howard Bad Hand
on sharing music and culture.....

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Howard Bad Hand was back on the Rosebud with his daughter, Erin, who is wrapping up her thesis stage for her Master of Fine Arts (MFA) from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. The father and daughter had traveled to Rosebud to pursue Erin's research topics and interviews and to check on Howard's father, Willie Bad Hand, who is in the hospital in Sioux Falls after being ill.

Life's journey for Bad Hand has been an interesting one since the time he discovered that Lakota music is something that he had a gift for. He recalls at a very early age being able to compose songs and carrying them around in his head. He is fluent in Lakota and this is reflected in the many songs, which he has composed.

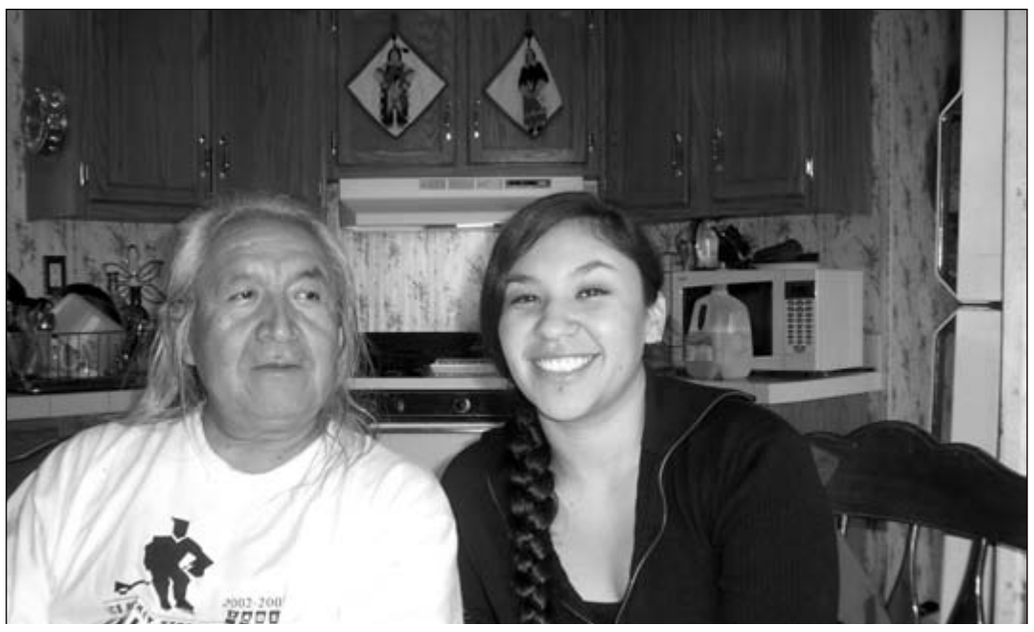
Bad Hand spent his early years in the Red Leaf community, which was six to eight miles south of present day Norris. There is not much evidence of the community today and at one time, it was within the borders of the Pine Ridge reservation. Bad Hand explained how the drum group evolved over several generations from its beginning in Red Leaf community to the way the Red Leaf Takoja drum group eventually gave their name back to the original group.

The Red Leaf singers from Two Strike community are comprised of Pat Bad Hand, father Willie Bad Hand, brothers Dale, Alphonso, and Lee, Sons Ray, JB, Wopila and JR. Pat occasionally gets help from Howard, Tom Teegarden, Ernie Running, Londell Sea Boy and other well known singers when they are in the area.

The drum group Red Leaf was originally started by grandfather Joe Bad Hand, and Tom and Fred Two Sticks of the Red Leaf/Black Pipe communities. In the 1970's the group seemed to enjoy the height of its popularity on the northern plains and on the Rosebud. Its members at that time were Willie Bad Hand, Percy Bad Hand, Roy Bad Hand, Burgess Yellow Cloud, Dennis Charging Hawk, and Max Flying Horse along with their sons.

Bad Hand attended prep school in Lenox, Mass., and studied at Dartmouth College and Harvard University in the 1970's. He helped to reorganize the RST tribal education department and worked as the Program Analyst for the National Indian Health Board in Denver, CO before heading to Taos, NM with his family. He currently does consulting work and teaches about spirituality and the sharing of culture. He along with Joe Marshall and Charles White Buffalo, provided technical assistance to the movie, "Into the West" as a vocal coach, singing and dancing advisor.

He admits to being connected to his family through music as he said, "What I learned about my people, I learned through music. Everything we do is through song, spiritual and social." He revived the spinoff group called the Red Leaf Takoja drum (started by Percy Bad Hand) along with Tom Teegarden which continues to enjoy its own popularity nationally as well as in Taos, NM and in the southwest.



Howard Bad Hand and daughter Erin

PHOTO: BY: DR. ARCHIE BEAUVAIS

Bad Hand was asked about the sharing of Lakota spirituality, song and culture in a day and age when many people throughout the world are attracted to the culture and language of Lakota people. He admits there is some exploitation on all sides; however, he feels that such things know no color or boundary.

He said, "All of us have a responsibility, a vision to bring some element to manifestation." About ceremony, he said, "Every ceremony is different because every leader is following a vision and it is different for each. The common element is the pipe and it teachings and how you use the objects depends on the vision."

He says that the sacred objects that are used in ceremony are not the points of power, just the representation of that power.

Bad Hand spoke of the role of music in spiritual settings as he noted, "True prayer is the song, the movement of sound that releases the tensions of life. The lowanpi is used to promote harmony in life. Music helps to connect your reality back to the reality you were born with. I write about this in my book, Native American Healing (McGraw-Hill 2001)."

In today's society, Lakota people are not accustomed to being clustered or squeezed into crowded areas and Bad Hand commented on the effect of this kind of arrangement. He said, "A lot of our connection was made as a necessity of living so far apart. We see the world as our home and that is minimized by the idea of cluster housing as it overlooked the tiospaye. Cluster housing created competition for material gain. The Lakota culture teaches us that honoring each other was good and competition was not."

Bad Hand is also convinced that in a contemporary sense, the most successful Lakota people are those who have held on to their language and culture as a kind of self-affirmation. He said, "There is success when you bring beautiful things together and true peace is where everything unites."

When speaking on the issue of language loss, he said, "I have no fear that we will lose the language, because many more will learn it. If you panic about trying to preserve it, then you create a fear of its loss. Lakota is only meaningful in the context in which it is being spoken. For example, Tunkasila can mean grandfather, the president, or the spirits to which we pray. The beauty is you can describe with it. It creates possibilities instead of being restrictive."

Bad Hand now works with others world wide in spiritual development. He enjoys a certain independence in his work as wife, Terrie, works with land based cultures to create economic development co-directing the Taos County Economic Development Corp. in Taos, NM. He and his singing group, "Heart Beat" were originally known as the "Red Leaf Takoja" singers, however he has been away from Rosebud so long and with the original Red Leaf drum group carrying its own identity, the decision was made to give the name back to the community in 1991. .

Finally, Bad Hand formed High Star Productions through which he has produced a DVD and several collections of the music for which he is known internationally. The group's DVD entitled "Red Leaf Takoja: Songs of the Heartbeat" features the voice of Wes Studi and Bad Hand. Much of the music also features the work of the original Red Leaf singers. The collection may be accessed at www.highstarproductions.com.

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Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770
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The following Vacancy Announcements are now open for Application(s) with the OST Personnel Office. For further information please contact the OST Personnel Office at 605-867-6014 or 867-6015. Listing can also be found on *Lakotamall.com*

06-053	Aftercare Counselor	Anpetu Luta Otipi (Living in a Red Day)	7 miles SE of Kyle, SD
06-054	Prevention Coordinator	Anpetu Luta Otipi (Living in a Red Day)	7 miles SE of Kyle, SD
06-055	Purchasing/Accounts Payable/Inventory Control Clerk (part-time, 1600 hrs)	Anpetu Luta Otipi (Living in a Red Day)	7 miles SE of Kyle, SD
06-056	Security/Custodian	Anpetu Luta Otipi (Living in a Red Day)	7 miles SE of Kyle, SD
06-057	Cook (part-time, 1600 hrs.)	Anpetu Luta Otipi (Living in a Red Day)	7 miles SE of Kyle, SD
06-058	Counselor Aide (part-time, 1600 hrs.)	Anpetu Luta Otipi (Living in a Red Day)	7 miles SE of Kyle, SD
06-059	Female Night Supervisor (part-time 1600 hrs.)	Anpetu Luta Otipi (Living in a Red Day)	7 miles SE of Kyle, SD
06-060	Male Night Supervisor (part-time 1600 hrs.)	Anpetu Luta Otipi (Living in a Red Day)	7 miles SE of Kyle, SD
06-061	Female Weekend Night Supervisor (part-time, 960 hrs.)	Anpetu Luta Otipi (Living in a Red Day)	7 miles SE of Kyle, SD
06-062	Male Weekend Night Supervisor (part-time, 960 hrs.)	Anpetu Luta Otipi (Living in a Red Day)	7 miles SE of Kyle, SD
06-063	Security Guard	OST Food Distribution	Pine Ridge, SD
06-064	Supplement Certifier	OST Food Distribution	Pine Ridge, SD
06-065	Coordinator	OST Economic & Business Development Committee	Pine Ridge, SD
06-066	Coordinator	OST Health & Human Services Committee	Pine Ridge, SD
06-067	Administrative Assistant	OST Ambulance Service	Pine Ridge, SD
06-068	Community Home Health Professional (CHHP)	OST Oyate Blihelya (Diabetes Prevention)	Eagle Nest District
06-069	Community Health Representative (CHR) Patient Intake Technican	Community Home Representative (CHR)	Rapid City, SD
06-070	Community Health Representative (CHR) Data Entry Specialist	Community Home Representative (CHR)	Rapid City, SD
06-071	Community Health Representative (CHR) Generalist	Community Home Representative (CHR)	Rapid City, SD
06-072	Patient Registration Programs Clerk	Native Women's Health Care	Rapid City, SD
06-073	District Office Manager	OST Administration	LaCreek District
06-074	District Data Clerk	OST Administration	Wounded Knee District
06-075	Administrative Assistant	OST Administration	Medicine Root District
06-076	Learning Center Aide Parent Liaison	OST Child Care & Development	Porcupine, SD
06-077	Provider Supervisor Learning Center	OST Child Care & Development	Allen, SD
06-078	Provider Supervisor Learning Center	OST Child Care & Development	Kyle, SD
06-079	Provider Supervisor Learning Center	OST Child Care & Development	Manderson, SD
06-080	Provider Supervisor Learning Center	OST Child Care & Development	Porcupine, SD
06-081	Provider Supervisor Learning Center	OST Child Care & Development	Pine Ridge, SD
06-082	Provider Supervisor Learning Center	OST Child Care & Development	Wanblee, SD

HOW TO APPLY:
Submit a complete OST Application for Employment to the OST Personnel Office no later than 4:30 pm of the closing date. Mail in applications postmarked on the closing date will be accepted. Attach all pertinent documentation, I.E. Copy of High School Diploma or GED Certificate, copy of Official College Transcripts and/or College Degree, Certificate of Indian Blood if claiming Indian Preference and DD214 if claiming Veteran's Preference. ***Faxed in applications(s) will not be accepted.*** **-INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED-**

ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna:

Hello I missed you at Pine Ridge when you came I didn't get a chance to come see you. But my question is I stop talking with my mother about 3 years ago and it was a big fight. She tried to take my kids my from me and I just up and left and married and nice man. I am happy my kids are happy, my mother has all of my belongings and will not give them back. Everyone in Pine Ridge that knows her says she needs to grow up as a grandma she should just give back most of my things. I have stayed with my mother for 7 years never dated or anything when I lived with her but after I moved on she just hates me and my husband she tried to get him fired but that didn't' work. Will she ever change? My other question is I have been buying the lottery tickets will we ever win the lottery.

Daughter of a Mad Mom

Dear Daughter:

I am sorry that your mother's embittered attitude has made her shut out love from her heart. Ideally, she would understand that your life is about you - not about her, and that you have the right to pursue your own life. She feels that if you really loved her you would not have "run off" with this man. My words are to mothers everywhere: Your children are not your property. They are independent beings, who have a right to their own lives. You cannot save them from their life experiences, broken hearts, and good or bad decisions. You cannot change your mother, but let it be a reminder to you as a mother not to contract your children into subordination of their will to fulfill your own will. As a daughter you can pray for your mother, you can send her a card now and then, and you can let go of your "stuff." By holding onto the idea that you can retrieve your things from her you are simply playing a losing hand. It just engages you in further conflict. Let it go, let it all go - and the Creator will provide you with what you need to replace it. On the lottery, well, somebody always wins, but they have to buy tickets to win, and they have to believe they will win to win. Winners of the lottery always have "a feeling" just before they win. There is no guarantee for you that you will win, but there also is no guarantee that you won't win. I don't see a big load of money coming in this year however, but I would not discourage you from your efforts. Winning comes in streaks. When you start a winning streak then buy lottery tickets. When you are losing, keep your money safe by not playing. You could win a significant amount of money in 2010.

Dear, Anna Bee

Hello,
I was wondering if you can help me out with this one: I was kinda clueless about this one because I was a little intoxicated (drunk).. at the time nothing bad but, the night that I was drinking with some girls I know they told me that I got too drunk and started to get mad bout something and that I left. Well when I left I took my three new Cd's, and my cell phone. When I woke up the next morning I woke up with out my Cd's, cell phone, and I even lost my shoes... well I tried to remember what all did that night but I can't. The last thing I remember was falling on the road and sitting under some trees... and if you can tell me where these things are I sure appreciate it, because I owe although on my cell phone bill and try to pay for it and use it again or at least trade it for a new one and i also need a good laugh...Thanks:

Drunk and lost her things...

Dear Lost:

Not too drunk? Change your definition of what that might be. I took a poll and everybody agrees you were too drunk. I see your Cd's in a pick-up truck on the seat...I believe the truck is a shade of red. I see your cell-phone tossed out of the window when it rang, by the person who owns (drives) the truck, and your shoes are located in a ditch not too far from the tree.

Take some good advice. Please, don't drink more than one ever - and I mean ever. The next time you ":lose" consciousness when you are awake, you may not wake up at all. You were at risk for rape or if it is possible, worse. You fight over nothing and are unpleasant and not fun to be around. Why would you want that for yourself? Take control. A phone, Cd's and shoes are nothing in comparison to your life. Blessings to you.

Hello Anna,

I have a question for you. Right now I'm going through a tough time financially and emotionally. I am at a young age, but I have these problems that I just don't think I can handle, if you know what I'm talking about. It's like never ending bad luck with me, it just goes from one thing to the next. It's starting to really stress me out. I'm trying to go through these days with a smile but sometimes it's too hard because I remember all the troubles I'm having. To make it worse I turn to alcohol to get away from these stresses. My question is, will my bad luck ever take a turn to good? Do you see anything positive for me?

Thanks Sincerely Stressin'

Dear Stressin':

I do see a time when things get better. Simply put however, you have to take charge of your life in order to have a better one. Sitting and waiting for "him" to correct the situation, or your parents to help, or even the system to help will not relieve your stress. Take charge of what you want to do. Visualize it, see it, feel it, create it and get going towards it. Waiting and putting up with people that do not see you as successful will not help you. Luck, by the way, comes from within. Good or bad, it is a reflection of your basic belief about what you feel you deserve. Programming from the world will generally train you to think less of yourself than is a true reflection of your right as a human being to be the reflection of the Creator or God that you represent on earth. Remember, we are all created in the image of God, and that is not the physical image, but the spiritual image. In that image there is free will and the power to create your own life. There is also the greatest power in that image of love. Create your life as an honoring of the God that created yours and your luck will change. Learn to love, not only your own life, which is a gift, but the lives of others. Respect the life force in all and you will find the Creator opening all doors for you. Power and luck are internal, not external.

Good Luck...from not until forever.

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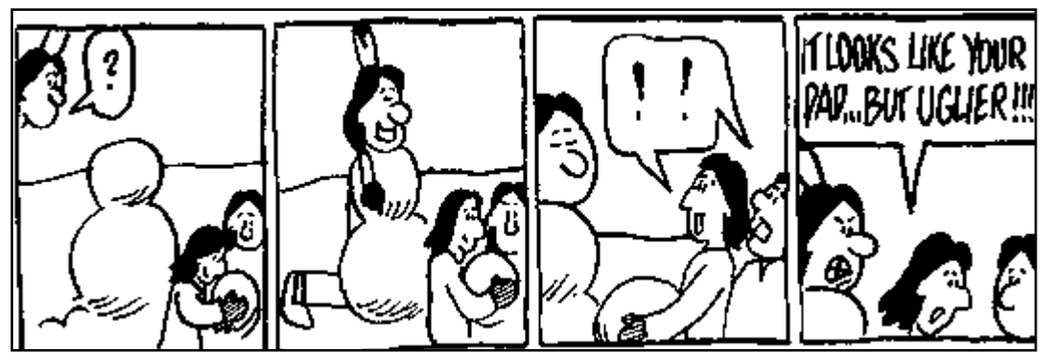
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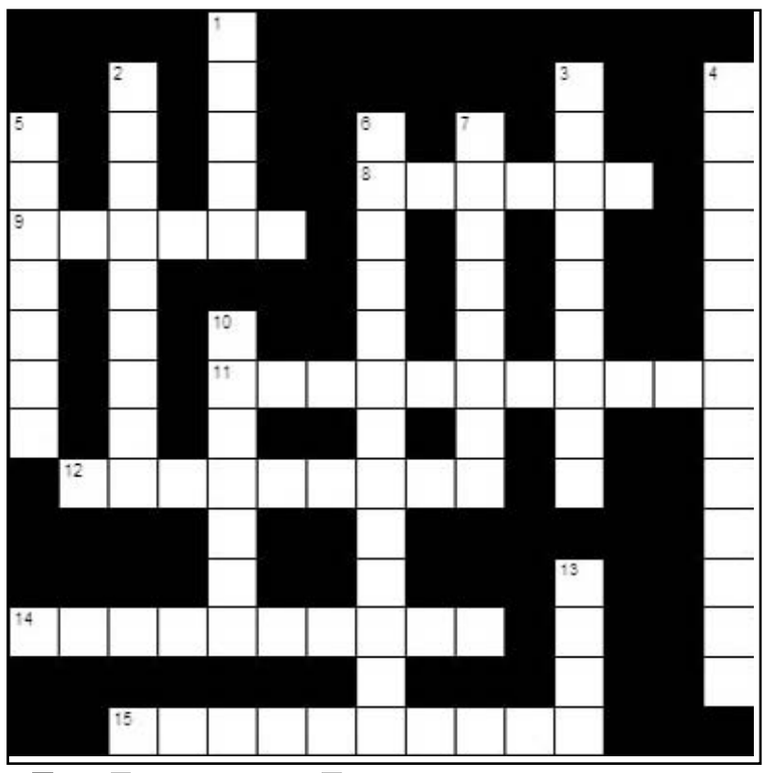
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

8. milk
9. where
11. on the side
12. hail
14. it cleared up
15. I am going to eat

Down

1. to drink
2. candy
3. one hour
4. made with grease
5. a tiny bit
6. 'The thunder beings have returned'
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10. frost
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Daryle L. Crow, 34.....Oglala
Curtis Bear Robe, 29.....Oglala
Daniel Strong Heart., 49.....Wakpala

Daryle L. Crow

OGLALA - Daryle L. Crow, age 34 died Saturday, April 1 from an automobile accident.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Plenty Wolf-Crow, Gering, NE, sons: Daryle Conquering Bear, Sterling, CO Daryek Cross Dog, Calico, SD, Stepson: Edward Pourier, Lakewood,CO Stepdaughters: Allison and Shannon Blaine of Gering, NE, Magdaline Pourier, Lakewood, CO; Amanda Pourier, Pueblo, CO, Parents: Robert & Diane Crow, Oglala,Brothers: Roderic Crow, Patrick Crow, Brian Featherman all of Oglala; Perry Crow, Wakpamni Lake, SD Pernell Crow, Kentucky

Adopted Brothers: Ben Scabby Face and Jay Helper of Oglala; Pat Lynch, Oakland, CA; Vincent Helper, Ukiah, CA; Sisters: Gloria Scabby Face, Shanna Helper, Linda Helper, Avis Crow all of Oglala, Tessie Cromwell, Nice, CA; Colleen Crow, Omaha, NE; Cathy Crow, Kentucky.

A two night Wake Services will begin at 3:30 PM, Thursday, April 6, at Loneman School, Oglala. Funeral Services will be held at 2:00 PM, Saturday, April 8th at Loneman School. with the Rev. Agnes Tyon officiating. and Traditional Services will be officiated by Mr. Lee Plenty Wolf. Burial will be at St. John's Episcopal Cemetery, Oglala.

Funeral Arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Curtis P. Bear Robe

OGLALA - Curtis P. Bear Robe, Age 29 died Sunday, April 2, 2005 at Oglala in an automobile accident. Curtis was a Veteran of the US Marine Corps.

Survivors include his parents, Cecil and Carmalita Bear Robe of Oglala, a daughter, : Sadie Bear Robe, Oglala, A brother, Donnie Bear Robe, Oglala, sisters Christy Bear Robe, Allen, Selena Bear Robe, Oglala, Jolene New Holy, Horton, KS and Jewel Gurle, Spokane, WA.

Wake Services will begins at 1:00 PM, Thursday, April 6 at the Bro. Rene Catholic Hall in Oglala.

Funeral Services will be at 10:00 AM Saturday, April 8th at Bro. Rene Hall

Rev. Agnes Tyon will be Officiating with Traditional Services: held by Mr. Richard Broken Nose.

Burial will be at St. John's Episcopal Cemetery, No 6 Community, Oglala.

Funeral Arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

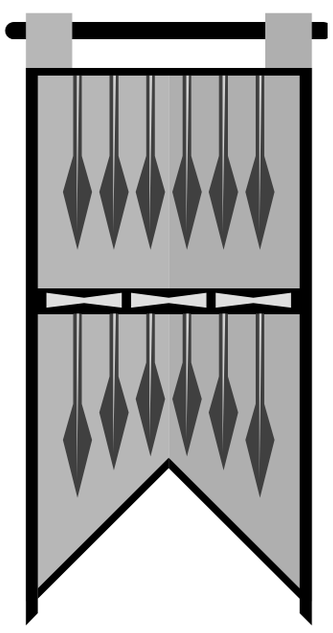
Daniel Strong Heart

WAKPALA - Daniel Strong Heart, 49, passed away on March 29 at his residence in Wakpala.

Funeral arrangements for Daniel will be on Friday, April 7, at 11:00 AM, CT at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church in Wakpala. Pastor Rich Nultemeier, Mother Danny Westerlund, Elsie Uses Many, Margie Hawk, and all Standing Rock Lay Readers will be officiating.

Burial will be at St. Elizabeth's Cemetery in Wakpala under the direction of Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge, South Dakota.

There will be an all night wake starting at 6:00 PM, CT at the Community Center in Wakpala. Family and friends will gather at the Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge at 4:30 PM, CT to follow in procession to Wakapla.



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on March 23
we love you very much
"Da" & "mum"**

Happy Birthday
Nicole Poo. Have fun girl on your day! Make sure you remember last night.
Your Cuz, April & Baby Jess.

Happy Belated birthday
on March 23
to my little crazy brother in PILC
Austin Rain Thundershield
sorry i missed it. We love you!!
coming from your big sister and neice
Amy & Mariah

Happy B-Day to our #1 bro in K-Town, Rusty, Has No Horse. Stay 'bout it! Bout it! All your tru homies in K-Town.

**Happy 18th birthday to my #1 son, Micheal White Eyes on April 3rd,
you might think your a man now, but you'll always be my baby boy
I love you with all my heart.
Mom**

Happy 4th Birthday to our Beautiful, Sweet daughter, Gloria Dawn Sitting Bear, April 13, 2006. "You are in our Hearts and thoughts everyday. We Miss you. Hugs and Kisses, We love you so much! Dad, John Sitting Bear and Mom, Melinda Marshall

Happy 21st Birthday to Enallia Tamar Ghost Bear on March 23. FromFreed, Tom & Lacaa. Have a good day my girl!

Amanda Rose!
We hope you are feeling better soon!
You are the wind in our sails!
We miss you!
-"All" of THE LCT Staff-

**To the *Staff* at the Lakota Country Times..
You guys are doing and awesome job!
-A Loyal Reader-**

Happy Birthday March, 2006-Casey Means,JolieFast Horse, Brendon Fast Horse, Jodee Mills-fromKelly,Jack, Hunter & Eric

Happy b-day to our little Big Auntie, Dakota Shay. We love you Auntie. Thanks for everything, can't wait until we get to play with our little cousin. Have fun on your special day. We'll eat your cake for you Ha! Ha! Love always, your 2 favorite Neices Nena Amor & Mariana Lashay Mesteth.

To Lakota Country Times, thank you 4 getting all our Shout out's recognized. Where would we be without you. From your fans in K-town-keep up the great work.

To my baby girl Helen Marie I love you & all dat you do!!!! Remember dat always!!!!

Happy b-day to our homeboy representin in K-Town on March 17, 2006-Rusty Has No Horse-we'll hook you up with something GREEN! Enjoy your day bro-your homies for'sho, Marty Mar & Tess

Happy B-day to our Auti "Lou Lou" Mesteth on March 24th don't forget to share your cake & ice-cream with us. Enjoy your day. Love your 2 neices Nena Amor & ariana Lashay Mesteth.

Happy Birthday to my baby sister, Alicia Diaz aka (Roni)! Love ya always and thinking of you! Your's Truly, Big Sis April & Lil Bubba

Happy b-day Kanisha Dawn Marie Rooks-March 27,2006 Love, your sis Megan & nephew Kendrell

You guys and Gals are so helpful, that I love you guys...sigh??????????

Happy B-day to Rusty HNH. Don't forget to share your cake & ice cream with us. Oh yeah and your presents too! Haha. Have fun, Nema Amor & Mariana Lashay Mesteth.

Momma your doin Awesome at work and keepin everything good at home. I'm proud of you!
I love you very much
-Jenni

To Miss Jana Iron Cloud. Stay strong girl. Hope you feel better, Your friend always,
Sherril Lynn

Happy 4th Birthday, April 13, 2006. To Our sweet, special Lil Girl, Gloria Dawn Sitting Bear, You make our world so great, Hugs and Kisses, Love you, Grandma Gloria, Dad, Mom, Aunties Marlene, Brenda, Joyce, and all your family from the Sitting Bear, Traversie and Davis Gang.

Happy Memorial Birthday to Grandpa & Great Grandpa Happy Memorial Birthday to Grandpa & Great Grandpa Joseph T. Fast Horse. Love always, Kelly, Jack, Hunter, Eric.andpa Joseph T. Fast Horse. Love always, Kelly, Jack, Hunter, Eric.

**Happy 5th Birthday Jesse Jensen From: Ariana and Rose
Unci and Ellen**

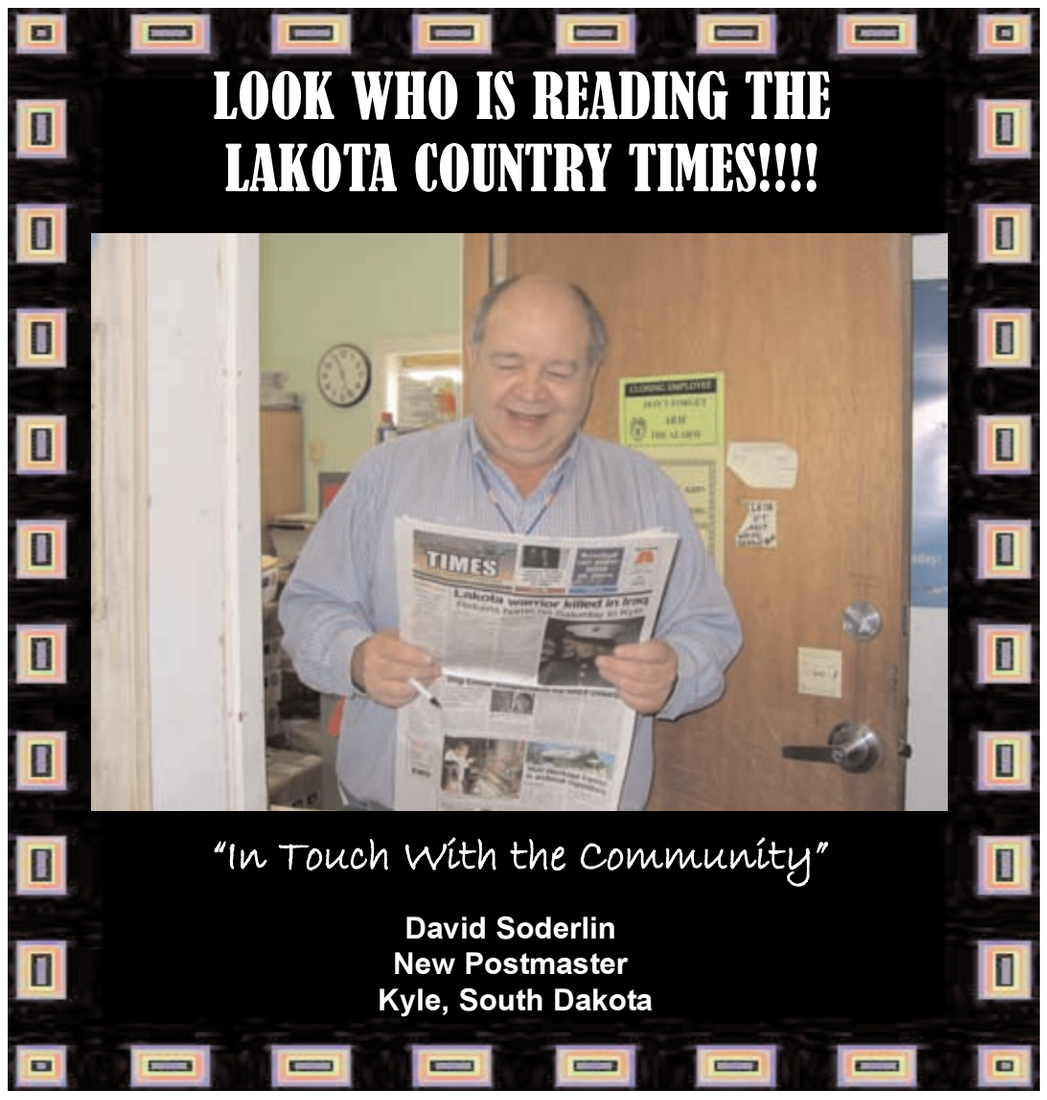
Happy birthday to Dr. Craig Howe. Seems like just yesterday you were…..how old are you again? Oh yeah…..forty-something. From your cousin Connie

Happy 39th Birthday to my mother Claudia Apple. From your daughters, R.J, Leena, Tasha, Paulette & Raven, your sons A.J. & Carlos and your Husband and Grandsons Albert Apple, Akicita & Jo Jo Fast Horse.

**Congratulations Eltina 3 Stars on your newborn baby boys!
-Jenni**

Happy 5th Birthday Jesse Jensen From: Mom-Fran Brother-Bradley

Happy B-day to "Gizz" Gina Apple on March 23rd. you must party hard, don't forget to invite us. Have fun on your day homegirl! Your homies always Tess & Marty Mar



AUCTION

The Oglala Lakota College is having an auction for Oglala Sioux Tribal members who are interested in purchasing the college's buffalo herd of 60 to 70 buffalo. The entire herd is being auctioned as a group. The auction will be held on Wednesday, April 19, 2006 at 10 a.m. at Oglala Lakota College administrative building conference room six miles SW of Kyle, SD. The buffalo must be removed at bidder's expense within 14 days of the auction. Payment must be in cash, cashiers check, or money order at sale time. Any TERO Ordinance that may apply must be included. Please contact Dr. Gerry Giraud at 605-455-6035 or Arlene Quist at 605-455-6011 if you wish further information.

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Opening Date: April 1, 2006
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QUICK HITS

OLC receives $200,000 in Johnson Scholarship funds

KYLE - Oglala Lakota College has entered into an agreement with the Johnson Scholarship Foundation for the establishment of an endowment fund that will support student scholarships and a business center.

The Johnson Scholarship Foundation will provide $200,000 annually for four years as long as OLC matches this amount with $300,000. The first payment of $200,000 from the Johnson Scholarship Foundation has been received by OLC when the college met the $300,000 matching amount. There is now $500,000 in the Johnson Scholarship Foundation account.

No interest distribution will be made from this account until a goal of $2,000,000 is met. Beginning in the 2009/2010 academic year, OLC will disburse $50,000 in JSF scholarships and a minimum of $100,000 to fund business and entrepreneurship student scholarship and a business center.

OLC will continue to receive scholarship support from the Johnson Scholarship Foundation until the $2 million goal is met, and then it is OLC's responsibility to support student scholarships.

OLC has also received a $20,000 matching grant from the South Dakota Community Foundation when OLC raised $80,000 for the Calving Jumping Bull Scholarship. The funds raised for the Calving Jumping Bull Scholarship will remain in the investment portfolio of the South Dakota Community Foundation, and OLC will receive $5,000 annually for the distribution to its students.

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TWO SECTIONS



Arvol Looking Horse, in the war bonnet head dress with others lead the march to the Meade County court house, where presentations of opposition were given to plead with the commissions not to grant a liquor license to Jay Allen. Photo by Monte Ecoffey.

Hundreds march against Jay Allen and desecration of sacred Bear Butte

BY MONTE ECOFFEY
Special to the Times

STURGIS - As the drums began to sound, students of the Lakota, Nakota and Dakota Nations exited their bus to witness what could be described as powerful, members of several tribes joined in prayer to bless the day. Representatives from Montana and South Dakota tribes took part in a most impressive and moving event at the base of Bear Butte adjacent to the city of Sturgis, host to the biggest annual Harley Davidson bike rally in the world.

Native people from the Oglala Lakota, Northern Cheyenne, (who own more 700 acres encircling the sacred mountain,) Sicangu (Rosebud) Nation, and Cheyenne

Please turn to Hundreds march for Bear Butte: A2

Rumors roll across reservation on deaths of Hard Heart and Black Elk

Twiss submits not guilty plea on Poor Bear homicide

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - "The rumors probably started on Tuesday evening, April 4 in Whiteclay when Sheridan County officers removed a man from the street and sent him to Scottsbluff for psychological evaluation," said Martin Hansford, supervisory special agent with the Bureau of Indian Affairs criminal investigation division.

"We started getting calls about someone who was picked up who had either admitted to killing the two men or who had witnessed the event and had finally come forward," he said.

Rumors spread fast around Pine Ridge Reservation about the two murders that continue to confound law enforcement authorities both on and off the reservation. The bodies of Ron Hard Heart and Wilson Black Elk were found along the side of the road between Pine Ridge and Whiteclay in early June of 2000.

"We had all kinds of calls wanting to know about the potential break in the murder cases," said Melanie Janis Zimiga, station manager of KILI Radio, "for a while the phone was ringing off the hook but we had not information, there definitely is a loot of interest in this case, it seems people really want something resolved on this case no matter how long it has

Please turn to Rumors: A2

The impact of Johnson O'Malley cuts in Lakota country

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - President Bush's fiscal year 2007 budget effectively zeroes out the Johnson O'Malley program, which provided 2006 funding levels at $16.4 million for the program. Senator Tim Johnson and several colleagues recently sent a letter to the Senate Appropriations Committee on Interior pointing out that now is not the time to cut JOM or other successful Indian education programs, especially those which target grade school children.

At a time when tribal communities are experiencing some degree of self-determination, it is crucial that the program be restored. Such restoration of grant funding is not unheard of as we saw in South Dakota how the state's congressional delegation worked together to ensure that Ellsworth Airbase was not on the final closure list.

The JOM grant program provides complementary funding for a number of ways as identified by a particular school and its parent committee. Approximately, half million Native American children attend the nation's public schools and JOM funding has been around since 1936 for schools which have demonstrated a commitment to improve.

Chad Blotsky, business manager at the Todd County School District is optimistic that JOM funding will not be cut at the final passage of the 2007 federal budget. He said, "JOM funds various programs that will need to be picked up. I don't foresee it being cut. The budget should be approved in December."

Blotsky noted that the state's congressional delegation is working hard to restore JOM funding. At the TCSD, Johnson O'Malley funds represent about one half of one percent of their annual operating budget of $26 million or $126,000.00. He also said that the funds spent at each school are "school specific" and each of the eleven schools utilizes the funding for a variety of different initiatives.

As an example of how JOM funds are earmarked at eleven Todd County Schools, several schools use the funds for prevention and wellness activities and incentives. Other schools use the funds for supplies and materials for Native American studies, parental involvement and student attendance.

Each school receives a modest amount depending upon the number of Native students enrolled. At a couple of the outlying schools where a smaller number of Lakota students are enrolled the schools receive less than $200.00 each, while one other receives less than a thousand dollars.

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Kratovil, Busch, In The Woods, Hornbeck, Crow lead the way for West River All Conference



Sunni Busch, TyAnn Pourier, Rich Big Boy, Kelsey Brave Eagle, Sadie in the Wood, Ryan Pourier, Jeff Big Crow nd Devon LeBeau.

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

MARTIN - The Bennett County girls and the Little Wound boys dominated the picks when coaches from across the region gathered last week to select all conference players in both girl's and boy's basketball for the West River Conference.

Bennett County Lady Warriors knocked off Todd County in Region 7A and finished fifth in the State A in Mitchell. All conference honors went to Maggie O'Neill, Mary Jo May, Keely Krolikowski and Abby Kratovil who earned first team all state honors and has signed to play basketball for South Dakota State University next year.

Todd County's Sunni Busch returned as all conference and joined Abby on the Class A first team all state and was joined on the all conference team by Char Wilson and sophomore Kali Jenkins.

Little Wound's Sadie In the Woods and TyAnn Pourier are returning to the all conference from last year and were joined by Kelsey Brave Eagle; Pine Ridge put Robyn Webber and freshman Lacey Weston on the team, Red Cloud had Kristin Weston and Marissa O'Bryan and St. Francis was represented by Mni White Lance.

West River all conference honorable mention went to: Katrina Donavan and Mary Kay VanderMay/BC, Mandi Morrisette, Tia McClosky and Summer Folkers/TC, Nichelle Red Owl, Mikayla Mitzel, Whitney Pourier and Julie Boyce/LW, Rianna Albers, Marque Lunderman and Ida Clarke/RC and Steph Metcalf and Cristine Crow Eagle/SF.

Little Wound boys knocked off Pine Ridge for the district, defeat Platte for the region and took seventh in the State A tourney with Brice Hornbeck, Willis Zephier, Devon LeBeau and Rich Big Boy earning all conference honors.

Pine Ridge won the West River conference title and placed Jon Provost and Jeff Big Crow on the all conference team.

Last year's region winner and state qualifier placed three on the all conference team, Kris Leroy, JJ Arcoren and Taylor Brushbreaker of St. Francis.

Red Cloud beat Custer for the District 15A title and lost to the eventual state champs, St. Thomas More in the regions; Johnny Crow and Christian McGhee repeat on the all conference team and were joined by sophomore Lester Gotheridge. Todd County placed Gunner Krogman, Ray Long and Steve Antoine on the team while Bennett County's Corbin Kratovil and Clint Sasse earned all conference honors.

Honorable mention nods for the boys went to: Michael Jack and Ryan Pourier/PR, Royce Forte, Travis Spotted Horse and Travis Spotted War Bonnett/SF,

Shilo Pierce, Michael Apple, Ty Lunderman and Dustin Shangreaux/LW, Billy Scott, Chris Red Bear and David Giago/RC, Stoney Larvie, Mark DuBray and Vernie White Hawk/TC and Jake Sasse and DJ Toczek/BC.

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The high school receives over $15,000.00 given the high percentage of Lakota students served.

Johnson and colleagues noted that between 1990 and 2000, the percentage of Native people over 25 who had graduated from high school increased from 66 percent to 71 percent. That figure is still lower than non-Native students 25 and older who have graduated at a rate of 85 percent.

Johnson along with his colleagues concluded by writing, "We strongly believe the success of Indian students in public grade schools each year is a tribute to the success of the JOM grant program. An education that works makes all the difference in a child's life… The Johnson O'Malley program grant program works and is valued by public schools in states across the country."

"Senator Thune agrees with Senator Johnson that funding should be restored to the Johnson O'Malley Program. Similarly, Senator Thune supports core funding for tribal colleges at $67.4 million and level funding for Urban Indian Health Programs at $33 million. Senator Thune also supports a $99 million increase above the $67 million authorized for the COPS Meth Hot Spots program, which will help South Dakota's Native American communities fight the scourge of methamphetamine."

"As part of Senator Thune's efforts to help tribal law enforcement overcome the challenges they face, he successfully fought to secure $1.45 million for COPS funding for Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. Senator Thune recently sent a letter to the Department of Interior requesting the BIA to return a favorable recommendation for the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe's application for a $1 million grant to fund an access road to the emergency water intake being built on the Oahe Reservoir.

Senator Thune has worked hard to find funding for the emergency water intake, which will deliver a clean drinking water supply to the Cheyenne River reservation. Senator Thune will continue to fight for the resources needed in Indian Country," said Kyle Downey.

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"I know that this investment by the Johnson Scholarship Foundation will lead to greater entrepreneurial accomplishments on our reservation. This financial support leads to greater self-determination for our people on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation," stated OLC President, Thomas Shortbull. "With the matching grants from the Johnson Scholarship Foundation and the South Dakota Community Foundation, OLC is making progress on meeting its goal of raising $6 million in student scholarships by 2011," continued President Shortbull.

Hard Heart and Black Elk rumors

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been."

At the present time, the Federal Bureau of Investigation is the lead agency on this case and the BIA CID got involved only after the tribe turned the criminal investigation division back to the Bureau, according to Hansford.

"We have been going over the dame information over and over for several years," said Hansford, "we have not had any new information for years - I have to believe that there are people out there who witnessed the crime or have information about what happened but they are not coming forward, for whatever reason."

The FBI has had a cold case specialist come in and review the evidence and the case and have not seen any results as of yet.

"This is a major deal, two lives were taken, and two families were deprived of a loved one and yet no one will come forward," said Hansford, "we need the one or two or three people who were there to come forward and help us solve this case, this is not a game but something that has impacted the entire community."

Twiss enters not guilty plea to involuntary manslaughter charge in Poor Bear death

RAPID CITY - Early in the morning on November 3rd, Shelly Poor Bear, a 24 year old single parent with four children, was found along side the road to Three Moccasin Park, just off the road between Pine Ridge Village and Whiteclay. On March 28th, U.S. attorney Steven K. Mullins announced that Jessica Twiss, a 26 year old Nebraska woman, was indicted by a federal grand jury for the involuntary manslaughter relating to the death of Poor Bear.

On March 28th, Twiss appeared before U.S. Magistrate Marshall Young and pled not guilty to the indictment. The maximum penalty upon conviction is six years imprisonment and or $250,000 fine, or both.

The investigation is being conducted by the FBI is being prosecuted by assistant U.S. attorney Robert Mandel, no trial date has been set as of yet.

Poor Bear's death was one of six deaths on Pine Ridge Reservation between November 3, 2005 and December 10, 2005 involving young people between the ages of 13 and 27.

Council tables new impeachment complaints and sets special session

MANDERSON - In the first day of a three day regular tribal council session at the Wounded Knee District school in Manderson, the council was immediately faced with four new impeachment complaints that according to ordinance must be dealt with before dealing with any new business.

"I've never seen clear water turn to wojapi as quickly as we saw today," said Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge Village who made a motion on Tuesday to hear all of the complaints and then decide whether to accept the complaints or not and schedule a hearing or not."

Medicine Root District brought another complaint on Juanita Scherich to remove her from her position as council representative from Medicine Root District. Garfield Steele brought a complaint against both Walt Big Crow and Paul Little.

After much discussion and a new tribal attorney's interpretation of the tribe's impeachment ordinance, 41-26, the council voted 8-6 with two not voting to table any action on the impeachment complaints until a special session council meeting could be scheduled to review the entire impeachment process including the out-dated ordinance 41-26.

During this administration, complaints have been filed against the tribal president and treasurer and several council representatives. Cecelia Fire Thunder, OST president, has gone through two hearings, including a 66 day suspension, while Walt Big Crow has dealt with two complaints and a hearing with a 33 day suspension. Following the suspension of both Fire Thunder and Big Crow, both complaints were dismissed.

Hundreds march for Bear Butte

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River from across the prairie sang out in prayer on a beautiful morning at the base of sacred Mato Paha.

Vice-President of the Oglala Sioux Tribe Alex White Plume; Debra White Plume Coordinator of InterTribal Defenders of Paha Mato (Bear Butte); Arvol Looking Horse, Keeper of the Pipe; Carter Camp - long time supporter of American Indian Movement and coordinator of Monday's prayer service and march into Sturgis, Bruce Ellison - attorney and long time supporter of Indian rights, Robert Grey Eagle, tribal attorney for many years, OST Council Representatives - Garfield Steele, Lydia Bear Killer, Will Peters, Mary Poor Thunder and Walt Big Crow among many other indigenous tribal council representatives were in attendance for this historic gathering of nations.

As bus loads of students and others began to gather for the morning ceremony that was planned by many to protest the inevitable encroachment of Bear Butte, you could feel the power of the mountain and the people.

They came by one, two and three, by the busload, members from many tribes' and their children, tribal council representatives and medicine men. They were here to protest and hopefully, protect a mountain that most European/Caucasian members of this state don't acknowledge as a site sacred to over 60 Indigenous nations.

The ceremony on the mountain was very much advertised as a 'Call to Action,' within the Indian Nation to bring notice to what is happening at significant locations, including sacred, burial, fossil, ceremonial, mineral and historical sites on treaty and tribal lands which hold significant importance to all tribal members.

The participants proceeded from Bear Butte in a caravan of over 200 vehicles that stretched from Bear Butte into the city of Sturgis.

History on Bear Butte: Phoenix, Arizona entrepreneur Jay Allen, who currently owns the "Broken Spoke Saloon" in Sturgis in addition to biker bars nation wide has filed for a malt liquor license for a 600 plus acre entertainment venue that includes asphalt parking for not only motorcycles and vehicles but for semi tractor-trailers as well. His endeavor also includes a 30,000 seat amphitheater for concerts, campground and an open and 'unpoliced environment', where he's placed an advertisement in Hustler magazine promoting, "Cold beer and hot, hot women."

These ads and other comments made by Mr. Allen brought to question his own personal character and the potential location of his proposed biker bar. These were the only determining factors on whether or not the Meade County commissioners could or more importantly should issue yet another liquor license in a county literally flooded with liquor establishments.

This follows on the heals of a recent Meade County initiative to build a shooting range in the same vicinity of Jay Allen's Sturgis County Line biker bar. That initiative was abandoned after one of the original organizations in defense of Bear Butte, the Defenders of the Black Hills, stopped development and in turn caused the county of Meade to return questionable funding back to Governor William "Bill" Janklow of South Dakota.

In talking with several Sturgis residents, they believed in what the marchers were doing and a few went further to say that they were also 'deeply' concerned with the continuous development not only within the city limits, but out east towards and around the Butte. Plans are in place for an additional 30,000 seat amphitheater at the Glencoe Campground not five miles from the mountain's base.

Marchers were allowed to enter Sturgis after being diverted from Lazelle St. to avoid public interaction, according to what this reporter heard on the county/state radio transmissions.

Police in the area were understandably nervous as the procession entered the city limits. One area resident that I questioned said that the police told him to take down a flag he had in his yard, because they thought it would antagonize the marchers. It was a biker flag, which held no significance to me, as a native.

Once in the city limits, the progression paused at the city park where they regrouped then proceeded into the township of Sturgis, where there were many curious and adamant supporters.

Asked how they felt about the protestors, ten out of ten said they were in support of the marchers, but would not officially go on the record, saying that they lived in Sturgis and didn't want to _ _ _ _ any one off. "I have to live and work here," was the general mood of the day.

Police and county personnel were very helpful and accommodating, leaving the press pool to ponder what's coming next.

Marchers gathered at the Sturgis Community Center for a meal and re-grouped to march to the Court house where the hearing to establish whether or not Jay Allen could obtain a license for the "World's Largest Biker Bar." A beer license that would essentially put a biker bar at the door of one of North America's holiest of sacred sites.

"What's ultimately at stake here is the issue of religious practice and individual rights that are not only humanly, but legally entitled to us as indigenous people. We are asking for the respect the U.S. gives to any school, church or hospital in these United States.," Deb White Plume stated in many press released to the local and national media outlets.

Opponents marched from the Sturgis Community Center to the Meade County Courthouse in strong alliance. Many in attendance were emotionally moved by what transpired on this day. Many said they would lay down their lives over the fate of the Mountain, the Black Hills and for restitution of the gold taken from Home Stake Goldmine.

Vietnam veterans, veterans of Wounded Knee 1973, our children, elderly, OST Council Representatives and other protestors were moved to tears, anger and frustration. Tensions ran high and the public safety officials were getting scared, but the people were overtly courteous.

Garfield Steele, Pine Ridge Reservation Councilman - Wounded Knee District, responding to the commission's action of 5-0 to approve the liquor license stated that "The Oglalas will lead the fight to protect Bear Butte. I've been saying all along that this is the real fight, we should be dealing with these issues instead of fighting each other in the Council Circle. Personally, I will lead the fight and give my blood, my life on the Mountain. This is what it's all about. Our land, our rights, I get real mad when I see the women and babies crying. This is just the start. I'll be back in July."

Alex White Plume with an unsteady voice told the people in attendance still over 250 strong, that this was not the end but just the beginning of the battle. "We came to them in peace, to their court. We got no justice. Now we'll go all the way. We are not only fighting for Bear Butte but for our Black Hills, our gold, our land."

Many federally recognized tribes and Lakota Oyate were moved to express not only their own personal intentions, but the intentions of their collective goal which is to stay off the mountain.

Plans for further protests are gaining momentum and another 'Call for Action,' goes out to all members of native nations and friends to converge on Bear Butte on July, 4 through the end of the Sturgis Bike Rally in the first week of August.

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Reservation ball teams hit the road for second season action

Little Wound boys, girls win Denver's All West

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

DENVER/VERMILLION/RAPID CITY - Yes, the Big Foot Conference is over and the high school regular season and state tournaments are all in the book but girl's and boy's teams hit the road for the second season with a vengeance.

This past weekend as teams from Pine Ridge and Rosebud reservations traveled to Denver for the 18th annual All West high school tournament, to Vermillion and the Dakota Dome for the annual Willie Mac tournaments and to Rapid City for a set of YMCA competitions at gymnasiums around town..

The Little Wound boys and girls high school teams are not resting on their laurels, both traveled to Denver and came back with the championship banner and undefeated records for their efforts. All West included 29 boy's teams and 19 girl's teams.

Brice Hornbeck led the way with 20 points as Little Wound downed the Sicangu Akicita All Stars from Rosebud in the high school championship game 70-50. Up 34-26 at the half, Hornbeck, the tournament MVP, was helped by TJ McCauley's 12 points and Michael Apple's 11 in the win, McCauley earned an all star selection and Apple was named Mr. Hustle.

"We got through pool play and headed for the tournament," said Billy Hornbeck, Little Wound's coach, "I told the team, now we have to really play ball and the tournament ended up being easier than the pool."

Little Wound roared through pool play with wins over Northern Arapaho 56-52, Omaha Nation 50-41, Sicangu All Stars 70-51 and the Finest 58-50.

In the quarter finals in the first game of the single elimination tournament, it was Little Wound 72-47 over Eastern Shoshone and in the semis, 63-50 over The Love of the Game. Rich Big Boy, Willis Zephier, Casey Montileaux, David Giago, Dustin Shangreaux, Shilo Pierce and Ty Lunderman rounded out the Mustangs team.

JJ Arcoren, St. Francis topped the Sicangu Akicita All stars with 17 points and was named to the all star team while Kris Leroy, St. Francis, chipped in ten. Sicangu included Colton Douville, Chamberlain, Travis Spotted Horse and Taylor Brushbreaker, St. Francis and Todd County's Gunner Krogman, Ray Long, Mark DuBray and Vernie White Hawk.

"Our championship game went down to the wire," said Dana Brave Eagle, Little Wound coach, "more than once I thought it was over and we had lost, but the girls kept finding a way to come back and finally win it."

Up at the half, Little Wound found itself down by six with a minute and a half to go, Janessa Burke hit a three and after a stop, Jade Davis hit another three to tie it up 51 all with 30 seconds left in regulation.

After stealing the inbounds pass, the Lady Mustangs called time with six seconds left.

They went into the post to get the win but Rae Bean missed the shot, TyAnn Pourier grabbed the rebound and was fouled on the put back with half a second on the clock.

After missing the first free throw, Pourier hit the second and Little Wound owned a 52-51 win over the Apsaalooke Jammers for the championship.

Little Wound opened pool play with a 68-28 win over Lower Brule and followed it up with wins over the Jammers 50-47, 60-40 over Omaha Nation and 50-38 over Ft. Berthold. In the quarters, Little Wound downed Comanche Nation 47-41 and in the semis got by the Basketball Divas(Pine Ridge) 46-41.

Jade Davis earned the MVP award, Rae Bean was the all star and TyAnn Pourier was Miss Hustle. Little Wound included Whitney Pourier, Brittany Ross, Mikayla Mitzel, Janessa Burke and Kelsey Brave Eagle.

The Basketball Divas included: Robyn Webber, Lacey Weston, Keisha Brewer, Sophia Janis, Aimee Pond, Nichelle Red Owl and Sadie In The Woods.

Pine Ridge boys went through the pool play 4-0 then lost their first game of the tournament and included Jon Provost, Michael Jack, Jeff Big Crow, Ferron Swiftbird, JC Dillon, Lenny White and Duran Eastman of Tiospa Zina and Johnny Crow of Red Cloud.

Art Vitalis, Ken Franks, Richard Williams, Will Yellow Hair, Misu Morrisette, Jeff Pourier and Shawn Keith ended up 1-3 for the tournament while Amanda Catcheas, Deasiree Blacksmith, Saige Pourier, Danielle Locust, Ida Clarke, Angel Big Crow and Charlie Running Eagle also went 1-3 for the tourney.

Three reservation teams won the championship in their respective divisions in Rapid City as Ted Standing Soldier, Jr. had both of his sixth grade teams in the championship game.

Alanna Brown Bull of Little Wound led the charge with 18 points as her team won the championship game 29-25. Brown Bull's team included Sam Cross and Jamie Her Many Horses of Loneman, Kateri Means/Porcupine, Leonee Ridhards and Andy Janis of Pine Ridge and Shaina Mestheth of OLL. Ted's other team included: Francis Around Him, Marissa Around Him, Larae Morgan and Gracie Morgan of Little Wound, Shaniah Richards and Brook Pond of Pine Ridge and Angel Palmier and Britney Has No Horse of Batesland.

Another mixed team from Pine Ridge Reservation defeated Takini 67-49 to win the 8th grade girls division.

The winning team included Kanisha Rooks and Kristin Clifford of Little Wound, Kayla Ten Fingers and Mary Two Lance of Loneman and Christian Janis, Allie Janis and Mariah of Pine Ridge.

Red Cloud's 9th/10th grade team went 4-0 and won the division with a 69-53 win over Sundance. Christian McGhee, Lester Gotheridge, Michael Cuny, Michael Clifford and Wade O'Bryan of Red Cloud teamed up with Tanner Wince of St. Thomas More and Henry Crow of Oelrichs to win the tourney.

Willie Mac Hoops coordinated competition in the 4th grade through the ninth grade in the Dakota Dome in Vermillion with two divisions in each grade level, a school division and an open division.

Pine Ridge Def Jam, A fourth grade team, coached by Doni DeCory and Casey Means lost to the Madison Masterdogs in the championship and included Jessie and Jacob Brown, Jeff LeBeau, Adonis Saltes, John Green, Jeremy Bettelyoun and Cully John Pourier.

Another Pine Ridge Def Jam team took third in the 7th grade division. Coached by Casey Means, the team included Roger Tyon/Big Crow, Orrie Brown, Adam Watters, Ben Red Cloud Jr., Brian Walking, John Pond and Boots Vitalis.

Don "Gummer" Garnier coached the third Pine Ridge team competing in the ninth grade division. The team took 5th place and was made up of Mike Twiss Jr., Ezra Zephier, Lars Backward, Roman Leftwich, Brandon Fast Horse, James Pine and Cubbie Two Lance.

The Coup Counters took fifth place in the eighth grade open division. Coached by Matt Rama, the team included Kiley Weston, Oren Three Stars, Bryer Iron Cloud, Carl Swallow, JD Plume, Wayne Mobley, Mike and John Richards and Dave Red Bear.

Iron Nation, a seventh grade team from Lower Brule, coached by Gideon Saul, won the school division; the team included three ballplayers from Porcupine, Casey and Derrick Marshall and James Flye.

Tournaments in the second season continue until mid May with local tourneys in Kyle, Martin, Wolf Creek, Batesland and Pine Ridge as well as Lower Brule, Ft. Hall Idaho and North Dakota.

A third season for high school players gets underway on June 1st and runs through July 31st with individual and team camps scheduled at colleges and universities throughout the state and beyond.

Fire destroys courthouse

McINTOSH (AP) - The Corson County courthouse was destroyed by fire early Monday.

Crews reported heavy smoke coming from the two-story wooden building when they arrived shortly after midnight Sunday.

The courthouse is located in McIntosh near the North Dakota border on the Standing Rock Indian Reservation.

`A family that lives across the street smelled smoke, and they called in the fire department,'' said McIntosh Mayor Edward Block. ``They got up to check and they saw smoke coming out of the courthouse - up on the roof and all over. The cement vaults are standing, that's all. The building is completely down, there's nothing left.''

Fire units from Isabel, McLaughlin, McIntosh and Morristown responded.

The cause of the fire was undetermined.

Block said decisions about a temporary courthouse likely will be made by the end of the week.

Chadron Native American Center offers a variety of health services

CHADRON - The Chadron Native American Center, which has been in existence for six years now is partnered with Western Community Health Resources and offers Native Americans a virtual banquet of services.

They promote good health and wellness by offering various health screenings, which can tell people if they are healthy, at risk or in the worst case, in the midst of a health crisis.

They offer free cholesterol screenings that according to the Director, Joe Siebell, are very accurate and quick to administer.

The test measures total cholesterol, HDL, LDL, blood glucose and triglycerides.

Tama Dierks, LPN Case Manager who's been at the center for three years said, "We do combined services. We test for HIV, administer cardiovascular screenings and assist in diabetic awareness/prevention. We can also refer patients out who may need medical care, we obtain services for them, we help with nutritional issues and in getting their medications, we also help relay important medical information.

"We have community organizers in each community, that's through the Native Center here in Chadron. We are involved in administering Sons and Daughters of Tradition Curriculum, which is a Native American based curriculum, and it's being taught right now in a pilot program at the Gordon/Rushville Middle School," according to Michael White Mountain, Grants Manager at the Center. "We also have youth groups that are active right now in each Scottsbluff, Dawes, Box Butte and Sheridan counties. Two of those counties have a large number of Lakota residents. These are border towns like Rushville, Gordon, Chadron and Alliance.

We have four locations within those counties.

According to data released by the Native American Center based in Chadron, NE, there have been many reports that show increasing numbers in the Native American population with Diabetes and cardiovascular disease.

They provide resources and education on cardio vascular disease, diabetes, family planning, WIC and HIV/AIDS. They also offer fresh fruit and vegetable vouchers to every screening participant to further aid in nutritional endeavors while participants wait for the results of their testing.

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The Supreme Court of the Oglala Sioux Nation seeks prospective candidates for the position of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. The position is a part-time position. The Supreme Court shall have exclusive jurisdiction of all appeals from final Orders and Judgements of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Court.

Duties: The Chief Justice is responsible for the overall operation of the Supreme Court, including but not limited to designating alternate Justices to hear cases in instances of conflict or unavailability of a permanent Justice; swearing in Associate Justices and elected Tribal Officials; assigning cases to individual Justices for opinion writing; scheduling and ordering of presentation of cases; and scheduling meetings or sessions of the Supreme Court of the Oglala Sioux nation. The Chief Justice shall be subject to the OST Law and Order Codes, Judicial Code,Judicial Code of Ethics.

Compensation: Shall be fixed by the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council according to a budget of the Supreme Court. the Chief Justice shall receive compensation only for those cases in which they sit as a member of the Supreme or otherwise perform duties of the office.

Term: The Chief Justice shall be appointed by the Oglala Sioux Council and serve a four (4) year term, from the time of appointment or as otherwise fixed by the Tribal Council.

Qualifications: Is twenty-five (25) years of age or older, has never been convicted of a felony; has not been convicted of a misdemeanor within one year of assuming office; is of good moral character and eligible for admission to practice before the Courts of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, can read, write and understand the English language; demonstrates a knowledge of the Oglala Sioux Code and court procedures an understanding of State and Federal law and court procedures; graduate of an ABA accredited law school and active member, in good standing, licensed to practice before any state supreme court.

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The following school board positions will become vacant due to the expiration of the present terms of office of the following school board members:

Laticia "Doni" Decory (3 year term)
Andrea Eagle Bull (3 year term)

Circulation of nominating petitions may begin on April 18, 2006. Petitions may be filed in the office of the business manager located at Batesland SD between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., (Mountain time) no later than Friday, May 12, 2006 at 4:30 p.m. or mailed by registered mail no later than Friday May 12, 2006 at 5:00 p.m.

Madonna Cummings
Business Manager

OPINION PAGE

Guest Editorial

Patrick Lee: tribal law must be checked on abortion clinic issue

BY PATRICK LEE

Patrick Lee is an instructor at Oglala Lakota College and is an expertise in tribal law. He is the former chief judge of the Oglala Sioux Tribe Court.

After reading Bill Harlan's article in the Rapid City Journal last week on the plan for an abortion clinic on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, the involvement of national Planned Parenthood, countries throughout the world and a WorldNetDaily.com headline proclaiming, "Sioux tribe plans to scalp its own," I feel obliged to share some information as food for thought.

Regardless of which side of the abortion issue one is on, there are some factual matters that must be considered.

Oglala Sioux Tribal President Cecelia Fire Thunder is proposing a reservation-based abortion clinic should South Dakota's HB1215 anti-abortion law become effective. Cecelia correctly states that tribal sovereignty would make the reservation exempt from state law banning most abortions, at least directly. In her latest press release she states that she has consulted attorneys about the clinic and that she is embarking on a fund-raising campaign.

I wonder if the consulting attorneys took time to research tribal law on the subject. The tribe's Juvenile Code describes unborn children as "a child conceived, but not born, is to be deemed an existing person so far as may be necessary for its interests and welfare to be protected in the event of its subsequent birth" (Chapter 5, Juvenile Code, Section 1.05). That definition and its implications could present a problem to supporters of the proposed abortion clinic.

But that's not all.

While the tribe is immune from the application of state law directly, there is a federal law which makes state criminal prohibitions applicable to Indian reservations.

The federal Assimilative Crimes Act incorporates the substantive law of state prohibitory laws and applies them to the reservation as federal laws. The ACA is rarely used these days, but the statute is still in the books and could conceivably subject reservation abortionists to federal prosecution for violating the substantive law of the state. State jurisdiction is not involved.

Another problem Cecelia would face as tribal president is her special oath of office. President Fire Thunder was sworn into office upon being elected and took an oath to uphold the laws of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. Tribal law as it presently exists would protect the unborn child because it is deemed an existing person and a reservation-based abortion clinic could be a violation of the child's right to protection.

Aborting, or terminating the life of an existing person would violate tribal law. A tribal official who fails to uphold the oath of office could face impeachment charges. Tribal law would apply personally to Cecelia whether or not she was president. Impeachment would be the least of Cecelia's problems if faced with a murder charge.

Cecelia could propose changing the tribal law as it defines unborn children. That would take some doing because, as she correctly states, the tribe views children as sacred. The cultural value of children being sacred is reflected in the laws of the tribe and any change would have to be made by the Tribal Council on behalf of the members of the tribe.

Tribal tradition views all life as sacred - two-legged, four-legged, crawling, plant life, etc. These cultural values would present a problem to one who would expose unborn children to abortion.

Tribal law views women, children and men as being sacred and in need of protection from the time of their conception through each cycle of life and throughout their elderly years.

I offer this information to point out that the creation of an abortion clinic on the Pine Ridge Reservation is not that simple, and that one aspect of tribal sovereignty does not resolve all issues facing the proposed abortion clinic.



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Other Views

Makosica basketball team remembered

Dear Editor:

In the mid 1940s, independent basketball was big and well attended in the Kyle area. This was mainly due to the fact that there was hardly any entertainment going on.

There were only two high school teams in action, also because of the lack of transportation to these games in the Pine Ridge area.

I guess I would call this the wagon and horseback days. Only the government workers had cars.

Because Kyle had a new larger gymnasium this was where the big tournaments were held. It was in 1946 our Makosica team pulled off a huge win.

There was a young man from the Rockyford area that put together a top notch hand picked basketball team. This guy's name was Hulligan. His team was spiked to the gills.

These boys and their leader were arrogant. They challenged our local tournament committee to a winner take all $1,000 purse. There were two days of basketball and people drove their teams, rode horseback and walked to see the who would be the Pine Ridge reservation's best.

Hulligan's tam has no problem at all illuminating the not so talented teams until they met up with the local Makosica team.

This team leader was Paul Apple and the player at the center position was Floyd Fire Thunder. The forward positions were Bert Cottier and Tony Apple. The guards were Chester Janis and Kenneth Apple. The extras were Garfield Iron Crow and Pershing Lays Hard.

These teams squared off and it was a pretty evenly match competition. My dad was sitting with an old time friend from Cuny Table by the name of Wilson Cuny. He was so proud of his sons Whiteman and Willard. He told my dad, keep your eyes on these two boys, they are going to show these local boys a thing or two about ball handling.

The gym was packed to capacity and some men stood on their saddles and watched through the large windows. The cheering was so loud, it almost raised the roof. Then in the fourth quarter, the Makosica team slowly pulled away from the spike up team. This was when my dad told Mr. Cuny to watch the two Apple boys. After pulling away with a comfortable lead, Chet as he was known went into his sophisticated ball handling act. He was the Lakota's answer to Marcus Haines. They double and triple teamed him to no avail.

One elderly lady hollered, why don't he give it to them if they want it so bad. I don't remember the other members of the Hulligan's team.

I might add that Chet, Kenneth and Tony were top notch saddle bronc riders at that time. Chet was the only cowboy that successfully rode the famous bucking horse Star Light.

Chet rode with the big boys, the likes of Bill Linderman and Casey Tibbs. Kenneth and Tony dominated the cowboy classic on the local scene.

Frances Charles Apple
North Route
Kyle, S.D.

Northern Perspectives

Good news deserves credit



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

That is a slogan that former RST president Charles Colombe allowed me to borrow on a loan basis. An organization that he is working with in Albuquerque, NM on an in-kind basis created it as a kind of vision statement for their work and Charlie thought it certainly applied to the kind of stories that I like to highlight in my writing.

There is a wealth of information and events that impact Lakota people everyday. What is interesting is that news changes by the hour and what was news yesterday may not be as informative today.

I have been receiving comments about an interview I did on KINI with Richard Iyotte and people are saying that they like positive news. I try to write what I label "feel good" news, but of course in the news industry it does not always sell.

I know for a fact, however, that there are topics and issues, which we need to inform the public about either through our writing or through advertisements sponsored by a respective institution.

As a matter of fact, we have a responsibility to transmit such information particularly if it has some bearing on the public health of the people.

In the ensuing weeks and months, I am hoping that the tribes and the Indian Health Service will begin to inform our tribal membership about the potential effects of the bird flu or avian flu if it ever does materialize on our shores. We don't want to misinform the people about this flu or alarm them needlessly, but it something that we need to present the facts on and how people can prepare themselves.

Also, this is the month of the child and agencies that want to promote their mission and objectives may wish to step forward and inform the public as to their functions and what they have accomplished this past year.

I realize that advertising is such an important function in letting the public know what our activities are and what issues we might be facing. I would imagine that most agencies have a certain advertising budget factored into their yearly budget. We see weekly special advertised by grocery stores and department stores all the time and it is a great way to hammer away at the kinds of thing we can offer the public.

If I could afford to advertise I would tell prospective employers about my wonderful endearing qualifications and why I should be leading my own university or what one may expect when I start on my new book.

I have not started it, yet, but being a procrastinator it is something that I want to do. I'm simply waiting for inspiration so watch for my book when inspiration strikes.

When we cover functions, events and ceremonies as sponsored by the Lakota community there is a difference in the way a story might come across to our readership.

You might read the same story that we do in one of the mainstream or community newspapers and I swear it sounds like totally different accounts.

What we have to offer is the fact that we are grounded in cultural sensitivity, protocol and the Lakota language and this fact is clearly evident. I think our Lakota readership knows that fact and we hope to continue to serve them with information that targets their background and cultural uniqueness.

'Good news deserves credit' indeed, is a catchy slogan as it underscores the need to be mindful of the good works that many Lakota people do everyday. There are many that do not want to be in the spotlight and we have to honor their wishes also.

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Concerned about oyate

Dear Editor:

Hau! I am writing in concern of not only my well being or my own *oyate*, but for everyone who may have the same concern.

I am concerned over the fact of all tribes being cut off all funds for our programs, nationwide.

Who will be standing up for our tribe?

Are we ready with our treaty rights?

Who are we going to trust with our future at stake?

Who will stand and answer all questions when the time comes?

Is it time to reconstruct or reorganize our management?

Is it time to cut down our group and appoint or just a stand up few?

Maybe a laughing matter now, well.

I am worried about all this, all the happenings in articles I read and I believe it's my right to read and write my concerns.

Pila ya maya,
Verdell "Jake" Yellow Horse
Oglala, S.D.

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Thoughts that come from the heart

Making change in our lives



By Amanda Takes War Bonnett

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In the past several years I have been going through some major changes in my life regarding healing, divorce, empty nest syndrome and basically changing my belief systems to accommodate the changes in my life.

It wasn't easy to make those changes, but I have been determined to make changes in my life because I simply wanted to be a happier person. It took taking the bull by horns and tackling one of the biggest issues that we have with human behavior and that is to change a belief system. I realized I had to change my belief system to become a better person for myself and those I love. That meant work for me as a person and it is easier said than done to make changes in one's life to be a better person.

Some time ago, I read a quote by Dalai Lami, "The Art of Happiness: A Handbook for Living" where he says. "I believe that the very purpose of our life is to seek happiness. That is clear. Whether one believes in religion or not, whether one believes in this religion or that religion, we are all seeking something better in life. So, I think, the very motion of our life is toward happiness." He further said happiness can be achieved through training the mind. In training the mind, he meant more in intellect and feeling, heart and mind. He says by bringing about a certain inner discipline, we can undergo a transformation of our attitude, our entire outlook and approach to living.

So in doing so, to achieve that inner discipline, we have to identify the things in our life that lead to happiness and the things in our life that lead to suffering. We work to eliminate the issues that lead to our suffering. And to do that it takes times, getting our resources how we can do that and really working at it.

The important issue is to eliminate the suffering or the pain and issues that hurt us in our lives. Sometimes that is hard to do and we eventually just wallow in our suffering and continue on, not making that effort to make change in our lives.

It's tough. We see it all over in our communities. We see with the alcoholism we have in our families, the depression, poverty, health issues and so many other issues. We just don't how to make change or we don't realize we have to make change to make changes in our life… to be a happy.

Happiness is one of the top human emotions and it can be achieved.. if we so desire it.

I grew up with the belief system of the all American dream of having a home, with a mommy and a daddy, the children and raising them to productive members of society. It wasn't long before I realized the partner I choose for life didn't have those same beliefs as me. I couldn't understand how he could easily emotionally detach from his children to an almost non existence status.

It took understanding alcoholism and depression and how those issues affected my family to let go of that suffering.

In the book "Beliefs" by Tim Hallbom an Suzi Smith , our beliefs make up much of what we are. If people really believe they can't do something, they're going to find an unconscious way to keep the change from occurring.

Just like in working with smoking, you have to get someone to consider what they will be in their life regarding their relationships, their work life and in recreation when they no longer smoke.

Once someone has set an outcome, they have already started the change. This means that once we are clear about our goals our brain will organize our unconscious behavior to achieve it and we will begin to keep on track to achieve our goals. But we have to know what we want and our desire to achieve it.

Once we know what we want and what we desire, we can determine what abilities and resources we need to achieve it.

Then of course there will be interferences, even subconsciously like really wanting to change in our lives but not knowing how to create a representation of that change or how we would want to behave if we did the change and giving ourselves a change to use we learn and that takes time.

There has been so many times that I have read the requests to our Ask Anna column. This has become a popular reading item in the paper and it is because women are seeking, and men of course, we have gotten a few from our Lakota men. They are seeking answers and most of the requests focus around change… how to handle change and how to find what they really want. It's hard work at times and one thing that I have always encountered is discipline. Developing discipline takes effort. It is something we need to make change in our lives.

It takes tiny baby steps to accomplish what we we want in our own lives and with our families and it takes work to figure out how we can achieve those steps.

Notes From Indian Country

Sovereignty can have its growing pains



By Tim Giago
(Nanwica Kciji)

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One of my recent columns on sovereignty in Indian country found its way on to the Crow Nation's tribal email system and prompted some encouraging, but realistic comments.

One commentary drew my immediate attention because since I had worked for the tribal government of the Oglala Sioux Tribe many years ago and having experienced first hand the obstacles often placed in the path of anyone trying to bring about much needed improvements, his sharp comments went directly to the heart of sovereignty.

Also, as the former editor and publisher of a newspaper based on an Indian reservation, one that covered the good, the bad and the ugly of tribal politics and social interplay, my association with tribal governments had a tendency to change every two years when a new administration took office.

My column was intended to point out the big picture on why tribal sovereignty is so important in Indian country. But there are many smaller factors that can create real problems. The man writing to me will remain anonymous because he does work for the Crow Nation and his job could be jeopardized for speaking his mind.

The first thing he pointed out is that some tribes can be "oppressive and dysfunctional." He talked about how tribal administrations change every four years, or on some reservations (Pine Ridge for example), every two years.

The downside of this is that whenever a new administration steps in most of the employees and directors of the major programs are replaced. This, of course, negates any continuity within the structure of the tribe. If there is not a continuous governmental structure the knowledge gained by those program directors about to be replaced is lost. The tendency then is to start all over again after each tribal election.

More often than not many employees are hired according to whom they are related to within the new government. "It's not what you know, but who you know," opens the door to employment. And because family ties are so important within the makeup of a tribe, those related to the tribal leaders often are first in line for the jobs. Many times these "relatives" have little or no experience at the job positions they are called upon to fill.

The tribal chairmen or chairwomen are king and queen. I will never forget a comment made to me many years ago by the newly elected chairman of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, Elijah Whirlwind Horse. I worked for Elijah as his Director of Public Relations. After his first week in office and after employee after employee came to his office with hats in hand hoping against all hope to keep their jobs, he said, "I never realized how much power the tribal chairman has; even the janitors are coming to me begging to keep their jobs."

The writer from Crow Nation continued, "People are fired and replaced indiscriminately based on the will of the chairman so no one feels stable in their jobs and they become concerned about whether they look good rather than whether they are doing a good job."

I hope the good people of the Crow Nation do not take this personally because I could be writing about any number of Indian nations across America. The problems brought up by this member of the Crow Nation could have been brought up by a member of the Cherokee, Blackfeet, Nez Perce, Oglala, Sicangu, Navajo, or by any member of the other 500 Indian nations in this country.

Any many reservations the people have a tendency to gossip and on a reservation where everybody knows everybody, that gossip can become quite vicious and hurtful. Those whose lives are stuck in place often direct the gossip at those making a success of their lives. And jealousy can be carried to extremes on many Indian reservations. As one writer said, "Jealous people will cut you down every chance they get."

Further disruption often occurs because some people that are powerfully politically connected do not believe that the rules and the laws are meant for them. They believe that because they are "connected," they are immune to the laws others must live by.

Others take total advantage of their connections by showing up for work only when they feel like it and they can often be found sitting at the slot machines in the tribe's casino during working hours.

These same people often secure funds to travel to conventions all over the country and spend the time shopping or sitting in the bars drinking rather then attending the daily sessions of the convention. Many years ago I wrote a column labeling these people as "HolidayInndians." Times haven't changed them that much except now, with more money to spend from the casino profits; they travel more often and extensively.

Under these conditions it is often difficult to expect tribal members that have gone out to get an education to return to this environment lacking in productivity and honesty. If one is used to coming to work on time and working the full eight hours, it can be very discouraging to see employees drawing the same wages or even higher wages sitting around doing nothing, coming to work whenever they please, and leaving work whenever they feel like it.

Change of habits has to happen from the top down in tribal government. As I have written so often over the years, it will take strong, intelligent, honest and able leaders to bring about a change in direction for so many tribes.

Attaining true sovereignty is not an impossible goal but until all of the faults listed above are addressed and corrected, it will never happen in my lifetime.

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Other Views

Is sovereignty cast in harm's way

Dear Editor:

I live far removed from the environs of Pine Ridge, South Dakota, in Chillicothe, Mo. For the last four years I have devoted all of my reading time studying native American history, particularly Lakota and Oglala Lakota literature and of the six other tribes of the Lakota nation.

I first want to apologize to the nation of the Lakota for the Holocaust of the 19th century which was conducted against the Lakota people.

I am sorry for the murdering of your men, women, and children. I am sorry for the butchering of your buffalo and destroying of your pony herds. I am sorry for a white culture which stole your lands and forced you to live on reservations where you are isolated and practically stripped of any meaningful resources with which to realize and acceptable standard of living.

For the last year we have subscribed to the *Lakota Country Times.* The newspaper has been a great source of knowledge for me in understanding some of the history of the Lakota people. Keep up the good work.

In Volume II, Issue 25, March 22-March 28, 2006, I see that the president Cecila Fire Thunder has announced that she will use the sovereignty issue as a vehicle to forward her belief that abortion should remain as a viable choice for women in the state of South Dakota.

One of the remaining jewels for the nation of the Lakota is their sovereignty, one of the remaining principles of government which sets the Lakota people apart and confers upon your nation a very special status.

Using that principle to promote the issue of abortion is dangerous, careless and harmful approach to further one's individual's beliefs. The interests of the tribal government, sovereignty, is cast in harm's way to further the interests of the president.

It suggests that the issue of abortion is much more important than preserving sovereignty for the Lakota nation.

There is enough division and conflict and challenge now with a tribal president and tribal council to keep the Pine Ridge reservation busy providing an effective government for the people of Pine Ridge.

I hope that the tribal president can find a more approach to the problems of abortion without compromising the interests of the Lakota people.

Bernard Fastenau
Chillicothe, Mo.

Putting a kink in the knot these nuts are trying to tie around women

Dear Editor:

Please relate to Cecilia Fire Thunder that millions of women from all across the country are yelling-hooray over Cecilia Fire Thunder's reaction to the South Dakota abortion laws.

It would be great if every state in the country had a Native American reaction like that- it would certainly put a kink in the knot these nuts are trying to tie around women everywhere.

Won't they throw a hissy fit when they realize that they have no jurisdiction over her actions! Thank her for all of us and our daughters, please.

Anne Sherwood
Kansas City, Mo.

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Bear Butte rally march strong, we need you in August for biker rally, come ten fold strong

Ah-ho My Relations,

Many things have happened since I sent out the last update from the "Intertribal Coalition to Defend Bear Butte" but one thing has overshadowed everything else. Jay Allen HAS BEGUN CONSTRUCTION on the huge, 600 acre, "biker bar/concert venue" only a few hundred yards north of the Sacred Mountain!! We have posted some of the pictures on our web site www.defendbearbutte.org but I warn you they're ugly. He began the construction well before the county granted him the license to sell booze so both he and we knew how the vote would go.

Last week, more than a thousand Indian people gathered to pray on Bear Butte and march to the Meade County Courthouse to show the county just how serious a step they were taking when they vote to approve the liquor license for Jay Allen. We were led by Treaty Council Chiefs Oliver Red Cloud and Floyd Hand and many other traditional Chiefs and Headsmen. The Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council came to stand with us, as did Councilmembers from Pine Ridge, Rosebud, Cheyenne River and Lower Brule. A group of Akicita, Eagle Staff Carriers, were followed by a group of veterans in camo dress carrying the American Flag and the black MIA flag alongside the tribal flags. Walking in front of us all in pride and dignity was the 19th generation, "Keeper of the Sacred Pipe Bundle," Chief Arvol Looking Horse.

As is always the case as the morning dawned on Tuesday those of us who organized the protest wondered how many people would take time from their weekday schedule and travel from the reservation homelands to stand with us for the sacred mountain.

At first the parking lot held a few knots of people standing around talking and shaking hands greeting each other. Then as the ten o'clock starting time came closer more and more cars began to arrive and the lot began to fill. A school bus from Takini pulled in and the energy all around rose. Then up the road came our invited escort of bikers on their big Harleys who had ridden in from Denver. Veterans in their fatigues began to assemble and a speaker system was mounted on Tom Cook's flatbed truck and the drum placed in the middle. Six or eight young men jumped up on the truck to sing an opening prayer song before our honored Sicangu elder, Lorraine Iron Shell Walking Bull, an honored woman who has been steadfast in her work to defend Bear Butte, offered a prayer to the Mountain for all of us.

After the opening prayers I was called upon to explain the recent history of our struggle and how the gathering was organized. As I looked around I was struck by the singular honor that I was being given to speak at such a historic gathering of Indian people. Our people gathered in a large circle as the prayers began so I was able to look into the crowd and recognize strong traditional leaders and sundance chiefs like Rick Two Dogs, Wilmer Mesteth, Keith Horse Looking, Russell Eagle Bear and others. (I shouldn't have begun mentioning names because so many were there that my poor memory will fail to mention some notable people like Rocky Afraid of Hawk and his wife Pam who are founding members of the Coalition.)

I say these things to tell you how truly awe inspiring the gathering was to me as I stood facing Mato Paha and a thousand brave Indian people who were determined to save our mountain that day.

It's hard for me to describe the many inspiring talks were given in front of the mountain that morning. Organizers like Debra White Plume of our Coalition and Owe Aku, Anne White Hat of the BBIA and Sicangu Way of Life spoke for all of us who have spent the past year getting ready for this struggle. Alex White Plume, Vice Chair of the Oglala Lakota Nation spoke of his nations determination to defend the entire Black Hills and the Oglala's willingness to take a stand for Bear Butte. The Thunderhawk drum then sang a special strongheart song for Crazy Horse that Chief Floyd Hand requested before he told the people to stand strong no matter how hard it gets. He told us the entire Teton Nations Treaty Council was behind us and that if we stay together we can win. Then Chief Red Cloud spoke to us about how his Grandfather had fought for the Black Hills and drove the whiteman out of them. He said Mato Paha still belongs to our people and that we must fight for her in the name of our future generations. Then Chief Looking Horse came forward to offer a wonderful prayer to and for Bear Butte and all the red nations. With that the hearts of the people soared and we happily began to get into cars for the caravan to Sturgis.

The caravan was led from Bear Butte by our biker allies, followed by a van with our own security men and the flatbed truck with the drum and singers. Following them was a long caravan of cars, pickups, school bus and tribal Elders vans.

It was well over a hundred cars and from where I was we could barely hear the drum and singers as we slowly drove into Sturgis. Once in Sturgis we dismounted in the park to march the final eight or ten blocks into town. Now the truck with the drummers went first, then Chief Arvol striding alone in his Headress and Chief's shirt. Behind him were the Eagle Staff Carriers, including me with the Coalition Staff, behind us the veterans marched with the American, Tribal and MIA flags. Then a thousand beautiful people came, the young ones chanting "Save Bear Butte!" "Save Bear Butte!" all the way through town.

The route the local cops had planned out for us went down a small side street and only came on the main thoroughfare the final block or so. However my son Poj Camp was in charge of security and he had mapped out a different route:), at the right corner he turned the lead truck left so now the march was going past the Broken Spoke Saloon and turning right down the main drag! At first I could see every cop grab their mics and report what had happened, the lead cops were already going down the sidestreet alone while the Indians were marching right past the B.S.Saloon! Then we turned down the main street and spread out across the entire street instead of one way, I loved it as now we could then march where all of Sturgis had to see us.

As we reached our destination the drum began the AIM song and all the women sang



in chorus, Chief Looking Horse began to dance and all the Staff Carriers and Flag carriers danced behind him to the steps of the community building where we were to gather. It was a powerful march and as we made our way into the building I could feel the energy and power of my people, all with one mind and united in purpose.

After a meal we once again assembled to march the final three blocks up the hill to the courtroom where the hearing would be held. The only difference in the march order was we were led by a Cheyenne River police car manned by two young Lakota policemen who were also sundancers and traditional men.

As we began the drums sang warrior songs for us and the women trilled their encouragement to be strong when facing an enemy. Once again Arvol led us up to the courthouse door and we gathered in a large circle around him, dancing with our staffs until the songs were finished then whooping in defiance to let the wasicu know we had arrived.

In a way the following hearing was a farce and at the same time a wonderful thing. It was a farce because the outcome was a foregone conclusion. It was wonderful because so many leaders of our people were able to tell the world, on the record, about our Sacred Mountain and what she means to our Nations.

Butte, her place in our beliefs and ceremonies and how the noisy, drunken biker bar would forever destroy the sanctity of the sacred places upon her. Tribe after Tribe, leader after leader gave testimony, we told them how bad the location was for a beer bar and just what the mountain meant to our various Nations. We told them of ten thousand years of peaceful worship that has taken place on Bear Butte and how the spirits and medicine on the mountain would be threatened by the noise and filth of Jay Allen's proposal. It was wonderful to hear.

On behalf of the bar a lawyer spoke briefly, a town racist spoke, a bar maid testified that Allen was a good boss and Allen testified that he respected Indians. Based on everything they had heard that day the Meade County Commissioners then voted unanimously to give Jay Allen a liquor license. Not one commissioner had ears.

Adding to this alarming development is the fact that the Meade County Commissioners have renewed all the liquor licenses for the other booze and concert venues surrounding Bear Butte. Plus the State legislature refused to even hear the bill introduced by Indian legislators to establish a buffer zone around Bear Butte.

Even though we expected these bad developments they are none the less disappointing and show us all that Indian people will not be heard in the normal channels of political discourse in South Dakota.

These actions only serve to make it even more vital that the people gather at the time of the "Sturgis Bike Rally" to show America that if they destroy this sacred place, they also destroy we Indians as a people. We must gather to show them that the destruction of our sacred mountain is an act of genocide against the indigenous people of this land just as the destruction of the buffalo was to our Grandparents.

We had one thousand Tuesday, this summer we need ten times that many, I hope you will be one of us.

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VOICES PAGE

Reader states his opinion on proposed abortion clinic

Dear Editor,

This letter to the editor is on behalf of all the unborn children affected by the passage of HB 1215 and Oglala Sioux Tribe President Fire Thunder's reaction to that law.

I was reading her remarks in the Rapid City Journal, Rapid City Weekly News, and the Lakota Country Times last week and she stated she wanted to build an abortion clinic on her land on the reservation.

I want to go on record as being opposed to her misguided ideology, because someone has to stand up and speak out for those who cannot speak for themselves.

Many innocent women and children who knew no wrong died here.

- Inscription on the mass grave marker at Wounded Knee, 1903.

The president should have this inscribed on the front of her proposed death center, but with the reference to women deleted, because they know they are doing wrong by walking through those doors to receive an abortion.

As our elected leader her voice is supposed to be the voice of the people, but she does not speak for me. Murder is murder no matter what you call it, and misusing the sovereignty issue is just wrong. If she wants to press that issue, she should have a nobler cause and not the killing of innocent children.

Where are all the people who spout that rhetoric, "Our Children are Sacred?" I see none of them protesting in front of the tribal building against this legalized murder.

We as a people must have no part in the shedding of innocent blood by murdering our unborn children. We have become just as bad as the whiteman, first it's infanticide, then next comes patricide and matricide all misguided as an unalienable right. When does it all end? Are the handicapped next?

On Sept. 11, 2001, Islamic terrorists killed 3000 innocent people who were peaceably trying to live their lives. On that same day, 4,000 innocent babies died from abortion in America. This, all at a time when there are lines of people, all waiting to adopt these innocents.Abortion doctors have murdered more 43 million real people (babies) since 1973. A great many of these infants had their fully developed skulls crushed by so-called "doctors." They crush their skulls and pull apart their little bodies, or poision them. These so-called doctors probably never mention to the mother that abortion is linked to premature births and breast cancer either.

Planned Parenthood operates the nation's largest chain (nearly 850 death centers) of abortion clinics and almost 80 percent of it's facilities are located in minority neighborhoods. About 13 percent of American women are black, yet they submit to over 35 percent of the abortions, and blacks seem blind to this. These quotes are from blackgenocide.com.

Doesn't that sound just like the illegal sterilization that was going on in our IHS Hospitals?

John Kerry argues that an unborn child is not a person, so this unborn baby is therefore not protected by law. Blacks should remember that the Supreme Court used this same basic flawed argument in 1857 during their "Dred Scott" decision. The outcome, was that this court declared that blacks simply weren't persons because they were inferior; so the law didn't protect them. We Native Americans didn't become "Persons" until 1924 with the passage of the Indian Citizenship Act.

In Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court erred again by denying a whole class of human beings (preborn babies) the most fundamental right - the right to life. Thanks to our understanding of the human genome and cloning technology, we can now state with scientific conviction that life begins at conception.

Now apply this understanding to current abortion policy. In 1973, Justice Harry Blackmun is quoted from Roe v. Wade as saying, "We need not resolve the difficult question of when life begins. When those trained in the respective disciplines of medicine, philosophy, theology are unable to arrive at any consensus, the judiciary, at this point in the development of man's knowledge, is not in a position to speculate."

Clearly, today that is no longer the case. We can say with scientific certainty when life begins. No more sugarcoated terms like "viability" and "preembryo" should be permitted. If a child's life has no value as compared to the mother, at least force proponents of abortion to say so. They should have the intellectual integrity to stand behind their "choice" to kill the child. Let's no longer allow them to hide behind the veil of ignorance and technical terminology. If they must kill, let them be branded as murderers and nothing less.

Thom Little Moon
Wounded Knee, S.D.



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Todd County student collects fire fighting helmets for hobby

BY BAPTISTE 'BEAUX' BEAUVAIS
Special to the Times

MISSION - Ever since the tragic events at the World Trade Center, firefighters are the real 'heroes' because of the loss of life in their ranks. They are called the "The Bravest" for their actions. They now serve as heroes and role models for many and their equipment is something that the public is now collecting.

Fire fighters are taught to run into burning buildings, while the public runs out and this adds to their heroism.

A story of collecting of eight fire helmets as a childhood hobby is the subject of this personal story. They range from black, yellow to white and red. Six are structural and two are wildland. Structural fire helmets are used for fighting building or house fires. Wildland fire helmets are used for fighting forest or grass fires.

The manner in which they were acquired and a little bit of their history is needed.

The very first fire helmet I acquired was a red wildland fire helmet made in 1989 by Mine Safety Appliances. My uncle Edward One Star who is a crew boss for the Rosebud Fire Department was kind enough to donate an older used helmet to the collection. It was the very first fire helmet in the collection.

The second fire helmet was a black structural fire helmet made by Cairns of New Jersey. It is a Cairns model 660C Modern with a liner and chinstrap. The price is $252 if purchased in new condition. A firefighter from Kentucky who was visiting Rosebud at the time donated it to my collection.

Another fire helmet in the collection is also a white Cairns 660C Modern. It belonged to an assistant fire chief in Indiana. It costs the same as the black helmet with a face shield, a cushioned liner and lime green reflective decals. These helmets are called "Modern" because they have a smooth top unlike traditional fire helmets, which have "ribs".

Two other helmets that are in the collection are a white Cairns 770 Modern and a yellow Cairns 770 Modern. Both have face shields and fire-resistant neck shrouds. The yellow Cairns 770 was acquired from the Internet auction site eBay for a price of $22 back in 2004. The white Cairns 770 was purchased at a rummage sale for $15 and is in good usable shape.

A favorite fire helmet in the collection is a Cairns Traditional 880 Century. It has a neck shroud, chinstrap, and a brass helmet front holder that is a carved brass eagle. It also has a blue leather helmet front that is a replica of lieutenant shield from the movie, Ladder 49. The helmet cost $42 on eBay, which was purchased in early 2005.

Traditional fire helmets are different from other helmets because they have eight "ribs" which are lines that protrude about a centimeter from all around the helmet. On older leather helmets from the 1800s this is where the leather was sewn to keep the helmet together. Most traditional helmets today are made of fiberglass and have "ribs" to depict the "traditional" style helmets of the 1800s.

In December of last year, another wild land fire helmet was added to the collection. It is a red Bullard Wildfire helmet with a chinstrap. It has lime green reflective decals on both sides. If purchased new this helmet would cost $45. Wild land fire helmets are different from structural helmets because they look like construction helmets. They have a cap brim in the front unlike structural fire helmets.


Beaux Beauvais with his fire helmet collection.

The helmet acquired most recently is a white 1969 MSA structural fire helmet from Los Angeles County Fire Department in California. It has a gold reflective helmet front that is made of plastic. It reads, "L.A County Battalion Chief" A battalion chief in Los Angeles County used the helmet back in the 1970s. The helmet was won on eBay for $30 about a month ago. These helmets are rare and expensive because helmets like this one were used in the television series, "Emergency" which was produced from 1972 to 1978 about the L.A County Fire Department.

The continuing emphasis on the work of "The Bravest" is resulting in other collectibles, such as videos, clothing items and equipment. I plan to add other fire helmets that will be added to the collection in coming years. Also in my collection is various gas masks, and toy collection of fire trucks and models.

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8:30 a.m. Opening Ceremonies
10:00 a.m. Break
10:15 a.m. SESSION I–Keynote Address—Sam Deloria
Historical Overview of the Last Half of the 20th Century
Noon Lunch at the Neuharth Center
1:30 p.m. SESSION II—Ada Deer
Termination and its Ills
2:45 p.m. Break
3:00 p.m. Panel Discussion
Ada Deer, Mel Tonasket, John Artichoker
5:00 p.m. Recess for the Day
7:30 p.m. Keynote Address—Sam Deloria
Historical Overview of the Last Half of the 20th Century
Farber Hall, Old Main. Reception follows.
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Thursday, April 20
AL NEUHARTH MEDIA CENTER
8:00 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast
8:30 a.m. SESSION III—Dr. Tom Shortbull
The Tumultuous Era: Organizing and Fighting Back
10:00 a.m. Break
10:15 a.m. Panel Discussion
Chuck Trimble, Clyde Bellecourt, Leon Cook
Noon Lunch at the Neuharth Center
1:30 p.m. SESSION IV—Franklin Ducheneaux
Tribal Self Determination
2:45 p.m. Break
3:00 p.m. Panel Discussion
John Echohawk, Frank Pommersheim
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5:00 p.m. Recess for the Day
6:30 p.m. Honoring Banquet—Buffalo Run Winery
Friday, April 21
AL NEUHARTH MEDIA CENTER
8:00 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast
8:30 a.m. SESSION V—Alan Parker
The New Era of Sovereignty
10:00 a.m. Break
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Community Calendar

"Rez Happenings"

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Pahin Sinte College Center Walking Club
starting at 4pm each day Monday through Friday at the center in Porcupine, for information call Janice or Alva at 867-5404.

Grief Support Group
meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841
Public Involvement Hearings
On reconstruction of BIA highway 27 through Wounded Knee set for Wednesday, April 12 at 3:30 p.m. at the Wounded Knee District School in Manderson and on Tuesday, April 18 at the Fire Lightning Tiospaye Tipi in Wounded Knee at 10 a.m.

OST Council Regular Session
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 11-13 with the first day in Manderson with the other locations yet to be announced.

Little Wound School Policy Review
Thursday, April 13 in the elementary school auditorium from 5-8 p.m. for more information call LWS administration at 455-6174.

Student Appreciation Day
Thursday, April 13 at 12 noon with a cook-out at Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine to honor the OLC students from the spring semester who attended college classes in Porcupine, for info call 867-5404.

2nd Annual Easter Egg Classic youth basketball tourney
Thursday-Sunday, April 13-16 at Wolf Creek School with age divisions 15 and under, 12 and under, 10 and under and eight and under, call Tiny at 454-0518 or Doni at 867-2200.

Men's and Women's Basketball Tourney
Third annual Big Wolf Creek tourney at Pine Ridge School, Thursday-Sunday, April 13-16, or info call Verlyn at 867-2153/867-2371 or 441-6849.

Commodity Issue
In Martin at Sunrise housing on Thursday, April 13 , Porcupine, Tuesday, April 18, Thursday, April 20 in Allen/Batesland/Wakpamni Lake and Friday, April 21 in Oglala.

Brushbreaker Down Under or Bust
Men's and Women's independent basketball tourneys set for Friday-Sunday, April 14-16 in St. Francis, for info call Dave at 747-2732 or 208-1043

Easter Festival
Good Friday, April 14 near the Wounded Knee Community Center and Headstart Center at 3pm with an Easter egg hunt, games, prizes, hot dog supper and services, for information call Andrea at 501 368-3154.

Sherman Indian HS Pow wow 2006
Saturday, April 15th from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. with grand entries at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. at the football field with the Miss Sherman pageant Friday, April 14 at 6 p.m. in the auditorium, for info call 951 276-6345.

OST Healthy Start Parenting Class
Saturday, April 15th at 10am sharp includes a potluck meal, for info call 867-6228.

Lil Lady's Shoot Out
A girl's basketball tournament set for Saturday and Sunday, April 15 and 16 at Little Wound School in Kyle with three divisions, 11-12, 13-14 and 15-16 with ieght teams per division, Jonas at 441-5770, Tuko at 441-8313 for more info.

Immunization Clinic
At Porcupine Clinic on Tuesday, April 18 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., for info call Stella at 867-5655 or Mary at 867-3145.

Prue honored for years of military service

Was in ambush that killed Dennis Morgan

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Claude Prue of Okreek has retired from 24 years of military service spent in the National Guard and on active duty, most recently in Iraq.

He says he enjoys his work and his privacy and simply wants to lead a quiet life. The Sicangu Lakota from Okreek earned an associate of arts degree in criminal justice from the Human Services department at SGU and has been employed in the alcohol treatment field since 1990.

In Iraq Prue was in the same vehicle that was hit by an improvised explosive devise (IED) and which killed Dennis Morgan, also of the 153rd Battalion. He said, "On that, later we got hit. Everything was covered. We never suspected them to hit us all of a sudden. We didn't know their ability to make bombs." Prue said he was situated higher up in the vehicle and that fact probably saved his life. He said, "If it was higher up, I would have gotten hit. I stayed on top looking for the others as well as the enemy. I told them we needed to keep going."

Prue noted that he often changed roles in the vehicle in which he was riding. Sometimes he would drive, other times he might serve as the tank commander or serve as security inside all the time being vigilant of the enemy. In fact, during most of his career, Prue said he changed his military occupational specialty or MOS several times. At one time he worked in artillery and armor, and then switched to a medical unit as a cook specialist, and then he worked in engineering.

Prue joined the U.S. Army in the early 1980's and was stationed at Ft. Carson, CO. He was assigned to the 730th Medical Unit of Winner, which is now the 173rd Engineering Battalion.

On March 23, Sgt. Prue (Ret) formerly of the South Dakota National Guard was presented a plaque, which recognized his 24 years of service.

The plaque was presented by a former colleague, SSGT Mark Olsen of Company A, 153 Engineering Battalion.

Olsen said, "During Operation Iraqi Freedom Sergeant Prue was tasked with finding and disarming roadside bombs as a member of Alpha Company."

In his closing remarks, Olsen also said, "Sergeant Prue performed his job admirably and set an example for younger soldiers to follow. The South Dakota National Guard and this country thank Sergeant Prue for his service and a job well done."

Alpha Company of Winner and Wagner was charged with the responsibility of locating roadside bombs during five months in 2004.

The two platoons from Winner were in charge of specialized heavily armored vehicles specially manufactured for detecting, interrogating, and destroying buried roadside bombs.



Left: Staff Sergeant Mark Olsen
Right: Sergeant Claude Prue.

The bombs were usually buried along the shoulders of highways and gravel roads. The insurgents' objective was to try to try to blow the bombs up as the vehicles passed by. Prue said, "It was best they blew those bombs on us in our armored vehicles than to have them blown on soft skin vehicles like the humvee."

Prue said about the recognition, "It was kind of related to the other guys after 24 years.

I didn't make the award ceremony. It was nice. It was kind of like closing out a job. I looked at the service as a way to get an education. I was on active duty for three years."

Prue is content to reflect on the merits of a war that is debated by people on both sides of the issue.

However, he says that we need to continue to rebuild the country's infrastructure which we destroyed otherwise it would reflect on our nation.

Dakota Garnier arrested

RAPID CITY (AP) - One of two brothers at the center of an extradition dispute on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation pleaded not guilty to charges against him.

Rapid City police arrested Dakota Garnier last Friday at a doctor's clinic.

He's charged with attempted murder and aggravated assault for the beating of Matthew Pepin of Hot Springs.

A prosecutor said authorities had been waiting for Garnier to leave the reservation, where he fled after the beating.

An arrest warrant is still out for Garnier's brother, Dirk Garnier, who also is wanted in connection with the beating.

Powwow grounds near Fort Pierre ready for first season

PIERRE (AP) - A new powwow site north of Fort Pierre near the Oahe Dam is ready for its first full season of activities for American Indians.

Clarence Skye of the United Sioux Tribes said the first event will be in June.

Only a few small jobs are left to finish on the grounds, he said.

Several governmental agencies funded the $550,000 project.

A powwow will be held annually during the last week in July, and a seminar might be held on the grounds this summer, Skye said.

Red Cloud Indian School lists honor students

PINE RIDGE - Red Cloud High School has listed their honor students for the third quarter as follows:

Gold Honor Roll

Seniors

Marrisa O'Bryan 4.14 Krisrin Weston 4.00 Rianna Albers 3.92 Anthony Weasel Bear 3.92 Christina Cordier 3.78 Nikki Yellow Hair 3.64 Michelle High Hawk 3.64 Jordan Herman 3.64 Gary Richards, Jr. 3.64 Brandi Shortman 3.50

Juniors

Mathew Shoulders 4.00 Flora Crazy Thunder 3.85 Alec Morgan 3.78 Allie Weston 3.78 Tanner O'Daniel 3.78 Jade Janis 3.71 Angel Big Crow 3.58 Tasheena Schreiner 3.57 Breanna White 3.57 Sammi Herman 3.57 Christopher Reis 3.57

Sophomores

Danielle Hudspeth 4.00 Veronica Watters 4.00 Audrey White 4.00 Stevie Tobacco 4.00 Grey Hamilton 3.92 Rilda Means 3.57 William White 3.50 Samantha Romero 3.50 Christian McGhee 3.50 Arthur Vitalis 3.50 Elaine Locke 3.50 David Anaya 3.50

Freshman

Bobbi White 3.91 Shelby Ross 3.83 David Arredondo 3.83 Jacob Vocu 3.75 Shaina Clifford 3.66 Melissa Shoulders 3.66 Josh Huston 3.58 Jamie Ten Fingers 3.58 Leonard Lone Hill 3.58 Danielle Locust 3.50 Jennifer Brave Heart 3.50 Marlayna Wilson 3.50 Charles Eagle Bull 3.50 Daniel Hudspeth 3.50 Elicia Truckenbrod 3.50

Honor Roll

Seniors

Retasha Gamier 3.42 Dallas Nelson 3.35 Julienne Vocu 3.35 Larissa Little Moon 3.28 Eugene Giago 3.21 Anna Diaz 3.21 Wiyaka Red Owl 3.14 Johnny Crow 3.14

Juniors

Nicoletter McLaughlin 3.42 Juwan Singh 3.35 Paul Eagle Bull 3.35 Lisha Spotted Horse 3.28 Paulina Fast Wolf 3.28 Ashlee Randall 3.21 Lauren Lacey 3.14 Lana Two Dogs 3.14 Samantha Janis 3.07 Michelle Janis 3.07 Monique Claymore 3.00 Delmarina One Feather 3.00

Sophomores Vern White Butterfly 3.42 Dylan Fills Pipe 3.42 Shaina Lays Bad 3.42 Ida Clark 3.42 Season Frank 3.35 Loreli Lawrence 3.28 Kayla Red Bear 3.21 Conrad Two Lance 3.14 Kim Hill 3.14 Amandeline Ecoffey 3.14

Freshman

Marque Lunderman 3.41 Cheyenne Cummings 3.33 Wade O'Bryan 3.16 Charity Wilson 3.16 Richard Dubray 3.08 Saige Pourier 3.08 Cathleen Conroy 3.08 Ryan McLaughlin 3.08 Alice Jack 3.00 Charlee Running Eagle 3.00 Kody Brown 3.00

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Dane Arrendo, Montana Sierra, Laree Pourier, Daisa One Feather, Jacey Twiss, HEnrey Hudspeth, Sarah Herman, Joseph Amiotte, Dustin Brewer

Seventh

Alexandria Merdanian, Jeremiah Two Bulls, Gina Arellano, David Means, Laura Red Cloud

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DeAndra McLaughlin, Raven Gray

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Fifth

Amanda White Bull, Hunter Brown Wolf.

Porcupine School April birthdays honored

PORCUPINE - The following are the birthdays for students at Porcupine School for the month of April.

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DANIEL PEREZ	K2
JEREMIAH PEREZ	K2
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SHANNA SAGE	
THUNDER HAWK	1ST
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KATIE NEW HOLY	2ND
CURTIS WHITE CRANE	2ND
AARON BLACK BULL	3RD
DARRELL LAYS BAD JR.	3RD
RICHARD TALL	3RD
STACIA WHITE CRANE	3RD
FRANCIS YELLOW BOY	3RD
ADAM KILLS BACK	4TH
LANE YOUNGMAN	4TH
AUSTIN CUMMINGS	5TH
CRYSTAL KILLS BACK	5TH
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Two of 16 arrested in Pine Ridge drug bust want evidence barred

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - Two of 16 people accused of drug trafficking on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation want a judge to keep evidence out of trial on grounds it was taken illegally.

Geraldine Blue Bird pleaded not guilty last week in federal court in Rapid City to drug and firearms charges.

She was arrested Dec. 21 with three others at a Ramada Inn in Rapid City after someone smelled marijuana smoke coming from their room. A federal agent said officers found about 1 1/2 pounds of cocaine, guns, ammunition, $16,519 in cash and drug paraphernalia with them.

In her motion to suppress evidence, Blue Bird argued that federal agents violated her constitutional rights eight times in 2005 through illegal searches, including the one in Rapid City. Most of them were done at her doublewide trailer house in Pine Ridge.

Colin Spotted Elk has joined Blue Bird in her motion to suppress evidence taken from a March 23, 2005, search of her house. Officers carrying out the search warrant exceeded its scope, his attorney argued in a court document.

Since the Rapid City hotel arrests, Blue Bird, Spotted Elk and 14 other people have been indicted on various charges, including conspiracy to distribute cocaine and marijuana, possession with intent to distribute cocaine, distribution of cocaine, and possession of firearms in relation to drug trafficking.

Prosecutors also want to seize Blue Bird's house if she's convicted.

The others indicted are: Marvella Richards, Clarence Behan, Travis Elk Boy, Dawnee Frogg, Jay Dee Spotted Elk, Howard Blue Bird, Thomas Spotted Bear, Flint Thomas Red Feather, Justin Hawk Wing, Sage Richards, Wenona Richards, Norton Richards, Joe Garcia and Rusty Richards.

They are scheduled to stand trial in July.

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Oyate Wicozani Ocanku
Wednesday, April 19 meeting at the Crazy Horse School parking lot at 5 p.m., for info call 867-3137

2006 Spring Fever Youth Shoot-Out
Thursday-Sunday, April 20-23 at the Bill C. Bear gym in Batesland with 7-9 and 10-12 year old divisions for info call Woodzy at 867-5161, 288-1932 or BeBop at 867-5172.

Teca Tapskata Teen Basketball Tournament
April 21-23, Friday-Sunday at Loneman School gym in Oglala with age divisions set for 13-14, 15-18 and 19-21, for info call Wilbert at 867-1355 or 441-7853.

Lakota Omniciye Pow wow
Co-sponsored by the Black Hills State University Center for Indian Studies for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 21-23 in Spearfish at the Donald Young Center with grand entries set for Friday at 7 p.m., Saturday at 1 and 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1 p.m. with a community awareness night on Thursday, April 20 from 6-9 p.m. at the Spearfish City Park Pavillion, the Kevin Whirlwind Horse Memorial run on Saturday, April 22 at 10 a.m. at the Young Center and a free buffalo feed at the BHSU Student Union Marketplace on Saturday, April 22 at 5 p.m., for info call 642-6578.

Youth Basketball Tournament
Saturday and Sunday, April 22, 23 at Wolf Creek School for ages 12-14, for info call James at 441-8283.

Gathering of the Sioux Nation
Saturday and Sunday, April 22 and 23 at the Ramkota Inn in Pierre starting at 8 a.m. each day inviting all treaty groups, tribal governments and congressional representatives.

Indian Education Teacher Job Fair 2006
Thursday, April 27 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Albuquerque Convention Center, an event to recruit teachers for all subject areas, elementary, junior high and high school, for information call 1-877-284-3822.

Death to Meth Memorial Concert
Tuesday, May 2, in memory of Chantel Bacon-Wilson for info contact Charlie at 455-1226 or Carol at 441-9238.

Three Mile Creek Youth Rodeo and School
Friday and Saturday, May 5 and 6 at Three Mile Creek arena, nine miles southwest of Kyle with check-ins for school at 9 a.m. on Friday and at 10am on Saturday, for info contact Michelle at 455-2797, 455-2313 or 441-4931.

34th Anniversary of Wounded Knee 73 planning meeting
Monday, May 8th at 1pm at the Claudia Iron Hawk Sully residence in Wounded Knee, for info call 867-1413, 455-2590 or 454-1741 or 867-5713 with a potluck dinner.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
Friday, May 11th at Pine Ridge School for the TWO Finals, sponsored by Shannon County Schools with grand entries set for 1pm and 6:30 p.m., celebrating Lakota music and dance with dance .and drum groups from schools across the reservation

Mother's Day Slugfest Co-ed Softball tourney
Friday-Sunday, May 12-14 at Manderson ball field, for info call Frank at 441-8642.

Great Plains Regional Golf tournament
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 19-21 at the Lee Park Golf Course in Aberdeen, S.D.. For information call Gordon at 605 216-2586, John at 605 226-7347 or Henry at 605 290-3344.

Crazy Horse Ride
Set for Sunday through Friday, June 4-9 in honor of all veterans, for information contact Bam Brewer at 867-1119 or 441-8810.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
Friday, April 28 at Bennett County School Pow Wow at the American Legion. Grand entry is at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Pajola Otonwahe Dance Club. All communities invited.

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KINI station manager Richard Iyotte is making changes

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent



Richard Iyotte, at KINI 96.1 FM radio station, said , "Where else can you listen to Shania Twain one minute and the next hear Earl Bull Head and that is the uniqueness that we have over others."

ST. FRANCIS - Richard Iyotte has been the station manager at KINI FM radio 96.1 since September of 2005 and his selection was a surprise as he was competing against other people who were also qualified for the position. He has worked closely with Fr. John Hatcher, the superior at St. Francis Mission, which operates the station under the auspices of the St. Francis Mission.

Iyotte said, "Fr. Hatcher is offering change and is more accessible and supportive and that is important. I like to be creative and am confident of my abilities." He says that he also made some important changes and innovations since arriving at the station. Much of his time when not on air, is to spent in programming, doing recorded promotions, and selling on-air advertisement time to local businesses.

Iyotte attended high school in Los Angeles, CA. Business/Acccounting degree from IVY Tech, Hotel Restaurant Mgt. Degree from Northwood Institute, Paralegal training at OLC and has had a variety of training and employment positions, which have prepared him for a job that requires one to be spontaneous and able to make programming decisions which will be informative to the Sicangu people.

He spent the last 25 years living and working in Porcupine as a bus driver, public defender, and a licensed truck driver. His work at the Oglala sister station, KILI FM 90.1 on top of the butte in Porcupine for 7-8 years as an on air deejay and in sales was good preparation for the work he is now engaged in. He said, "I know Buzz, Melanie and the others. It was a fun crew back then in the 1980's. KILI was open to a lot of creativity. I also did a number of live remotes."

He explained that as a long haul truck driver he hauled a variety of cargo from produce to military weapons for United Defense and went from coast to coast. Radio being the only entertainment.

Iyotte says that his work at KINI is governed by a Catholic influence by necessity, but that is fine with him. He is comfortable with that in his respect for religion as he also integrates traditional Lakota spirituality into his life through sundance, sweats and ceremony.

He said, "I like to do things where the youth is involved. Making young leaders is important." During the Planting Dreams career day at Todd County High School last Friday, Iyotte set up his live remote equipment and chatted with professionals, students and community members alike on air.

"Some of the ambitions they have are great for living on the reservation, as I can see them looking out further. As long as I am at KINI, I will make sure we participate. The way KINI is received by the youth is right to take advantage of. We should be a positive voice" he added.

Iyotte also has played in a rock band and written hundreds of songs, and toured Europe with his group. They played for many causes and benefit concerts. He admits to being proficient in playing the guitar, the flute, piano and the saxophone. His group has a website at www.arrowspace-rock.com.

A couple of goals that he would like to accomplish while at KINI is to create a 'streaming video' whereby listeners from all over the world can access the station on the worldwide web. He said, "KINI and KILI radio are two very famous stations as people all over the world access them. I tell my staff that we are just as important as other stations in the United States. Where else can you listen to Shania Twain one minute and the next hear Earl Bull Head and that is the uniqueness that we have over others."

The other goal Iyotte would like to work on is to be able to take a stand for sobriety and to be a positive influence.

He said, "I would like to see the kids participate in radio events, if they can get over their shyness and develop their communication skills."

On the personal side, Richard and his wife Marie, have a child of five years who was born premature at 23 weeks and is blind.

He has been receiving medical treatment in Detroit and the hope is that he will be able to see out of one of his eyes. He said, "My son suffered retinopathy and the doctors didn't acquaint us with the problem. He is the love of my life. The doctors don't give us the treatment we deserve. Frederick Lewis Iyotte III, is learning three languages and goes to sweats and also is learning to play piano."

Richard Iyotte has become a positive voice on the Rosebud as he has worked to highlight Lakota people who are high achievers, those working for wellness, and recently, fundraising for the youth who will be trekking to 'down under' for a variety of sporting events.

Richard Iyotte may be reached at 605-747-2291. View the KINI Radio website athttp://www.gwtc.net/~kinim.

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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna:

I have gotten myself in a mess. I like this one guy, and told him I wanted to get together with him, but I am still sort of seeing this other guy. The other guy is persistent and doesn't understand that I like him, but...

What do you see happening? Will I get together with the new guy (we used to go out before), what about the old guy?

Wants one but the other wants me.

Dear Wants:

Whoa! So many men... so little time. That is how I see your energy... forcing itself outward to "search" for the next candidate, since the current candidate isn't "him."

The advice (although you didn't really ask for advice) that I am offering for your consideration is to give both men a break, and concentrate on learning to feel complete as a woman. This call-in of your own spirit or energy will bring you into the grace of womanhood: A woman who has called to the Creator for her life-mate, a woman that feels good about her attitudes, understanding, compassion, beauty, and is in peace with the world about who she is and what that means to her. A woman that knows and understands her womanhood and her balance with a mate. A woman that does not deny her own power and learns not to misuse it.

What I see is that the one guy will date you...but he's not for keeps. He doesn't trust you and thinks of you as a "player." I see the "other guy" getting angrier and meaner and more controlling...until he loses his temper.

Then I see him, because of the consciousness of his job in the community, withdraw in sort of a haze of hatred.

This is because he feels the fool and cannot accept his own actions as verifying that, so he would rather caste the blame on you. This is an example of you misusing your power as a woman. You took him into your web without consideration of the true out-come. You knew when you went after him, in your heart, that he was not the "one."

There are too many imbalances between you: different spiritual understanding, different economic backgrounds, different cultural perspective, and different understanding as to what a woman's role in a relationship should be. He believes in subservience, and you do not. Therefore, accept the responsibility of allowing this relationship to dedicate itself to a noisy outcome and let him and the relationship go.

Do not engage in argument or denial. Just keep saying over and over: "It just isn't going to work. You and I are too different to share the same life-space."

I do see, however, a true love for you...in August. You have very little time girl, to lay your past jealousies and insecurities down, and find your power. Get working and praying on yourself and let the frivolous relationships go.

If you fail to create a more secure person from yourself, you will take that burden into the new relationship, and sooner or later it will erupt into very rough water. Blessings to you.

Dear Anna:

My mom and dad are fighting all the time. Sometimes I hate to come home after school because I know some body's gonna be yelling. They both break things.

They both scream and yell and holler all over the place. They both ask me to answer a question to make it seem like I am taking sides. They yell about money and then I feel bad when I spend some. I want to go and live with my grandma but I don't want to hurt any body's feelings. When will they stop yelling? Is my dad gonna leave? Sometimes I wish he would just so the yelling would stop.

Worried kid

Dear Worried:

Both of your parents love you. They will separate and live in different houses in a few months. It will work out better for you and for them. One time they thought that they could live together, but they are very different from each other and cannot come to a single mind.

Neither one is a bad person, they just don't see life in the same way. Your dad will still see you and as soon as he gets a different place to live he will have you over to his house a lot. Your grandmother will read this column and know what she should do.

She will tell your dad and mother that this is not good and they need to be more respectful to your right to have a good life. She will take you home with her quite a bit to allow you peaceful television and good meals without yelling. It will all work out. Sometimes parents forget that they create the energy of a home together, and that their own frustrations should not create an environment that is unfriendly. Good luck little Sacred one.

Dear Anna:

What do you see happening with the Bear Butte problem? I am worried because my grandmother says that this is unfair. What will happen?

I carried a sign

Dear Sign Carrier:

I am in shame for the lack of respect demonstrated by the people in the Sturgis area. What I see I wish to change; so I will ask that the people who want to organize an effort to change the outcome to please try these tactics: Ask to see an environmental impact study.

I am tired of hearing about property rights. If you own property next door to a school you cannot run a pornography business, a gentleman's club, a bar, or sell guns.

This is clearly environmental pollution. Property rights do not include the right to environmentally distress or pollute your neighbors' property. Take it to a higher court. For the white people, I wish to try to explain something - a concept that is apparently foreign to them: Bear Butte is holy.

Their is there a Great Spirit. It is affronting to soil the environment with disrespectful noise. It is a place of communion with Spirit, including Unci Maka (Mother Earth). Let me put a bar and concert hall for motorcycle enthusiasts next door to your church just two Sunday's a year, and worse, let me name it in a mockery of what you believe in. Let me call it "Blood of Christ Bar." In the United States, the violation of one person's freedom of religion is a threat to us all. We must respect each other.

Lakota people: gather your money. Hit them where it hurts. Advertise. Write letters to Harley Davidson stating that the home of their big Rally is in jeopardy of being perceived as prejudice and anti-Indian.

Get on the television. Buy ads in motorcycle magazines explaining to the bikers what is going on. Not all bikers are disrespectful of Native American rights. Many bikers will boycott this place. You big names out there - become a Voice. Now is the time. Perhaps these actions will change the outcome that I see. I pray for you and your land.

Dear Anna:

My girlfriend told my husband that I was having an affair with her husband, and now my husband won't believe me that I am not messing around. I love my husband and this makes me very sad. I did spend some time with him at my house because my friend and my husband were both working together. What is really going on?

Wants everything to be O.K.

Dear O.K.:

The shoes are on the other feet if you get my drift. They are seeing each other, and you guys are getting blamed. This is a mess and it ends messily.

I don't have any suggestions on how to influence your husband except to leave him and wait a while. He may come back to you after you leave and he has a chance to discover the true nature of your so-called "friend."

Good Luck

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication.

Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only. The Lakota Country Times owners and employees have no liability regarding the answers provided.

Anna Bee opens Rapid City office

RAPID CITY - Anna Bee, psychic - clairvoyant columist has opened an office in Rapid City at 522 7th St. office number 219.

The name of her office is Two Crazy Women With An Office. Anne Bee and Barb Alverson are the two women in the office.

Anna currently writes a column for Lakota Country Times and she said she has worked in the Pine Ridge area with women in helping them to achieve greater levels of wellness, happiness and enlightment.

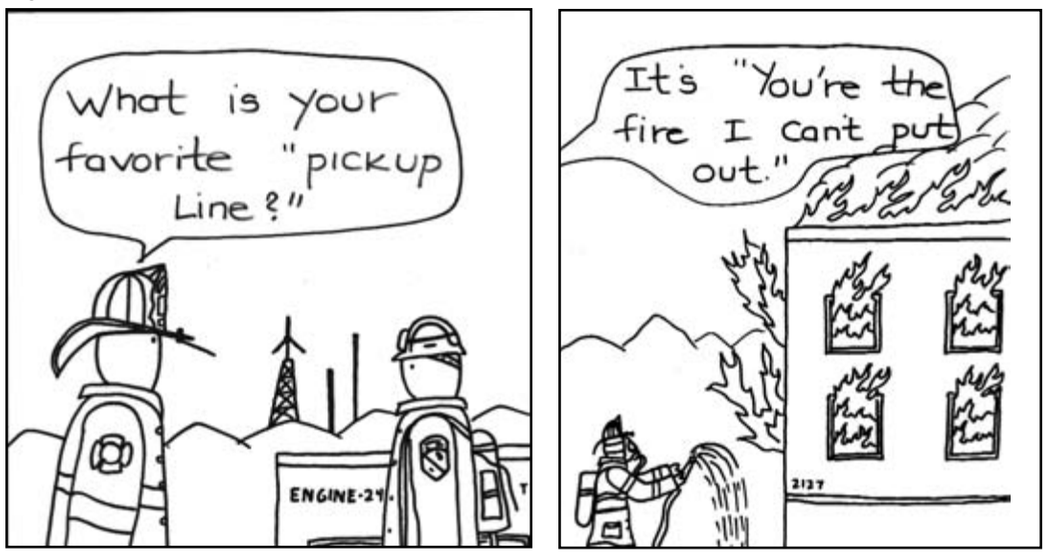
Some of the services they offer are Reiki, gemstone healing, essential oil healing, sound atunement healing.

Anna Bee said the healing techniques give chakra balancing, energy healing, emotional DNA source illness healing, reflexology, muscle release and and of course prayer.

The office phone number is (605-348-6942).

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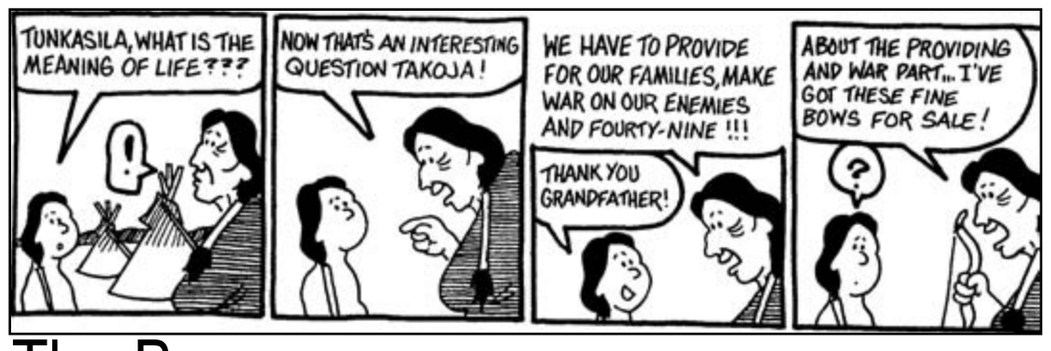
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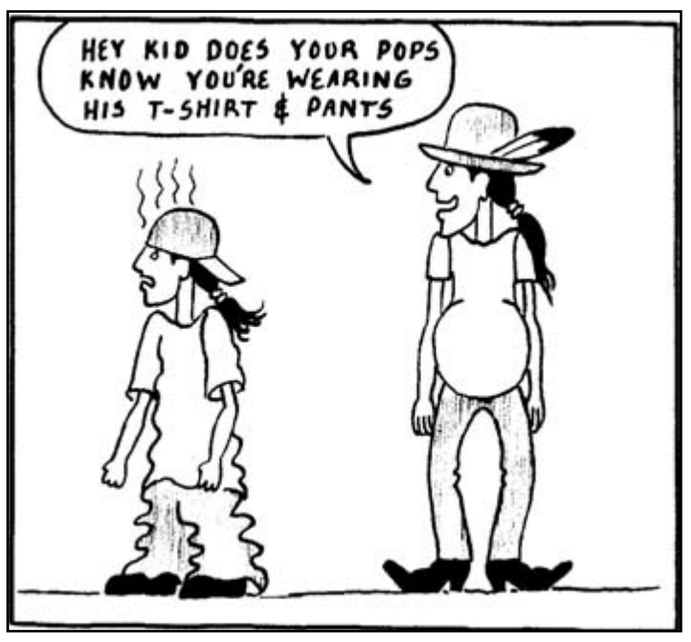
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By Thom Little Moon



The Boyz

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Corps releases money for new water intake

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will provide $2.8 million to connect a new water intake on Lake Oahe for a pipeline that serves the Cheyenne River Indian Reservation.

The new intake for the Mni Waste Water System will be put in much deeper water in Oahe. The current intake in shallow water leaves it vulnerable to siltation or being out of service if the water level drops low enough.

The Mni Waste Water System serves 14,000 people.

A water level below 1,562 feet above sea level will cause the intake to fail, officials say.

The lake stood at 1,576 feet Friday, but last month's forecast said it could flirt with 1,562 as early as August.

In the long term, officials say, the tribe might need a new, larger water treatment plant.



Answers for Lakota Crossword Puzzle for two weeks ago, Volume II, Issue 26

Lakota Crossword Puzzle

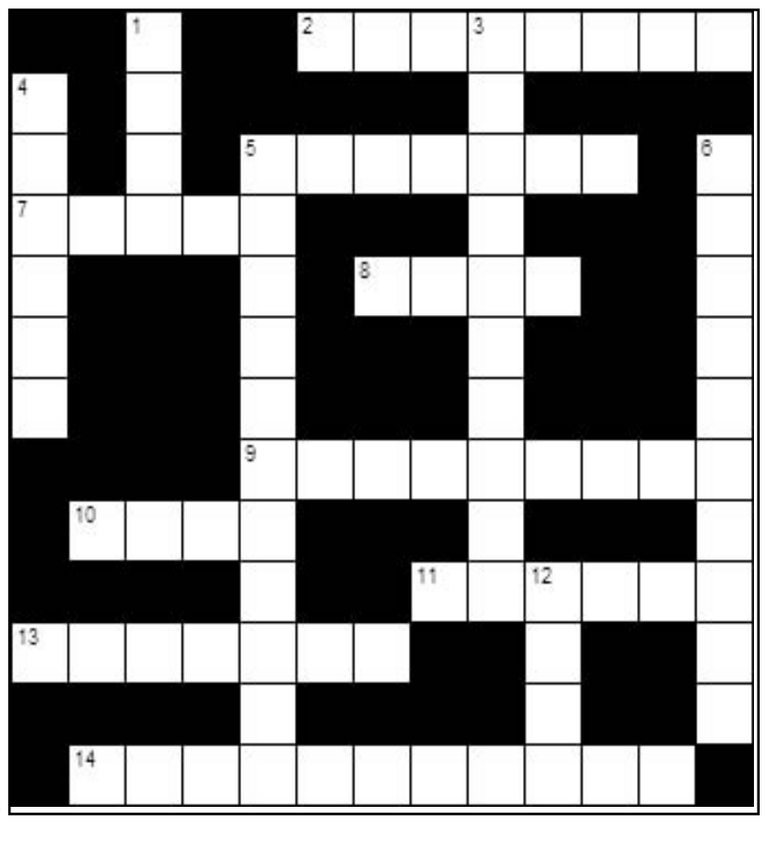
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

2. it makes me feel good
5. worm
7. tobacco
8. pretty, cute
9. young man
10. those over there
11. older sister
13. we are sleepy
14. I am an infant

Down

1. doing something
3. we are men
4. the young
5. young woman
6. I shake
12. crying



Peter Two Bulls, ...Red Shirt
Raymond Broken Rope, 55.....Allen
Ione Anne Reddy, 58.....Rapid City
Baby LaRoche Yellow Horse..... Rapid City
Bryan Blue Bird, 70..... Pine Ridge
Nancy Lee Cloud Eagle, 58.....Rapid City

Peter Two Bulls Jr.

RED SHIRT - Peter Two Bulls Jr., Red Shirt, died Sunday, April 9, at Colonial Manor Nursing Home in Custer. Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Raymond Broken Rope

ALLEN - Raymond R. Broken Rope, 55, Allen, died Wednesday, April 5 at Fort Meade Veterans Affairs Medical Center. He served in the U.S. Army. Survivors include one sister, Mercy Makes Good, Allen, and two brothers, Frank Broken Rope, Billings, Mont., and Alvin Broken Rope, Mallott, Wash. Graveside Services will be at 1 p.m. Monday, April 10, at Mediator Episcopal Cemetery in Kyle, with the Rev. Daniel Makes Good officiating. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Ione Anne Reddy
Zintkala Waste Win

RAPID CITY - Ione was born on Dec. 20, 1947 in Linz, Austria to Bernice (Swallow) and John B. Richard. After a courageous battle with cancer, Ione, age 58, went to the Spirit World on April 5, 2006 surrounded by George, her loving husband of 39 years, her mother, her children, sisters, grandchildren, and cousins. Ione, proudly at the side of her husband George, left her home of Pine Ridge Reservation at the age of 18 to pursue a life of education and employment, which she enjoyed in Northern California for almost twenty years. Ione graduated with a four year degree in Accounting from National College of Business, then entered public service in the Internal Revenue Service in Rapid City, SD. After 18 years with the IRS, she retired in 2005. Ione was given the responsibility of leading ground breaking work in a new component of the IRS which focused on Indian Gaming in the Great Plains Area. Ione was elected to be Vice-President of the National Employees Treasury Union, as well as serving as the Union Steward. Ione served as adjunct faculty for Oglala Lakota College in the Accounting Department for many years. Ione was very proud that she was honored by her Oglala Sioux Tribe for her years of service as a Lakota woman. Ione excelled in designing and creating pow-wow fancy dance and jingle dress outfits, making beaded moccasins and leggings, and she designed and sewed her own wardrobe for many years. Ione loved the pow-wow trail and was sad to miss the Denver March Pow-wow this year. In her belief of the Lakota way of life, Ione held naming ceremonies for her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, honoring pow-wows, horse races, contest prizes, and many other activities to share her way of life with friends and relatives.

Ione was a volunteer who helped teach people learn how to read, and she looked forward to learning to speak the Lakota language as well as becoming a shawl maker in her retirement.

Ione was seen as a role model to her sisters, cousins and nieces; and she was a good example of a strong, compassionate, caring, talented, brave, brilliant, creative, loving wife, mother, grandma, great-grandma, sister, daughter, aunt, cousin and friend. Ione will join her father, John B. Richard; her grandsons, Andrew and Joaquin; and many relatives in the Spirit World. Ione is survived by her husband George; daughters, Anne Reddy of Rapid City; Molly Lopez, Debra Garcia, and Cathy Reddy, all of Denver, Colo.; and her son,

Paul Reddy of Englewood, Colo.. Ione was very involved with her granddaughters' life and loved them with all of her heart, Marisa and Rachel; and her great-granddaughter Joslyn, all of Rapid City, SD; her twelve grandchildren; and her 8 great-grandchildren; her mother, Bernice Swallow Stone; her brothers, Joe (Nita) Richard and Glen Richard; her sisters, Linda (Floyd Butler) Richard, Debra (Alex) White Plume, Michelle (Steve) Tyon, Denise Richard, and Tami (Antonio) Stone. Wake services were April 9 at Serenity Springs Funeral Chapel.

Funeral Mass was April 10, at the Mother Butler Center, with Father David Matzko, S.J. officiating. Burial was at Our Lady of Lourdes Cemetery, Porcupine.

Baby LaRoche Yellow Horse

RAPID CITY - Baby Yellow Horse-LaRoche, infant, Rapid City, was stillborn Thursday, April 6 in Rapid City. Survivors include parents, Joseph LaRoche and Jenna Yellow Horse, Rapid City; one brother, Emmanuel Bear Runner, Rapid City; one sister, Sammi Bear Runner, Rapid City; paternal grandparents: Howard and Ellen LaRoche, Rapid City; and maternal grandparents, Verdell Yellow Horse, Pine Ridge, and Coleen Swann, Rapid City. Wake services were April 7, at Red Shirt School. Funeral services were April 8 at the school. Burial was at Christ Church Episcopal Cemetery in Red Shirt. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Bryan Blue Bird Sr.

PINE RIDGE - Bryan Blue Bird Sr., 70, Pine Ridge, died Tuesday, April 4, at Pine Ridge Hospital. He served in the U.S. Army.Survivors include his wife, Sandra Blue Bird, Pine Ridge; four sons, Belleron Blue Bird, Ryan Blue Bird, Tommy Blue Bird and Bryan Blue Bird Jr., all of Pine Ridge; one stepson, Lonnie Richard, Pine Ridge; three daughters, Theresa Blue Bird, Carla Blue Bird and Brenda Blue Bird, all of Pine Ridge; one adopted son, Christopher Blue Bird, Pine Ridge; one adopted daughter, Jeanette Richard, Pine Ridge; four sisters, Edna Apple and Geraldine Blue Bird, both of Pine Ridge, Regina Grabbing Bear, North Platte, Neb., and Margie Blue Bird, Minneapolis; 31 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. Wake services were April 8, at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge. Funeral services were Monday, April 10, at Billy Mills Hall, with Marei Kingi and the Rev. Abraham Tobacco officiating. Burial was Monday at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Nancy Lee Cloud Eagle Garreaux

RAPID CITY - Nancy Lee Cloud Eagle Garreaux, 58, Rapid City, died Friday, March 31, in Rapid City. Survivors include her son, Gibson Garreaux Jr., Rapid City. Wake services will begin at 5 p.m. Thursday, April 6, at Mother Butler Center in Rapid City, with a prayer service at 7 p.m. Funeral services were Friday, April 7, at Mother Butler Center, with the Rev. Paul Sneve officiating. Burial was at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis.

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SHANON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL MEETING MARCH 14, 2006 MINUTES

The Shannon Country School Board held a special meeting on Tuesday, March 14, 2006 at the Rockyford School. Vice-President Laticia DeCory called the meeting to order at 4:59 p.m.

Members Present: Laticia DeCory;Melvin cummings;Ruth Ann Cummings;Todd O'Bryan;Angie Eagle Bull (arrived5:24)

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

6164 Executive Session Motion by O'Bryan to go into Executive Session at 5:00 for a student matter. Motion carried. (Eagle Bull absent)Vice-President DeCory declared executive session ended at 5:21 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

6165 Student Hearings Motion by R. Cummings to accept the administration's recommendation of a tentative settlement of the students involved (student 1 and Student 2),their parents/guardians and the administration, with the administration to report back to the board upon the completion of the requirements of the student suspensions. Motion carried.(Eagle Bull absent)

6166 Administrative Contract Form Motion by R. Cummings to approve the administrative contract form, with 10 days leave per year and cap the accumulative leave to 100 days. Motion carried.

6167 Administrators Contracts Motion by M. Cummings to offer administrative contracts to the following administrators with an increase of $1,000 for 215 day contracts;Loretta Giago,Wolf Creek Principal;Wayne Goff,Batesland Principal;Marlene Stout,Red Shirt Principal;Monica Whirlwind Horse,Rockyford Assistant Principal;Robert Hall,Rockyford Principal;Robert Two Crow,Lakota Studies Director,Maurice Twiss,Federal Programs Director;Vickie Grant, School Improvement and Assessment Di rector;Karen Bowen-Raymond,Curriculum Coordinator;Ted Hanson,Special Education Director;Madonna Peterson,Business Manager.Motion carried

6168 Superintendent's Contract Motion by O'Bryan to offer a contract to Margo Hneinert, Superintendent with a salary increase of $1,200. Motion carried.

6169 Wolf Creek Dean of Students Motion by O'Bryan to offer a contract to Darrell Eagle Bull, Wolf Creek Dean of Students and Alternative School Director, with a salary increase of $1,000.Motion carried, 4 voted yes, Eagle Bull abstained.

6171 Work Improvement Plans Motion by R.Cummings to require administration to place all Wolf Creek maintenance, groundskeeping, custodial,food service,and mechanic staff on Work Improvement Plans for the remainder of the school year and require successful completion of such plan prior to future employment offers. Motion carried.

Adjournment Motion by De Cory to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Motion carried.

Signed:

Margo Heinert, Superintendent

Approved by the school board on March 20, 2006. Signed:

Andrea Eagle Bull-President

SHANNON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MARCH 30, 2006 MINUTES

The Shannon County School Board held the regular monthly meeting on Thursday, March 30, 2006 at Batesland, SD, after being rescheduled from March 20, due to inclement weather. President Eagle Bull called the meetig to order at 5:08 p.m.

Members present: Angie Eeagle Bull,Todd O'Bryan,Ruth Cummings,Melvin Cummings

Member absent:Laticia DeCory

Others present: Dr. Margo Heinert, Superintendent;Maurice Twiss,Special Services Coordinator;MaDonna Peterson,Business Manger;Loretta Giago,Wolf Creek Principal;Don Wince,Wolf Creek Asst. Principal;Darrell Eagle Bull,Wolf Creek Dean of Students;Bob Hall,Rockyford Principal;Monica Whirlwind Horse,Rockyford Asst.Principal;Wayne Goff,Batesland Principal;Marlene Stout,Red Shirt Principal;Robert Two Crow,Technology Director;Vickie Grant,Assessment Coordinator;Ted Hanson,Special Edication Director;Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary;Brian Wechsler,Wolf Creek Teacher;Norma Cummings,Rockyford Teacher,Devona Pourier,Rockyford Cook;Dana Christensen,District Technology Coordinator;Cliff Riniger,Tech Instructor.

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

6173 Approval of the Agenda: as presented. Motion carried.

6174 Approval of Minutes: Motion by O'Bryan to approve minutes of the 2/27/06 regular meeting and the 3/14/06 special meeting. Motion carried.

6175 Executive Session: Motion by R. Cummings to go into executive session at 5:10 p.m. to discuss personnel issues. Motion carried.

President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 7:11 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

6176 Administrative Contracts: Motion by O'Bryan to approve administrative contracts as presented at the March 14, 2006 special board meeting, authorizing 3% raises for administrators earning less than $52,000 and a 2.5% raise for administrators earning more than $52,000 per annum. Motion carried.

CTY-Bowen-Raymond, Karen-Dist. Curriculum Coord-$52,684.50;CTY-Christensen,Dana-Director of Technology-$47,252.00;WC-Eagle Bull,Darrell-Dean of Students-$49,566.43;WC-Giago,Loretta-Principal-$51,500.00;BS-Goff,Wayne-BS Principal-Prek-8-$68,686.92;CTY-Grant,Vickie-School Improvement and Asses-$66,021.28;RF-Hall,Robert-RF Principal-PreK-8-$65,241.25;RF-Hanson,Ted-SPED Director-$51,500.00;CTY-Heinert,Margo-superintendent-$83,701.50;CTY-Peterson,Madonna-Business manager-$52,013.97;RDS-Stout, Marlene-RDS Principal/Instructor-$51,500.00;CTY-Twiss,Maurice-Director Fed. Programs & Special services-$75,502.53;CTY-Two Crow,Robert-Director Lakota Studies-$55,038.40;RF-Whirlwind Horse,Monica-Asst. Principal-$51,500.00

6177 Personnel Motion by M. Cummings to approve the administrative recommendation for Technology Director, with stipulations, and based upon comparable certified staff salary schedule. Motion carried.

All recommendations are made by the Building Administrators and are submitted to the Personnel Office. Resignation: Patricia Schumacher-Batesland Teacher-effective end of contract;Dawson Has No Horse-Batesland Busdriver-effective 2-27-06;William Stover-Wolf Creek Custodian/Busdriver-effective 3-2-06;Erik Slow Bear-Batesland Custodian-effective 3-7-06;Stephanie Cholak-Rockyford Preschool Teacher-effective end of contract. Terminations: Wolf Creek Special Education Aide-effective 3-7-06;Batesland Custodian-effective 3-10-06;Wolf Creek Preschool Aide-effective 3-1-06.Certified Teacher Non-renewals: Four (4) Wolf Creek Teachers (on file); One (1) Rockyford Teacher (on file). Request for Early Retirement: Veronica Jones-Rockyford School Special Education Teacher-effective end of contract. Certified Teacher Contract List 2006-2007: BS-August,Ann-Upper Grade Science/Language Arts-$41,500;BS-Barnett,Robert-Success Maker Lab Teacher-$41,500;BS-Buresh,Cynthis-Lower Grade-$47,000;BS-Chaney,Stephanie D.-Preschool-$37,500;BS-Dorsey,Judy-Lower Grade-$43,000;BS-Grinnell,Meralle-Upper Grade-$43,000;BS-Keiser,Krista D.-Preschool-$39.000;BS-Lefthand,Delores-Middle School-$37,500;BS-Lefthand,Levi-Lakota Studies/Health-$45,500;BS-Lefthand,Shirley-Permenant Substitute-$45,500;BS-Rous,Connie-Middle Grade-$43,000;BS-Runnels,Ettamae-In School Suspension-$47,000;BS-Sasse,Joni A.-Upper Grade-$33,000;BS-Skeie,Douglas-Physical Education-$37,500;BS-Two Lance,Josephine-Special Education Speech-$45,500;BS-Whipple,Regina-Upper Grade-$43,000;BS-Youel,Janell-K-8 Special Education-$39,000;CO-Keegan,Cindy-Special Education Teacher/Inclusion Mentor-$33,000;OLL-Hillman,Doris-Title 1 Math Teacher-$45,500;OLL-Thunder Bull,Maria-Title 1 Reading-$31,500;RC-Krotz,Carol-Title 1 Reading-$47,000;RC-O'Danniel,Jodi Stoddard-Title 1 Math Teacher-$39.000;RC-Two Elk,Carmelita-Title 1 Teacher-$39,000;RC-Van Briggle,Marilyn-Title 1 Teacher-$47,000;RF-Ballhagen,Renee-Middle Grade-$37,500;RF-Bear Runner,Donia E.-Lower Grade-$39,500;RF-Blacksmith,Sandra-Middle Grade-$41,500;RF-Boyle,Edward-Upper Grade-$41,500;RF-Chase,Steve-Upper Grade-$45,500;RF-Cope,Stacy-Upper Grade-$31,500;RF-Cummings,Norma-Upper Grade Language Arts-$47,000;RF-Emery,M. Tim-Permanent Substitute-$39.000;Graham,Donna R.-Special Education Speech-$43,000;RF-Heier,Jean-Special Education-$31,500;RF-Heinert,Kylee-Lower Grade-$31,500;RF-Iron Cloud,Ardis-Middle Grade-$31,500;Jumping Eagle,Donna-Middle Grade-$31,500;La Roche,Del Rae-Lower Grade-$47,000;RF-Ludens,Gayle-Middle Grade-$43,000;RF-Miller,Lynette-Middle Grade-$37,500;RF-Nichols,Temple-Upper Grade-$31,500;RF-Ohrtman,Susan-Lower Grade-$37,500;RF-Olson,Margaret Rene-Physical Education-$37,500;RF-Peterson,David-Lower Grade-$31,500;RF-Poor Bear,PteSkaHinanpaWin-In School Suspension-$31,500;Rininger,Clifford-Success Maker Lab Teacher-$45,500;RF-Sether,Sheri-Physical Education-$31,500;RF-Stein,Marcia-Special Education Teacher-$33,000;RF-Thin Elk,Babette-Lakota Studies-$31,500;RF-Tullis,Karen-Special Education/Preschool-$47,000;RfWhite,Terri A.-Lower Grade-$37,500;RF-Winkler,Karia-Middle Grade-$31,500;RF-Ziegler,Mary-Special Education Teacher-$33,000;RF-Zimmerman,LeeAnn-Preschool Teacher-$31,500;RS-Kaiser,Rebecca-Upper Grade-$45,500;RS-Speed,Ryan-PE/Technology-$31,500;RS-Swallow,Lorraine-Middle Grade-$45,500;RS-Wipf,Lisa-Lower Grade-$39,000;WC-Anduja,Angela-Lower Grade-$37,500;WC-Bertram,Beverly-Upper Grade Language Arts-$31,500;WC-Big Crow-Abourezk,Lloydell-Upper Grade/Science-$37,500;WC-Blaney-Lattin,Barbara-Alternative Room 5-8 Grade-$43,000;Bradford,James-Alternative Room 5-8 Grade-$47,000;WC-Brave Heart,Evaleen-Special Education-$43,000;WCBrewer,Brent-Permanent Substitute-$37,500;WC-Briggs,AnnMarie-Success Maker Lab Teacher-$39,000;WC-Brown,Bryan-Physical Education Teacher-$31,500;WC-Byhre,Susan S.-Middle Grade-$41,500;WC-Carlow,Michael C-Lakota Studies Upper Grade/Alt. room-$31,500;WC-Carrick,Marcia-Lower Grade-$39,000;WC-Child,Sandra-Special Education/Resource Room-$31,500;WC-Cunningham,Gina-Lower Grade-$39,000;WC-Hall,Jane-Lower Grade-$47,000;WC-Hirning,Marie-Lower Grade-$37,500;WC-Holtmeier,Paula J.-Special Education-$41,500;WC-Hoyt,Bonnie-Lower Grade-$39,000;WC-Jackson,Nona-Assessments Coord/Alt room/Lower Grade-$39,500;WC-Kadlecek,Tara Dawn-Librarian-$41,500;WC-Krul,Courtney-Lower Grade-$31,500;WC-Lemmon,Emily-Upper Grade-$41,500;WC-Lindsey,Angel-Special Education-$31,500;WC-Lone Elk,Sandra L-Upper Grade/Social Science-$37,500;WC-Means,Kathy-Middle Grade-$41,500;Metzger,J. Jeannine-Physical Education-$43,000;WC-Moore,Krista-Special Education-$41,500;WC-One Feather,Lynda-Counselor-$39.000;WC-Red Shirt,Ramona-Permanent Substitute-$31,500;WC-Reeves,Marvel L.-Special Education-$47,000;WCl-Richards,Gary-Lakota Studies-$31,500;WC-Sauder,Susan-Lower Grade-$45,500;WC-Schulz,Denise-Middle Grade-$43,000;WC-Stein,Lynn-Upper Grade/Math-$37,500;WC-Turnbull,Chuck-Middle Grade-$31,500;WC-Two Bulls,Dorothy-Preschool-$31,500;WC-Vocu,Lucy-Lower Grade-$41,500;WC-Weisz,Jodi-Middle Grade-$43,000;WC-Wellnitz,Lois-Lower Grade-$47,000;White Bear Claws,Marjorie-Upper Grade-$37,500;Pending Librarian Certification-RF-Bowes,Judie-Librarian-$41,500. Contracts for Approvals: Violet Good Crow-Rockyford School Special Education Aide-2-28-06 to 5-26-06-$5,733;Richard O'Donnell-Wolf Creek School Custodian-2-28-06-5-30-06-$35,28;Robert Fire Thunder-Home School Coordinator-$3,626.00. Administrative Recommendation: Dana Christensen-Technology Director. District Wide Recommendations: Jiles Bowman-Batesland School Computer Technician;Brian Weschlet-Wolf Creek School Computer Technician;Jim Weber-Rockyford Computer Technician;Tobert Barnett-Batesland School Success Maker Lab Teacher;Cliff Rininger-Rockyford School Success Maker Lab Teacher;Ann Briggs-Wolf Creek School Success Maker Lab Teacher-Joni Sasse-Math Coach-Amy Huether-Reading Coach. Rockyford School Recommendation: Brett Weaver-Preschool Aide. Wolf Creek School Recommendation: Stephen Eagle Bull-Speech Aide. Extra Curricular Assignment: Santana Bear Eagle-Batesland Dance Club Sponsor-February 2006-May 2006.

6178 Administrative Recommendation Motion by R. Cummings to approve the administrative recommendation for Technology Director, with stipulations, and based upon comparable certified staff salary schedule.Motion carried.

6179 Wolf Creek Recommendation: Motion bly O'Bryan to approve the recommendation for Wolf Creek Speech Aide. Motion Carried, three voted yes, Eagle Bull abstained.

6180 Don Wince Contract: Motion by M. Cummins to offer a contract to Don Wince with conditions stipulated and submitted at the April Board meeting. Motion carried..

6182 School Calendar: Motion by M. Cummings to approve the 2006-07 school calendar, as rpesented. Motion carried.

6183 Financials: Motion by M. cummings to approve financial report, disbursements, and payroll expense,as listed. Motion carried.

Shannon Country School District 65-1 Disbursement Report February 28, 2006

Fund/Account-General Fund-$310,117.97;Capital Outlay Fund-$428,298.32;Special Education Fund-$22,892.81;Food Service Fund-$15,003.07;T/A Support Services-$4,133.50;T/A Wolf Creek-$0.00;T/A Batesland-$164.20;T/A Rockyford-$0.00; Total of all Funds-$780,609.87

PAYROLL REPORT February 28, 2006

Types of Service-1000 Instruction Service-Salaries-$413,199.60-Benefits-$101,109.29-Total-$514,308.89; 2000 Support Service-Salaries-$191,291.50-Benefits-$44,058.19-Total-$235,349.69; 3000 Other Community Services-Salaries-$6,583.00-Benefits-$647.68-Total-$7,230.68; 6000 Co-curricular-Salaries-$623,471.18-Benefits-$146,864.94-Total-$13,446.86; General Fund Total-Salaries-$623,471.18;Benefits-$146,864.94-Total-$770,336.12. Special Education-Salaries-$138,356.97-Benefits-$31,297.26-Total-$169,654.23. Food Service-Salaries-$22,617.78-Benefits-$4,569.33-Total-$27,187.11. Total All Services-$784,445.93-Benefits-$182,731.53-Total-$967,177.46

REVENUE REPORT February 28, 2006

Revenue Sources-Local Sources-Taxes-General Fund-$8,835.41-Capital Outlay-$4,372.02-Special Education Fund-$3,040.29-Pension Fund-$437.12-Food Srvice-$0.00-T/A Service-$0.00-Impact Aid-$0.00.

Other-General Fund-$32,436.94-Capital Outlay-$9.62-Special Education Fund-$0.00-Food Service-$0.00-T/A Service-$0.00-Impact Aid-$0.00.

County Sources-Country Apportionment-General Fund-$325.090-Capital Outlay-$0.00-Special Education Fund-$0.00-Pension Fund-$0.00-Food Service-$0.00-T/A Service-$0.00-Impact Aid-$0.00.

State Sources-State Aid-General Fund-$336,067.67-Capital Outlay-$0.00-Special Education Fund-$107,544.57-Pension Fund-$0.00-Food Service-$0.00-T/A Service-$0.00-Impact Aid-$0.00. Other-General Fund-$236,372.97-Capital Outlay-$0.00-Special Education Fund-$107,544.57-Pension Fund-$0.00-Food Service-$0.00-T/A Service-$0.00-Impact Aid-$0.00.

Federal Sources-General Fund-$370,468.41-Capital Outlay-$0.00-Special Education Fund-$58,373.78-Pension Fund-$0.00-Food Service-$54,093.41-T/A Service-$0.00-Impact Aid-$0.00.

Other-General Fund-$0.00-Capital Outlay-$0.00-Special Education Fund-$0.00-Pension Fund-$0.00-Food Service-$0.00-T/A Service-$0.00-Impact Aid-$0.00

Operating Transfer In Total Revenue for Fund-General Fund-$984,506.40-Capital Outlay-$4,381.64-Special Education Fund-$167,958.64-Pension Fund-$437.12-Food Service-$58,207.41-T/A Service-$2,450.00-Impact Aid-$0.00.

Fund 10 General Fund

AT&T-Telephone-$905.92;Big Crow-$306.64;Christensen,Dana-$306.64;Dakota West Books-supplies-$414.96;Great Plains Communications-telephone-$719.03;Heinert,Margo-reimbursement-$275.48;Kaiser,Rebecca-TIE Sioux Falls-$306.64;Ludens,Gayle-TIE Sioux Falls-$306.64;Means,Kathy-TIE Sioux Falls-$306.64;Miller,Lynette-TIE Sioux Falls-$306.64;Mt. Rushmore Telephone Co.-telephone-$158.25-telephone-$136.77-Vendor Total-$295.02;Otte Packing-Buffalo Process-$366.24;Ramkota-Rapid City-Travel-ParentConf-$19,806.10;Rininger,Clifford E-TIE Sioux Falls-$306.64;Rous,Connie-TIE Sioux Falls-$306.64;SD Parent Resource Network-Supplies-$14,102.10;Super 8 Motel-Sturgis-travel-$355.00;TIE-Registration-$2,280;Tieszen Law Office, LLP-Attorney Fees-$3,123.75;Two Crow,Robert-TIE-Sioux Falls-$306.64;Vocu,Lucy-TIE Sioux Falls-$306.64;Wakpamni Bed & Breakfast-Professional services-$249.60;Walker,Linda L-professional services-$3,559.02;Walmart Community-supplies-$31.85-supplies-$538.90-Vendor total-$570.75;Weber,James-TIE Sioux Falls-$306.64;Winkler,Karla-TIE Sioux Falls-$306.64; Fund Total:50,702.65

Fund 22 Special Education Fund

Bennett Country Hospital-Professional services-$2,030.00;Fund Total-$2,030.00.

Fund 73 Federal Programs Special Services

French Flowers-supplies-$47.93-supplies-$25.00-Vendor Total-$72.93-Fund Total-$72.93-Checking Account Total: $52,805.58.

Investment Account-28-FEB-06

Monthly Interest earned: $5,538.48;Regular Account interest-$5,538.48;savings Account Interest-$14,307.57;R.S. Bldg Account Interest-$9.62-Total-$19,855.67

Fund 10 General Fund

A&B Welding Supply-supplies-$42.26;ASCD-supplies-$65.62;Abourezk&Zepher PC-attorney fees-$418.05;Advanced Business & Computing-computer programming-$2,600;Alco Store#204-supplies-$97.57-supplies-$14.08-vendor total-$11.65;Alford,Violet-parent/student leadership-$95.00-parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;Alsco-supplies-$139.12-supplies-$378.54-supplies-$1049.93-supplies-$896.56-supplies-$56.78-vendor total-$2,520.93;Altiris-computer upgrade-$342.00;AmericanHorse,Carla-parent/student leadership-$95.00-parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$226.40;BC Tire Service-BS repairs-$62.50;BHSU-tuition-$14,412.00;Bear Eagle,Santana-Parent/student Leadership-$95.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$226.40;Bear Runner,Sonia-Parent student leadership-$72.60;Becenti,Lisa-Parent/Student Leadership-$54.04-Parent/Student Leadership-$125.00-Vendor total-$179.04; Ben Franlin-supplies-$50.02;Bennett Country Booster II-supplies-$220-supplies-$490-Vendor Total-$710.00;Bennett,Mona-parent/ leadership-$95.00-Parent/Student leadership-$125-vendor total-$220;Big Crow,Farrah-Parent/Teacher leadership-$100.12-Parent/Student leadership-$125-vendor total-$226.40;BC Tire Service-BS repairs-$62.50;BHSU-tuition-$14,412.00;Bear Eagle,Santana-Parent/student Leadership-$95.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$226.40;Bear Runner,Sonia-Parent student leadership-$72.60;Becenti,Lisa-Parent/Student Leadership-$54.04-Parent/Student Leadership-$125.00-Vendor total-$179.04; Ben Franlin-supplies-$50.02;Bennett Country Booster II-supplies-$220-supplies-$490-Vendor Total-$710.00;Bennett,Mona-parent/ leadership-$95.00-Parent/Student leadership-$125-vendor total-$220;Big Crow,Farrah-Parent/Teacher leadership-$100.12-Parent/Student leadership-$125-vendor total-$225.12;Big Crow,Lloydell-Parent/Student leadership-$64.00-Parent/Student Leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$189.00;Black Bull,Eldon-Parent/Student Leadership-$72.60-Parent/Student Leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$197.60;black Hills electric-utilities-$590.80;BlackSmith,Karen-Parent/Student Leadership-$100.12-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$225.12;Blacksmith,Sandra Kay-supplies-$32.93;Bohlender,Melody-Parent/Student Leadership-$96.40-Parent/Student Leadership-$70.40-vendor total-$166.80;Borders Inc.-Books-$349.43;BP-Gasoline-$226.23;Brewer,Richard-Parent/Student leadership-$95.00-Parent/Student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;Brewer, Jr. Vincent-supplies-$150;Brown,Anita-Parent/Student leadership-$95.00-Parent/Student Leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;Buresh,Cindy-Parent/Student leadership-$87.40;Bush,Ronelle-Parent/Student leadership-$78.36-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$$203.36;Carlow,Autumn-parent/student leadership-$100.12-Parent/Student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$225.12;Carlow,Michael-Parent/Sudent leadership-$95.00;Carrick,Marcia-Parent/student leadership-$81.00;CDW Government-supplies-$280.00-supplies-$140.00-supplies-$100.00-supplies-$50.00-vendor total-$570.00;Cedar Face,Ruth-Parent/student leadership-$78.36-Parent/student eladership-$125.00-vendor total-$203.36;Chasing Hawk,Leana-Parent/student leadership-$100.12-Paren/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$225.12;Chris Supply Co. Incl-supplies-$119.70;supplies-$2.99-supplies-$84.34-supplies-$39.80-supplies-$29.67-supplies-$257.14-supplies-$6.44-vendor total-$540.08;Christensen,Dana-mileage-$70.40;Clifford,April-Parent/Student leadership-$101.40-Parent/Student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$226.40;Clifford,Ron-Parent/student leadership-$70.40-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$195.40;Clifford,Shane-Parent/student leadership-$78.36;Clifford,Shane-Parent/student leadership-$78.36;Clifford,Tanya-Parent/Student leadership-$125.00;Hernandez,Lyn-Parent/student leadership-$72.60;Hillman,doris-Parent/student leadership-$78.36;Hills Tire & Supply-WC-parts-$210.00;Hillyard-supplies-$142.40-supplies-1,142.74-supplies-$465.24-supplies-$1,094.92-Vendor Total-$2,845.30;HolidayInn-Sioux Falls-travel-$88.00;Holiday,Vina-Parent/student Leadership-$54.04;Homestead Building-supplies-$843.56;Hudspeth,Denita-Parent/student leadership-$54.04-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$179.04;Husker Auto Parts-BS-parts-$220.32-WC-parts-$445.41-Vendor Total-$665.73;IELE-Services-$2,250.00;Industrial Electric & Supply- supplies-$390.30;International Laser Group-computer supplies-$529.67;computer supplies-$694.67-Vendor total-$1,224.34;Janis,Arlette-parent/student leadership-$95.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;Janis,Becky-Parent/student leadership-$78.36-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$203.36;Janis,Melita-Parent/student leadership-$101.40-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$226.40;Janis,Wynette-Parent/student leadership-$72.60-Parent/student leadership-$125..00-Vendor total-$197.60;Johnson Machine-RF-Parts-$1,172.65;Jumping Eagle,Blossom-Parent/student leadership-$72.60;Parent-student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$197.60;Jumping Eagle, Sarita-Parent/Student Leadership-$72.60-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$197.60;Keegan,Cindy-travel-

$70.40;Krul,Courtney-Parent/student leadership-$81.00;KT Connections,Inc.-computer repairs-$97.00;Lacreek electric Ass'n-utilities-$11,321.19;Lakota County Times-Job Vac-$315.00-Feb 27,BD Mtg.-$403.22;Vendor Total-$718.22;Lakota,Muriel-Parent/student leadership-$95.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$189.00;Lakota/Dakota Journal-Job Vac-$420.00;Lamont,Jamie-Parent/student leadership-$95.0-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$220.00;LeBeau,Connie-mileage-$37.12-Parent/student leadership-$101.40-Vendor total-$138.52;Lefgthand,Delores-Parent/student Leadership-$101.40-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$226.40;Lefthand,Derek-Parent/student leadership-$95.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor totalj-$220.00;Link,Peggy A.-Parent/student leadership-$87.40;Little,Donald-Parent/student leadership-$72.60-parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$197.60;Little Killer,Reginald-parent/student leadership-$41.60;Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor total-$166.60;Little Killer,Sharon-Parent/student Leadership-$41.60-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$166.60;Lock,Sandra-Parent/student leadership-$72.60-Parent/studet leadership-$125.00-Vendor total-$197.60;Lonberger,Dawn-Travel-$96.40;Lone,Elk,Dennis-Parent/student leadership-$72.60-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor total-$220.00;Long,Christine-Parent/student leadership-$95.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor totalj-$220.00;Lorman Education Services-registrations-$458.00;Ludens,Gayle-supplies-Nike Grant-$50.17-supplies-$31.50-Parent/Student Leadership-$41.60-Vendor Total-$123.27;Luers High School-3rd Quarter Tuition-$893.75;Mannoth Site-field trip-$204.00;Martinez,Dennis-Parent/student leadership-$100.12-Parent/student Leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$225.12;McDonalds-Wlf Creek Field Trip-$200.00-Wolf creek Guidance-$21.52-vendor Total-$221.52;McDonalds-Chadron-Wolf Creek Field Trip-$178.20;McKie Ford-Lincoln-mercury-WC-parts-$72.22;Menards-supplies-$127.58-supplies-$295.05-supplies-$489.60;supplies-$326.38-vendor total-$1,238.61;Mesteth,Jennifer-parent/student leadership-$95.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;Mesteth,Linda-Parent/Student leadership-$64.00;Mike's Heating & Air Conditioning supplies-$50.54;Minervas-Rapid City Ventures-Parent/student leadership-$650.62-Parent/student leadership-$2,536.94-Parent/student leadership-$111.17-Parent/student leadership-$3,870.30-Vendor Total-$7,244.19;Mobley,Sheila-Parent/student-$195.40;Mora,Rhea-Parent/student leadership-$100.12-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$225.12;Morrisette,Vine-Parent/student leadership-$101.40-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$226.40;Mousseau,Oletha-Parent/student leadership-$64.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$189.00;Mt. Rushmore Telephone Co.-phones-$158.00-Phones-$129.59-vendor total-$287.59;Muddy Creek Oil & Gas-Shannon diesel-$8,986.40;National Geographic Subscriptions-WC Subscription-$59.00;Neck,Hope-Parent/student leadership-$54.04-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor total-$179.04;No Neck,Ladonna-Parent/student Leadership-$78.36;Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor total-$203.36;North Central Supply-supplies-$200.00-supplies-$494.00-vendor total-$694.00;OST Water & Sewer-utilities-$100.00;O'Bryan,Todd-mileage-$160.00;Occupational Health Network-Shannon Drug testing-$50.00;Office Max Credit Plan-$2256.90;Oglala Lakota College-Tuition-$8,862.00;Oglala Lakota College-Books & supplies-$1,759.67;Oriental Trading C ompany-supplies-$461.64;Panhandle Sales & Service-supplies-$18.00-supplies-$187.00-vendor total-$205.00;Parkview Lanes-Field trip-$220.25-Field Trip-$60.00-Vendor total-$280.25;Pearson Education Inc.-books-$1,1337.65-books-$30.62-$1368.27;Peterson,Madonna-travel-$179.60;Petty Cash-Batesland school-reimburse Acct-$150.00;Petty Cash-Rockyford School-reimburse Acct-$340.85;Pine Ridge Village Garbage-utilities-$1,000;Pitney Bowes-Postages-RF-$438.00-Postage-WC-$219.00-vendor total-$657.00;Pizza Hut of Hot Springs-Wolfcreek field trip-$258.33;Pizza Ranch-Chadron-field trip-$114.00;Poor Bear,Michael-Parent/student leadership-$64.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$197.60;Pourier,Dawn-travel-$52.16-supplies-$109.94-vendor total-$162.10;Pourier,Devona-supplies-$62.53;Pourier,Rona-mileage-$99.84;supplies-$111.11-Parent/Student Leadership-$72.60-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor total-$408.55;Provost,Alicia-Parent/student leadership-$101.40-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$226.40;Quick Bear,Jeremiah-Parent/student leadership-$72.60-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Total-$187.60;Rapid Auto Glass-Rf-repair-$70.07;Red Cloud,Alfred-Bernard-Parent/student leadership-$95.00;Red Owl,Alberta-Parent/student leadership-$72.60-Paren/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor total-$197.60;Red Owl,Ann-travel-$54.64;Red Owl,Helen-Parent/student leadership-$70.40-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$195.40;Red Shirt,Debra-parent/student leadership-$64.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;Reinhart Institutional Foods-Food Service-$56.80;Renaissance harborplace Hotel-lodging-$7,686.00;Renaissance Learning,Incl-supplies-$199.06;Richard,Vina-Parent/student leadership-$101.40-parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$226.40;Rodriguez,Connie-Parent/student leadership-$64.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor total-$189.00;Rodriguez,Sr.,Jim-Parent/student leadership-$95.00-parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;Rodriguez,Antionette-Parent/student leadership-$95.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor total-$220.00;Roth,Jackie-Parent/student leadership-$131.40;Rowland,Sharon-Parent/Student Leadership-$95.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;RP enterprises-supplies-$59.00;Running Hawk,Lori-parent/student leadership-$72.60-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$197.60;rushmore 7-19-8995-Shannon Supplies-$145.50;Russel,Luanne-investigations-$300.00;SD Counseling Association-registration-$340.00;SD Dept Revenue-motor vehicle-license-$14.00;SD Teacher Job Fair-registration-$175.00;Salomon Sanitation-utilities-$780.00-utilities-$780.00-utilities-$260.00-vendor total-$1,820.00;Sam's club-supplies-$317.78-supplies-$1,150.43-supplies-$54.18-vendor total-$1,522.39;scholastic Book Fairs-supplies-$497.88;Schumacher,Trish-supplies-$8.65;SDN Communications-phone maint-$1,870.22;Seger,Linda-Travel-$194.00;Shanon County School Imprest-Reimburse Acct-$4,080.91;Shannon Country School Lunch-reimburse Acct.-$37.89-reimburse Acct.-$2,941.17-Vendor total-$2,979.06;Shaw,Brenda-Parent/student leadership-$95.00-parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;Shedeed-Dewolfe,Stacey-Parent/student leadership-$100.12-Parent-student Leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$225.12;Shockey,Susan-Parent/student Leadership-$54.04-Parent/student leadership-$125.00;Shoulders,Victoria-Parent/student leadership-$72.60-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$197.60;Sierra,Bennett-Parent/student leadership-$95.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;Singing Horse Trading Post-supplies-$500.00;Sioux Nation Shopping Center-supplies-$300.50;Slow Bear,Paulette-Parent.student leadership-$101.40-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$226.40;Spartan Booster Club-Entry Fee-wolf creek-$230.00;Spider,Pauline-Parent/Student Leadership-$72.60-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$197.60;Spotted Bear,Jennifer-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;Standing Soldier,Patricia-parent/student leadership-$95.00-parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;Starr,Susie-Parent/student leadership-$95.00-Parent/student Leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;Steele,Julia-Parent/student 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Inc.-propane-$12,465.00-propane-$12,603.50-propane-$12,465.00-Vendor Total-$37,533.50;Super 8 motel-Pierre-lodging-$335.00;Swallow,Amaris-Parent/student leadership-$54.04-parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$179,04;Swallow,Lorraine-Parent/student leadership-$40.04;TIE-Registration-$1,800.00;Tatonka Capital Corporation-copier lease-$275.20-ciopier lease-$584.00-copier lease-$275.20-vendor total-1,134.40;Tee's Plus-supplies-$522.27;Temperature Technology-supplies-$124.78;Ten Fingers,Gayla-Parent/student leadership-$95.00;Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor s total-$220.00;The Teachers Workshop-registration-$449.00;Thunder Bull,Marla-Parent/student leadership-$78.36;Thunder Horse,Roberta-Parent/student leadership-$101.40-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$226.40;Town of Batesland-Shannon Utilities-$500;True Value-supplies-$152.17;Tschetter,Stacie M.-Investigations-$300.00;Twiss,Maurice-impact Aid-March 06-$340.40-Parent/student leadership-$131.40-vendor total-$471-80;Twiss,Monda-parent/student leadership-$78.36;parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$203.36;Two Bulls,Darwin-Parent/student leadership-$23.04;Two Bulls,Patricia-Parent/student leadership-$54.04-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$179.04;Two Crow,Robert-Parent/student leadership-$06.40;Two Eagle,Monet-Parent/student leadership-$72.60-parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor total-$197.60;Two Eagle, susan-Parent/student leadership-$78.36-Parent.student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$203.36;Two Elk,Carmelita-Parent/student leadership-$100.12;Unemployment Insurance Division-Unemploy Tax-$524.16;Valentine Office Supply-supplies-$59.89;Vitalis,Margerette-Parent/student leadership-$64.00-parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor total-$189.00;Vocu,Theresa-Parent/student leadership-$72.60-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$197.60;Vocu,Thomas-Parent/student leadership-$64.00;Wal-Med,Inc.-supplies-$114.19-supplies-$172.60-vendor total-$286.79;Ward,Nancy-Investigations-$641.60;Waters,Marnie-Parent/student leadership-$95.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;West River International-BS Parts-$148.24;Westco-gasoline-'$14,948.89;Western Communications-repairs-$87.00-RF-repairs-$90.00-Vendor Total-$177.00;Western Dakota Technical Institute-CDL Testing-$216.00;Weston,Annabelle-Parent/student leadership-$78.36-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$203.36;Weston,Evie-Parent/student leadership-$78.36-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$203.36;Whirlwind Horse,Jon-Parent/student leadership-$72.60-parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$197.60;Whirlwind Horse,Paulette-Parent/student leadership-$72.60-parent.student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$197.60;White Clay Grocery-supplies-$138.00;White Dress,Jolene-Parent/student leadership-$101.40-parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor total-$226.40;White Eyes,Patricia-parent/student leadership-$125.00;White Eyes,Patty-parent/student leadership-$41.60;White Face,Betty-Parent/student leadership-$72.60-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-Vendor Total-$197.60;White,Shelly-Parent/student leadership-$100.12-parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$225.12;White,Terri-supplies=$73.00-Parent/student leadership-$41.60-Parent/student Leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$239.60;Winters,Karla-Parent.student leadership-$41.60;Wipf,Lisa-supplies-$45.82;woman Dress,Francene-Parent/student leadership-$64.00-parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$189.00;Yankton,Debbie-parent/student leadership-$101.40;Yellow Bo y,Gloria-Parent/student leadership-$95.00-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$220.00;Yellow Horse,Ron-Parent/student leadership-$23.04;Yellow,Tom-parent/student leadership-$23.04-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$148.04;Young Bear,Janet-parent/student Leadership-$78.36-Parent/student leadership-$125.00-vendor total-$203.36; Fund Total: $231,922.38.

Fund 21 Capital Outlay Fund

Best Business Products-copier lease-$506.69-copier lease-$160.60;Borders Inc-textbooks-$2,203.76-textbooks-@,314.44-textbooks-$56.96-textbooks-$38.92-vendor total-$4,614.08;CDW Government,Inc.-computer Equip-$6,616.98;computer equip-$100.00-vendor total-$6,716.98;Corner Construction Corporation-Red Project App #19-$123,340.90;Dial Virtual School-textbooks-$8,140.00;Harcourt,Inc.-textbooks-$57.30;McGraw-Hill Companies-textbooks-$264.19;National Geographic Society-textbooks-$362.77;Pearson Education Inc.-textbooks-$532.96-textbooks-$371.09-vendor total-$904.05;GD Federal Property Agency-97 Green Suburban-$9,400.00;Tatonka Capital Corporation-copier lease-$4,166.00.

Fund 22 Special Education Fund

Bennett County Hospital-services-$2,520.00;Best Western-sturgis-travel-$49.57;Childrens Care & Rehab Development-OT services-$1,272.00;Childrens care hospital & school-travel-$40.00-tuition-$6,055.40-vendor total-6,095.40;Childrens Home Society-tuition-$1,347.00;Corporate Card-credit card chgs-$79.02;Graham,Donna-supplies-$83.27;Hanson,Ted-travel-$489.48;Harcourt Assessment,Inc.-Record Forms-$143.46;Lorman Education Services-registrations-$458.00;McDonalds-Rockyford Meals-$60.00;Mountain Plains Audiology-services-$85.00;Petty Cash-Rockyford School-Reimburse Acct-$33.59;Petty Cash-Wolf Creek School-reimburse Account-$65.05;Pourier,Alyce-travel-$401.92;Riverside Publishing Co.-supplies-$249.08;Ross.Dona Ruth-Services-$1,543.96;Shannon County School Imprest-Reimburse Acct-$2,309.52;Sioux Falls School District-Shannon Tuition-$217.98;Sioux Nation Shopping Center-supplies-$59.88;Tail,Carolyn-travel-$147.20-Fund Total-$17,710.48

Fund 51 Food Service Account

BTU Services,Inc.-Food Services-$701.88;Child & Adult Nutrition-DOE-Food Service-$938.41;Food Services of America-Food Service-$1,787.94-food service-$1,511.34-food service-$1,930.51-Food service-$2,955.68-vendor total-$8,185.47;Harkers-food service-$288.87-food service-$1,951.60-food service-789.35-food service-$2,719.63-vendor total-$5,749.45;Hillyard-supplies-$355.78;HRS Food Service-food service-$2,027.90-food service-$2,327.60-vendor total-$4,355.50;Kemps-Gillette Dairy-food service-$917.06;food service-$2,008.92-food service-$2,795.82-vendor total-$5,721.80;Reinhart Institutional Foods-food service-$4,968.91-food service-$320.15-food service-$7,245.78-food service-$11,379.35-vendor total-$23,914.19;Echno Ply,Ltd-food service-$386.04-Fund Total-$50,308.52

Fund 73 Federal Programs

Special Services

Corporate Card-credit card chgs-$75.79;Division of Criminal Investigation March 04-finger printing-$429.00;Occupational Health Network-Drug testing $40.00;Sam's Club-$82.42;Shannon Country School Imprest-reimburse Acct-$1,185.00;sign & Trophy-supplies-$598.40.Fund Total-$2,410.61.

Fund 76 BS Trust/Agency Account

Barnett,Robert-supplies-$39.88;Ideal Super Market-supplies-$23.64;Pepsi Cola of Rapid City-supplies-$256.20;Pizza Hut of Gordon-Bat Field Trip-$160.07;Sam's Club-supplies-$437.68-supplies-$629.18-vendor total-$1,546.65.

Checking Account Total-$462,532.20.

Disbursements From Imprest Fund:

AUL-$127.28;Center for Disabilities-$95.00;Div. of Criminal Investigation-$546.00;Hope Brings Plenty-$999.00;SPED Parent-$401.92;Deb Blue Bi rd-$101.40;Deb Blue bird-$125.00;Charles Standing Bear-$101.40;Charles Standing Bear-$125.00;Rona Pourier-$31.00;Tom Yellow-$23.04;Donna Ross-$1,265.80;AAC Management-$639.00;SPED Parent-$330.84;SPED Parent-$111.36;Debbie Blue Bird-$157.40;Vince LeBeau-$157.40;Vincent Brewer Mr.-$720.00;Dawin Two Bulls-$125.00;Chrystal Feather Earring-$125.00;Ted Hanson-$193.00;Regina Whipple-$193.00;Vicki Grant-$193.00;Kathy Means-$193.00;Sandra Blacksmith-$193.00;Darrell Eagle Bull-$193.00;Darrell Eagle Bull-$193.00;Postmaster-$4.99;Total-$7,575.43.

6184 Bus Routes Motion by R. Cummings, to approve the administrative recommendation for new bus routes for the 2006-07 school year, and instructed the superintendent to compile a cost savings report and notify parents accordingly. Motion carried, O'Bryan abstained.

6185 Application for Public School Exemption Motion by M. Cummings to approve the application for public school exemption for two students, as listed on file. Motion carried.

6186- April Board Meeting The April board meeting will be held on Monday, April 24,2006 at Red Shirt School, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

6187 Administrative Reports Principals reported improved attendance at each of the four schools, and preparations are being made for testing.

6188 Adjournment Motion by O'Bryan to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. Motion carried.Signed-MaDonna Peterson,Business Manager

Happy Ads

Happy Ads are free
Drop boxes at Big Bats
in Pine Ridge
and Lil Angels in Kyle
or email to
lakota1868@gwtc.net

Happy Birthday to Christina Eagle Hawk on 4/03/06, 19 years old, from Phylicia Piper - Your Homie

Happy Birthday to my sister Christina Eagle Hawk on April 3, 2006. Have a blast!! From Eugena Eagle Hawk your sister

Happy Birthday
Becky Three Stars
You are one great niece!
You have a wonderful day and enjoy your day.
We love you.
Aunti Amanda,
Jennifer, Vanessa
and Brittany Rose

Happy Sweet 16 to Nicole White Plume on 4/05/66. Much Love always, Gail Looks

Congratulations to our uncle Joshua Steele for being the 2006 Golden Glove Champ. Good luck at Nationals and remember Tunkasila is always with you. Love your nephews, TJ, BJ, RJ, ET and Sean.

To my babe,
Hope Condon Bissonette,
Love you with all my cante and thoughts.
Your husband,
Mike "Redd" Bissonette.

Congratulations! Roseanna & Brandon on your excellent attendance in school this year. we are proud of you both. Manuel & Connie

Congratulations Beaux!! For all those A's for third quarter at Todd County Middle School and for the excellent attendance. From Dad and Mom Also from Amanda, Jen, Brittany and Vanessa

Happy Birthday
April
A Quarter Cenyury behind you....A wonderful life ahead of you.... You are a beautiful young woman and we all love you very much!
Connie, Manuel, Jenni, Roseanna & Brandon

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United States Department of the Interior
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Position: Realty Specialist, GS-1170-5/7
GS-07: $35,116-$45,648 Per Annum
GS-05 $28,349-$36,856 Per Annum

Vacancy Announcement Number: AB-06-38
Opening Date: 03/27/06
Closing Date: 04/14/06

Summary of Duties: The incumbent performs duties for Tenure and Management, in the Branch of Realty as it pertains to the leasing of land on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Duty Station Location:
BIA, Realty-Tenure & Management Section,
Pine Ridge Agency, Pine Ridge, SD

Procedures on How To Apply:
Mail applications to the BIA Southern Plains Human Resources
(FedEx: 1 mile north on Hwy 281)
PO Box 368, Anadarko, OK 73005. or you may fax to: 1-405-247-4991.

Applications and all accompanying documents must be received by the closing date of the announcements.

Please submit the forms as indicated in the position vacancy anouncement.

Contact Information:
BIA
Pine Ridge Agency
Administration
Pine Ridge, South Dakota,
For More information Call: 605-867-5126

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Happy Belated B irthday to mty sister Lynette A. Two Bulls. It's All G-O-O-D, Wit me. Your crazy lil sister, Veroni Kizzle

Just wanted to give a shout out to my big cuz S hanna Brown. Don't Stress, take a deep breath. LOL!! Your lil cuz, Veroni Kizzle

Happy birthday to my Niece, Dani Jizzle. I hope you have fun. I'll be right by your side, remember that, Vronca!LOL

Your doin an awesome job mom!Keep up the good work! I love you very much!-Jenni

Congratulations to Nick and Alicia on their birth of their son, Ethan Dane on February 22nd. You made me an "proud Official Grandma". Love you, Corrine Zephier, Auntie Tara and Uncle Tyler.

I miss you KaKa alot! Love Brittany

Nathan Elk
04/05/53 - 11/16/05
Remembering my brother on his birthday. My brother, I miss you a lot and think about you all the time. You will never be forgotten.
From you sister Kathy & brother in law Egan.

Happy Birthday
Joe Arapahoe Jr. We love you!
From, Clevia, Alanna and Olowan.

Happy Birthday to Johnette Yellow Hawk. From Lil and Lee.

Congratulations to my son and daughter in law on their first year anniversary!! Joseph and Autumn High Hawk So glad you kids made it through the first year.Wishing you many happy years together.May your love grow stronger as you both get through lifes good and bad times.As you walk together through this journey of life know that God and my prayers are always with you. Mom in Gering NE.

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Bertha Two Bulls, Happy Birthday. Mom, miss you with all our hearts. Love Tammy, lil buba, Ladene, Terry, Cart, George, Kathy, Shirley, Royce, Tammy's great kids.

I'd like to wish my love Patrick Mousseaux a Happy Birthday on April 22nd. I love you babe you'll always be in our hearts. Love always, your one and only Betty & your beautiful kids Rosa & Owen.

Happy 60th Anniversary



On March 5th, 2006
Harvey and Colleen Zephier.
We love you both dearly and wish you many more blissful years to come. From your five children,
15 grandchildren,
19 Great-Grandchildren,
plus one on the way.

Happy Easter to my Dad, Mom and sister Ness and brother Jeremy and Lon. Have a wonderful weekend. Love always your daughter/sister Jennifer Takes War Bonnett.

I would like to say hello to my friend Weldon SE in Porcupine, from a Special Friend.

Happy 16th Birthday on 4-5-06 to Nikki. Your my girl always. Tyrah C.

Happy Memorial Birthday to Uncle/Grandpa Nathan Elk on April 5th. We love you and miss you very much. From, your neice Stephanie, nephews Jarrett and Delane. Also your takoja's, Ethan "Takoj" Mills, Candace "Candy" Hollow Horn, Jayden Iron Boy & Trinity Jealous of Him.

Congratulations to two wonderful people Melinda Two Eagle and Rudy Reddest. Your big day is around the corner and we all want to wish you the best of luck to your new future together. From your loving families and all your friends.

Congratulations to Melinda Two Eagle and Rudy Reddest on their engagement and future wedding. You are best friends, lovers, husband and wife. I hope you have many beautiful children. Through good and bad, past and present you will triumph through it all. Everyone knows you are a perfect for each other, in life you will find only one perfect love, you have both found it in each other. Congratulations from you maid of honor, Hattie T.

Happy Easter to our three beautiful children, Brittany Rose, Jason Jr. and Wakinyan Ohitika. Have a wonderful weekend babies. We love you always. From Dad and Mom.

I would like to say wassup to my 2 sisters, Woniya B.R. & Crystal O.H. From, Polyana.

To my beloved future husband Rudy Reddest. I can't wait to marry you. Knowing all what we had gone through. Sharing the rest of my life with you is the highest honor I've ever known. You and my daughter are the best people to come into my life. Love you always, your future wife Melinda Two Eagle.

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A belated Happy Birthday to our daughter, Shan'elle Black Elk. We love you and wish you the best - good luck at Headstart. Love, Mom, Val, Dad and your bro.

Happy Birthday Bubbz from Lou. Have a good one big bro. Love and prayers, Jaim

To my little brother Joshua Steele. Congratulations on winning the 2006 Golden Glove Championship. Good luck at nationals in Omaha, we know you can do it. Those days of jamming too the Eye of the Tiger have paid off!! Congrats and good luck from your Big Sis, Willene Kills Enemy & The Crew at #406 Manderson Housing.

Happy Birthday Monster, 4/5/06 you might have reached the top of the mountain, but you still have a lot of miles to go. The journey down is the most fun.
Love ya - Just one of your partners in crime.

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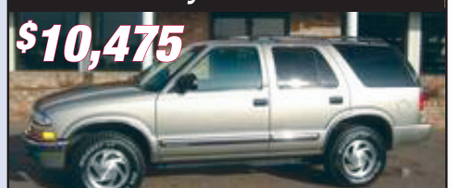

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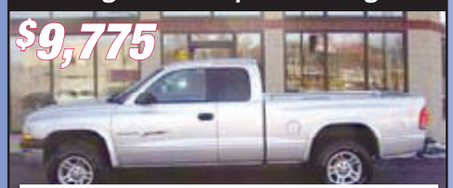

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QUICK HITS

Death in Oglala caused by high winds

OGLALA - On Tuesday night, between 8-8:30 p.m., 50-70 mph winds hit Oglala blowing over a trailer house eleven miles west of Oglala. Faron Yellow Horse, 23, was found dead at the scene as the trailer home blew over and was turned into a pile of debris by the wind.

Yellow Horse's aunt suffered a broken leg and four children in the trailer home received minor bumps and bruises. High winds were forecast throughout the week across southwestern South Dakota and on Monday night, the weather station in Pine Ridge registered a gust of 55 mph at 8:52 p.m.

Relatives on the way to the casino noticed the trailer was not where it was supposed to be and turned around, finding the children and adults spread over the prairie by the high winds.

"We offer our condolences to the family of this young man," said Lyle Jack during the council meeting Tuesday morning, "and this underlines the need we have on having a tribal emergency management team here on Pine Ridge Reservation."

Housing homeowners to get titles/deeds

PINE RIDGE - The Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing will be issuing titles and deeds to 28 homeowners who have paid for their houses.

The conveying of titles will occur at 11 a.m. on April 28 at the SueAnne Boys and Girls Club.

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TWO SECTIONS

RST hears Rosebud Hospital CEO report

'State of Medical Emergency' declared

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Shelly Harris, CEO of the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Care facility delivered a regular progress report on Wednesday, April 12 to the RST tribal council while the legislative body passed a resolution declaring a "State of Medical Emergency" on the Rosebud Sioux reservation. The motion was made by RST council representative Marion Young-One Star and seconded by Antelope council representative Robert Moore and passed by a vote of 16 in agreement and zero opposed with three representatives not voting.

Presumably, the medical state of emergency is a way to signal the need for additional funding from the Indian Health Service and document the current state of affairs at the service unit. The hospital administration has shown a strong propensity to collect third party resources as witnessed by the visually attractive graphics contained in the report.



Assisting customers in applying for Medicare A, Medicare Part B, Medicaid and private insurance is an important function of the hospital and the number assisted increased from March 2005 to 2006 by approximately 3,411 customers when you add up the numbers and that indicates positive growth and forward progress.

The actual numbers of customers who utilized the facility for health care increased from the first quarter of fiscal year 2005 to the first quarter

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State legislative candidates could change, voter turnout urged

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Voters in legislative districts 26, 26A and 27 will see the effect of the redistricting as ordered by Judge Karen Schrier last year. District 27 includes Bennett, Jackson, Haakon and Shannon counties. District 26 includes Todd, Mellette, Tripp, and Gregory counties,while District 26 includes Mellette and Tripp counties.

According to the ACLU website the purpose of the redistricting amounted to "Redrawing of legislative district lines to ensure there is no discrimination against Native American voters in 13 of the 66 counties."

O.J. Semans is a facilitator and activist of sorts when it comes to national, local and tribal elections. He professes a strong desire to inform Lakota people of the political issues, which are confronting them. He does not much care how people vote; he simply wants them to know that it is at the polling place where people can exercise their constitutional right and control their own destiny.



Jim Bradford (D-PR) and Theresa Two Bulls(D-PR) incumbents are being challenged in the upcoming elections by two Republicans from District 27.

A couple of years ago, Semans and his wife Barb were very active in registering Lakota people for the national election while utilizing the media to delineate the issues point by point which were of interest to tribal people.

In recent weeks, he has also conducted a voter registration drive on the campus of SGU. He noted that he has had an opportunity to visit with students as to their understanding of the issues, which will arise during upcoming elections and has gotten as sense of their awareness. KINI radio station manager Richard Iyotte also interviewed him on his voter registration efforts recently.

Semans provided an update on the slate of candidates and Lakota candidates who will be vying for the state house and senate. Representing District 26, which is comprised of Todd, Mellette, Tripp, and Gregory counties, will be Democrats Julie Bartling, John Simpson, and RST tribal member Sherman Wright. The winner of this contest will go up against incumbent Republic John Koskan of Wood on June 6.

Current voter registration figures and candidates can be accessed at www.sdsos.gov.

In the race for the District 26A house seat, which includes Todd and Mellette counties, RST tribal member Democrat Paul Joseph will go against Todd County Middle School teacher Larry Lucas and the winner of that race will go up against Republican, Berry Jensen.

Cheyenne River Sioux tribal member Democrat Steve Emery of McLaughlin is running for a state seat from District 28 according to the state's website. OST tribal member Senator Jim Bradford (D-PR) will be facing Democrat Gene S. Williams and OST tribal member Theresa Two Bulls (D-PR) will be challenged by Republican Craig L. Hanrahan of

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OST council votes to contract bureau investigative division

'Eviction policy' goes down in election year defeat

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

MANDERSON - On Thursday, the final day of a three day regular tribal council meeting at the Wounded Knee District School in Manderson, the council voted 15-1 to contract the criminal investigation division from the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

"This starts the process," said Garfield Steele, council representative from Wounded Knee District and chairman of the judiciary committee, "we will sit down with the BIA and see what we need to do to get the contracting done - it was evident by both the vote and the discussion that everyone was in favor of putting the CI division back under the tribe."

Council representatives expressed concern about the time it takes to



investigate cases, that the bureau is not responsive to the community and the tribe and that the community would be better served with the CI division back under the tribe.

"The tribe will need to present a contract proposal to Norman Ford, self determination specialist with the Bureau," said Martin Hansford, supervisory special agent with the Bureau's criminal investigation division, "the BIA would have 90 days to respond and would probably ask for a 90 day extension to evaluate the proposal - there are four or five specific points that will guide our review including funding, equipment and quality of service."

Up until the spring of 2000, the CI division was under the tribe. An evaluation by the BIA in 1996 found a lack of supervision, poor reports, many failures to investigate and financial and property mismanagement; another evaluation in late 99 and early 2000 had the same findings and a Western Regional Institute for Community Policing report at the same time mirrored the two BIA evaluations. The tribal council voted to retrocede the CI division back to the Bureau in the spring of 2000.

"The goal of the federal government has been to help prepare tribes to be self sufficient to take over these programs," added Hansford, "and the majority of the contract proposals made by tribes are honored but I feel strongly that BIA law enforcement needs to start considering the needs and best interests of the community, what is right and best for the community and would be the best for our citizens whether they are under the Bureau or the tribe."

Stating that he was very happy with the job being done by the current chief of police, Ron Duke, Steele made a motion to rescind an earlier council resolution to advertise the chief of police's position; the motion died for the lack of a second. With a vote of 12-4, the council voted to change the requirement for associate judges for tribal court from requiring

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State of emergency declared by RST

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of 2006 by 2,781 customers according the to report on page 6.

By the same token, the all important third party collections appears to have been a strength of the current administration as it has instituted new billing and processing procedures and additional personnel in order to cut into the significant indebtedness as incurred by past management. That indebtedness is a fact that is well documented by a previous RST tribal resolution, which called for an investigation by the Inspector General and initiated by Antelope Council representative Robert Moore during a previous council meeting.

The report does not detail the current budget deficit of the hospital, however it is likely that that figure has been reduced in a significant way when considering the refinement of third party collections action which was instituted shortly after the new management was installed.

In the contract health services section, the number of motor vehicle accidents as described has been somewhat disturbing and points to the immediate need for intervention that will lead to increased seat belt use. The number of accidents for the first quarter was listed at 87 and in examining other quarters it appears that accidents are commonplace. The report notes that the money that is spent on needless automobile accidents could be used for other medical care and treatment referrals.

The management has been diligent in getting word out to the tribal membership in explaining what is considered 'priority 1' which is "any diagnostic or therapeutic service that is necessary to prevent the immediate death or serious impairment of the health of an individual." The hospital reviews all medical priorities prior to approving any referrals.

Last year, the Rosebud Hospital had an outpatient service called 'Urgent Care' located across from the Emergency Room window and whose purpose was to respond to urgent medical needs and which were not considered priority 1. This reduced the routine flow of patients experienced by emergency room personnel, however, it lead to some confusion on the part of patients who were in need of some form of immediate care.

Management then moved the 'Urgent Care' component and re-named it the 'Convenience Care Clinic' to avoid the confusion. Convenience Care Clinic hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. from Monday through Friday according to the report. It will serve the same function in helping to relieve the triage procedure and medical urgencies which are not life threatening.

Finally, the amount of contract health services funds paid out for a variety of referral services is outlined in the report and in descending order the top three expenditures are for radiology, surgery and pharmacy services. For fiscal year 2004, radiology services amounted to $386,553.00, expenditures for surgery was $247,754.00, while pharmacy services was at $199,092.00. The report notes that the hospital needs to "evaluate processes that will allow us to expand the services that we provide within the facility thereby reducing the cost of expenditures through the CHS program."

The regular on-air report delivered by CEO Harris to the RST tribal council is a continuation of the openness in tribal government and is a way to keep information flowing to the RST tribal membership while keeping them informed of issues which directly effect their well-being. The report documents the positive direction in which the hospital has embarked and it will require more time and patience as management works to reduce the deficit to zero.

On March 8, 2006, the Rosebud service unit achieved its Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) accreditation, which is all-important to continued delivery of health care services to the Sicangu people and that is also a positive occurrence; such status is akin to a university gaining accreditation of its ability to offer degree programs.

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Philip.

Semans said, "Now, the senate race is going to be tough. 38 percent of the Todd, Tripp and Mellette voters are Indian and 62 percent are non-Indian. We are trying to keep the voter registration alive going in order to edge up those numbers. Unless people vote in numbers, we are going to have a problem."

Some interesting voter statistics include the fact that in District 26 there are 1,942 registered Republicans and 1,144 registered Democrats. In District 26A there are 1,391 Republican voters and 4,641 registered Democrats. In District 27 there are 3,362 registered Republicans voters and 8,442 registered Democrats.

In Todd County the unofficial lists shows there are 809 Republican voters and 3,989 Democrats registered. State wide there are 231,684 unofficial Republican voters and 184,780 registered Democrats. There are 66,341 registered Independents.

Semans has arrived at a couple of observations as a result of his voter registration activities and he was eager to share them. He noted, "Native Americans will vote for a qualified non-Indian if they feel they can help more than an Indian. A non-Indian will not vote for an Indian candidate even if he feels he can help."

"If two non-Indians are up against each other and who ever does not seek the Indian vote is not going to win."

Finally, he also noted that Cherry-Todd Electric serves a customer base that is comprised of 82 percent Native Americans and there are no Indians on the board of directors. Semans said, "Todd County is the poorest county in the nation and Cherry-Todd is the eighth richest cooperative in the country. We have to pay a certain fee for yardage and so forth. We pay as much as the millionaires do in Cherry County."

The upcoming election will see the effect that re-districting as ordered by Judge Karen Schrier which will have on voters in south central South Dakota.

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After a good deal of discussion on a new eviction policy and procedures exclusive to NAHASDA/HUD units, the council voted 7-9 to turn down the proposed eviction policies. The new policy would have set up a special judge to hear eviction cases. Lydia Bear Killer, council representative from Pass Creek district, moved to have the same special judge review past eviction cases to determine if policies and procedures were followed. Bear Killer's motion lost by the same 7-9 vote.

The meeting in Manderson opened with complaints filed against Juanita Scherich by the Medicine Root district, against Walt Big Crow and Paul Little by Garfield Steele and a fourth complaint unnamed.

"Has the research been done, if we accept any of these will we be putting any of the council representatives under double jeopardy?" asked both Lyle Jack and Garfield Steele, "have each of these complaints been reviewed by the tribal attorney?"

Will Peters made a motion to hear the complaints and them decide whether to accept any of them; the resolution passed 8-6 with two not voting.

"I've never seen clear water turn into wojapi as quick as it did today," said Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge Village.

"So we can get on with business, make sure all of the research is done and deal with the questions of double jeopardy, I move to table," said Garfield Steele. The council voted 8-6 with two not voting to table and set up a special session to deal with the complaints and a very outdated impeachment ordinance.

Crystal Eagle Elk presented a proposed general fund budget with some tinkering from her office and the finance committee became balanced at $4.786 million for the time being as everyone understood that there will be both additional revenue and many more expenditure requests. Council voted 10-6 to accept the general fund budget. On Wednesday, the indirect cost budget was tabled to a time when a full report could be given by a vote of 15-2 with one not voting.

Struggling with the idea of OST Department of Public Safety officers making arrests of tribal members in Whiteclay and transporting them to Rushville to the Sheridan County jail the council barely voted to continue support the memorandum of agreement with the state of Nebraska to cross deputize officers so they may patrol Whiteclay 10-8.

By a vote of 12-6, the council voted to table a resolution to support the Lakota Nation Ikce Wicasa Okolakiciye which included receiving 1,200 acres in the Black Hills from the Oglala Sioux Tribe and set up a special meeting for information and bring it back to the July regular meeting.

Ruth Brown, chair of the land committee, had the land committee broadcast live earlier in the week to read for the record the proposed new grazing ordinance in preparation for Wednesday's council meeting. Stating that she had encouraged input from across the reservation, Brown made a motion to support a new grazing ordinance. The new ordinance was tabled 10-8 on a motion by Ella John Carlow, seconded by Kathy Janis.

Additional actions taken by the council last week included: 15-1 to approve an engineering contract with Dakota Engineering for the tribe's transit program, 12-4 to approve a three year extension on the Dakota Engineering contract, 14-1-1 to approve the adding of Ruth Brown to the economic and business development committee, 15-0-1 to support COUP's proposal for wind energy employment training program, 9-7 to approve the TERO budget, 14-1 to have each tribal program prepare a report on the upcoming federal budget cuts and their potential impact on the tribe and tribal programs, 13-2-1 to approve an attorney's contract with Sonosky, Chambers, Sachse, Endreson and Perry, 7-9 defeating a resolution to waive the revenue requirements of the TERO ordinance on the Prairie Wind Casino Expansion project.

The council voted 11-5 to approve Peska Construction for the interior design work for the casino project and voted 9-6-1 to approve the a drawdown.

Council chooses Brown Eyes for permanent project manager

PINE RIDGE - Tuesday, the tribal council selected Lenart Brown Eyes in a 10-8 vote over Mark Landon of Parkside Design to be the permanent project manager for the Prairie Wind Casino expansion project.

The casino expansion project has struggled through a series of project managers since construction began last fall. Tim Bowman was in first the role that represents the tribe in construction decisions and oversees the tribe's interests as the $20 million project evolves. Rick Shangreaux was placed in the role on a temporary basis in October and Lenart Brown Eyes was later selected as the temporary project manager in November.

"This is something we needed from the very beginning," said Lyle Jack, council representative from Pine Ridge and chair of the economic and business development committee, "now we need to maintain continuity and have Cora Whiting, Cecelia Fire Thunder's representative and Brown Eyes work together in the best interests of the tribe and getting this project done in a good and timely manner."

The council voted 18-0 to accept Brown Eyes in the position on a permanent basis and to send his proposal on to Margaret Lineberry, the construction attorney, to write up a contract that will be signed off by the tribal president.

Official: No Child loophole doesn't mean Indian students ignored in state stats

PIERRE (AP) - Even though a provision of the No Child Left Behind law lets schools avoid reporting the test scores of small groups of minority students, South Dakota is not ignoring the needs of American Indian students, state Education Secretary Rick Melmer said.

South Dakota schools do not have to issue separate reports for any group of fewer than 10 students. But each student's score is counted at the state level when test results showing the annual progress of students are broken down into racial groups and other categories, Melmer said.

Nationwide, schools are not counting the test scores of nearly half the American Indian students when they report the progress of students by racial categories. In South Dakota, 7.4 percent of Indian students' test scores are not reported as separate categories by schools, according to a computer analysis by The Associated Press.

Hispanics and blacks have about 10 percent of their scores excluded nationwide, and more than one-third of Asian scores aren't broken out, AP found. Less than 2 percent of white children's scores aren't being counted as a separate category.

To calculate a nationwide estimate, AP analyzed the 2003-04 enrollment figures the government collected for those grades -- the latest on record -- and applied the current racial category exemptions their states use.

South Dakota officials are well aware that Indian students' scores in math and reading are below the state average, and it is working to improve minority students' performance, Melmer said. South Dakota has hired a coordinator for Indian education, and one of the goals of the state's education improvement plan is to improve education for Indian students, he said.

"I would like to think we're sure taking steps to make it better," Melmer said.

The AP's national computer analysis found that states are finding ways for their public schools to avoid penalties under the No Child Left Behind law by not counting the test scores of nearly 2 million students when they issue reports on the progress of students by racial groups.

Under the law championed by President Bush, all students must achieve proficiency in reading and math by 2014. Schools receiving federal aid also must demonstrate that students in all racial categories are meeting performance goals or risk penalties that include extending their school year, changing their curriculum or firing their administrators and teachers.

The 2002 law requires public schools to test more than 25 million students periodically in reading and math, reporting the school's overall measure of success. No students' scores can be excluded from the overall measure.

But the schools also must report scores by categories, such as race, poverty, migrant status, English proficiency and special education. Failure in any category means the whole school fails.

States are helping schools get around that second requirement by using a loophole in the law that allows schools to ignore scores of racial groups that are too small to be statistically significant.

The U.S. Education Department has granted different states widely varying exemptions, and some states allow schools to ignore racial breakdowns when they have 30, 40 or even 50 students of a particular race.

South Dakota has set the cutoff at 10, meaning a school does not have to report the scores by category for any group of 9 or fewer students.

"Does it hurt minority kids? I don't think it does," Melmer said. "The state is still responsible for that child."

American Indian students are by far the largest minority group in South Dakota's schools. Last year's state report card showed that although 82 percent of all the tested students were proficient in reading, only 59 percent of Indian students were proficient.

Melmer said the main reason for not reporting test scores for categories that have only a few students is to protect students' privacy. If a small school had four students in a category and reported that category's average test scores, people in the community would know who those students are, he said.

Smaller groups are considered statistically insignificant, so it would be unfair to penalize a school for the performance of a few students, officials have said.

Also, South Dakota has a rule that allows schools to exclude the scores of students who move in later in the school year, Melmer said. That avoids penalizing a school for the performance of a newly arrived student because that student's test score is not a good indication of how well the school is educating children, he said.

To be included in a school's results, a student must be in the school from October through the annual testing done in April, Melmer said.

Some of the American Indian students whose scores are not reported in racial categories are probably excluded because they were not in a particular school for the entire year, Melmer said. Poor families tend to move more often than more affluent families, and many Indian families are in low-income categories, he said.

Overall, AP found that about 1.9 million students -- or about 1 in every 14 test scores -- aren't being counted under the law's racial categories. Minorities were seven times as likely to have their scores excluded as whites, the analysis showed.

In South Dakota, 3.8 percent of all students are not counted in school reports of such categories. Although less than 1 percent of white students' scores were excluded, 7.4 percent of the Indian students were not reported by schools as subgroups.

A total of 828 Indian students' scores were not reported by schools in racial categories. Those students were scattered throughout state -- two in one school, four in another, as many as nine in other schools.

On Indian reservations, of course, Indians constitute the majority of students and are reported in racial categories.

Donna DeKraai, president of the South Dakota Education Association, the state's main teachers union, said it makes sense not to report groups of fewer than 10 students because that protects students' privacy.

"I don't think South Dakota's intent ever was to hide any of the results," DeKraai said.

"South Dakota did a very good job of trying to make sure it was very reasonable. The main thing was it didn't infringe on the confidentiality of any ethnic group," DeKraai said.

Melmer acknowledges that some have criticized the No Child Left Behind law for causing teachers to spend a lot of time preparing students for the annual tests, but he said that preparation involves a review of what the students need to know. The tests measure whether the students have learned that material, he said.

Students must be tested annually in grades 3 through 8 and at least once in high school, usually in 10th grade. This is the first school year that students in all those grades must be tested, though schools have been reporting scores by race for the tests they have been administering since the law passed.

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OPINION PAGE

Guest Editorial

Gas prices on the rise!

Gas prices are on the rise again and this time it looks like it will be here for awhile.

In some places, the price per gallon has gone up to $3 a gallon.

The energy department said the average for regular will be $2.62 a gallon and will continue to rise to up to 10 to 15 cents per gallon in the next several weeks.

It adds up to 25 cents more than last year at this time.

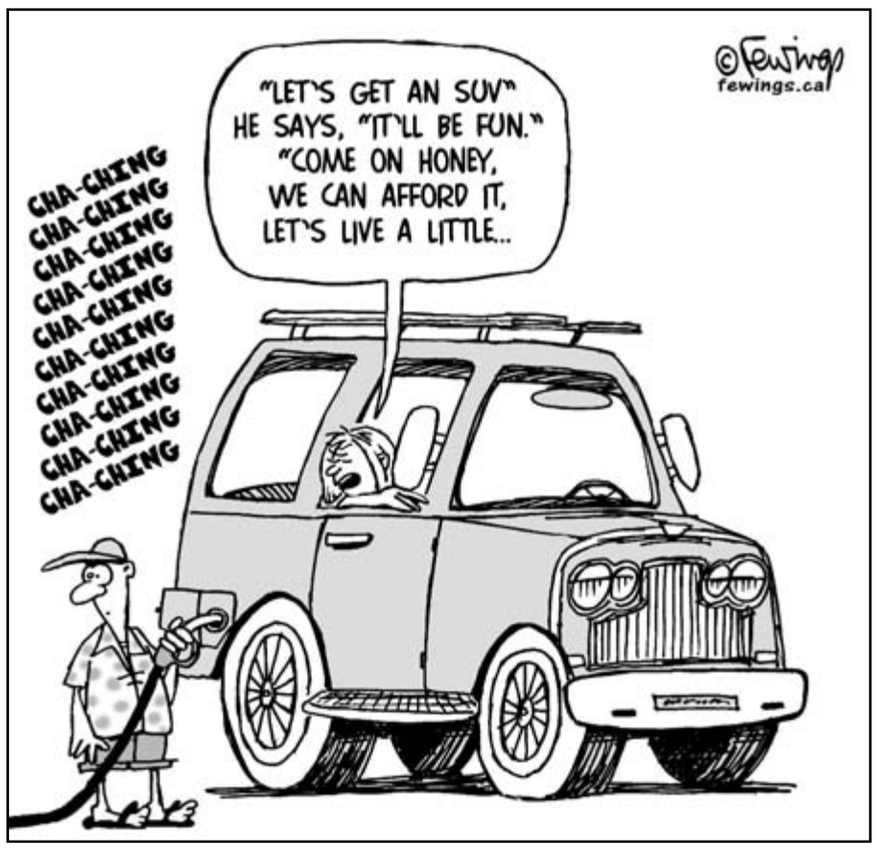
According the associated press reports, the high prices are expected to peak in May and drop off in late summer.

Why, the high prices? The weather, what happened last year with the hurricanes affected the price of gas and if we get another round of hurricanes, we are surely going to see the price of gas rise even more.

Another look at the issue is that in the long run, it affects us in other ways, as other prices rise for consumer goods, because somewhere along the way, it has to be added in so stores can still manage to make a profit.

It gets tough, as those higher prices eventually effect us, even if we don't have a car and have to buy gas.

It affects us in our families as we live in a high poverty area and it affects the tribal government as the people's demands grows.



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Notes From Indian Country

Saving the children in the here and now



By Tim Giago
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The first time I heard the word "brainwashing," was during the Korean Conflict. Back then several GI's underwent this procedure while prisoners of war. Afterwards, they shifted their allegiance to the North Koreans and Chinese.

The analogy would be like removing someone's brain, washing it clean of all it contained and then re-programming it with a different set of values, philosophy, religion, and political beliefs. This happened to many Native Americans. It happened in the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Indian mission boarding schools.

It is happening again today on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota.

The president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, Cecelia Fire Thunder, proposed building a Planned Parenthood Clinic on the reservation after the nearly all-white legislative body of South Dakota passed HB1215 banning all abortions in the state and made no exceptions for rape or incest. Fire Thunder immediately became a target of the anti-abortion movement and worse yet, a target of some of her own people.

Let's stop for a minute and look at what Fire Thunder had in mind. First of all and foremost, she wanted a Planned Parenthood Clinic that would help the women of the reservation find treatment for the myriad of problems they face, problems that include rape, incest, teen pregnancies, AIDS, other sexually transmitted diseases, and terrible spousal and boyfriend abuse. And, as a last resort, the opportunity to obtain an abortion in a case of rape or incest.

The teen pregnancy rate on the reservation is far above the national average. The number of babies born with Fetal Alcohol Syndrome caused by alcoholic and drug addicted mothers is steadily increasing and many of those babies have since grown into adults that are wreaking havoc with the lives of innocent people.

Some violent FAS teenagers appears to have no conscience. They often rob, kill, abuse and maim without remorse. And as their numbers grow so will the increase in violent crimes. Far too many girls of high school age are dropping out of school because they got pregnant. These are problems that have grown to epidemic proportions and as a former nurse; Fire Thunder has had a front row seat to this ongoing disaster. Planned Parenthood offers lessons and products specifically for birth control.

Rather than debate the issue in a mature manner, some are already calling for Fire Thunder's impeachment. Fire Thunder saw a problem. She expressed her concerns and suggested a possible solution. Is expressing an opinion now an impeachable offense? I would say only to those who have a political agenda. The juvenile code some dissenters are using against Fire Thunder has never been enacted into law. And even if it had, it can certainly be amended to coincide with the more traditional beliefs.

Let's get back to brainwashing. Some of the Indian people vehemently opposed to a Planned Parenthood Clinic are devout Catholics or of other religious denominations. When they first took up the mantle of Christianity they stepped outside of the beliefs of their ancestors. They embraced the religious beliefs of the foreigners who came to the shores of this continent determined to convert the Indian people to their own beliefs and to force them to denounce their own cultural and traditional beliefs.

There are far too many children on Indian reservations that have been abandoned and left to be raised by their grandparents, or worse, left in the hands of social welfare agencies. Until the Indian Child Welfare Act came along these unfortunate children were often adopted out to non-Indians, especially to white church groups who then passed them on to members of their parish.

Louis Winters, a friend of mine and former classmate from Holy Rosary Indian Mission, with the help of then Senator Tom Daschle, set up a home for abused and abandoned children in Pine Ridge Village. He has had to fight with all of his might to secure funds and help every year to feed, clothe and heal these damaged children. Where were all of those Lakota people now attacking Ms. Fire Thunder when "Louie Boy" Winters needed their help?

Fire Thunder is a strong woman. As such she has drawn the wrath of some male politicians who fear her forward-looking ideologies. She is the first woman ever to be elected president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. She has taken a strong stand for the rights of women. Could it be that some Lakota men fear that their women may have found a voice?

Perhaps some of those who would derail Fire Thunder's idea of having a Planned Parenthood Clinic on the reservation should start making an effort to help those children, some of them still babies, that have been abandoned and abused. These children are alive in the real world and in dire need of any kind of help.

One Lakota wicasa wakan (Holy Man) told me on the condition that I protect his anonymity, that those people attacking Fire Thunder do not know their own cultural history and he used the term I used at the beginning of this column. He said, "They have been so 'brainwashed' into thinking like the white man that they can no longer think as an Indian. Traditionally Indian men never interfered with the rights of a woman to do whatever it was she chose to do when it came to having or not having a child. He always assumed that the woman knew what she was doing and didn't need direction from any man."

One can only hope that those critics who have been so brainwashed as to abandon their traditional beliefs will go back to their roots and look at this proposed clinic with an open mind.

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Other Views

Being responsible for the sacred bundle comes with responsiblity

Dear Editor,

The other day I was talking to a good friend of mine about this newspaper and why there is lack of Native Americans in major colleges when it comes to sports?

No Native Americans in professional sports. I said there is one hockey player named Jordon TooToo and there isn't any publication on this man. This man has taken a big step in this country to open that door.

When we are dealing with deep racism in sports and are considered nothing more than mascots. Yet we have brothers and sisters that are dying in the military.

Recently things were said about our chief Arvol Looking Horse and the sacred bundle.

At first I was very upset, about the disrespect that was shown to our uncle and our sacred bundle. I'm sitting here in this correctional institute and even I know never to question this sacred bundle and where it came from and where it has been and where it is going.

This scared bundle is what always sustained us as people, and it will always be the center of who and what we are as Lakotas.

Then I got to thinking why would anyone question this sacred bundle and disrespect it after all it's been through.

The Christians and the Catholics and all other religions in between that came to our people. A lot of people turned their back on this sacred bundle and questioned it, because of what these other religions were saying about it.

Now I don't know if these native turned their back because they believed that these other religions wore better than our sacred bundle?

Or that something was going to come from the sky and save them as they are told by these other religions. So to this day, I don't know how anyone could question the sacredness of this bundle?

This bundle has protected itself and our people through everything and no matter where you are in this life and you walk with the spirit of this sacred bundle, you will never be alone and for people like me, I had to step back in tradition to step forward in life.

Stepping back to the ceremonies helped me and brothers and sisters like me to rediscover ourselves so I say before any one questions our uncle and how he cares for the sacred bundle, they need to question themselves first, because I don't think a lot of people can handle the responsibility that comes with this.

You know the old saying, before you talk the talk , you need to walk the talk.

Jon Ray Yellow Boy
Canoncity, Colo.

Other Views

Tribes can raise the money and make Allen an offer he can't refuse

The following Rapid City Journal editorial was published April 6.

The Meade County Commission unanimously approved a beer license for a proposed Sturgis rally bar and campground near Bear Butte. In doing so, commissioners ignored hundreds of demonstrators who marched outside the Meade County Courthouse, urging the commission to preserve the sanctity of Bear Butte, which is considered sacred ground by about 60 American Indian tribes.

The commission had no reason to deny Allen a beer license because it has approved other license applications under similar circumstances.

Allen bought the land north of Bear Butte with the intention of developing it into a destination for rally goers. Meade County zoning laws allow Allen to build his proposed Sturgis County Line bar, campground and concert stage about two and one-half miles north of Bear Butte despite the fact that many Indian tribes consider the mountain a sacred site.

The Bear Butte International Alliance opposes Allen's plans because it is too close to Bear Butte and has called on Meade County to refuse beer and liquor licenses within seven miles of Bear Butte.

One way to preserve Bear Butte as a sacred site is to buy nearby land with the intention of keeping it as open space.

Encroachment on Bear Butte will continue to be an issue in the future. Based on the hundreds of people who peacefully demonstrated against Allen's license application, Meade County officials ought to consider enacting zoning that would limit commercial development near the state park.

There is plenty of land near Sturgis for biker bars, campgrounds and concert venues that won't encroach on Bear Butte. However, Allen has a right to use his land in a manner consistent with existing zoning laws, and the county commission had no legal basis to deny Allen a beer license. If groups want to protect Bear Butte from Allen's proposed Sturgis County Line bar, they can raise money and make Allen an offer he won't refuse.

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Northern Perspectives

Conversing with Jesse and Charlie about Lakota language



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

I stopped in at the Allstop café and grocery store in Rosebud a couple days ago and ran into Charlie Colombe and Jesse Bear, who is employed at the store. Jesse is a former CHR director for the tribe and after listening to a conversation between him and Charlie; I realized that there are many people who are concerned about the proper usage of the Lakota language.

Jesse explained that there is Lakota word usage in use today that is inaccurate, and his father pointed this out on several occasions. He was telling us that his father said that it was better to learn both languages, so that one could survive and it was also a sign of someone quite intelligent to be able to make the transition back and forth.

Charlie spoke of a dynamic that I have always been fascinated with and that is seeing two people chatting with each other. One is talking English and the other is talking Lakota and the conversation is going back and forth perfectly well. I think that when you consider the many intellectual and linguistic functions that have to happen very quickly, it points out how complex the Lakota language is.

I also make the point that the Lakota language is tremendously complex and you can never convince me that the people from the beginning of time were simple in their communication and formation of language. There are some mighty intelligent Lakota people out there who are struggling to learn the language, much less pronounce some of the very simple words.

I have witnessed the redundant manner in which our Lakota children are required in schools to learn colors, animals and numbers.

That is fine, except they need to apply those concepts and fold them into their speech and communication. It would be better to have them simply attempt to converse in Lakota using basic words, much like English speaking children do.

What is even worse is that I don't see the language curriculum getting more complex as the children move up the grades and it needs to.

Getting back to the conversation with Charlie and Jesse and me as an eavesdropper and interested third party, Jesse said there are those with high profiles who have a sense of Lakota and they need to work to get it out there to the people.

I think he was starting to look my way when he said that as I try to integrate Lakota into my writing as the occasion calls for it. It's a great gift to have and I admire those who still possess Lakota as a first and second language.

In recent years, I have stepped up my efforts to read, write and understand the language. I think I will always be on the verge of fluency and that is a good place to be. I actually learn a new word each day if I get the opportunity to listen to real Lakota speakers.

For example, I listened to Floyd Hand as he addressed the RST tribal council. In his closing prayers, he used some words that I did not quite understand. I don't think it is that dialectical differences between Pine Ridge and Rosebud that some speak of, but perhaps it is.

Jesse said that one should not use akicita when referring to the police, but rather canksa uha which makes reference to the fact that they carry a night stick. There is also another word that refers to the fact that they must uphold the law, but I didn't catch that word. It might have been woope oyuspe, but I am not sure and will have to clarify with Jesse as I told him I would interview him about his knowledge of language use. He also said that one never says nape ci uza as "uza" means "to marry" and one never goes around marrying someone else's hand. More appropriately he said that we should use nape icigluspapi which means, "I take your hand." I have also heard John Around Him use the phrase nape a u which means "extend your hand" or bring your hand here.

It was good to hear Alex White Plume as he also spoke to the RST tribal council and announced that we should all speak Lakota as we discuss treaty council business. He said that the white man speaks of the 'melting pot' but such a thing is not prevalent in Lakota country as we are Lakota even if we have just a bit of Lakota blood.

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Things to empower yourself

"Sticks and stones can break my bones, but words can never hurt me." UGHHH-HHHHHH! FALSE!



By Patty Pourier

Emotional abuse is hurtful. It is all about winning, being in power and control, in order to make themselves feel better when the perpetrator abuses you. Emotional and verbal abuses are closely related in that the verbal abuse produces emotional trauma. Yelling is at one end of the spectrum while "the passive" (but lethal) silent treatment is at the other end of emotional abuse. Emotional abuse is damaging because it outlives its own life span. The person who has been abused hears the perpetrators verbal abuse words over, and over again in their own head. Many times this abusive broken record plays even after the abuser is dead.

Emotional abuse robs us of a sense of security and value. Because you never know what to expect- you are left feeling unsafe and that someone else's words control you. With an abuser who uses words to hurt- you will never get the last word in, you can never win.

Emotional abuse creates guilt. Messages like, "It's all your fault", come from the perpetrator. Thoughts like, "If I just tell them I'm sorry, or it my fault for something I did not do, maybe they will stop verbally abusing me."

Verbal abuse can also be in the form of a letter or note.

Emotional abuse creates anger. Emotional abusers are often rage-aholics, they often do not remember what happened during their verbal episode, or minimize it to themselves and others.

Just like physical and sexual abuse, the victim is left feeling as if they have no value or worth.

I know a lot about this subject because, as many of us, I have been on both sides of this abuse. When I was in elementary school, my sister used to tell me it was my fault my dad drank. She would say, if I would just treat him better he wouldn't drink.

On the other side of the coin, when I was 19 years old and a young stepmother, I yelled at my stepsons. I now work with them every day in our business and have the opportunity to show then and tell them through my actions, that I respect them, and they are worthwhile and valuable.

None of us are ever perfect. But trying to make healthier choices and to grow to not be a victim of emotional abuse nor an abuser. Being personally responsible for our actions and reactions is growth.

A person shared with me a verbal (emotional) attack they encountered recently. They kept control of their emotions and words as the attack took place.

Reacting by "losing it" or going berserk because someone else "lost it" or went berserk never helps the situation, but always makes it worse. It takes a strong person to choose peace in that situation. With Easter being last weekend, I was reminded that Jesus chose peace when being abused.

What do you relate to, the abuser or the victim or both? Have you taken personal responsibility for your abusive behavior including words that hurt others?

The funny thing about this is, when you take responsibility for your own actions of abuse great things can happen.

First admitting you were wrong is important.

Second saying you are sorry. My granddaughter used to tell me, "I am sorry are just two little words". She was right. Words without corresponding action are useless and have little meaning. Changing our behavior and choosing peace are actions that show remorse.

I have been trying to make better choices for myself and the people around me. I encourage you to try to do the same.

You won't do it perfect, but trying makes all the difference.

Boycott to protect Mata Paha

Dear Editor:

While hundreds gathered last week to protect Mato Paha, hundreds of thousands are gearing up for the annual Sturgis Bike Rally. What will stop them from coming and desecrating our sacred mountain? Prayers? Protests? Maybe a little of both.

During oral testimony before the Meade County Commissioners last week, Broken Spoke Saloon owner, Jay Allen, stated that he was "embarrassed that his liquor application process has escalated to this level" and further stated that "I have the utmost respect and admiration for the Indian people here today". One of his bar maids testified to his character saying that, "Jay says what he means and means what he says". If Jay Allen really had admiration for Indians, he would scrap plans for his proposed 600 acre "lawless" biker bar/campground/amphitheater. If Jay Allen had utmost respect he would preserve the land in its natural state to protect it from development, or better yet, donate it to Tribes.

Jay Allen is not motivated by Indian demonstrations or petition drives to stop his development plans. The only sacred to Jay Allen seems to be money. We must stop the flow of money!

This week, we are launching an international marketing campaign to boycott ALL Broken Spoke Saloons nationwide. We have to remain realistic. We cannot succeed in an all-out boycott of the Sturgis Rally. However, we can propose that the bikers boycott the Broken Spoke Saloon, The Sturgis County Line Bar/Campground, (if it ever gets built) The Dragpipe Saloon, Glencoe Campground, Full Throttle Saloon and any other development near Mato Paha.

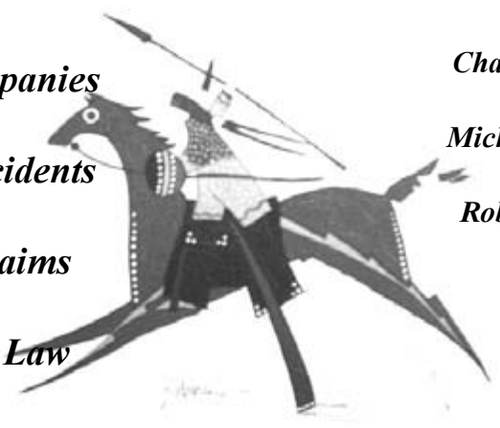
If you have access to a computer, spread the word. There are informational websites, like www.matopaha.org or www.bringbacktheway.com that you can pass on to friends worldwide. We need everyone's help to spread the word to biker groups to initiate this boycott. There is a big bike rally coming up in May in Daytona Beach, FL. Jay Allen has a Broken Spoke Saloon there. He relies on this annual rally to make money! Let's show him that we mean what we say, and we say what WE mean!

For more information, call Floyd or Natalie at (605) 867-5762. Deb White Plume at (605) 455-2155, Alex White Plume at (605) 455-1142, Carter Camp at (605) 455-2508, Vic Camp at (605) 867-1941.

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Little Wound School

Kyle, South Dakota

JOB VACANCIES (04-04-06)

The Little Wound School Board is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2006-2007 school term:

High School Dept.	Middle School Dept.	Elementary Dept.
SPED Transition Specialist	SAC Counselor	SPED Teacher
Computer Teachekr	Math Teacher (2)	
Lakota language Teacher	Science Teacher	
Science Teacher	Language Arts Teacher (2)	
Math Teacher	Social Studies Teacher (2)	
English Teacher	Lakota Language Teacher	
World History/Geography(freshman)		

$1,000 Sign On Bonus to all new certified teachers!

OTHER DEPARTMENTS

(73) Extra-duty positions Open until filled

High School: 1)Boys Bball Coach 2)Boys JV BbCoach 3)Freshmen boys Bball Coach 4)Boys Bball Cheerleading 5)Girls Bball Coach 6)Girls JV Bball Coach 7)Freshmen Girls Bball Coach 8)Girls Bball Cheerleading 9)Football Coach 10)Football Asst. 11)Football Asst. 12) Football Cheerleading 13)Cross-Country Coach 14)Cross-Country Asst. 15) Boys Head Golf Coach 16)Boys Golf Asst. 17)Girls Head Golf Coach 18)Head Track Coach 19)Track Asst. 20)Head Wrestling Coach 21)Wrestling Asst. 22)Volleyball Head Coach 23) Volleyball Asst. 24)National Honor Society 25)Student Council 26)Student Council 27)Oral Intrepretation Sponsor 28)Co-Oral Interp. 29)Senior Class Sponsor 30)Senior Class Sponsor 31)Junior Class Sponsor 32)Junior Class Sponsor 33)Sophomore Class Sponsor 34)Freshmen Class Sponsor 35)Handgame Sponsor 36)Yearbook Sponsor 37)Yearbook Sponsor 38)Rodeo Club Sponsor

Middle School: 39)Head Football Coach 40)Football Asst, 41)Football Asst. 42)Football Cheerleading 43)Boys Bball Coach 44)Boys Bball Asst. 45)Boys Bball co-asst. 46)Girls Bball Coach 47)Girl Bball Asst. 48) Girls Bball Asst. 49)Head Track Coach 50)Track Asst. 51)Boys Bball Cheerleading sponsor 52)Girls Bball Cheerleading sponsor 53)Wrestling Coach 54)Softball Coach 55)Softball Asst. 56)Head Volleyball Coach 57)Volleyball Asst. 58)Head Cross Country 59)Cross Country Asst. 60)Student Council 61)K-12 Indian Dance Club Sponsor 62)K-8 Rodeo Club Sponsor 63)Hand game Sponsor 64)8th Grade Sponsor

Elementary: 65)K-12 Indian Dance Club Sponsor 66)Indian Dance Club Sponsor 67)Rodeo Club Sponsor 68)Wrestling Coach 69)Wrestling Asst. 70)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 71)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 72)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 73)Handgame Sponsor.

HOW TO APPLY: Submit a completed LWS employment application to: Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD-214 to claim Veteran's preference, official college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials. For more information, call: (605) 455-6179 or 455-6178. www.lws.k12.sd.us

>>> NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS <<<

It is the policy of the Little Wound School to provide an alcohol and drug-free workplace. All appointments for employment are contingent upon receipt of a verified negative drug test through pre-employment drug testing, receipt of a favorable background investigation and the availability of federal funds. The legal policy of Indian preference will be followed to qualified applicants. Veteran's preference shall be applied to qualified Veteran applicants. **www.lws.k12.sd.us**

ROSEBUD COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE FACILITY SERVICES

Shelly Harris
Chief Executive Officer
Soldier Creek Road
Rosebud, South Dakota 57570

DIRECT HOSPITAL TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

Main Switchboard	747-2231
Administration	747-3242
Dental	747-3277
Mental Health	747-3265
Benefit Coordinator	747-3213
Medical Records	747-3214
Optometry (Eye)	747-3274
Public Health Nursing	747-3314
APPOINTMENTS	747-3270
EMERGENCY DEPT.	747-3259
Patient Registration	747-3613 or 747-3614
Pharmacy (Automated System)	747-3268

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Contacts	Name/Phone Number
Local Personal emergency contact:	
Out-of-Town persona emergency contact:	
Hospitals Near: Work: School: Home:	
Family Physician(s):	
State public health department: (see list in phone book or on www.pandemicflu.gov	
Pharmacy:	
Employer Contact and emergency information:	
School contact and emergency information:	
Religious/spiritual organization:	
Veterinarian: Insurance information: policy numbers & who is covered:	
For more information- pandemic flu visit: www.pandemicflu.gov/www.ihs.gov	

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FAMILY EMERGENCY HEALTH INFORMATION

It is important to think about health issues that could arise if a flu pandemic occurs and how they could affect you and your loved ones. For example, if a mass vaccination clinic is set up in your community, you may need to provide as much information as you can about your medical history when you go, especially if you have a serious health condition or allergy. Gather important health records (like vaccination card) in a folder or binder marked 'Health Records' and keep them in one place. Remember to include information on your pets.

Create a family emergency health plan using this information. Fill in information for each family member in the space provided. Like much of the planning for a pandemic, this can also help prepare for other emergencies.

***BEFORE* a pandemic may occur, share the family member information and emergency contacts lists with your clinic and community-based health care providers, someone you trust (another family member) but who doesn't live with you and the emergency contact person who resides outside the area in which you live.)**

FAMILY EMERGENCY HEALTH INFORMATION SHEET*

Family Member Date of Birth	Blood Type	Allergies	Past/Current Medical Conditions	Current Medications/ Dosages	Distinguishing Marks/location on body (birthmarks,moles scars

CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES

PANDEMIC FLU PLANNING CHECKLIST FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES

You can prepare for a world-wide influenza outbreak ("flu pandemic"). You should know what can happen during a pandemic and what actions you can take to reduce the effects of a flu pandemic on you and your family. A flu pandemic could last for 6-8 weeks in a community and may return several times.

Although all levels of government are preparing for a possible flu pandemic, personal planning is important because some community businesses and services may be disrupted or closed, including:

- ⇨ **School, childcare and work**
- ⇨ **Public transportation and availability of gasoline and other fuels**
- ⇨ **Grocery Stores, banks, gas stations, and other businesses**
- ⇨ **Communications, including telephone, radio and television**
- ⇨ **Utilities - electricity, gas**
- ⇨ **Pharmacies and health care**

This checklist will help you gather the information and resources you may need in case a flu pandemic or other emergency interrupts normal business activities

1. Assemble a Disaster Supplies Kit. Make sure that you consider the needs of family members with special needs. The Kit should include the following items:

- ☒ **Water and food supplies. During a pandemic, you may not be able to get supplies from stores, so it is important for you to have extras on hand. This can be useful in other emergencies, such as power outages.**
- ☒ **At least 30 days supply of important medication. Ask your doctor and/or pharmacist if you can get an extra supply of your regular prescription drugs.**
- ☒ **Nonprescription drugs and other health supplies. These include pain relievers, stomach remedies, cough and cold medicines, fluids with electrolytes (e.g. sports drinks) and vitamins, Band-Aids, antibacterial ointments, tape and gauze.**

2. Create a family emergency health plan. List emergency contact information. Consider how family members would be cared for if they got sick and what would be needed to care for them.

3. Get involved. Volunteer with local groups and health centers to prepare and assist with emergency response. Your community needs help as it works to prepare.

4. Keep informed. Tune into news from radio, television and newspapers.

5. To limit the spread of germs and prevent infection:

- ☒ **Make sure that you and your family are up to date on vaccinations.**
- ☒ **Wash hands often with soap and water and teach this to children.**
- ☒ **Cover coughs and sneezes with tissues and teach this to children**
- ☒ **Stay away from others as much as possible if they are sick and teach this to children.**
- ☒ **Stay home from work and school if sick.**

***Information modified from www.pandemicflu.gov**

THE DIASTER SUPPLIES KIT

Stock up on food and water. During a pandemic it may not be possible to get to a store. Even if you can get to a store, it may be closed or out of supplies. Public water and sewer services may also be interrupted. Even if a pandemic flu outbreak does not occur, stocking up on supplies can be useful in other types of emergencies such as power outages. Store food that:

- Are non perishable (will keep for along time) and don't require refrigeration
- Are easy to prepare
- Require little or not water, so that you can conserve water for drinking

Examples of Food and Non-perishable Items

- ☐ Ready-to-eat canned meats,fruits, vegetables, beans, and soups.
- ☐ Protein & fruit bars
- ☐ Dry cereal & granola
- ☐ Peanut butter or nuts
- ☐ Dried fruit
- ☐ Crackers
- ☐ Canned & bottled juices
- ☐ Bottled water-1 gallon per person per day
- ☐ Canned & jarred baby food and formula
- ☐ Powdered & shelf-stable milk
- ☐ Pet food

Remember to rotate and replace food items:
First in -- First Used
Put dates on perishables if they are not dated

Medical, Health,and Emergency Supplies

- ☐ Prescribed medical supplies such as hearing aids, glucose and blood-pressure monitoring equipment; extra batteries.
- ☐ Band-Aids, antibacterial ointments,tape,guaze bandages
- ☐ Fever medicines such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen
- ☐ Fluids with electrolytes (e.g. sports drinks)
- ☐ Thermometer,vitamins,anti-diarrheal medication
- ☐ Soap & water & alcohol-based hand wash
- ☐ Toothpast,toothbrushes & denture supplies
- ☐ Tissues,toilet paper, feminine hygiene supplies disposable diapers, paper plates, plastic eating utensils
- ☐ Flashlight, various batteries, portable radio
- ☐ Garbage bags, hatchet, shovel
- ☐ Fuel stores (wood, propane, fuel oil)
- ☐ Manual can opener
- ☐ Matches lighters
- ☐ Portable gas stove & fuel canisters for cooking
- ☐ Pens, pencils, writing pads
- ☐ Patch kit and can of seal-in-air for car or wheel-chair tires
- ☐ Plain bleach for emergency disinfection of water
- ☐ Rope, waterproof plastic containers



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Two Sections

Oglala Lakota share treaty council information with RST council

Spiritual summit discussed and issue of women on treaty council clarified

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent


Alex White Plume

ROSEBUD - In a regularly scheduled RST tribal council meeting held on Thursday, April 13 and aired over KINI radio, the RST council welcomed a couple of special guest from "wiohpeyatakiya" or from the west.

Alex White Plume, vice president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe and Floyd Hand addressed the Rosebud Sioux tribal council on Thursday on a variety of issues related to their Black Hills treaty council. They discussed the manner in which women are recognized in Oglala country as far as their involvement on the treaty council is concerned, while making a formal request to utilize the camping facilities at Bear Butte owned by RST during a "Spiritual Summit" during July 4.

Hand explained that the Oglala have been rather active in their treaty council, while encouraging the RST tribal council to look the laws, which govern treaty council activity. Hand explained that he grew up on the Rosebud area. He is now a respected elder who lives among the Oglala.

RST Antelope council representative, Robert Moore addressed the council and noted, "I am honored and wished you could spend all afternoon with us, and Saturday, Sunday and over Monday and Tuesday. I deeply regret any confusion that may have prevailed, in developing a treaty council that helps us and helps us understand their roles. We did look at resolutions. It established a treaty commission. One established a charter, which separated it from the IRA. "

Moore made a "Motion to establish an interim Sicangu treaty council to establish an ordinance and staffing plan in the next 60 days." It was seconded by Fern Bordeaux-Bolz. Moore said, "There is an existing draft ordinance for the treaty council review. We have met with an owner of a tribally owned business. We have a local agency that can help them with their ordinance. I would like to identify some individuals. In the governmental affairs committee, some members of the treaty council and council should start visiting this afternoon and come back on Tuesday with 5-7 names, with education, speakers and compassion who have this in their heart." The motion was approved by a vote of 14-0 with 4 not voting.

RST tribal president, Rodney Bordeaux, asked White Plume to comment on the issue of a female serving on the treaty council. He said, "The issue of a winyan has been controversial." Bordeaux also noted the fact

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Pine Ridge hospital to break ground for ER and outpatient expansion

PINE RIDGE - There will be a ground breaking ceremony of the Pine Ridge Indian Health Service's emergency and out-patient area renovation and expansion project on April 28 at 9 a.m.

This will take place at the east end of the parking lot. Bill Pourier, CEO of the service unit, will head up the ceremony.

Guest speakers include Kathy Janis, Cecelia Fire Thunder, Oliver Red Cloud, Monica Macek, Vern Donnel.

Mother's Day Slugfest softball tourney May 12

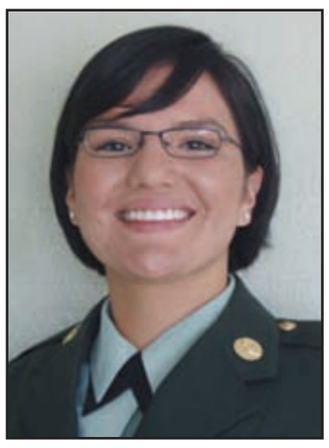
MANDERSON - There will be a Mother's Day Slugfest Co-ed Softball tournament on May 12, 13 and 14 at the Manderson ball field.

It will be a 12 team bracket with trophies, hooded sweaters and t-shirts. Awards will be Mr. and Mrs. MVP, Mr. and Mrs. Defense and all tourney t-shirts. There will be a Ramona Ghost Team Sportsmanship Award, Linda Ladeaux Mothers one pitch star quilt and a cry baby award.

For more information call Ghost at 441-8642 or Stephanie Ghost at 441-3578.

Garnette gives inspiration message to Porcupine students

PORCUPINE - Jodi Lynn Garnette recently spoke to Porcupine School students on setting goals and gave an inspirational message to the students on achieving success in their life.


Jodi Garnette, spoke to students on achieveing on their goals.

Garnette, 21, whose Lakota names is Kilapi Win is a graduate from Porcupine School in 1999, and lives in Porcupine. She went to high school in Pine Ridge and Little Wound and eventually completely her GED and worked in Wanblee. She told the students, "I made a drastic change in my life and went to alcohol treatment at Hope Lodge in Rapid City and then enlisted in the United State Army. I passed all the required tests and signed up for four years active and four years inactive."

She told the students, "I chose to go into the Army because I have always wanted to be a soldier in the Army. Secondly, I wanted to make some positive changes in my life and I knew the Army will give me that opportunity."

"Throughout my years of growing up here on the reservation I noticed many of the well respected people served their country," she said.

"Thirdly, I want to look back on my life when I am older and say, yes, I wanted to join the Army when I was young and I did it. I don't want to look back and say, I have always wanted to do that, but I couldn't," she added.

She said she enjoyed the time so far she has spent in Army, although boot camp was tough and she got through it with a lot of dedication, persistence and hard work. "I learned new things everyday and experienced many new things," she said.

She graduated from boot camp in Fort Jackson, S.C. and went on to aviation school in Fort Rucker, Ala. and graduated from there in March of 2006. She graduated as aviation operation specialist and received her wings.

Her first duty station is Camp Casey in Korea and she will be leaving soon and said she is excited.

"From the time I made a choice to become an alcohol and drug free, my life took many different turns for the positive and that I am proud of myself. My message to the youth is keep dreaming and follow those dreams, anything is possible if you make those changes within yourself and look forward to those challenges," she said.

"With God all things are possible, the sky is the limit and I am reaching for the stars," she concluded.

Community Calendar

'Rez Happenings'

19th Kiyaska Youth Basketball Tournament
May 5, 6 and 7 at Little Wound School. Tournament is 19 and under, Double elimination
For more information call Marcell Bull Bear at 455-2690.

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Pahin Sinte College Center Walking Club
starting at 4 p.m. each day Monday through Friday at the center in Porcupine, for information call Janice or Alva at 867-5404.

Grief Support Group
meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888.

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841.

Oyate Wicozani Ocanku
Wednesday, April 19 meeting at the Crazy Horse School parking lot at 5 p.m., for info call 867-3137.

2006 Spring Fever Youth Shoot-Out
Thursday-Sunday, April 20-23 at the Bill C. Bear gym in Batesland with 7-9 and 10-12 year old divisions for info call Woodzy at 867-5161, 288-1932 or BeBop at 867-5172

Teca Tapskata Teen Basketball Tournament
April 21-23, Friday-Sunday at Loneman School gym in Oglala with age divisions set for 13-14, 15-18 and 19-21, for info call Wilbert at 867-1355 or 441-7853.

Lakota Omniciye Pow wow
Co-sponsored by the Black Hills State University Center for Indian Studies for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 21-23 in Spearfish at the Donald Young Center with grand entries set for Friday at 7 p.m., Saturday at 1 and 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1 p.m. with a community awareness night on Thursday, April 20 from 6-9 p.m. at the Spearfish City Park Pavillion, the Kevin Whirlwind Horse Memorial run on Saturday, April 22nd at 10am at the Young Center and a free buffalo feed at the BHSU Student Union Marketplace on Saturday, April 22nd at 5pm, for info call 642-6578

Co-ed Softball Tourney
A benefit set for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 21-23 at the Two Strike ball field for the St. Francis 8th grade graduation, for information call 208-1614 or 208-0053 or 747-2298

5th Annual Big Foot Conference All Star Weekend Jam
Friday and Saturday, April 21 and 22 at the Porcupine School gym with three point shootout and all star games on Saturday starting at 2 p.m., for info call 455-6450.

OST Healthy Start Parenting Class
Saturday, April 22 at 10 a.m. sharp at the Wounded Knee Community Center includes a potluck meal, for info call 867-6228.

Youth Basketball Tournament
Saturday and Sunday, April 22, 23 at Wolf Creek School for ages 12-14, for info call James at 441-8283.

Gathering of the Sioux Nation
Saturday and Sunday, April 22 and 23 at the Ramkota Inn in Pierre starting at 8 a.m. each day inviting all treaty groups, tribal governments and congressional representatives.

The other side of Dawn Around Him

BY HAZEL BONNER
Special to the Times

RAPID CITY - Dawn Around Him joins many other inmates at the South Dakota Women's Prison. She was sentenced to 15 years. Around Him is an inmate with special needs who needs a great deal more help that this women's prison will provide.

There is also some question about her guilt. Was she really driving that night? She was assaulted that night, that was very clear. Didn't the driver of the van actually assault her when she became hysterical over the accident that killed the jogger?

But she pleaded guilty to vehicular homicide. What evidence did they really have? What kind of an investigation did the Rapid City Police Department do? They never even picked up her personal belongings, because I have them.

Around him had a hard life and probably shouldn't have received 15 years. She was in the custody of an Aunt on the Pine Ridge Reservation. She never finished high school but told the police that she was a student at Oglala Lakota College.

That statement made me wonder and I checked at the college and she was not a student and never had been. I then decided to do some investigating and learned that she is handicapped, with a mental capacity of a young child.

So, I began visiting her in the jail. She was having a very hard time. I visited her until I had some medical problems that put me in the hospital for most of January and the first part of February. I did not visit her again after I got out of the Hospital because I was recovering from open heart surgery.

Did you ever wonder why whites who hit Indians while driving do not get 15 year sentences. My heart is with her as she leaves for the South Dakota Women's prison. I hope she writes to me from prison.

I recall writing the story about the horrible conditions at SDSP. Around Him received little care at the Pennington County Jail. I don't know if she ever received the medication she was taking when she entered the jail. She comes to SDSP with many needs and will probably be on "mental health status" on several occasions and may end up in Administrative Segregation. She does not belong there!

Dr. Stephen Manlove, a Rapid City Psychiatrist, stated in a letter regarding another patient, the following:

"The Eighth Amendment has served as the origin for the right to treatment for prisoners. It prohibits cruel and unusual punishments. Since inmates are dependant on correctional officials for medical care, failure to provide that casre can represent what has been called "the unnecessary and wanton infliction of pain". Estelle v. Gamble. … set the standard for provision of medical care in the incarcerated population. It set out the "deliberate indifference" standard in outlining the conditions which lack of care would violate the Eighth Amendment. Deliberate indifference to serious medical needs of prisoners constitutes, "unnecessary and wanton infliction of pain" proscribed by the Eighth Amendment.

I believe that if she were to plead guilty, she should have pleaded Guilty but mentally ill. However that would not have meant that she would get any mental health treatment. When that verdict has been made it simply points out that mental illness may be an issue. In our state there is not special treatment for such individuals because mentally ill inmates are never transferred to the Human Services Center for psychiatric care.

Thus the over 300 inmates at SDSP, of which at least 40 percent are mentally ill, have been joined by another inmate with very special needs. Please, treat her kindly!

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Special summit discussed

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that the Rosebud Sioux tribe owns forty acres in the Black Hills. White Plume said, "That is internal here and pick best people who will represent you. At Pine Ridge the women stepped back. They said, 'Men do something, but we are going to keep eyes on you.' Now , the pressure is on us men. My tiospaye is matriarchal. I let my wife go out and talk. If you put a woman on treaty council, you need to solve this internal fight yourself It is a difficult decision. We men used to be beat down, so we didn't stand up as warrior. So, women took the leadership roles. We have a delicate situation, so I wont make a recommendation."

Chief Red Cloud said was quoted as saying, "I could not make a decision, so the naca left the room and the grandmas made a decision for us. On treaty circle, there are no ladies serving there. She cannot sit on the circle, but be behind and be the spokesperson."

RST council representative, Russell Eagle Bear who has been very active in treaty council issues took the floor and said in Lakota, "I'm going to talk Lakota, but a lot do not talk Lakota here." At that, he switched to English and said, "We have been struggling without the treaty council. I served on the Black Hills treaty council and also the Black Hills steering committee, which sponsored a bill in congress. I was honored to be among old timers. We had our own Teton council of elders. They came together here in chambers. We had a good sounding board then. We are losing our elders."

"Our language is being lost too. We used to all talk Lakota here. It is important to talk Lakota. Words like compassion loses its meaning. We make a commitment at the Sturgis rally, and gave a statement on behalf of RST. We knew that it would happen. There were many people outside. I told them that we would help with any legal assistance. I knew Alex was coming here today. We need to help them any way we can. I am hoping that this body will go along with that commitment." said Eagle Bear.

Eagle Bear continued, "We need our wise elders up there and give guidance. I told Alex that maybe we are the wise elders. If there are any Oglala that ride Harleys, we will donate some hogs for you to ride… (laughter.) We need to organize Lakota people and stand up for their rights. Our grandfathers have been saying that since 1868."

White Plume took the floor again and said, "Mr. Chair, we scheduled a 60 day summit in July and August at Bear Butte…During the summit, Arvol will come down and explain the rituals. What was done, who conducted the rituals. The treaty council will say this is the only way to conduct ceremonies."

"We want to build a new consensus and life. You have the land and resources. There are ideal spots for camping. We want to rent that, water and electricity. Your land is mile and half from Jay Allen's land. We will Bring 500 hogs and by July the scent will go over to the biker bar." Said White Plume.

"There are over seven sun dances on Rosebud. Appropriate rituals need to be done. Is there any agreement so that all bands can use your land there? Oglala is donating buffalo. Expect 10,000 plus. A show of force. We need all leaders. It is time to build the great Sioux nation up. He kota wakpala, all bands gathered there and made new leaders. Need to re-utilize those lands. You have the ideal lands. The rally is for ten days and every day we want to walk downtown and tell them you are desecrating our land. We have a lot of support and we are going to hit Sturgis in the pocket." Concluded White Plume.

RST council representative Marion Young-One Star from Grass Mountain took the floor and said, "I am very cautious and I don't mean to be disrespectful. Especially when I talk to members of the treaty council. I didn't vote on the motion that we establish a treaty council. , I don't think we have that authority. I need some clarification, that we establish a treaty council. I don't feel comfortable doing that. The treaty council is established the way I see it. What it is supposed to be is a treaty office that offers support to our treaty council."

Fern Bordeaux-Boltz, Rosebud RST council representative took the floor and said, "Excuse me if I say anything wrong. I am cautious. I was honored to be at Bear Butte a couple of weeks ago. The Oglala support us as well as the Northern Cheyenne as they use our ceremonial grounds. I am over whelmed when we come to those gatherings. All tribes from all over the U.S. coming together in a spiritual way. The kids from various schools. The Northern Cheyenne council was there. There was only a handful of Rosebudders. The Oglala were trying to get us together for months. We could have made arrangements to take people up there. It was an honor to have the sacred pipe keeper that day."

Bordeaux-Boltz continued, "Lets get our people up there and stand together as a Sioux Nation. The little ones need to be a part of that. Bring that unity together. I have the deepest respect for the Oglala, as they were there in force. I encourage the people to listen to words spoke here today by our relatives the Ogalala. We need that."

Finally, Bordeaux-Boltz clarified her stance on women on the Sicangu treaty council when she said, "I want to apologize to the women out there. I didn't mean to make any attacks on women on the treaty council. I know the women are the voice behind the men. I know that. That is all I was trying to do…The grassroots people, they are going to have a meeting April 22-23, you grassroots people can still go up to those meetings. We need that representation for the Sicangu people. Call a meeting as soon as possible. Get the meeting going this weekend. While the governmental affairs is working on an ordinance."

Bordeaux-Boltz made a motion to authorize the utilization of Bear Butte lodge for the July 4th spiritual summit, which was passed by 14 yes votes and 4 not voting. RST President Bordeaux said he would have the RST attorney working on the agreement.

White Plume concluded their presentation by saying, "We cannot solve problems using the same language. Have to start talking Lakota. When talking about treaties, put your mind back 100 years. The grandpas used get in each other's face. It is a beautiful way. We need some strong-hearted people."

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Terry L. Sharp Fish, 33..... Rapid City
Peter Two Bulls, 70.....Red Shirt
Remina Eagle Elk, 45 .....Kearney Neb.
Joseph Grey Bear, 77.....Fort Yates, N.D.

Terry L. Sharp Fish

RAPID CITY - Terry L. Sharp Fish, 33, Rapid City, died Saturday, April 8, near Wood. Wake services will be today at Sinte Gleska University Multipurpose Building in Mission. Services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, April 14, at the multipurpose building. Burial with military honors will follow at St. Charles Catholic Cemetery in St. Francis. Holmes Funeral Home of Valentine, Neb., is in charge of arrangements.

Peter Two Bulls Jr.

RED SHIRT - Peter M. Two Bulls Jr., 70, Custer, died Sunday, April 9, at Custer Regional Senior Care. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps. Survivors include four sons, Peter Two Bulls III, Rapid City, Marvin Two Bulls, Marty and Terrell Two Bulls and Darnell Two Bulls, both of Oglala; one adopted son, Andrew Two Bulls, Oglala; two daughters, Lois Two Bulls, Sioux Falls, and Shelley Two Bulls, Rapid City; four brothers, Robert Two Bulls, Red Shirt, Frank Two Bulls Sr. and Sam Two Bulls, both of Oglala, and Francis Two Bulls, Pine Ridge; two sisters, Julie Garnier, Oglala, and Ramona Colhoff, Rapid City; 14 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Wake services were April 12 at Red Shirt School. Funeral services were Friday, April 14, at the school, with the Rev. Robert Two Bulls officiating and traditional Lakota services by Sam Two Bulls. Burial was at Christ Church Episcopal Cemetery in Red Shirt. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Remina Rae Eagle Elk

KEARNEY, Neb. - Remina Rae Eagle Elk, the second daughter of Edward, and Nida Coleman-Eagle Elk (deceased) of Grass Mt., South Dakota, died Jan. 29 at Good Samaritan Hospital in Kearney, Nebraska, the result of a massive stroke. Wake services were at Upper Cut Meat Community Hall on Feb. 2 and 3. She was laid to rest Saturday, Feb. 4, beside her Mother at Star Cemetery south of St. Francis. Remina, called "Mina" by family and friends, was born and raised in the Grass Mountain, Spring Creek area on Rosebud. She graduated from St. Francis Indian School in 1979. Remina moved to Sioux City, Iowa in 1982 and was employed at the American Indian Center there for four years. She had four children with her first husband, Scott Barta of Nakota Hills. Remina named her children with only Lakota names (without "last" names or "sir" names like non-Indigenous people do). Her oldest son, Cetan Cikala or "Little Hawk," is currently assisting his peers and counsel at Penn State. Remina's eldest daughter, Kimimila Waci Win or "Dancing Butterfly Woman," was named after groups of small yellow butterflies that were attracted to Remina during the Greenwood Sun Dance in 1985 on the Yankton Sioux Reservation. Kimimila attended the University of Iowa prior to bearing Remina's first grandson, "Clyde," late in 2005, and is currently employed providing care to animals and pets in Sioux City, Iowa. Remina's youngest son, Inyan or "Rock," is a world champion Indigenous "Men's" Traditional Pow-Wow dancer and currently resides in Clarinda, Iowa. Remina attended nurse's training in Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1991 and 1992. She is survived by her father, Ed, of Porcupine, South Dakota, and her three children (her second daughter, Mni Un Nipi Win [named by her aunt Gina] passed away in 1987). Also by her husband, Kenneth Voss, of Long Pine, Nebraska, with whom Remina gathered "bee honey" from Kenneth's box hives ranging from South Dakota to Texas each year during the honey harvest times. Remina worked with Kenneth moving irrigation pivot systems on a seasonal basis. Her surviving siblings include Leo, Roger, Gina, Beegee, Rick, Wendy and Eddy. Remina had a very special talent of giving to others. Her heart was as big as they get. She always seemed to say the right thing to cheer a person up or to lift their spirit when needed the most. She valued her friends dearly and would leave unique little gifts with them on her travels from South Dakota to Texas and Louisiana.

Joseph Grey Bear

FORT YATES, N.D. - Joseph Grey Bear, 77, Fort Yates, died Friday, April 14 at the Indian Health Service Hospital in Fort Yates. Arrangements are pending with Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge.

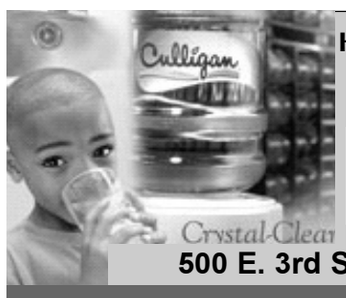
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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I have a month year old and I was wanting to know if I and the father will get along soon. Or should I give up? Life is getting hard for me and I wish the father was more understanding and caring. Does he regret us? Does he love me and the baby? How's the future going to be for me and baby? Will the father come back? If so, when? Why is his girlfriend more important? Should I leave him and let him be?

Lonely and depressed

Dear Lonely and depressed:

This is going to be hard for you to read. Just because a man has a child with a woman it does not make her automatically the love of his life. Your baby's father really isn't that interested in creating a committed relationship with you - but he is interested in forming a relationship (of sorts) with the baby as the baby gets older. This child, in effect, is your child.

This baby is not going to create or help create a relationship with a man that loves another woman. Do not despair, however, it is never good to be with a mate that doesn't love you enough to want to dedicate his life to your welfare and to a partnership - and this man just plain doesn't love you enough. Don't take it personally (I can hear everybody laugh at this line), but it was for casual sex that you chose this man, and essentially, that is all that you got from him, in terms of a commitment.

Remember, the Creator has blessed you with this life, to keep, to honor, to cherish and to raise. In this instance the man is just a sperm donor. There is a man coming for you, but you must not try and trap him with sex or by being different than you really are. It is not regretful to raise a child independently, just a little more difficult.

A child in a household of discontented parents is not as well off as a child with one loving strong parent. Center of healing yourself and creating a life for yourself and your child and lay off the preoccupation with men for a while.

You are young, and to find the "right" guy is a journey, not a destination.

Blessings to you young mom.

Dear Anna,

I came across your column on the web and am not a subscriber but from South Dakota and born in Martin.

My question is what is in store for me in the next two years? I am married with three kids and going to school.

Will our finances improve? What is my job prospect outlook like? Have a good life.

Just asking

Dear Just asking,

Your job prospects look really good in the first part of September. It looks as though you will be combining your education time with employment time and that will result in a less hectic schedule with a little more money.

Your husband seems to be in a small slump right now, but I do see a lot of improvement for him. I see him doing a combination of working on/with cars and the retrieval and organizing of information (electronic systems?).

You are doing so well right now in taking care of your future that I hope you are proud of your accomplishments and your tenacity. Good things will happen in your life. You really try hard to be a good mom and create a good life so those things will happen.

Dear Anna,

I am in my 60s and live off the reservation. Last year our tool shed in the back yard caught fire in the wee hours of the morning. The fire department came too late and the shed burned to the ground.

The fire chief said it was electrical, although no electricity was connected to the building. A few weeks later, another shed burned to the ground north of us. This building belongs to a non Indian so this changed everything. It was determined the two fires were set by an arsonist. Nothing was ever done about it.

Lately someone has been taking pot shots at my classic car parked in the back yard. The back window has pellet or BB holes in it. My other car parked on the south side of the house also received some windshield damage.

The police chief came and surveyed the damage, but couldn't find any evidence. I was told the keep an eye out for any suspicious behavior in our area. My question is, is this the same person who set the fires that is doing this. I have an intuitive feeling of who it is, but I don't like to point fingers at anyone. Will this continue and will someone get caught, or is the house next?

Just wondering

Dear Just wondering:

The arsonist and the bee bee gun kid have two different perpetrators. You are correct in your intuitive identification of the idiot child with the bee bee gun - apprently this young man has no respect for the law, his parents, or the cost of repairing someone's property. He will be caught in the summer time during another incident at a neighbors home (blue-gray colored house).

The arsonist is a sick puppy. This is a young man that wets the bed and has a very sneaky ill side. He is about 12 to 14 years old and has wide-set eyes. He looks a little "shifty" and has "wet lips" or a spit swallowing problem, and instinctively you don't care for him. I am sorry that the law doesn't pay attention until a white person gets hit, but have faith that time is changing that attitude. What we pray for is that someday the color of skin is not noticed, anymore than clothing, because that is all that it is.

The world is a rough place, so protection through prayer is your best route. If it is within your belief system, a red tobacco flag at each of the corners of your property may help, or consult with an interpreter and he may recommend four colors coinciding with his alter.

A dog will help, but is in danger of being shot with a pellet too, so he would have to be a dog that is inside at night. I have a funny routine that you may use to discourage such behavior:

Start a rumor that you have hidden camera's all over your property that are hooked into police headquarters. It may keep more people away than you know.

Dear Anna,

I have been dating a really nice guy for more than five years. We get along really well and have fun together.

We don't talk too often about our future as it doesn't seem a big deal right now as we just enjoy what we have. Lately I find myself getting a little concerned about my future. Do you see us together in a more permanent relationship?

Just a question

Dear "Justa",

This relationship is based on friendship - and that is a good start. The denial by both of you when you are together of any future at all is humorous.

He is afraid that he will scare you off - and your main reason for silence is that you also believe that if you say anything you will scare him away.

The interesting thing is, you are likely to meet another man sometime within the next six month, who will sweep you off from your feet, and then have to tell your longtime friend goodbye.

Hmmmm - you say you want it to be him? Well, take a closer look at who he really is before you decide that. He likes freedom. He is not likely to spend any more time with you in the future than he does now. He likes it fine the way it is.

Dear Readers,

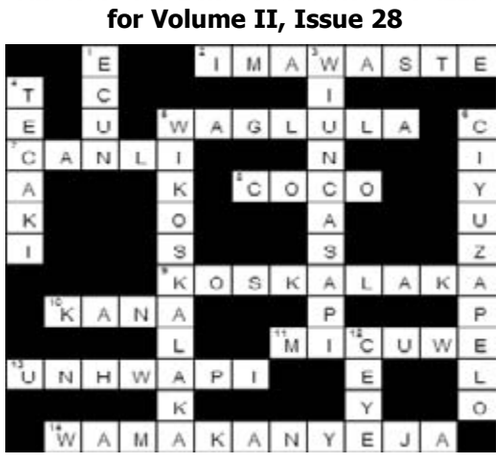
After a large response to my Bear Butte letter, I have one request for all of you:

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You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication.

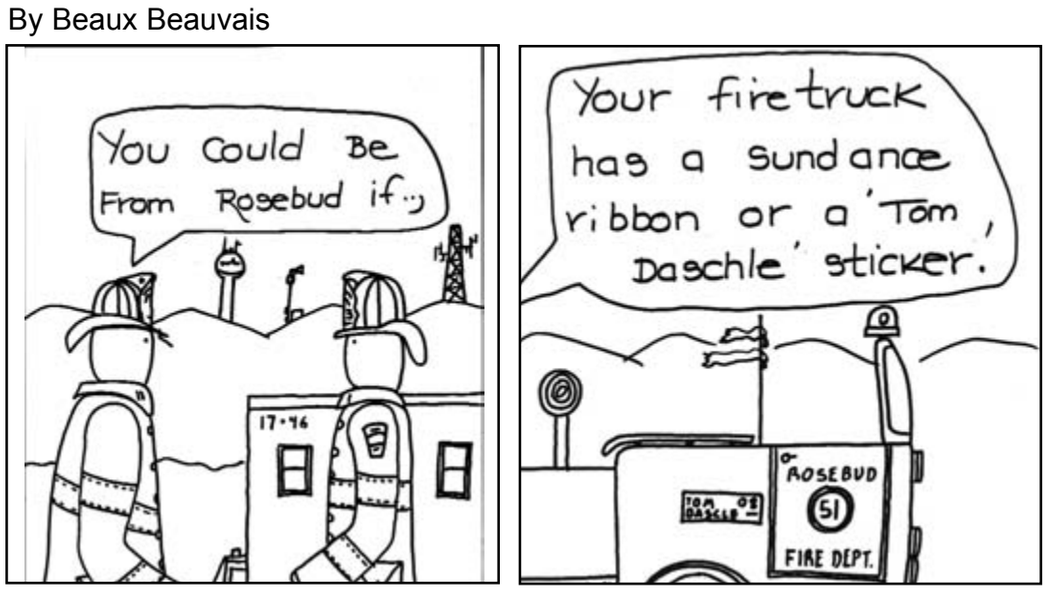
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Answers for Lakota Crossword Puzzle for Volume II, Issue 28



The Rez Firefighter (Peta Usniyapi)

By Beaux Beauvais



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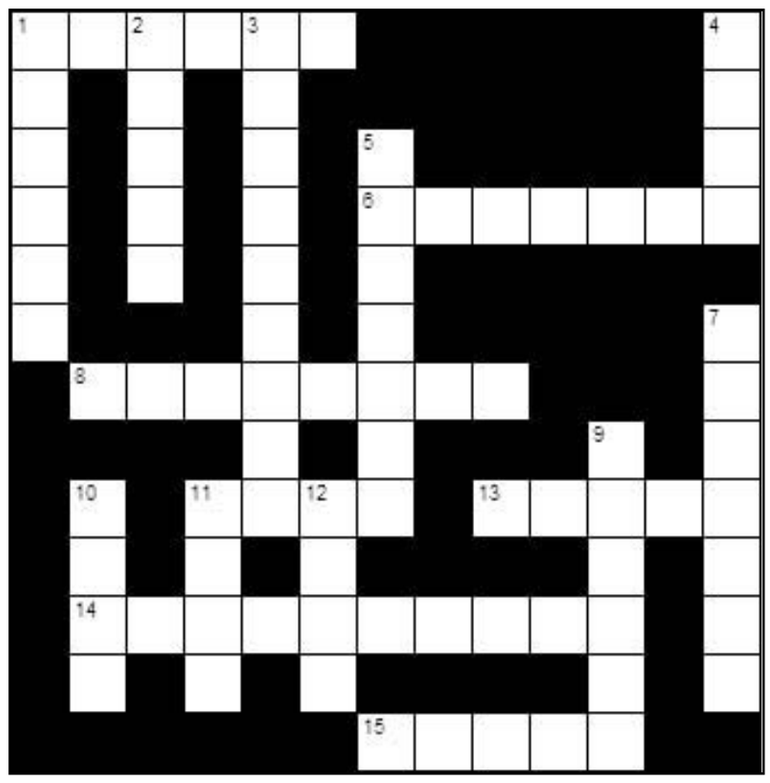
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

1. student
6. I went
8. in the morning
11. me
13. egg
14. they are fishing
15. live among

Down

1. pencil
2. cut
3. out to lunch
4. it is black
5. question
7. removing corn kernels
9. look for cows
10. cooking
11. chest
12. reading or counting



Top Ten reasons for the week

This week's topic is:

TOP 10 INDIAN WEDDING IDEAS

1. Nobody has invitations... only maps.
2. Families order the invitations three months in advance and then drive around the rez delivering them a day before.
3. An average of 12 people will attend per invitation. - Indians never RSVP!!
4. No one goes to church for the wedding, but everyone goes to the reception.
5. All the centerpieces and balloons are gone... and the reception has just started.
6. Everyone's kids are running around like crazy and all you want to do is throw a bottle at them.
7. Meal includes beans and fry bread.
8. People are taking food plates home... "for those backward Indians that didn't come"
9. People are taking huge pieces of cake home
10. One of the relatives is drunk and trying to start a fight with the new in-laws.
11. There are STILL people partying at the reception the next morning, even though the band has left.
12. Not sure what to get the bride and groom; they've been shacked up for a while and already have everything!
13. Tribal police will drive-by at least a dozen times.

Each week the Lakota Country Times has a topic for our "top ten." It is posted a week in advance in this column. You can submit your "top ten" response to next weeks issue by e-mail to: lakota1868@gwtc.net, or fax to 685-1870, or drop in the HAPPY AD BOX at Big Bat's or Lil' Angels. All respondors will remain confidential.

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Happy 39th Birthday
Rebecca Ann Apple-Three Stars

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Her heart is large enough to hold everyone's pain and joy. Her hands are always gentle and soothing.
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She works hard to make a home feel like home,
and she strives to make life pleasant
and comfortable for those she loves.
She never fails to go that extra mile to make the holidays happy and memorable.
Her job is the most difficult and demanding ever known to any human being, yet she's fully dedicated to the task. She's always there for her family,
guiding them and keeping them safe from harm.
She owns a magical way to raise
spirits and make everything feel better.
And her sympathy, unselfishness
and forgiveness are unending.
All that anyone is or could ever hope to be can be attributed to a mother.She instills the teachings that will last a lifetime.
She sows the seeds of virtue and morality, and in the process, she opens up love and vast horizons.
She's always watching and hoping that
her children's/grandchildren's goals will have meaning.
She always listens and tries to understand even when it's difficult to do so.She's a true friend in every sense of the word.
She's noble and sublime,
and holds all the beauty of a golden day, yet even during the storms, she always shines bright like an evening star. Your name should be honored well,
for your the closest thing to God on earth.
We love you and pray all your wishes, goals, and dreams come true! We are proud of you Mom!

Love,
Eltina, Cheryl, Elton jr, Laynee Bug, Pierce and Payton

I would like to wish my sister Veronica a Happy Sweet Sixteen on April 2
From: Your sis'
Lynette T.B.
Love ya lots!

I would like to wish my lil' sister's a Happy Birthday 4/2 & Danijo Brown 4/4
Have a good one! Love, Lenny T.B. (one)

Happy Birthday to my husband Chris One Horn on 4/13/06! I wont say how old you are but lets just say we'll have to keep alot of candles on your cake! Just want you to know that I Love You and appreciate all that you do, so enjoy your day! Love you, Delphine

Congratulations to Michelle Two Bulls on her new baby boy on April 3, 2006! Best Wishes for you both! From: Dorothy & Francis Two Bulls & the girls!

Happy Birthday lil' sis, Asther Badmilk 4-15-06 Remember, we love you , Your Big Sis, Iona Swallow, Char Badmilk, Avery John Badmilk, Leigha Rose Badmilk, Felina Esparza

Happy Belated Birthday to Jamie Cottier
April Fools Baby
From: Kelly, Jack, Hunter & Eric Hope you had fun

Happy B-Day to my son Sean Poor Bear across the miles. Love you much -Mom

We would like to wish our dad & Papa Chris One Horn a very Happy Birthday on 4/13/06! Relax and enjoy your day. Thanx for everything and for being here for us! Wishing you all the best and many moreto come. We love you!!! Love, Dave, Crystal, & your big boss Ayannah

Happy belated B-day to my bro, J.R. Rodriguez March 29th Hope U had a good one! Just know I have a lot of love! Much Luv Always, Shanna Brown

Happy B-Day Sean Poor Bear. Miss you a lot. Your Brothers and sisters

Happy Birthday to my sis' Danijo Brown A.K.A. (Danijizzle) on April 4
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**Eric Long congratulations for getting straight A's. So keep up the good work son.
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**Happy B-Day to my good sis/bro April Poor Bear/Leftwich. I hope you have a lovely day. Thanks for all the laughs and the brewskies. Sorry I can't seam some with you this year. Stay the cool friend you are.
-April S.**

**Happy 2nd Birthday 4-14-06
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I would like to send a memorial B-Day out to my father Elgin D. Brown, Sr. who I miss very much & think about everyday. Wish you here, I love & miss you very much Dad!Love, Shanna Brown

Happy Belated Birthday Kayla Ann War Bonnet with love from your mother Christine Returns

Kevin Leon Takes War Bonnett & Jaden Lee Takes War Bonnett Happy Easter to our boys love you and always will! be good and keep shining!
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Lon and Tina Takes War Bonnett

Happy belated Birthday on April 1st, 2006 to Reginald No Neck, Sr. You're just to darn young to be this darn old, love you dad. From Gina

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**Congratulations, to my niece Tamara Renae Long. You're getting the Gate's Scholarship! Keep up the good work. Love always
Auntie Kelly, Uncle Jack, and Cousins Eric Hunter, Angel Pearl.**

Happy Birthday to my niece Danijo Brown on April 4. Hope you had a good one! Love ya lots, From: Shanna Brown

***Happy Belated Birthday to our big bro Stanley Brown, just letting you know hang in there! Hope to see you soon, Luv & miss you a lot!
Your lil' sisters Sheena and Shanna B.***

Sending Belated Birthday wishes out to Eileen Running Bear on 4/4/06. Dont work too hard!
We wish you many more.
From the One Horns in No Flesh - Chris, Delphine, Dave, Crysatl, & Ayannah



**Happy Birthday!
To my Daughter Becky
Love,
Dad**

**Happy Birthday to Joanie G. on April 2, Hope you have a good one!
From: Lynette & Veronica Two Bulls
I would like to wish Veronica 2-Bulls a sweet sixteen on April 2,
don't get to crazy in Rapid this weekend!
Love, Shanna Brown**

**Happy Easter to the family Francis, Evelyn, Joylinn, & Josef Long Soldier out to Geargetown on 4/16/06!
Hope you have a very wonderful day!
Love, The One Horns**

**To my dearest Fat Nat. I know we've had our ups and downs little brother but I'm glad you're coming home.
Jess W.**

*Happy belated Birthday to my lil cuz Lynette T.B. on March 24, Hope you had a good one!
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"Cinco De Mayo"
Happy Birthday my friend -Jess Way

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**Happy Easter to my mom and Manuel.
Hope you have a good one!!
From: Roseanna**

To my mom. I am thankful for my safe house and my loving family. Love, Brandon.
P.S. Happy Easter to my sisters

**Happy Easter to my family Chris, Dave, Crystal, & Anyannah One Horn on 4/16/06! May you have a fun and enjoyable day.
Love you guys, Delphine**

We would like to wish our Grand daughter
Anyannah One Horn a very happy 2nd Easter on 4/16/06!
We love you so much and cherish you! Hope you have fun and find lots of eggs! All our love
Baby, papa & Grandma Delphine

Happy Birthday to:
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Danijo Brown 4/4, Becky Brown 4/1, Stanley Brown 4/1, Jada Blaze 4/?
From: Francis & Dorothy Two Bulls

**Happy Belated Birthday to my big sis Eileen Running Bear on 4/4/06! I wont say how old you are only that you really passed me up! Hope your day was as special as you are! May you have many more!
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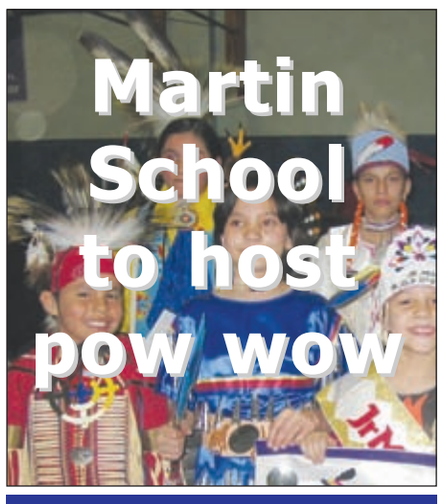
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QUICK HITS

Air ambulance initiative proposed for reservations

SIOUX FALLS - The PASSNet company, and Tex Hall, chairman of the Intertribal Economic Alliance along with regional tribal leaders will be holding a press conference at the Ramkota Hotel on April 26 at 2:30 p.m. in Sioux Falls.

The purpose is to announce PASSNet's plan to do business as Cetan Air Ambulance on the northern plains by utilizing a remote rural based air ambulance service to the Indian trauma patients in the Great Plains region.

The advantage of basing air ambulances in rural communities has patient care benefits that include; transport time cut in half, an air ambulance can be dedicated to a single reservation if justified, it enhances patient continuity of care, and it enhances flight options when inclement weather conditions impact patient safety.

John J. Warnock, CEO and president of PASSNET, Inc. in a press release wrote, "In Cetan Air Ambulance's service model, that patient could instead be transported from the scene and/or rural emergency room directly to our aircraft at the rural air station.

Given that Cetan Air Ambulance's fixed-wing aircraft are substantially faster in flight than most helicopters, door-to-door patient transport time is less-even with the addition of ground ambulance transport from the destination airport to the regional trauma center."

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TWO SECTIONS

KILI Radio off air
$50,000 needed for antenna

PORCUPINE - "We had a brief rain storm roll through the area with some thunder and lightening," said Mary White Face, KILI Radio's Saturday morning country DJ, "it sounded like some lightening hit close by and we were knocked off the air for about 20 minutes. When we got back on the air, we could only get up with low power."

The brief storm hit Saturday, April 15 and for the rest of the week, KILI could only manage one to two percent power, any higher and it would shut down, Buzi Two Lance, KILI's program director related. Listeners in Oglala, Pine Ridge, Kyle and Wanblee experienced difficulties in getting a decent signal from the Pine Ridge Reservation based station.

"Our engineer made it down from Rapid City on Saturday and gave us the news, KILI's ten bay antenna high up on the station's 300 foot tower at Porcupine Butte has a portion burned, the carbon from the burn causes arcing when too much power is run through it," said Melanie Janis, station manager, "we knew a year ago that we were going to have to replace our antenna, OSHA has determined that the model of antenna we have gives off too much RF with the sta-

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Sen. Johnson hears cries of needed economy
'$200 million enters Oglala Nation, $180 million immediately leaves'

BY TOM KATUS
Times Correspondent

RAPID CITY - Senator Tim Johnson held a listening session for South Dakota's tribal leaders on April 21. He outlined his new Hometown Prosperity Plan, which has four pillars: promoting partnerships, emphasizing entrepreneurship, investing in the public good and protecting pocketbooks. "We want to have real meaningful consultation. My concern is not that we tell tribes what they should do but that we get guidance from our tribal leaders," he stated. Five tribal chairpersons and other Native American leaders provided their views on economic development and other pressing issues.


Lyle Jack


Cecelia Fire Thunder


Rodney Bordeaua


Harold Frazier

Cecelia Fire Thunder, President, Oglala Sioux Tribe, teasingly chided the press during the Listening Session, especially Jomay Steen, *Rapid City Journal* staff writer. Fire Thunder's most pressing issue was with Indian Health Service con-

Please turn to Johnson: A2



Track update

CHAMBERLAIN - Gunner Krogman, a sophomore at Todd County, clears the bar of the high jump with inches to spare during competition at the Chamberlain Invitational on Saturday, Krogman took second. More on the track event on Page B1. Photo courtesy of Randy Bachelor.

Youth rally on loss of YO!

BY TOM CRASH AND
AMANDA TAKES WAR BONNETT
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - An off again, on again youth rally Friday at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge brought youth workers, YO staff, community members and KILI Radio together to hear about the status of the Youth Opportunity program on Pine Ridge reservation.

"YO has over 3,400 youth enrolled across the reservation," said Oi Zephier, youth mentor, "for the past five and a half years the program has been providing a great service to our future leaders, future parents, up and coming workforce and new voters and most of all has provided a positive place for our youth to spend after school time. The United Lakota Youth Rally was set up to bring people together look for ideas and strategies to keep the program going and continue the valuable services to our youth."


Jeremy Jones

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KILI Radio 90.1 FM off air

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tion so close to the tower, we knew we either had to move the building or get a different antenna - the burn damage just makes the situation more immediate."

KILI's engineer was able to get the power up to four and a half per cent on Saturday but by Sunday morning the power was below one percent and the station was off the air.

"Bob Brave Heart, Red Cloud school's superintendent called on Monday wanting to get an important message out about early school dismissal, several other reservation schools called to get storm related information out," said Janis, "and all day long loyal listeners called to find out what was happening to their station."

According to an early rough estimate, the station is going to need as much as $50,000 to replace the antenna and transmission line and to have it installed. A new antenna could cost about $25,000 the new line about $12,000 and the installation about $13,000.

"No we do not have that kind of money stashed away for a rainy day," said Janis, "we have talked to representatives from the Corporation from Public Broadcasting about emergency funds to help us get back on the air, there is a possibility of maybe some Public Telecommunications Facilities Program (PTFP) money and if no emergency resources are available we are talking with the Empowerment Zone about a ten year loan. Although many of our listeners have expressed concern about not being able to tune into their local community radio station, no one has stepped forward to donate assistance. We have been working with an Italian radio network, Malvisi, that is donating equipment for our studio and volunteering to travel here from Europe to install it; they are now looking for corporate sponsors who might help KILI in their latest time of need."

KILI's antenna is the original antenna installed back in late 1982. It has been taken down more than once to be cleaned, repaired and rebuilt in some places according to Two Lance. Every FM station has to deal with the fact that their transmission line is out in the open, a large coaxial cable that runs from the transmitter up the tower to the antenna, it is out in the open, in the wind, rain, sleet, snow, hail and hot sun. Over the 23 years on the air, KILI has made a number of splices, replaced some or all of the transmission lines and repaired a number of breaks in the line.

"We need to raise the money and then get the necessary equipment ordered and line up a tower crew to install everything," said Janis, "how long will all of that take, it won't be a day or two, maybe not a week or two, maybe even a month - we will continue to broadcast over the Internet at kili-radio.org while we work at getting back on the air."

When we go down, so many people come to realize that KILI is an important part of their daily life and they have tended to take the station for granted," said Dennis White Shield, board chair, "whenever we go down, people realize they are missing an important part of their life, after we go back on they tend to forget just as quickly that we need their regular support to continue broadcasting each day."

Man in escape investigation held in tribal jail

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) _ A man who walked away from police custody in Burleigh County earlier this year is now jailed on the Standing Rock Sioux Indian Reservation.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs said Jacob White Eagle is in custody in Fort Yates. The agency did not release the charges pending there.

White Eagle was arrested at a Bismarck hospital on Feb. 15 on a revocation warrant. He had been charged with criminal trespass, criminal mischief and driving under suspension.

He was later taken back to the hospital for treatment of an infected arm. Authorities said deputies left after being told White Eagle would be admitted, and he then fled.

The Burleigh County Sheriff's Department did not report the incident until seven weeks later.

Sheriff Steve Berg said some policies in his department have been changed because of the incident.

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Tribal listening session

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tract health services. The Oglala Sioux Tribe was allocated $7 million for such services in FY 2006. "While we are only two-thirds through the fiscal year, we have already spent $6 million. Now, Jomay and the rest of the press, this is what I want you to understand. Virtually all that $6 million has been spent at Rapid City Regional Hospital for helicopter and fixed wing ambulance service and emergency and intensive care."

In addition to President Fire Thunder, the tribal leaders who participated included: Michael Jandreau, chairman of Lower Brule Sioux Tribe; Rodney Bordeaux, president of Rosebud Sioux Tribe; Harold Frazier, chairman of Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe and Robert Cournoyer, chairman of Yankton Sioux Tribe.

A major theme brought up by the tribal leaders was that poor infrastructure stymies business development. Michael Jandreau said, "I just got a copy of your Hometown Prosperity Plan. I will review it and make suggestions. I am pleased that it is a comprehensive package addressing overall economic development. Our primary need is resources, especially for law enforcement, health and education."

Harold Frazier emphasized that poor infrastructure increases the startup costs of small businesses. He also indicated that CRST has long had a unified business code to help attract investors. Few have come. One of the biggest mistakes in the past was that the BIA small business grant program was cut in the 1990s. "This program that provided grants to entrepreneurs was very valuable. A study done in the 1990s by Robert McLaughlin, SRST, indicated that in the Aberdeen Area, the grant program had an 88 percent success rate," stated Frazier. BIA subsequently used the last remaining grant money to set up the Tribal Business Information Centers. Frazier continued, "The existing BIA loan guarantee is under-utilized. Last year, the Aberdeen Area office spent only $30 million of $90 million that was available. There are four banks on the Cheyenne River Reservation, but it is very difficult for any tribal member to secure a $100,000 small business loan. BIA continuously throws up bureaucratic red tape. Every time we turn around, we have to jump through another hoop." Frazier concluded, "More than $100 million comes into the reservation, but most goes right back out to the surrounding towns like Mobridge and Pierre. We need to get a Shopko or Alco established to help serve our people's needs."

Rodney Bordeaux continued the theme. "Last year, more than $185 million came through the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, but 80 percent leaves the reservation. We are trying to establish a tribally owned grocery store. We have two private stores on the reservation. One of them, Buches, had $7 million in revenue last year, but they are based in Norfolk, Neb. and don't reinvest in the reservation."

Fire Thunder said, "The Oglala Sioux Tribe receives more than $200 million, but $180 million of that almost immediately leaves the reservation for Rapid City and the surrounding towns. How can we keep more of it on Pine Ridge?" she asked. Senator Johnson responded, "Not only do we need to keep federal funds on the reservations, we need to encourage businesses to keep those funds circulating."

Fire Thunder continued, "The Mni Wiconi Project is only 30 percent complete. We don't want additional funding for any of the other water projects funded until Mni Wiconi is completed." She concluded, "The western models of economic development don't work. They are square. Indian Country is round. It is very difficult to pound a square into a circle that doesn't fit. Maybe we need an oblong model."

Robert Cournoyer identified factors that could enhance reservation economies. He said, "We need stability in tribal government, including four-year terms, financial accountability and longterm leases to collateralize loans."

Ivan Sorbel, executive director, Pine Ridge Area Chamber of Commerce, commented, "We are the only Indian Chamber in the U.S. based on a reservation. Last year, a tribal entrepreneur opened the first motel on the reservation in more than 50 years. However, he had to install a septic tank. To receive rural water, he had to attend 13 separate meetings. We do have a Pizza Hut on Pine Ridge and last year, it was number one in demand throughout the entire region. Despite the desire of our tribal entrepreneurs, last year, SBA provided zero loan guarantees on Pine Ridge and Rosebud."

Lyle Jack, councilman and chairman of the OST Economic Development Committee, used the example of the Pine Ridge village waste water system. "When we first started planning for this system years ago, we were using 250,000 gallons of water annually. Because we anticipated growth, we had designed the system for 500,000 gallons. Now, however, our usage is already up to 400,000 gallons, and the system is not even up and running."

Senator Johnson briefed the leaders on the Native American Small Business Act, which he sponsored last year. It passed the Senate and the House but was lost in the final budget shuffle. "I know it's frustrating, and I have reintroduced it again this year. Hopefully, we can get the House and Senate to come to agreement earlier in the budget cycle. The Act will enable SBA to provide pilot projects to the tribes and develop a Native American Small Business Development Center." Chairman Bordeaux applauded Johnson's efforts and indicated that maybe such a center could be located in Rapid City, as it would be close to the four largest tribes in the state.

Pete Sheldon, president of Native American Office Products in Rapid City and a member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, remarked that he contracts for office supplies all over the country and can't get IHS to enforce the "buy-Indian" act. "They say they buy exclusively from Staples at cost. I asked them why they have a 'buy-Indian' act if they're not going to use it. I am convinced there is an opportunity in Native American Office Products that can be competitive with Staples." Sheldon stated, "I've been contracting with the government since 1965. Last year, we were rated the second-best minority vendor in the United States. I've talked to Qusi [Al-Haj], Thune's boy here in Rapid City, and nothing has happened." Sheldon continued, "I have tried to do what I can to establish outlets on the reservations. I have had them in both Pine Ridge and Rosebud but can't find the help and people who will show up for work. When I phone the Contracts Office at Ellsworth Air Force Base, no one even returns my calls."

Clarence Skye, executive director, United Sioux Tribes, stated, "We really appreciate your efforts, Senator Johnson, as we did Senator Daschle's previously. If Senator Daschle becomes President, he can appoint you Secretary of Interior, and then Indian Country will really benefit." Johnson jokingly responded, "I believe the possibilities of that happening are quite remote. Meanwhile, I do sit on the Appropriations Committee. While the Administration is threatening to terminate 91 Indian programs, we will do everything we can to restore them.

And we will probably have some success. However, even when we get programs restored, they are usually restored at lower levels than the needs. With this process of the White House continuously terminating programs and Congress restoring, we don't even keep abreast of inflation."

Johnson concluded the session by saying, "We are told that times are tight. We don't have the money. That's not true. We have plenty of money. It is a question of priorities. The tax cuts for individuals making over $1 million a year totals $42 billion. Donald Trump has won the tax breaks war."

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Sicangu Wicoti Awanyakapi reports to RST tribal council

Moore threatens to suspend housing charter

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - During a SWA housing presentation aired over KINI radio by housing Executive Director Amos Prue to the RST tribal council on April 18 a number of issues were discussed having to do with the eviction notice served on a quadriplegic veteran, black mold, and temporary emergency housing for a family whose house was burned down recently.

Antelope council representative Robert Moore threatened to suspend the SWA charter, however there was no quorum toward the end of the day, because of the troubling issues facing housing, such as delinquencies, black mold, evictions, etc.

Rosebud council representative Fern Bordeaux-Boltz explained that a community member who is a veteran and quadriplegic had been served with an eviction notice from SWA. She noted that she was opposed to such conduct by the housing authority. She said, "I hold up veterans. He is someone who I call upon for advice about tribal affairs."

Bordeaux-Boltz also described a family that was seeking temporary housing for two female tribal members whose house had burned down recently. SWA housing had refused to grant their request for temporary housing. Bordeaux-Boltz said that the RST tribal council had directed SWA to assign the family last week, however as a chartered entity the motion apparently had no effect.

Prue then noted that there are policies, regulations, and confidentially issues and a grievance process that people must follow. If an issue is decided against someone, they have due process and are given a packet, which spells out their rights and the next step in the process toward seeking relief.

RST council representative Russell Eagle Bear spoke of the VA homeless shelter next to the fairground.

He said, "There is a project between the tribe and SWA. The log building is complete, the outer structure. There is an MOA between the tribe and you all. We need to do our part and go in and do the finish work and eliminate the homeless issue. We need to get active and hold up our end of the bargain in terms of the homeless log building."

Eagle Bear also said that when coming through Pine Ridge he noticed that their housing authority makes an effort to air delinquencies and housing business and that is something that could be done locally on the Rosebud through the media.

Prue took the floor and said, "There are a lot of things you brought up. We are going to have to go back and sit down. The board has heard a lot of things here and will want to know the same things on the 20th. The staff will meet directly with the board. The issue that Fern brought up, I can't go into detail. I wish this body could identify a work group so that it has the authority to review the individual you are talking about. We have our side of the story. I am not here to challenge. We may not agree with what you say. We cannot respond because they are confidential matters. Some group should come up and be identified and have access to certain files and draw your own conclusion and come up with a recommendation to remedy some of these things. I don't think we are too callous.

If there is a personnel issue, come up and discuss it with the board and not here."

Antelope council representative Robert Moore took the floor and said, "This issue may be pertinent for health care. We took a bold step last week in declaring a state of emergency."

"Also a class action suit against I.H.S for every member of the RST. Every issue of housing goes beyond housing and Amos. Because issues are so complex. There are programs for this and this and policies for this and that. I was going to suspend the charter of SWA, but there is no quorum," he said.

Moore continued, "I'm sorry there is not 15 people here to make that motion. I can guarantee Fern that we will look at all chartered entities. They have taken on a life of their own. The U.S. Government recognizes us as the voice of the Sicangu Nation. It is not SWA. We want to employ people to fix their own homes. We requested SWA to work more closely with Antelope and make our lists more symbiotic. I will make the motion next meeting to suspend the charter of SWA."

Chairman of the SWA board. Phyllis White Shield took the floor and noted that CEO Amos Prue has done a tremendous job since coming on board in 2002. With respect to the fact that SWA must comply with policy, she said, "It is really important to understand the outline and critique of NAHASDA. We have to be fair to the people in our housing, which requires a waiting list.

It is a federal law. They are saying that as a housing authority and chartered under RST every program we develop has to have policy and procedure.

The board is a policy making board for the well being of the people. We are bound to those federal regulations. HUD is still involved in our processes and will tell us if we are not complying with federal regulations. Amos. when he came on helped to put us back on compliance. I want to commend the board and staff for their hard work. Elders remind us to practice 'Wolakota'. Sometimes with those federal regulations, it is hard to tell them that we cannot do that."

White Shield asked the council to visit with the SWA staff. She said, "We hope that the charter will not be pulled. Would like to see alternative ways to see how we can work together. If we are talking collaboration, that is not the answer."

Prue again took the floor and told his staff "I'm the one up here catching hell. To you out there listening who work at SWA listen to what is being discussed here as I am not going to say it again… We came with information just as we would at a public forum. We worked on a plan to incorporate a lot what you said in our plan. When we get together as a staff, they will refresh my memory and meet on what you are requesting."

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Wanblee walk and blessing May 3 at Wanblee

WANBLEE - The 4th Annual Walk and Blessing of the children ceremony has been rescheduled to May 3.

At 9 a.m., there will be a gathering at the Eagle Nest College Center parking lot.

The prayer stops will be athe Frances Ashley's driveway, Franklin Little Killer's driveway, clinic parking lot, ENCC parking lot and the blessing ceremony will conducted at the tipi.

There will be a special buffalo dance performance by MJ Bull Bear.

Special speakers will be Ruth Brown, Chris Eagle Hawk, Pigeon Jack, Blaine Little Thunder and Sylvester Bad Cob.

The Oglala Sioux Tribe Diabetes program will provide screening for community members at the center.

The noon meal will be provided by the OST Day Care Program, Anpetu Luta Otipi and Spirit Rising.

Youth rally

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Mills Hall on Friday for a rally against tribal government.

"Many people went away from a meeting on Thursday with the idea that the rally was postponed or cancelled," said Maretta Champaign, an employee of YO, "some councilman who had planned to come made alternative plans; it was the youth though who really wanted to continue to have the rally- many of them with the help of some parents prepared the meal for all those who came on Friday."

A number of questions and issues were brought to the floor on Friday after the meeting was opened with both a prayer and songs by youth from Kyle.

What happened to the money left in the YO budget or account, can the tribe donate the indirect costs needed to manage the federal monies used to fund the YO program over the last five and a half years, obviously most administrators with the tribe and YO knew the federal resources were finite, why didn't anyone look ahead and develop alternative sources of funding to keep a valuable youth program going and doesn't our tribal leaders or anyone else really care about the youth today were all brought up during the meeting.

Jeremy Jones, a youth worker who was one of 200 youth workers laid off on April 14 was the MC for the rally and helped to keep a steady flow of speakers coming to the mic to share their thoughts about the YO program and the concerns they had about the future.

Jones spoke on many issues concerning youth and the community. He said the youth were there at the rally to try to do something constructive.

He said money is a big problem in the communities.

"We need to find more opportunities for the youth, not just for Youth Opportunity, but for opportunities for the youth," he said.

"Basically, we need an economic turnout," he added.

He spoke of adults and how they need to be more of a role models for youth in the communities.

For example, he said it is well known there are people who work for tribal institutions and they would attend workshops and conferences and would get their motels and expenses paid and in reality they don't go to learn and use that knowledge but "have an all expense paid vacation."

"When you do this, you show your students it is okay to cheat," he said.

Vanessa Araphoe, an enrolled member of the YO program told those in attendance the program made a difference in her life.

"I was into alcohol and YO helped me, it opened up my life. I am active in YO and I haven't been active in much," she said.

Another young woman said the program participates and the center felt like her family, they support each other.

Hawk Eye Montileaux, who sang with two others the opening song, emphasized to those in attendance and to those listening on the radio, that an active effort has to be made to find funding for youth.

He urged the students in attendance, " You are smart, we can do it, we can look for monies... we can use the computers, use the Internet, look for grants and fundings," he said.

Ask the bigger, more wealthy tribes... ask Shakopee, they are rich, instead of blaming people for stealing money" he said.

Al White Calf, Joe Mesteth and Meagan Little Hawk all spoke from the heart while Francine Big Crow and other parents and grandparents spoke passionately about how important YO has been to their children and grandchildren by providing a safe and positive place to grow and learn away from the rough and tumble streets of the community with their strong influences of drugs, alcohol and gangs.

Garfield Steele, tribal council representative from Wounded Knee District was the lone elected official in attendance. Cora Whiting attended, representing Cecelia Fire Thunder, tribal president and disseminated a printout of the history of YO revenues and expenditures over the five and a half years of the YO program.

"We need to support our youth," said Steele who serves as the chair of the council's judiciary committee, "we can and need to find the resources to keep this program, it is just a valuable program for our youth and we need to back up all the promises we make to our youth, now is the time for action not more talk."

Originally, YO was a five year grant, but there were carryover funds that were not spent and YO was allowed to continue for a sixth year. Whiting distributed a breakdown of the revenue and expenditures, almost $16 million was broken down to $5.3 million on salaries, $1.7 million on operating expenses, $6.5 million on direct services to youth, $1.6 million on indirect costs and $225,000 on the Sue Anne Center.

"We are actually meeting today, right now and we are working on a plan," said Cora Whiting, "all of us want to put together a workable plan on the future of any youth programs on the reservation; Jeremy Jones and other past youth workers and involved youth are forming a youth council, there will be an election this weekend and they are working on a plan that could be implemented by July 1st. Doni DeCory is working on a closeout plan for the program from now until June 30, there is about $141,000 to decide on how to close out the program and with what staff."

There are still 35 core staff and nine district YO centers around the reservation, did their jobs end on April 14? Do they end on June 30?

At the present time how much money is really left in the program to close it out? What were the successes of the six year program, what should continue and where will the resources come from to continue it and who should make these decisions?

In addition to the district centers and all of the youth, youth workers and staff involved with the program, YO has a stake in the upcoming North American Indigenous Games scheduled for July 2-9 in Denver, Co. where 500 youth will participate in competition as part of Team South Dakota.

"Over these past six years, we have touched so many youth, we have such a young population today and their needs will continue to grow as their numbers grow," said Champaigne, "we can't drop the ball on this, the future of our nation is on the line."

OPINION PAGE

Guest Editorial

Where is the answer to a better infrastructure in Indian country?

Last Friday, Sen. Tim Johnson met with tribal leaders to discuss his outlined Hometown Prosperity Plan, which promotes economic development and budget concerns. He was there to listen to the concerns of the Indian country regarding those issues. Tom Katus, one of our correspondents wrote an article regarding facts and figures that tribal leaders shared. Some of the facts revealed are not surprising as we know what goes on in Indian country, however it takes seeing those figure in black and white to realize the impact of what it means to our homeland.

For example, President Fire Thunder states that for fiscal year 2006, Indian Health Service contract health has a budget of $7 million and now, in two-thirds of the fiscal year, they have already spent $6 million. She emphasized how that money is virtually all spent at the Rapid City Regional Hospital.

It was partly to emphasize the fact that millions of dollars come into Indian country but hardly any of it stays here. The Oglala Sioux Tribe receives more than $200 million and $180 million of that immediately leaves the reservation.

Rosebud's figures are all too similar just as in the rest of Indian country.

One estimate is that Rosebud turns over $100 million a year in payroll, grant funding, and other entitlements, however most of it does not stay on the Rosebud.

What that means is the money comes to the reservation and comes through our treasury channels through payroll, related expenditures and vendors and immediately goes back out across the borders to Rapid City and our border towns.

Poor infrastructure is another key that increases the startup of new business.

We see it on the reservations, from the business codes to law enforcement to having good water systems to the work force.

The work force alone is a major issue. Dr. Kathleen Pickering of Colorado State University made some great strides in that issue with her grassroots surveys and study. It is almost better to be on social programs than work because once you figure it all out, it comes out about the same. If one works to get to a certain wage level, then they eventually lose their other benefits like food stamps, Medicaid, WIC, commodities and other family resources. So the answer… stick to the lower pay and the family will be better off in getting the other resources.

Another part of that infrastructure is the work force. We have a work force but getting the skilled work force is another issue. Every employer on the reservation deals with getting good help. As one business owner said, we have good workers, getting them to the job on a regular basis is the problem. He said we have a problem with addictions it keeps them from going to work.

It's a problem and every institution on the reservation deals with it. The Pine Ridge Chamber of Commerce has already presented to the public that we need separation of powers and a Uniform Commercial Code.

The UCC is a formal document drafted by several entities which spells out the rights and processes for doing business on the reservation.

Many tribes actually have a version of this code, however in its present form it does not do enough to protect businesses and individuals who seek to transact business with one another and have their interests protected by the courts.

Businesses from the outside need assurances that they can initiate collection activity against a tribal member if needed. The bottom line is that both consumer and entrepreneur need their rights protected and the UCC is the instrument to do that.

Separation of powers is much needed in Indian Country as many tribal courts operate at the direction of their tribal councils. Thus, they do not operate independent of that oversight and they need to. This was a recommendation from a Harvard University study.

So what is the answer… our leadership? Our families? Our communities? Or within ourselves?



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Other Views

Why not create a law that supports life?

Dear Editor:

Even though my family has been here in California for a few years, we still hear all the news from back home in South Dakota. What has caught my attention most recently has been the progress of the OST (Oglala Sioux Tribal) President. Congratulations to Cecelia Fire Thunder in regard to her various accomplishments and most especially transferring her Tribe's debt to an Indian entity.

I am deeply disappointed over the issue under her consideration for the provision of an abortion clinic on the Oglala land and would remind her of our Lakota identity. Whilst we are moving forward through time and progress, some things remain the same. Our People, as many know, have always revered life as sacred. Even if a life is conceived in some manner other than through loving parents (as in the cases of rape and incest), the result is a human being who is not responsible for the actions that caused her or his conception. Why in the world does it make any sense to kill this human life that could or would have been the only good tangible thing to come out of a horrendous act?

I am concerned that, as our people get educated (such as President Fire Thunder and others), we not buy into the larger society (American) attitude that involves the devaluing and destruction of human life, from its earliest existence in the sacred wombs of our women, to the honored elderly, some neglected, in places alone. The peace and joy that comes from someone coming in to visit, to hug or rub the back of an aged person is immeasurable.

In taking a good hard look at our Lakota Culture, we have always been proponents of life. Everything, all the practices, food (traditional, before fry bread), clothing, lifestyle, etc., was all done to support, preserve and to protect human life. Even our enemies enjoyed the privilege of keeping their lives through our "counting coup" strategy.

Even our enemies, for the most part, had their own lives preserved and President Fire Thunder would honor a woman who chooses to end the life in her womb? The innocent life who didn't ask to be conceived in whatever circumstances?

So Cecelia, I beg you on behalf of the unborn, on behalf of our People and most especially, the spirits of our ancestors, do not assert Tribal sovereignty rights to the destruction of human life. Why not assert the rights in a positive direction? I always felt this positive encouragement from you at our every conversation.

If the Oglala or Sicangu or any of our sovereign tribes want to really show resistance to the "powers that be" why not support a law on Tribal land banning abortions and euthanasia. Why not be a champion for the voice of those who are unable to speak for themselves or who are ignored and unappreciated? Why not create a law that supports human life? This law, my dear People, would aim at a higher court than the State of South Dakota. This law to support and protect human life would strike at the highest court of the wasicu in this land, the Supreme Court.

There is much more one could say about our roles as advocates for life in our Lakota Society. About the dignity and respect, honor and generosity of a people who still have the potential to live out this way of life and to be an example to the larger society.

Being a leader is a difficult task. One cannot please everyone but one can go down in history as a benevolent person who has built up a people, going against the mainstream in a society bent on destroying human life -- or as a leader who aimed his or her efforts towards the destruction of a people, even their own.

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Thoughts that come from the heart

Teaching our children about loss



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This past week, I experienced seeing youth accept loss or trying to accept loss and attempting to understand their emotions around that loss.

Last Friday, there was a youth rally at the Billy Mills hall and in attendance were an estimated 80 to 100 youth. They were there to be together in an united rally setting, more to voice their concerns about the ending of a five year youth program that made an impact in their lives.

The Youth Opportunity program, which was a five year program from grant monies from the Department of Labor, ended this month due to no money.

The program was scheduled to end sooner last year but got a reprieve due to some unspent carry over monies from the tribe. It has been a great program and has impacted the lives of many youth and their families.

At the rally, youth got up one after another and voiced their concerns and their loss. There were tears and emotions and genuine concern over what happened to their program. These children invited their leadership to the rally to hear their concerns and only one councilman showed up and a representative from the president's office. It was sad to hear what these children said. Someone should have prepared them for the upcoming loss. Most of them understood why their program ended. It was the expectations of what they see in their future that concerned them. Whether it was the program itself or their families or the tribe or their community leaders, our kids need encouragement and support.

This past weekend was the Black Hills State University 24th Annual Lakota Omniciye Wacipi and we attended because we have three grand children who are pow wow kids. Our grandson Jason Jr. 9, who dances traditional and Brittany Rose, 8, who dances jingle and Wakiyan, 1, who dances tiny tot. This was Brittany Rose's first dancing for category. She has always danced at school dances, while accumulating points and trophies and they aren't told until the end of the school year, so the loss is more acceptable. She danced in a jingle dance special and she didn't win. As she came back to where we were sitting, the emotion of that loss showed clearly on her face.

She wept in her mom's arm and in turn her mother, my daughter's eyes misted up feeling the pain her daughter was feeling. I felt for my granddaughter and her loss and soon my eyes misted up.

It wasn't long though before she soon forgot her emotional surge and was off to dancing again. Her parents and her Kaka (grandpa) were very supportive of her and spoke to her about winning and losing.

It was that support and the words of encouragement and anticipation of her expectations that helped her.

My daughter said she remembered how her dad would tell her that in competition it was about feeling the joy and fun of the game and not the anticipation of winning that helped her in her life of competing in sports and it was something she used in her life in accepting loss.

Teaching our children about accepting loss and finding strength in ourselves and in our spirit is something that we don't do enough in our tiwahe. It's hard to do as parents if we don't quite understand how to do it ourselves.

If we don't know how to gain that strength and deal with that loss, it can get tough to deal with and soon we start to pacify that emotion of loss and confusion with something that eases the pain.

And thus an addiction is born and it continues until we face that wound and work to heal it.

Those addictions can range from pacifying with alcohol, meth, peji, overeating and gambling. Each of those ease the pain and it soon becomes a disease. All we needed to begin with is awareness and understanding and having a life skill that is important and that is skill is finding strength in ourselves as we are. When we have that strength we have structure.

Our families deal with this on the reservation all the time, it is a survival mode. They deal with a day to day existence in terms of food, shelter and giving their children the best they could possibly give them. They depend on programs such as Youth Opportunity as a resource.

They depend on the schools as a resource, they depend on the tribe as resource, they depend on the communities that their children are a part of, and they depend on family structure.

So as we are searching for answers how to have better schools to makethose mandates or how to have a better tribal government, how to create more jobs or how to combat the social ills that are a part of infrastructure, maybe we should look at that common foundation we all have and that is within our *tiwahe*.

That is where it begins.

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Northern Perspectives

We need to go overboard to stay informed



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

I sat and talked with Leroy Hairy Shirt at the Rosebud Sioux tribal building on Thursday, mostly to kill some time as the world went slowly by. Leroy said he thought I was still at the university and I had to correct him and say that I had left there 3-4 years ago. I done gave back to my tribal nation and with some trepidation, I look back fondly at the 20 year block that represents my tenure in the work world.

I told Leroy I was a writer of sorts now and had written over 140 articles about Rosebud and Pine Ridge over the course of the last year. As Leroy scoured his mind to see if he recalled any of my writing, he admitted the only thing he remembered about the paper I write for was 'Ask Anna.'

I was somewhat taken aback and told him that I would document our conversation and double-check to see if he had purchased the paper this week.

After I contemplated what Leroy was saying and reflected on what impact the media has on the average Sicangu citizen, I realized that either most people do not have the extra buck to purchase a newspaper or they simply buy one that everyone is used to; and if it happens to be a community paper, it probably doesn't integrate a Lakota perspective into the news and stories.

I think Lakota people are getting short changed if they do not hear all of the facts and nuances of a gathering or event. If there is Lakota being spoken, readers will want to know what it is that was said. I'm fortunate that I can translate what is being said with some accuracy for our readers.

Most of us get complacent, especially if we have settled into accepting life as it comes our way and we don't reflect on the issue of whether or not we should support a Lakota newspaper. There are many out there and many are working to do the best they can in keeping the news real and culturally relevant. I like it when a Lakota newspaper endeavors to carry news that contains the language, philosophy and culture of the people. Most of the time that, in itself, is a gift as much of the language and culture is beginning to reside in a smaller pool of people.

It is not enough to write a story simply based upon whom, what and where, but to reflect on what actually transpired in a human and culturally connected sense.

For example, I don't like it when archeologist tear up the countryside unearthing cultures that should be left alone; such things do not belong in the museum, but should be respected.

If I have to read about such dubious events, I would rather read about the processes that were involved. I would want to know how a site was identified in the first place and whether or not it was protected by some historic preservation act.

It is interesting to see what actions local Native people take in response to such intrusion. Sometimes the people are successful in preserving the site and leaving it undisturbed for cultural and spiritual reasons.

It is too bad that we cannot require such sacred places as Bear Butte and Devils Tower to be left undisturbed. When outside interference comes in the form of climbers and hikers, birds and other wildlife are necessarily disturbed and that is so shameful.

Getting back to my visit with Leroy, he was thinking out loud when he said that Lakota people have a hard time getting work and even sitting on the treaty council.

I didn't quite catch what he was saying about the iyeska and though it may not have been complimentary, I did say that, indeed, the 80-85 percent unemployment rate is bound to affect us all one way or another. Lastly, I did say that he should spend his buck to buy a newspaper that is reflective of Lakota people.

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Notes From Indian Country

Killing the messenger is popular in the media



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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An article in Sunday's *Rapid City (SD) Journal* caught my attention. It was about the impending retirement of the Journal's editor, Peggy Sagen.

Sagen, 56, was diagnosed with ovarian cancer and has been waging a gallant fight against it for the past three years. She said she decided to step back from the day-to-day job in order to spend more time with her family. She will continue part time until a new editor is hired.

Several months ago I visited Sagen in her office at the Journal. I wanted to find out why a newspaper that is always editorializing about freedom of the press is so hypocritical in supporting it editorials. I asked her why my weekly column, which made its debut in the Rapid City Journal 27 years ago, was now censored.

Sagen was gracious and open during our discussion, but she deferred her comments about why my column was censored in the Journal to the publisher, Bill Masterson, Jr. It appeared to me that she was sincerely upset over having to go against one of the first principles of journalism: you do not kill the messenger because you don't like the message.

During our discussion it became clear to me that if it was up to her there would be no such censorship. One of the first lessons taught in J-school is the sacrosanct ideology of freedom of the press. But such lofty ideals are often sacrificed by the upper echelons of management for larger profits or subverted by the power of a publisher who too often takes criticism of his newspaper personally and responds by killing the messenger.

I believe there was a different breed of editors and publishers 27 years ago when my weekly column first appeared in the *Rapid City Journal.* There was a "hands-off" publisher named Rusty Swan who did not interject his personal feelings or opinions to those folks laboring in the newsroom. I know because I was working in that newsroom as a reporter.

There was an editor named Jim Kuehn who took a chance when he hired me at the urging of the managing editor, Jim Carrier, who had come to the Journal from the Associated Press in Minneapolis.

It was Carrier who hired me, but it was Kuehn who stood behind me even when threats from advertisers demanded that he stop my column. I know he must have discussed this with Swan, the publisher, but I never heard a word from him asking me to change the tone of my columns.

But time marches on and other editors come and go. I immediately clashed with a new editor at the *Journal* named Joe Karius. A practicing Catholic, he became upset when I wrote a column about the myriad of problems we faced as students at the Holy Rosary Indian Mission on the Pine Ridge Reservation while boarders there. He accused me of being a "Catholic basher" and indicated that he would monitor my columns from then on.

To me "monitor" meant "censorship" and I told him that I was pulling my column from the Journal. And I did.

After Karius moved on to the Brookings (SD) Register, my column appeared sporadically in the Journal, but when I openly criticized the Journal at a conference for Indian students held at Crazy Horse Memorial in the Black Hills, the publisher, Masterson, took it personally and told his editor that my column would never be published in that paper again.

This year when the Journalism Conference for Native Americans was again held at Crazy Horse Memorial, sponsored by the Freedom Forum and the *Rapid City Journal,* I had to ask myself how a newspaper and an organization that practiced censorship could falsely present themselves as standards of freedom of the press to the Indian students in attendance. I found this to be the epitome of hypocrisy. I might add that since I criticized Jack Marsh of the Freedom Forum and Masterson, and rightfully so in my mind, I have not been invited back to speak to the Indian students.

And the Freedom Forum, that supposed bastion of freedom of the press and expression, will not invite me to speak to the Indian students at its annual Journalism Conference at the University of South Dakota, because, according to one of the former Conference organizers, Ray Chavez, "They are afraid of what you might say." Excuse me! Afraid of what I might say? Isn't that what freedom of expression is all about?

I am not completely censored in Rapid City. The new *Rapid City Weekly News* publishes my column periodically.

When I published *Indian Country Today* I firmly believed in freedom of expression. Whether I agreed or disagreed with a writer or whether a writer called me an SOB, it went into my newspaper. Is this a concept now lost to the mainstream media?

I wish Peggy Sagen well in her retirement and I know she would agree with me that freedom of the press is much too important to leave in the hands of the unprincipled. It would seem that killing the messenger is their favorite sport.

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Guest Column

Makosica cowboys out for a little fun!

BY FRANCIS CHARLES APPLE

Special Guest Column to the Times
Francis Apple lives in Kyle, S.D. and is a retired Lakota language instructor and clergy.

A bunch of top cowhands got together and planned to venture out to a semi professional Rodeo in Wall, known as the B Stampede, this was during the summer of 1947. Since it wasn't that far away from the Rez, they rode their well trained Indian ponys to Wall, which was only a hop and a skip away. These Lakota cowboys had been training in their respective categories for months at the Clifford Rodeo Arena.

They were as follows

1. Jimmy Dixon, saddle bronc and calf roping, riding Omaha, a horse that can do anything but talk.

2. Ross Henry, member of the Cowboy Turtle association Professional Bull Rider who won many championships across the Nation including the Madison Square Garden which at that time was the national finals and also the prestigious Cheyenne Frontier days.

He entered the bull riding and the calf roping, riding his well trained Medicine Hat Horse named itankp oqi.

3. Kenneth Apple, saddle bronc with a proven track record in his specialty. He also entered in the bull dogging contest this was cenique because no Lakota Cowboys had ever entered this event.

He practiced for weeks at the Clifford Ranch which was located near the White River in what was called the Bombing Range. He trained a muscular pretty named chub that could carry him to the pay window at any given white mans rodeo.

4. Tony Apple, saddle bronc and the bareback events.

Tony was equally good as his brother Kenneth, where ever they wanted people brothers compete against each other.

5. And then there was Chaney Hernandez who grew up amongst some of the toughest, roughest rodeo performers including the reservations best, a pretty black stallion named Black Diamond, a big sarrell named Bugger Red.

Entered in the saddle bronc and calf roping riding his well known bay horse with four white stockings and a white blaze on his face. Many reservation cowboys won money on this horse who gives a hundred and ten percent each time.

This swift Indian pony's name was Dandy.

I was only the hazer for my brother Kenneth.

Riding our family horse named Seven, short for 72. Seven came from the last horse bucking string.

To make the long story long our top rodeo hands didn't get to sow their talent.

I was only 16 years old at the time, so I watched the horses while our boys went to the bar to have a little fun, after closing time I heard a commotion, seemingly the whole town of wall was chasing the Lakota cowboys towards the rodeo grounds. Our horses were ready to go so we made a clean getaway we got back to the Clifford Ranch at dawn.

What I'm trying to say in this true story is - Our Lakota Cowboys could compete with the best of them.

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Things to empower yourself

I know what my worth and value is



By Patty Pourier

When I start to feel depressed, I look at the cause and usually it is because of feelings of not having much worth or value or not being accepted. Worth, value and acceptance. How can or does this affect us?

When I was growing up, worth and value came from working hard. Whether it is school, at home, on a tractor working a field or riding horseback, worth and value from my parents came from hard work. This was not all bad. It did help me create a very strong work ethic. This work ethic has carried me to become somewhat of a success in my career. Being 48-years old, and for the most part looking pretty successful on the outside, you might never think I have feelings of worthlessness. Not true.

Many times I let people, places and things affect me. For instance, I had someone write a letter about me that attacked me personally, in every area of my life.

I could have chosen to take it in and believe it as the truth. Even though I knew that many things in the letter were false. When I do this it leads to a feeling being worthless and valueless.

But that is my choice.

As an example, I remember Father Martin, a circuit speaker for Alcoholics Anonymous in the 70s, saying in one of his films, "If someone called you a chair would you be offended?" The young lady he was asking looked at him-kind of dumb founded and said, "No." He asked her "Why?" She said that she would not be offended because she knew she was not a chair. He then asked her, "Why then would you be any more offended if someone called you a whore if you knew you where not one?" The point being, it is our choice to become offended or not let others opinions of us control us if they are not true.

If you have done the very best you can, and have not been motivated out of something negative like bitterness or resentment and peoples opinions of your behavior are critical than, that is their problem not yours.

Co-dependency that is being dependent on others for our worth and value, helps to make the line of your responsibility for self-worth blurry. But, it clearly is all about you, and not about the other person's opinions of what you have done or have not done correctly or incorrectly.

I am reminded of the old saying, "You can please some of the people some of the time, and you can please all of the people some of the time, but you can never please all of the people all of the time."

After 25 years of sobriety, I still have the 30-day Alcoholics Anonymous coin I received in my jewelry box. On the back it says, "To thy own self be true." And I know when what I am doing or saying is good and honest and true. I know when my motives are out of anger and self-righteousness. I also know that some people are just plain not going to like me because of the color of my skin, my personality, or my ethnic background.

That is how it is. Other people are responsible for their ability to function in this world as best they can, and I am continually responsible for my actions and my reactions. If others feel the need to take my inventory, I will try to remember that that is my job, not theirs, and the two people I have to answer to, are looking back at me in the mirror and watching over me from above.

SPAGE VOICE

Five native women running for state seats, we need to support them

Dear Editor:

I have long enjoyed Tim Giago's columns and his writings and opinions, while growing up in South Dakota and now while growing, um, older and living in Minneapolis.

His recent defense of Cecilia Fire Thunder's stand against the state's abortion ban and quest for an alternative on her reservation is heartening as is his respect of women's control over their own bodies.

Today I read of the "unprecedented" runs by two Native men for Congressional seats in the upcoming election, Bruce Whalen, a Republican, and Tom Begay on the Independent ticket.

Indeed these men are breaking new ground in South Dakota politics, but running against Rep. Herseth its highly unlikely they'll be able to run successful campaigns, not in the least because of Whalen's allegiance to GOP politics.

What is truly unprecedented AND exciting are the five Native women running for state legislative offices in South Dakota.

Charon Asetoyer is running for a Senate seat in District 21 and Faith Spotted Eagle is working for a House seat in the same district. Both live in Lake Andes and their district includes both the Yankton Sioux and Crow Creek Reservations as well as many small communities.

Theresa Two Bulls is looking good to keep her Senate seat and out in Rapid City Paula Long Fox is running for a House seat and Theresa Spry for a Senate seat.

All of these fine women are running as Democrats and all except Two Bulls are facing primary challengers. Each of them needs support to get through the primary.

I think you'll agree that much needed attention to issues rarely brought to campaign rhetoric is one of the most exciting parts of these candidacies.

Each works hard in her life to address the harsh problems of youth on and off reservations and economic and environmental injustices. The potential for progress in South Dakota between communities and reservations, Natives and whites, business and environment is finally up front and center in this election cycle in the campaigns of these women.

The hope they cast into the future is one of their greatest gifts to young women and Native youth in South Dakota as they create new paths to inclusive, participatory democracy by their example.

Whether the SD Democratic Party will rise up to support these candidates is yet to be seen but I'm not waiting around.

To wage strong runs in their primaries we all need to pitch in and help in whatever ways we can, through-funding, volunteer canvassing, letters to editors – you know the routine.

Please help support these candidates for progress. Below you'll find contact information to contribute to campaigns or give them each a call and find out how they expand the electoral dialogue with their positions and unique experiences working for diverse communities.

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I'm looking forward to seeing all of these women in the South Dakota legislature next year.

Laura Ross
Minneapolis, Minn.

Spiritual key to 'The Great Mystery'

Dear Editor:

In the documentary film "The Great Mystery," there is a scene in which Gerald One Feather discusses the challenge of being the staff bearer for the Lakota Nation.

A leader of the Lakota nation in these times must be creative, he says, and must involve the spirit, adding "if you don't involve the spirit, then nothing happens."

In the next BIU event, to be held Sunday April 30 in Rapid City, Mr. One Feather and his wife Ingrid One Feather will be joined by Dr. George Tinker of Iliff School of Theology in Denver at a community forum to honor the legacy of Vine Deloria Jr. Dr. Tinker, who will lead the forum, is Professor of American Indian Cultures and Religious Traditions at Iliff.

One Feather is one of the founders of Oglala Lakota College, and Ms. One Feather is a teacher who has studied theology at Cook College & Theological School in Arizona. All three knew Dr. Deloria well, and we are privileged to be able to listen to them tell us about him, his stunning creativity, and how he "involved the spirit" in his life's work.

The forum will also include clips from Catherine Corona's new documentary "The Great Mystery," including interviews with Dr. Deloria.

Many of us first became acquainted with Dr. Deloria's thinking when he published his groundbreaking work "Custer Died for Your Sins" in 1969.

The book was a major awakening to those of us who, while aware of the sins of our fathers committed toward Native Americans from the 1600's and into the twentieth century, were ignorant of our own cultural blindness and the failures of our state and federal governments under our own watch. It was addressed to a generation which accepted the fact that its predecessors committed atrocities, and was willing to express regret and apologize for them.

But Dr. Deloria demanded that we take another step and accept the fact that, in our age, seeming beneficences such as assimilation might be motivated by greed for the natural resources which had been left to Native Americans by sheer happenstance.

Ideologically challenging, the book is quite readable, often entertaining. It is filled with incisive wit and deep insights into the cultural clashes that were becoming more apparent at that time. It remains a timely and provocative work in the twenty-first century.

In the 30 years or so that followed "Custer Died for Your Sins," Dr. Deloria continued his probing into the religious and philosophical differences between Native and European cultures, to the point where he is widely regarded as one of a handful of truly significant theologians and philosophers of the past century.

"God Is Red," which in 2003 was published in a third edition (with a foreword by Dr. Tinker), is in my estimation an indispensable work to anyone who considers himself or herself to be a serious student of theology.

The work demands that its readers confront the arrogance of a belief system that embraces the supernatural events recorded in the Bible as historical fact, yet patronizingly dismisses Native American narratives of creation and spiritual powers as mere folklore.

Recently, in the startling work "Evolutionism, Creationism, and Other Modern Myths," (2002) Dr. Deloria asserts that a major part of the scientific community has essentially created a new religious dogma in its insistence that evolution is the only acceptable explanation for the natural world.

This dogma is no more valid, he argues, than religious fundamentalism which insists upon viewing creation as a specific event rather than as an existing life system.

In his many works on spirituality, religion and philosophy, Dr. Deloria never abandoned his confrontational style.

I respectfully call it guerilla theology. I believe, however, that whether or not one accepts his thoughts and teachings, anyone who sincerely and continuously explores his or her own spirituality should endeavor to understand them.

While you may not adopt them, I think you must ponder them deeply before you ultimately choose a spiritual path.

We were privileged to have had him among us, and we are privileged that he left behind such a profound body of work which was undeniably creative and certainly "involved the spirit."

The Bridges for Intercultural Understanding Committee has sponsored several highly successful events which have focused on global intercultural issues, and for this forum is turning attention to local and regional intercultural issues.

The April 30 event at SD School of Mines & Technology, at 3 p.m. to honor Vine Deloria and his work gives us an opportunity to bring our neighboring cultures together.

The forum is free to the public. Don't pass it up.

Wayne Gilbert is President of the Synagogue of the Hills in Rapid City, although his thoughts are not intended to be necessarily representative of the Jewish faith.

He was a participant in the 2004 BIU Forum "Prospects for Peace: Historical Roots of the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict."

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May 3 estate planning day, Oglala Sioux Tribe has $838,421 for 1,482 people, whereabouts unknown

PINE RIDGE - The Office of special Trustee and Dakota Plains Legal Services will be hosting an Estate Planning Day on Wednesday, May 3 at the Billy Mills Hall from 10:30 a.m. until 3 p.m.

The purpose of this outreach is to provide information to Pine Ridge Tribal members regarding estate planning and the assistance that is available for members to assert their choices as to what will happen with their lands.

There will be adequate time available for personal questions and applications for legal services from Dakota Plains Legal Services.

Additionally event hopes to gather current addresses for numberous people who have money in the IIM bank. OST continually works to find people who have funds in trust, but do not have current contact information on file.

For the Oglala Sioux Tribe there are 1,482 whereabouts unknown accounts holding approximately $838,421.

Special speakers at this event will include Teresa Glinski, Attorney for Dakota Plains Legal Services and Helen Riggs, Deputy Regional Trust Administrator, Albuquerque, N.M.

Alex White Plume, vice president, has announced his intention to be there to ask and answer questions along with other council members. BIA department heads will be available to answer questions.

A primary target for questions will be, "How does the American Indian Probate and Reform Act apply" to specific fact situations our beneficiaries may anticipate.

The Office of the Special Trustee and Dakota Plains Legal Services invite all interested beneficiaries as well as tribal members to join in the Estate Planning Day and help in getting the news of this even to all parts of the reservation.

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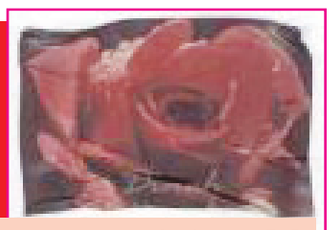


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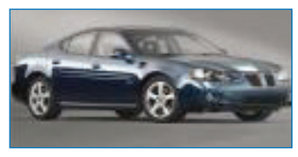
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MUMPS

As of April 17, 2006 Nebraska, 92 confirmed and probable cases have been reported to the Nebraska Department of Health (DOH). As of April 29, 2006 IOWA, 975 confirmed, probable, and suspected cases of mumps have been reported to the Iowa Department of Health.

The majority of cases are occurring among persons 18-25 years of age, Many of whom are vaccinated. Additional cases of mumps, possible linked to the Iowa outbreak, are also under investigation in seven neighboring states, including Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, and Wisconsin.

The Iowa Department of Health has identified two (2) persons diagnosed with mumps who were potentially infectious during travel on nine different commercial flights involving two airlines between the timeframe of March 26, 2006 - April 2, 2006. The origin and arrival cities for these flights included Cedar Rapid/ Waterloo, IA; Dallas, TX; Detroit, MI; Bentonville, AR; Minneapolis, MN; St. Louis, MO; Tucson, AZ; and Washington, DC.

Symptoms & Signs

After a 14 to 24 day incubation period, the onset of mumps occurs with chills, headache, anorexia, malaise and a low to moderate grade fever that may last 14 to 24 hours before salivary gland involvement is noted.These symptoms may be absent in mild cases.

Diagnosis

Diagnosis of typical cases during an epidemic is easy; diagnosis of sporadic cases is not.

Prognosis and Prophylaxis

Prognosis is excellent in uncomplicated mumps. Although rarely, a relapse occurs after about 2 weeks, particularly in postpubertal patients; mumps may involve organs other than the salivary glands. Symptoms may precede, accompany, follow, or occur without salivary gland involvement.

Live mumps virus vaccine is the agent of choice for active immunization. This vaccine produces no significant local or systemic reaction and requires only one injection. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends vaccination (with measles-mumps, rubella) at 12 to 15 months of age and again at entry into grade school or junior high school. Post exposure vaccination does not protect against mumps from that exposure.

Treatment

Treatment is symptomatic. A soft diet reduces pain caused by chewing. Acidic substances (e.g. citrus fruit juices) may also cause discomfort and should be avoided. Analgesics may be used for headache and general malaise.

Vaccination

The current recommendation is that a first dose of MMR be administered at age 12 to 15 months, with a second dose at four to six years. If the second dose is missed it can also be administered during adolescence.

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FAMILY EMERGENCY HEALTH INFORMATION

It is important to think about health issues that could arise if a flu pandemic occurs and how they could affect you and your loved ones. For example, if a mass vaccination clinic is set up in your community, you may need to provide as much information as you can about your medical history when you go, especially if you have a serious health condition or allergy. Gather important health records (like vaccination card) in a folder or binder marked 'Health Records' and keep them in one place. Remember to include information on your pets.

Create a family emergency health plan using this information. Fill in information for each family member in the space provided. Like much of the planning for a pandemic, this can also help prepare for other emergencies.

***BEFORE* a pandemic may occur, share the family member information and emergency contacts lists with your clinic and community-based health care providers, someone you trust (another family member) but who doesn't live with you and the emergency contact person who resides outside the area in which you live.)**

FAMILY EMERGENCY HEALTH INFORMATION SHEET*

Family Member Date of Birth	Blood Type	Allergies	Past/Current Medical Conditions	Current Medications/ Dosages	Distinguishing Marks/location on body (birthmarks,moles scars

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PANDEMIC FLU PLANNING CHECKLIST FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES

You can prepare for a world-wide influenza outbreak ("flu pandemic"). You should know what can happen during a pandemic and what actions you can take to reduce the effects of a flu pandemic on you and your family. A flu pandemic could last for 6-8 weeks in a community and may return several times.

Although all levels of government are preparing for a possible flu pandemic, personal planning is important because some community businesses and services may be disrupted or closed, including:

- **School, childcare and work**
- **Public transportation and availability of gasoline and other fuels**
- **Grocery Stores, banks, gas stations, and other businesses**
- **Communications, including telephone, radio and television**
- **Utilities - electricity, gas**
- **Pharmacies and health care**

This checklist will help you gather the information and resources you may need in case a flu pandemic or other emergency interrupts normal business activities

1. Assemble a Disaster Supplies Kit. Make sure that you consider the needs of family members with special needs. The Kit should include the following items:

- ☒ **Water and food supplies. During a pandemic, you may not be able to get supplies from stores, so it is important for you to have extras on hand. This can be useful in other emergencies, such as power outages.**
- ☒ **At least 30 days supply of important medication. Ask your doctor and/or pharmacist if you can get an extra supply of your regular prescription drugs.**
- ☒ **Nonprescription drugs and other health supplies. These include pain relievers, stomach remedies, cough and cold medicines, fluids with electrolytes (e.g. sports drinks) and vitamins, Band-Aids, antibacterial ointments, tape and gauze.**

2. Create a family emergency health plan. List emergency contact information. Consider how family members would be cared for if they got sick and what would be needed to care for them.

3. Get involved. Volunteer with local groups and health centers to prepare and assist with emergency response. Your community needs help as it works to prepare.

4. Keep informed. Tune into news from radio, television and newspapers.

5. To limit the spread of germs and prevent infection:

- ☒ **Make sure that you and your family are up to date on vaccinations.**
- ☒ **Wash hands often with soap and water and teach this to children.**
- ☒ **Cover coughs and sneezes with tissues and teach this to children**
- ☒ **Stay away from others as much as possible if they are sick and teach this to children.**
- ☒ **Stay home from work and school if sick.**

***Information modified from www.pandemicflu.gov**

THE DIASTER SUPPLIES KIT

Stock up on food and water. During a pandemic it may not be possible to get to a store. Even if you can get to a store, it may be closed or out of supplies. Public water and sewer services may also be interrupted. Even if a pandemic flu outbreak does not occur, stocking up on supplies can be useful in other types of emergencies such as power outages. Store food that:

- Are non perishable (will keep for along time) and don't require refrigeration
- Are easy to prepare
- Require little or not water, so that you can conserve water for drinking

Examples of Food and Non-perishable Items

- ☐ Ready-to-eat canned meats,fruits, vegetables, beans, and soups.
- ☐ Protein & fruit bars
- ☐ Dry cereal & granola
- ☐ Peanut butter or nuts
- ☐ Dried fruit
- ☐ Crackers
- ☐ Canned & bottled juices
- ☐ Bottled water-1 gallon per person per day
- ☐ Canned & jarred baby food and formula
- ☐ Powdered & shelf-stable milk
- ☐ Pet food

Remember to rotate and replace food items:
First in -- First Used
Put dates on perishables if they are not dated

Medical, Health,and Emergency Supplies

- ☐ Prescribed medical supplies such as hearing aids, glucose and blood-pressure monitoring equipment; extra batteries.
- ☐ Band-Aids, antibacterial ointments,tape,guaze bandages
- ☐ Fever medicines such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen
- ☐ Fluids with electrolytes (e.g. sports drinks)
- ☐ Thermometer,vitamins,anti-diarrheal medication
- ☐ Soap & water & alcohol-based hand wash
- ☐ Toothpast,toothbrushes & denture supplies
- ☐ Tissues,toilet paper, feminine hygiene supplies disposable diapers, paper plates, plastic eating utensils
- ☐ Flashlight, various batteries, portable radio
- ☐ Garbage bags, hatchet, shovel
- ☐ Fuel stores (wood, propane, fuel oil)
- ☐ Manual can opener
- ☐ Matches lighters
- ☐ Portable gas stove & fuel canisters for cooking
- ☐ Pens, pencils, writing pads
- ☐ Patch kit and can of seal-in-air for car or wheel-chair tires
- ☐ Plain bleach for emergency disinfection of water
- ☐ Rope, waterproof plastic containers

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Community Calendar

'Rez Happenings'

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Pahin Sinte College Center Walking Club
starting at 4 p.m. each day Monday through Friday at the center in Porcupine, for information call Janice or Alva at 867-5404.

Grief Support Group
meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888.

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841.

Geoffrey Black Feather Walk
Wednesday, April 26 with registration at 9 a.m. at Billy Mills parking lot in Pine Ridge with waqlk to start at 10 a..m, for info call Ken at 867-1289 or Monica at 867-6300 ext. 137.

Basketball Drills for Skills Clinic
Warwick Workouts on Wednesdays, April 26th, May 3, May 10 at Pine Ridge High School, high school girls 3:30-5pm and high school boys 5-7:30 p.m., for info call Maretta at 867-2153

March Against Native Youth Violence
Thursday, April 27th in Kyle at the Little Wound School football field at 2:30pm with a native youth violence rally and community cookout to follow at 4:30pm and a public forum at 6 p.m.

Wellness Week Walk and Run
Thursday, April 27 at the Pahin Sinte College Center with registration at 4pm and walk and run at 4:30 p.m., call Janice at 867-5404.

Indian Education Teacher Job Fair 2006
Thursday, April 27 from 11am to 5pm at the Albuquerque Convention Center, an event to recruit teachers for all subject areas, elementary, junior high and high school, for information call 1 877 284-3822.

Single family disaster training
Saturday, April 29 at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine from 9am to 3pm

Gaylord Catches Memorial Dinner
Saturday, April 29 at 1 p.m. with a prayer at the gravesite and a meal to follow at Wolf Creek School.

Open Forum/Summit on Treaty Issues
Saturday, April 29 at the Lakota Veteran's gym in St. Francis from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on treaties, IRA government, Bear Butte and other issues.

Death to Meth Memorial Concert
Tuesday, May 2, in memory of Chantel Bacon-Wilson for info contact Charlie at 455-1226 or Carol at 441-9238.

Spring Fling Music Program
Wednesday, May 3 at 1:30 p.m. in the commons area of Crazy Horse School in Wanblee.

Free Estate Planning Services
Wednesday, May 3, with Dakota Plains Legal services inviting all tribal trust landowners and members to a free community education meeting at 10:30 a.m. with staff available for questions until 3 p.m., for info call 867-1020.

Common Sense Parenting Class
Wednesday, May 3, 2-4 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Church in Pine Ridge offering parents practical ideas and techniques for raising happy, well adjusted children, for info call 348-6086 or 1 800 727-2401.

Fund Raiser for 2005 Miss He Sapa Win
Lunch sale Friday and Saturday, May 5 and 6 at Prairie Market in Rapid City from 11am to 7pm daily to raise money for Shere Lynn Wright as she fulfills her duties as the reigning Miss He Sapa Win.

Spring Fever Slow Pitch Softball Tourney
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 5, 6 and 7 in Spring Creek, double elimination and for info Lee and Tami Bad Hand at 747-4479, Brady or Umpo at at 747-4479.

Pajola Otonwahe Dance club will sponsor school pow wow on April 28



Back row (L-R): Brent Pinkerton Dubray, Stephanie Sorbel, Candance Pinkerton Dubray and Alex Hunter. Front row (L-R): Jason Drapeaux Jr., Alexandria Triplett, Fallen Sorbel, Jacob Sorbel, Brittany Poor Bear. Not pictured: Elaina Red Shirt, Morning Star Bracamonte, Willowbay Helper, Cassie Ward, Charlie Ward, Bobbi and Mary Standing Soldier, Colton Gotheridge, Josephine Young and Latrell Terkildsen.

MARTIN - On Friday, April 28, the first ever Bennett County School pow wow dance contest will be held at the American Legion Auditorium.

Grand entries are set for 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. and supper will be a 5 p.m. at the school activity center. The pow wow is sponsored by Pajola Otonwahe Dance Club, whose students are members in the Bennett County School. The dance club is part of the Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye organization, which is comprised of 15 schools on the Pine Ridge reservation. Students compete at the pow wows, sponsored by the schools and gain points all year long and have a final dance contest at the end of the year in May.

This is the first year, Bennett County School has a dance club and is a part of the Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye dance organization. There are 18 active students in the dance club and the sponsors are Jennifer Takes War Bonnett and Jason Drapeaux. Takes War Bonnett said the students participated in the contests all school year and gained points and brought home trophies. At the beginning of the school year, students participated in the school royalty contest and those selected performance were Miss Pajola Otonwahe is Candance Pinkerton Dubray, who is in eighth grade at the Bennett County Junior High School and is a jingle dress dancer. Junior Miss Pajola Otonwahe is Fallon Sorbel, who is a first grade at Bennett County Grade School.

The purpose of Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye is the bring all schools together in teaching students language, culture and dance.

Each sponsors a school dance, hand games and drum contest with their pow wow. Drapeaux said the sponsors and the parents and the community pulled together to raise the funds to fund the school pow wow that will be held on April 28.

There will be 14 school dance clubs that will be participating in the April 28 dance contest here in Martin, said Drapeaux and each has members who compete in the dance, drum group and hand game contests.

The dance contest consists of the categories of grade levels in jingle dress, fancy and traditional for girls. The boys will compete in grade levels in traditional, grass and fancy dance. The students will also compete in Hand Game tournaments.

The host drum is Ndn Express of Martin and invited drum is Elk Soldier of the Yankton Sioux Reservation. There will be special honorings during the pow wow.

The first grand entry will be at 1 p.m. and at 6:30 p.m. Takes War Bonnett encourages the public attend the grand entries as the site is spectacular with all the dancers in full regalia.

There will be a free feed for the participating students and the public who attend the pow wow at 5 p.m. at the Martin Grade School activity center. The menu is a hot sandwich, hot dogs, baked beans, chips and a drink.

Drapeaux said trophies are awarded to the ones with the highest points of up to four place. The school bags will be awarded to all students who participate. Judges will give points according to performance and regalia. Champions of the hand games will receive medals.

He said people pulled together to raise money to fund the dance pow wow. He said many Martin businesses, tribal organizations and individuals donated to the event.

For more information call Jason Drapeaux at 441-0040 or Jennifer Takes War Bonnett at 441-1705 or Mrs. Ready at 685-6300.

O'Bryan, Wilson-Pine, Bernie earn two wins apiece as individuals and teams hit mid-season stride

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent





Left: Lisa Two Charge winning the 800, and Eltwin Grass Rope winning the 3200. Photo by Randy Bachelor.

CUSTER/CHAMBERLAIN - Red Cloud's Marissa O'Bryan opened the season by tying her personal bests in both the 100 and 200 at Douglas and has set a new personal best each week; on Friday in Custer, O'Bryan won both the 100 and the 200 and took third in the 400.

Pine Ridge's Alex Wilson-Pine picked up wins in both the 1600 and the 3200 on Friday in Custer and helped Pine Ridge to a 1600 medley relay win also. Todd County's Julie Bernie won both the 1600 and 3200 events at the Chamberlain Invitational on Saturday and helped her team to a win in the 3200 relay.

Last week O'Bryan won the 100 at Belle Fourche with a 12.88, improving on her 13.2 at Douglas. In Custer Marissa won the 100 with a 12.74 which qualifies the senior runner for the state meet in late May. Continuing a similar improvement in the 200, O'Bryan ran a 27.1 at Douglas, took second in Belle Fourche with 26.91 and a first in Custer with a 26.78. The in-season state standard to qualify is 26.6. O'Bryan also ran the 40 for only the second time in competition and took third with a 1:01.57.

"Our goal is to get Marissa qualified in all three of the sprints, the 100, 200 and 400 by hitting the state standard in each," said Matt Rama, Red Cloud's track coach, "right now it is down to shaving time off by the tenth of a second by improving her form or her start, she is a hard worker and has a great attitude."

Lester Gotheridge, a sophomore at Red Cloud took second behind Wilson-

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Community Calendar 'Rez Happenings'

Kiyaksa Youth Basketball Tournament
Friday-Sunday, May 5-7 at the Little Wound School gym, 12 teams double elimination, 19 and under, for information call 455-2555 or 441-6538.

Co-ed Softball Season Opener Slam'n Jam
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 5-7 at the Porcupine School ball field, a fundraiser for the Porcupine School 8th grade class and includes a horseshoe tourney and a staff basketball tourney, for info call Harold at 455-6450 or 455-6474.

Three Mile Creek Youth Rodeo and School
Friday and Saturday, May 5 and 6 at Three Mile Creek arena, nine miles southwest of Kyle with check-ins for school at 9am on Friday and at 10am on Saturday, for info contact Michelle at 455-2797, 455-2313 or 441-4931

Wakanyeja Cikala Tournament
A 12 team double elimination Tournament at the Lakota Veterans gym in St. Francis May 5-7, for information call Merle Anderson at 605 208-2607 or 747-2201.

Co-ed Volleyball Tourney
Third Annual John Beard Co-ed Volleyball Tournament is set for Saturday, May 6, an "Open" format tournament, for info contact Sheila Romero at 381-8991 or Lisa at 718-0934.

34th Anniversary of Wounded Knee 73 planning meeting
Monday, May 8th at 1 p.m. at the Claudia Iron Hawk Sully residence in Wounded Knee, for info call 867-1413, 455-2590 or 454-1741 or 867-5713 with a potluck dinner.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
Friday, May 11 at Pine Ridge School for the TWO Finals, sponsored by Shannon County Schools with grand entries set for 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., celebrating Lakota music and dance with dance and drum groups from schools across the reservation.

Kindergarten Round-up
Our Lady of Lourdes School in Porcupine on Friday, May 12 from 10 a.m.-12 noon with a lunch provided - students entering Kindergarten in the fall of 2006 must be at least five years old before September 1, 2006.

Dakota Warriors Men's Slow pitch tourney
Eight team, double E Friday and Saturday, May 12 and 13 at the Fallen Warrior Softball Field in Ft. Thompson, S..D, for info call Wes at 605 245-2909 or 730-1837

Mother's Day Slugfest Co-ed Softball tourney
Friday-Sunday, May 12-14 at Manderson ballfield, for info call Frank at 441-8642.

Great Plains Regional Golf tournament
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 19-21 at the Lee Park Golf Course in Aberdeen, S. Dak. For information call Gordon at 605 216-2586, John at 605 226-7347 or Henry at 605 290-3344.

Youth Slowpitch Softball Tournament
Sunday, May 21 at the Fallen Warrior field in Ft. Thompson, for information contact Wes Fire Cloud 245-2909 or 730-1637.

Voter Registration Deadline
Monday, May 29 for the Shannon County District 65-1 School Board Election to be held on Tuesday, June 13, for information call the county auditor at 745-5130 or the county office at 288-1921.

Crazy Horse Ride
Set for Sunday through Friday, June 4-9 in honor of all veterans, for information contact Bam Brewer at 867-1119 or 441-8810.

Richards cited for sweat lodge fire

DAYTON, Wyo. (AP) - An Oglala Lakota who says fire is essential for his traditional sweat lodge religious ceremonies was cited for a second time for violating a town ordinance against open fires.

Terry Richards, who was scheduled for a bench trial April 25 on his first citation, also was cited for refusing to identify himself to officers.

``They gave me another citation for the fire, and they got me for interfering with an officer, too,'' Richards said. ``They put me in handcuffs.''

In a sweat lodge ceremony, a fire is used to heat rocks, which are taken inside the lodge. Water poured over the hot rocks creates steam inside the lodge.

Richards said an open fire is essential to the integrity of the ceremony.

But two years ago, Dayton was almost destroyed in a wildfire, and town officials say any open fire violates local ordinances.

John Maronick Jr., a friend of Richards who is not Indian but does participate in sweat lodge ceremonies, also was cited for violating the open fire ordinance.

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Pine in the 1600 at Custer and took fourth in the 800. Julie Boyce, a senior at Little Wound took second in the 800.

Bernie helped the Lady Falcons to a second place finish at Chamberlain with her 1600 and 3200 wins, Summer Folkers won the shot with a 35'9", Crystal Salway was fourth. Folkers took second in the discus with throw of 98'5" and Emily Her Many Horses, Lisa Two Charge, Kylie Wilson and Bernie won the 3200 relay for the Lady Falcons. Two Charge won the 800 while Her Many Horses was fourth; Wendy Smaltz garnered a second in the 200 and a fourth in the 100. Brittany Larvie was second to Bernie in the 1600 while Her Many Horses was fourth.

The Todd County boys finished in third place at Chamberlain just two points out of first where Highmore-Harold and Jones County tied. Chris Rahn won the shot with a toss of 41'5" and took second in the discus to teammate CJ Spotted Tail. Sophomore Gunner Krogman helped the team with two seconds, one in the high jump and another in the long jump; he added a fourth in the 200. Albert Her Many Horses took fifth in the 1600 and fourth in the 800.

Lower Brule's Eltwin Grass Rope won the 3200 beating out William White Buffalo of Jones County and his teammate Daniel Grass Rope. Eltwin added a fourth in the 1600 which was won by another teammate, Kyal Midletent in 4:58.24.

Last week in Belle Fourche, Takini's Kiko Mendoza set a new meet record for the 3200 in a winning time of 10:10.21 which also pupts him under the state standard an qualifies him for the state meet. Mendoza won the State B cross country meet as a freshman this past fall. Takini added a second first place in the 1600 sprint medley holding off Newell by one second.

In addition to O'Bryan and Mendoza, Tyrone White, a senior at Cheyenne Eagle Butte has qualified in season for the state meet in the 1600 with a time of 4:35.50 and Jordan Wohlleber, an eighth grader at CEB has qualified in the 3200 with a 12:11.0.

The West River Conference track meet to be hosted by Pine Ridge on Tuesday was postponed until later in the week because of the spring storm that dumped several inches of wet snow on the area.

Overtime girl's game and outstanding boy's play highlights Big Foot Conference All Star Jam

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PORCUPINE - The girls opened the all star portion of the 5th Annual Big Foot Conference All Star Weekend Jam at Porcupine School Saturday night, 10 lead changes and 12 ties later with one overtime period, the West pulled out a 93-91 win over the East.

Josie Johnson, Our Lady of Lourdes, set the tone for the West with six points and three rebounds to lead her team to a 22-15 first quarter margin. The Eastr's Kanisha Rooks hustled up and down the floor for a matching six points to help keep her team close.

Briana Weston/Porcupine hit two threes and a deuce, Little Wound's Kristen Clifford added seven points and Christy Boltz caught fire for six points to help the East to a 38-34 halftime lead. For the West, Jayme Janis/Wolf Creek and Bessie Brewer/Wolf Creek each hekped with four points while Pine Ridge's Alyssa Cottier hit for five and Christian Janis led the way with eight to give their team a 59-56 third quarter lead. Boltz kept her team in the game scoring 10 points in the third.

Autumn Hollow Horn/ Porcupine came alive in the fourth with 13 points and several rebounds as the East fought back to tie up the game 80-80 at the end of regulation. Rooks and Hollow Horn scored four and three points respectively and along with Boltz did everything possible to win the game for the Eest but Delia Big Boy's two baskets and Christian Janis's basket and four straight free throws in the overtime period gave the win to the West.

Janis led the way with 26 points, five steals and six assists while several West players played major minutes and chipped in solid scoring - Johnson finished with eight points and eight rebounds, Jayme Janis hit for eight points and six boards, Amber Steele, Alyssa Cottier and Delia Big Boy all had nine points.

Lolly Steele and Raydeen Red Shirt coached the West with players from Our Lady of Lourdes, Pine Ridge, Wolf Creek and Loneman.

For the East, it was a real team effort with a number of outstanding performances - Hollow Horn had 22 points and 16 rebounds, Boltz added 20 points, eight steals and nine rebounds, Clifford finished with 15 points and 22 boards, Weston helped with 17 points and Rooks chipped in 18 points, five assists and six rebounds.

Norma Brown Bull coached the East made up of players from American Horse, Little Wound, Batesland and Porcupine.

Shane Warwick, a teacher and past coach and currently a workout specialist for ball players at every level from junior high to the NBA ran a skills camp for the girls in the morning and for the boys in the afternoon. Warwick was assisted by Zach Finley, the All State center who helped lead St. Thomas More to an undefeated season and a State A Championship last month in Sioux Falls.



Warwick's Workouts in the morning included: Paul John Iron Cloud and Zach Finley on the left side and Shane Warwick and Tiny DeCory on the right side with the all star participants Tonya Yellow Hawk, Alyssa Red Bear and Lizzie New Holy of American Horse, Autumn Hollow Horn, Briana Weston and Michelle Hawk Wing of Porcupine, Kristen Clifford and Kanisha Rooks of Little Wound, Christy Boltz/Batesland, Amber Steele, Ethleen Cournoyer and Josie Johnson of Our Lady of Lourdes, Christian Janis, Bessie Brewer and Alyssa Cottier of Pine Ridge, Sioux Dawn Janis, Mary Two Lance and Kayla Ten Fingers of Loneman, Jayme Janis, Deliah Big Boy, Shayna Hill and Emily Lopez of Wolf Creek.



For the boys, Warwick's Workouts included Iron Cloud and Finley on the left and Warwick on the right and the all stars Oren Three Stars, Sam Yellow Hawk and Geddy Packed of American Horse, Daylon Black Bull, Derek Marshall and Jordan Spotted Eagle of Porcupine, Brennan Montgomery, Enoch Yellow Hawk and Jamie No Neck of Little Wound, Bryer Iron Cloud, Carl Swallow and Kiley Weston of OLL, Dallas Two Lance, Ernie Long Visitor and Johnny Yellow Cloud of Loneman, Lars Backward and Monte Good Voice Flute of Loneman and Casey Mesteth and William Yellow Bull of Wounded Knee District School.

The West scored early and often reeling off 32 points in the second and 36 points in the fourth while leading each quarter. Swallow finished with 20 points, five assists and nine rebounds, Weston added nine points and seven boards, Dallas Two Lance, Loneman, helped with 11 points and four rebounds, Johnny Yellow Cloud helped with seven points and 17 rebounds.

Shane Clifford, Our Lady of Lourdes coach, provided the direction for the West which included players from Loneman, Pine Ridge, Wolf Creek, Wounded Knee District School and OLL.

In addition to Three Stars, the East squad received production from Geddy Packed who had 11 points and four rebounds, Derek Marshall/ Porcupine, five points and 11 boards, Little Wound's Enoch Yellow Hawk with four points and ten rebounds and Sam Yellow Hawk with four points, five steals and five rebounds. Hermus Bettelyoun/American Horse coached the East which included players from American Horse, Little Wound and Porcupine.

Jayme Janis beat Bessie Brewer 7-5 to win the three point competition, Bessie Brewer made six of ten free throws to knock off Ethlenn Cournoyer who hit five of ten to win the free thrown award. For the boys, Swallow beat Lars Backward 12 to 10 to win the three point shoot-out while Iron Cloud hit 23 of 25 free throws over Swallow's 20 of 22 to win the free throw competition.

For the fifth year, Porcupine School hosted the top eighth grade girls and boys from across Pine Ridge Reservation in an all star game and in both educational and athletic workshops to help prepare the student athlete for the next level in both academics and athletics.

"Every student athlete had the chance for some outstanding instruction from Shane Warwick and his assistant Zach Finley," said Paul John Iron Cloud, event coordinator, "it is a highlight for parents, community members and the school to showcase our top eighth grade student athletes each year."

Summit on treaty issues to be held at Rosebud

ST. FRANCIS - The Sicangu Oyate will hold an Open Forum/Summit on treaty issues and concerns on Saturday, April 29 at the Lakota Veterans gymnasium from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Invited speakers will discuss treaties, the IRA government, pending resolutions, a plan for future action and meetings, and updates on Bear Butte. Meals will be provided. For more information contact Daryl Marcus at 605-208-4427.

Death to Meth concert to be held May 2 at Pine Ridge

PINE RIDGE - a "Death to Meth" concert will be held in memory of 'Channy' on May 2 from 10 to 10 p.m. at the Pine Ridge football field. The rain site will be Billy Mills hall. The purpose will be to bring awareness about the danger of meth use to the young. All tribal programs are invited to put up tables or booths and offer information to all school age children on the Pine Ridge reservation about the dangers of meth use.

U.S. Representative Stephanie Herseth will attend and support the awareness effort. The bands confirmed for this event include Marty Stuart, Antithesis, and Aztlan Underground. The local bands confirmed include, Native Era, Will Peters, Steel River, and Steve Emery. There will also be a hand drum contest for best 'anti-drug' song ranging from $30, $50 to $100.

For more information contact Chris Eagle Hawk at 605-867-8109, or 867-1383 Charlie White Elk 605-455-1226 or Saunie Wilson 605-867-5041 or 441-0118.

3MC Youth Rodeo and School

The 3MC rodeo and school are looking for cowboys and cowgirls who are interested in learning to 'rodeo.' The check-ins for the school will be at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, May 5 and 10:00 a.m. on May 6. The events will include roping, barrel racing, bull riding, bareback riding, sale bronc riding, and team roping. The instructors include, Ethan Balon Marty Hebb, Sharon Small/Vocu, Alan Fisher, Jim Jacobs, Merle Temple, and Steve Pourier. The contact person is Michelle Vocu at 605-455-2797, 455-2313, 441-4931 or Merle Tempe at 455-2573. Security will be provided with an ambulance standing by. Not responsible for accidents or thefts. The school is located 9 miles southwest of Kyle at the three mile creek arena.

Fund raiser for Miss He Sapa Win

RAPID CITY - A fundraiser for Ms. Shere Lynn Wright, 2005 Miss He Sapa Win, will be held at the Prairie Market on May 5 and 6 from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. The 2005 BHPW Princess Shere Wright is raising funds for travel expenses while representing the Black Hills Powwow Association.

On the menu will be chips, hotdogs, hamburgers, and candy. The 20th annual He Sapa Wacipi will be held at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center on October 6, 7, and 8.

Porcupine School upcoming events

PORCUPINE - There will be a "Season Opener Slam and Jam" co-ed softball tournament by the sixth grade. It is a 'Co-Ed Softball Fundraiser' to be held at the Porcupine School ball field. It will be a 12 team co-ed tournament with cash awards given to the top three places. The entry fee will be $125.00. One blue dot game ball and one woman's white ball is required.

A "Best in the West" horseshoe tournament will be held at the school with the top three places earning cash awards. There will be a $20.00 entry fee.

There will also be a "Staff basketball" tournament with a $100.00 entry fee with the top three places earning cash awards.

All of these events will take place at the Porcupine School's ball field and gymnasium on May 5, 6, and 7. For information contact Shawna Black Bull at 605-455-6450 or Lamar Black Bull 455-6475.

Whalen announces candidacy for U.S. House

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Bruce Whalen created a professional website on the internet and reports that he collected twice the number of signatures required for his petition as a candidate for the U. S. House of Representatives. The lone House seat representing South Dakota is held by incumbent Representative Stephanie Herseth (D-SD.)

Whalen embarked on his statewide campaign by announcing a five-city tour beginning at the Old Carpenter Hotel in Sioux Falls on April 20, proceeding to Watertown. Last Thursday he was scheduled to be in Aberdeen. On Friday he was scheduled to be in Pierre at Republican Headquarters and his final stop was at the historic Alex Johnson Hotel in Rapid City.

Whalen has a connection to the South Dakota Republic Party as he was hired a couple of years ago to work as a liaison to Lakota people and, in fact, some of his outreach efforts included manning a booth at powwows and dispensing information about the party.

In the interim since last being interviewed by the Lakota Country Times last spring, Whalen says that he has done a lot of study and reading on the issues. He said, "I have been reading and talking to a lot of people preparing for what lies ahead. The environment is going to change. We need to explain to each other how to prepare for the change in technology."



Bruce Whalen, his wife Carol and children Jeremiah and Elizabeth.

On Whalen's attractive website he writes, "Positive Government to Government relationships between American Indians and the United States Government are constitutionally guaranteed. As a tribal member and United States citizen I have a unique understanding of this relationship. Tribal governments are the poorest in the nation."

When asked what he brings to Lakota people he said, "I am a proud and loving husband and father of three. I used the same health care facilities and schools. My wife teaches at Oglala Lakota College." Furthermore, he said, "We need to understand laws and put infrastructure in place. We need to get partners in place, education, social responsibility, and laws to protect businesses."

He made the observation that the tribe does not always pay its bills out in the business world and it needs to take the responsibility to do that. "We need a voice in D.C. I talked to an elder and he was thrilled that I was running" he added. Whalen said that he had attended the Black Hills treaty council meetings in Pierre over the weekend held at the Ramkota Inn.

Whalen listed his priorities for his campaign in descending order as economic growth and job creation, the methamphetamine abuse issue, and an accountable government. He said, "The bureau system needs to go beyond and help tribal governments."

On the issue of health care, Whalen noted, "We need to cut down on the bureaucracy and increase health care. Veterans are being lost in limbo. They are being bounced up to the VA and back. We need to resolve that issue." He also said that the I.H.S. hospital should be opened up to non-Indians as it would bring more third party billing funds into the hospital and allow for the hiring of more doctors. Also, more visitors to the area would result in more money being spent in local businesses.

Whalen writes on his website, "I am happy to have the support of Governor Rounds, Senator John Thune, and Larry Diedrich." His campaign manager is Lee Breard and his campaign office may be reached at 605-430-7629.

Sen. Johnson: Use FEMA trailers in Indian Country

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) - Sen. Tim Johnson says he can think of a good use for as many as 20,000 unused FEMA trailers.

The South Dakota Democrat has suggested to the Federal Emergency Management Agency that the trailers be moved to Indian Country for housing and school buildings.

Many of the mobile homes purchased for hurricane victims are unused while 90,000 American Indian families are homeless or have inadequate housing, Johnson said.

``Rather than allow these homes to go to waste, they can be used immediately in native communities, not only for housing but also as additional classrooms for reservation schools, whose facilities are in desperate need of repair,'' Johnson's letter said.

``Providing these homes to native communities would be a much-needed step towards serving communities in crisis, and a thoughtful deployment of federal resources.''

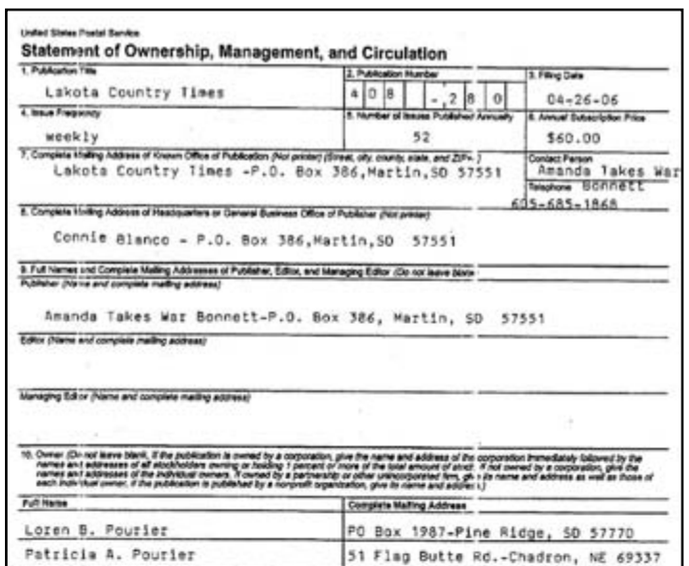
FEMA has received Johnson's letter and is reviewing it, said Aaron Walker, the agency's press secretary.

Kyle Downey, spokesman for Sen. John Thune, R-S.D., said it's an idea worth pursuing and that using the trailers as schools would make the most sense.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs school construction budget was cut $117 million this year, Johnson said during a discussion of efforts by the Crow Creek Tribal School to replace living quarters and space lost in a dormitory fire a year ago.

``We are asking children to learn in school buildings that are literally falling down around them,'' Johnson said.

The BIA budget is just a proposal by the administration, Downey said. ``Congress ultimately decides how tax dollars are spent. Senator Thune has opposed many of the proposed reductions in spending for Indian Country,'' he said.



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Psychic - Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

Hello, I was told of your intelligence and I was wondering if you could give some advice for my future. Do you see kids of my own in the future?

I'm just curious if I'll ever have a family of my own. I'm a college student right now and life right now seems it's going in the wrong direction. Do you see any changes in my life right now?

I'm stressed thinking of my friendship with people and family members and I need some help from someone like you. please write back soon. Thank you.

Worried and Stressed Out

Dear Worried and Stressed Out:

I hate to say it, but college age people are always under too much stress. There is a normal process going on, and that includes the breaking away from family in order to achieve independence.

This is conventionally called the generation gap, but it really is an express desire to create a private life away from the oggling eyes of adults. You are not going to agree with your family on how you should be living your life - as far as social interaction and assessments go.

Yes, I do see children in your future. There are three: two boys and one girl. I "see" that you believe that pregnancy is something you are not capable of - but please don't be fooled or a fool - you are quite capable of pregnancy.

There are many changes in your life right now. I do see a "boyfirend" - and I have to say that I agree with your family, he is bad news. He has no vision of his own for the future, is angry and on the edge.

It will take him down the road of alcohol and drugs - which is a very very rough road. Please don't join him on it. I do see another friend trying to talk you into taking a trip this summer.

It would be a good idea to get away, but you have to act more responsibly if you wish to be treated as someone who is responsible.

This time in your life is so important - it can make the difference in how hard you have to struggle in the future. If you do not complete your education now, you will struggle all the harder and have to work twice as hard to get half as far.

Please take better care of yourself. Your body and your mind need honor from you, don't ruin them with substances.

I see you as appreciating music, loving drama, and as having a good ability to communicate. Consider these aspects in yourself as you begin to build a bridge to the future. Consider the many aspects of film and film production and or music and music production. I know you do not think of yourself in these fields in the future - but you are a natural.

I see some depression within you - and I think it runs in your family. Depression robs us of our ability to cope logically, takes away our energy to get anything done, makes concentration more than difficult and creates chaos in relationships. Please avoid sugar, caffeine and high risk behavior. You might consider a little more sunshine on your body, a little more outdoor activity and exercise and avoid fast foods.

Take heart. You are a wonderful young woman with loads of potential. You can do anything you want if you don't throw the keys to your life away because there is no immediate gratification for you.

Take it easy on yourself, relax and quit deciding that because today you don't have anything the way you want it you never will.

A good life takes time - good time.

Blessings to you on your journey.

Dear Anna,

My boyfriend got both me and my sister pregnant - and what is worse is he says that we both trapped him. He also says that he likes us both the same.

I was really mad at my sister first, but she is only 15 and I am 18, and I figure he got to her with his smooth talking.

What do you see for us?

Will he decide to be with me instead of my sister?

Will she be okay with that? I think my brother and my dad want to kill him.

Will they hurt him?

Wants to know

Dear Wants to know:

I can't believe you want to know if he will choose you? Why on earth would you want him? I can hear the groans from every man, woman and child that reads this. They all want to ask: "What's the matter with her?" You got that right, not what's the matter with him - but what in the world are you thinking?

I do see him being around when the babies are born (you are two months further along than your sister).

I do see you getting over him after you get a real good and truthful look at who he is. I do see him choosing your sister over you. I think that is for the best.

I do see you having a boy, and your sister a girl. I do see you with another man in about a year. I do see you moving to Rapid City to go to school and to work and leaving the baby with your mom.

I don't see your dad or brother killing him - but there could be some pretty strong interaction.

Advise him to stay away for awhile - it is healthier for everybody.

Good Luck

Dear Anna,

I don't live in South Dakota anymore, but sometimes I get a copy of the Lakota Country Times from my mother. I didn't feel very good for quite a while, and then I discovered that there was something funny in my coffee.

My boyfriend brought me a glass of water when I was in the bath tub, and it was cloudy and tasted bad but I drank it.

For two weeks I could hardly lift my head up off the pillow. I found some roach killer under the sink and I think that is what is in my coffee and water.

I want to leave my boyfriend but I have to wait until I get some Indian money that I sent in for.

I don't know why my boyfriend of 9 years would want to hurt me. What is going on? Is he seeing another woman?

Cloudy Water

Dear Cloudy:

Are you out of your mind? Who cares if he is seeing another woman - it is better for you if he is.

He is trying to kill you slowly girl - with poison, or at the very least drive you insane (which will happen with those chemicals) so he can somehow, in your weakend position get your money away from you when it comes in. He believes you will be getting more than a $100,00 dollars, and although I don't see it as that much (more like 24 thousand) it's enough to kill for, but not to die for.

Please leave him immediately, call somebody and get bus fare and come back to the rez, don't wait for your money or the only thing it will be spent on is your funeral.

You can have your check forwarded to you on the Rez, somebody will tell you who to call or write - just ask.

Dear Anna,

My mom and dad are always fighting over me. They are not married, and I go to my dad's sometimes when he picks me up, but everytime they yell.

It is about my shoes, my jacket, money, school stuff, sports - you name it. I want to go and live with my aunt and leave them both. Can I do that? Can you help me?

Only 9

Dear 9:

This is sad for you. Your mother will read this, so I changed your age so she won't know it's you. Your dad's mother will read it too. They will begin not to yell around you. Luckily, they both love you, but you are now a current war zone - it's kind of like you are Iraq. They want to fight for your heart, but they will both lose.

Your aunt will let you stay with her for the summer - all you have to do is ask her. Your mom and dad will fight even when you are gone, but luckily, your grandmother will step in and make arrangements to let you go to her house so your dad can pick you up without them having a fight.

Above all, please understand that this is not your fault or your fight. It has nothing to do with you. It is their "stuff" and they need to grow up, and grow up now - and you can tell them both that - and say "Anna said."

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication.

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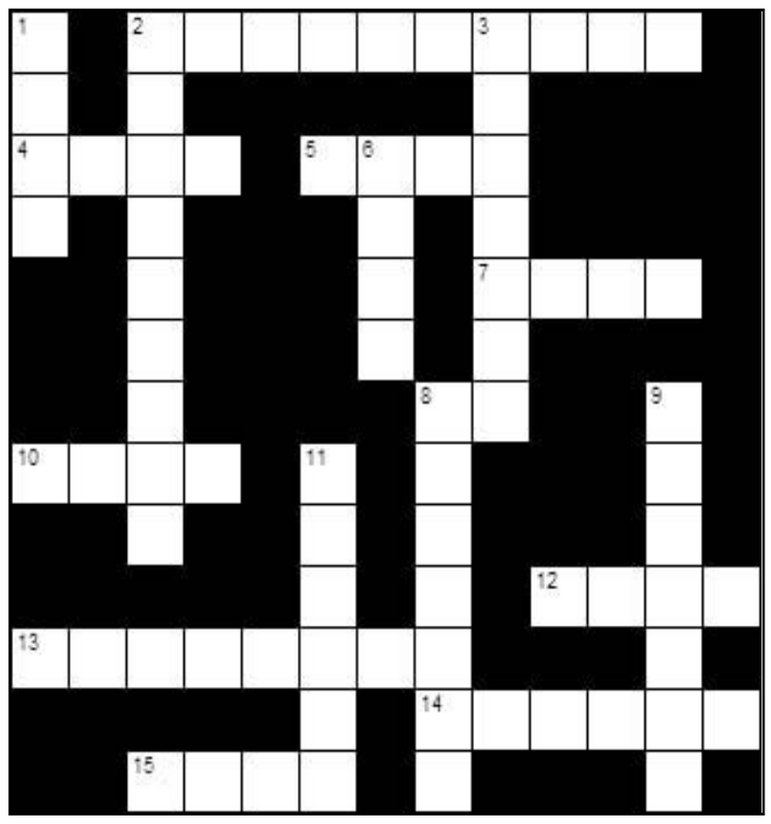
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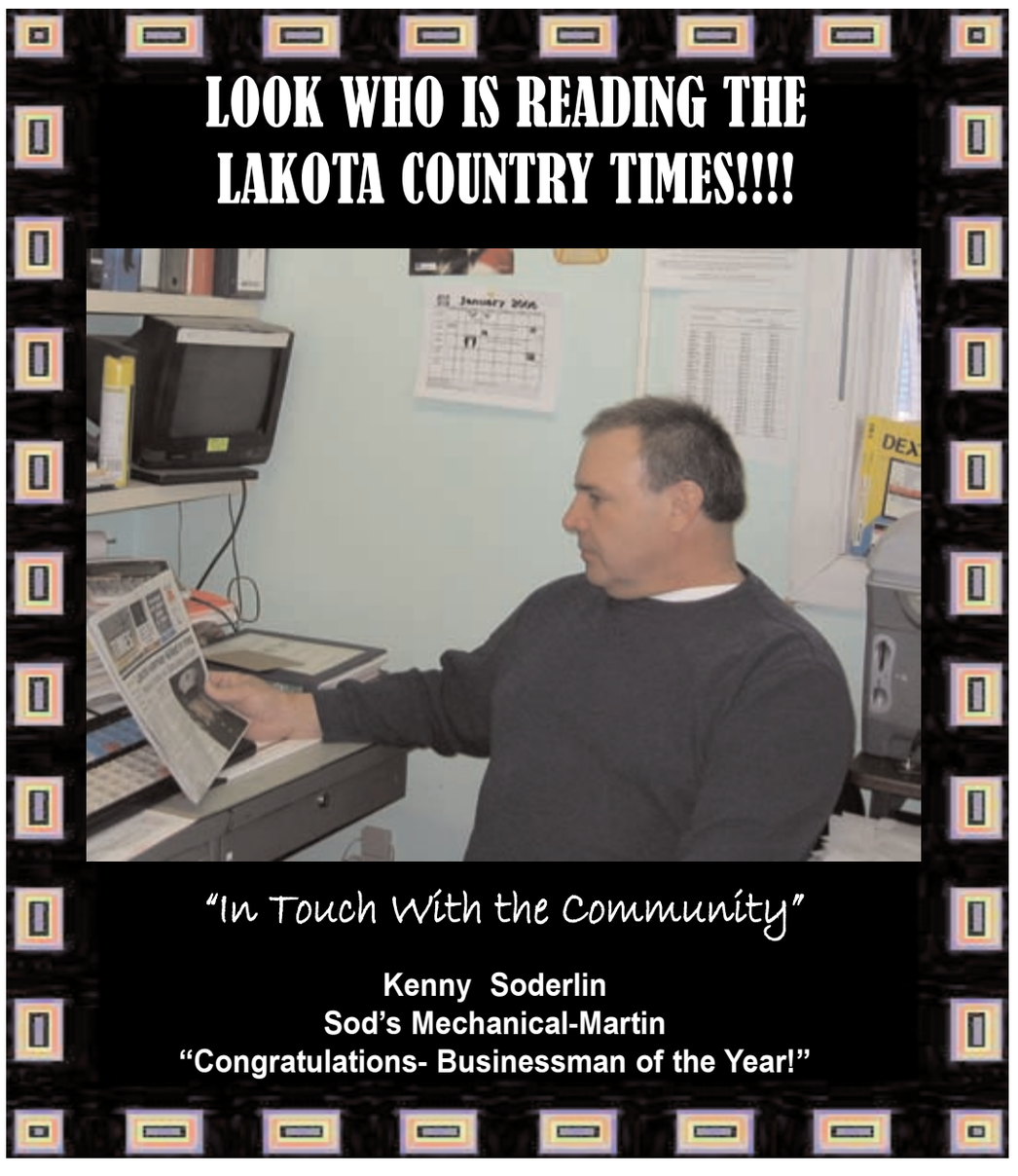
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4. liver
5. neck
7. stomach
8. skin
10. intestines
12. chest
13. fingernails
14. ribs
15. lungs

Down

1. arms
2. finger tips
3. kidneys
6. shoulder area
8. should blade area
9. spine
11. elbow





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Duane C. Two Bulls, 42.....Kyle
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Orlando Big Owl Jr. 41 .....Porcupine
Ben G. Little Moon, 67..... Wounded Knee
Daris Janis, 53 .....Green Grass

Jessie E. Conquering Bear

ALLEN - Jessie E. Conquering Bear, 68, Allen, died Saturday, April 22, at Lead-Deadwood Regional Hospital. Survivors include two brothers, Harold Brown Bear Sr. and Aaron Brown Bear, both of Allen, and 19 grandchildren. A two-night wake will begin at 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 26 at Inestimable Gift Episcopal Church in Allen.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, April 28, at the church, with the Rev. Cordelia Red Owl officiating. Burial will be at Inestimable Gift Episcopal Cemetery in Allen.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.

Duane C. Two Bulls

KYLE - Duane C. Two Bulls, 42, Kyle, died Wednesday, April 19, at Pine Ridge Hospital.

Survivors include two sons, Daniel Two Bulls and Duane Lund, both of Kyle; one daughter, Eileana Two Bulls, Kyle; his father and stepmother, Francis Two Bulls Sr. and Dorothy Two Bulls, Pine Ridge; his mother, Adele Brown Bull, Kyle; seven sisters, Eileen Long Soldier, Connie Lund and Noreen Two Bulls, all of Kyle, Melissa Two Bulls, Calico, Andrea Akers, Lynette Two Bulls, and Veronica Two Bulls, all of Pine Ridge; four brothers, Francis Two Bulls Jr., and Manuel Two Bulls, both of Parmelee, Leslie Two Bulls, Kyle, and Sean Two Bulls, Allen and a special friend Charlotte Kills Straight of Kyle.

Wake services were April 24 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Hall in Kyle. Second night wake services were Tuesday, April 25, at Christ Episcopal Church in Red Shirt.

Funeral services was Wednesday, April 26, at Christ Episcopal Church, with the Two Bulls family officiating. Burial was at Christ Church Episcopal Cemetery in Red Shirt.

Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Noah Long Crane

TACOMA, Wash. - Noah Long Crane, 93, Tacoma, and formerly of Parmelee, died Friday, April 21, at his home.

Survivors include three daughters, Cora Smith, Belva "Bev" Octuck and Theodora "Teddy" Peterson; two adopted sons, John Leddy and Rueben Twin; 16 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two wives, Rose and Emaline.

A "birthday" celebration dinner will be at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 29, at Suquamish Tribal Center in Suquamish. Mountain View Funeral Home in Tacoma was in charge of arrangements.

Faron Yellow Horse

OGLALA - Faron D. Yellow Horse, 22, Oglala, died Monday, April 17, in Oglala.

Survivors include his mother, Willann Lame, Chadron, Neb.; his adopted mother: Linda Yellow Horse, Oglala; four brothers, Dino Yellow Horse, Oglala, Flaco Yellow Horse, Rapid City, and Shane Lame and John Lame, both of Chadron; and two sisters, Roberta Little Spotted Horse, Oglala, and Rose Little Spotted Horse, Rapid City.

A two-night wake was Sunday, April 23, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall in Oglala.

Funeral services were Tuesday, April 25, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall, with the Rev. Agnes Tyon officiating. Burial will be at Christ Church Episcopal Cemetery in Red Shirt.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Orlando Big Owl Jr.

PORCUPINE - Orlando A. Big Owl Jr., 41, Porcupine, died Saturday, April 15, in Porcupine.

Survivors include his parents, Orlando Big Owl Sr. and Eleanor Big Owl, Porcupine, and one sister, Germaine McArdle, Indiana, Pa. A two-night wake was. Thursday, April 20, at the church hall.

Funeral services were Saturday, April 22, at the church hall, with the Rev. Bill Pauly officiating.

Burial was at Big Owl Family Cemetery

Ben G. Little Moon

WOUNDED KNEE - Ben G. Little Moon, 67, Wounded Knee, died Tuesday, April 18, in Wounded Knee. He served in the U.S. Army.

Survivors include two sons, John Little Moon, Wounded Knee, and Alvin Little Moon, Denver; four daughters, Daneen Afraid of Hawk, Allen, Joanne Afraid of Hawk, Fort Totten, N.D., Jean Afraid of Hawk, Devils Lake, N.D., and Tina Afraid of Hawk, Oneida, Wis.; two brothers, Walter Little Moon and Moses Little Moon, both of Wounded Knee; and 23 grandchildren.

A two-night wake was Sunday, April 23, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Wounded Knee.

Funeral services were Tuesday, April 25, at the church, with the Rev. Bill Pauly officiating. Burial was at the Little Moon Family Cemetery in Wounded Knee.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Daris Janis

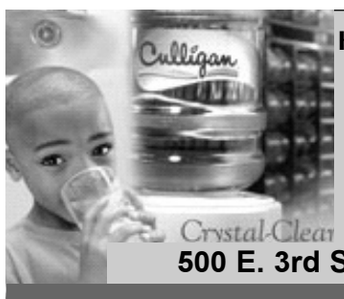
GREEN GRASS - Daris Janis, 53, Green Grass, died Tuesday, April 11, at Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls. Wake services were April 19 at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in McLaughlin.

Funeral services were Thursday, April 20, at the church, with Mother Danny Rectenwald and the Rev. Norman Blue Coat officiating. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

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Walk for women and children at Eagle Butte set for April 29

EAGLE BUTTE - On Saturday, April 29, the Sacred Heart Center will host the Third Annual Reclaiming the Sacredness of Women and Children Prayer Walk/Ride in Eagle Butte. The event is being held in conjunction with National Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Participants are asked to meet at the cultural center in Eagle Butte at 8 a.m. After a brief review of road rules, the walk will begin. There will be four prayer stops on the walk. The event will conclude with a prayer ceremony at Green Grass, conducted by Arvol Looking Horse, keeper of the Sacred White Buffalo Calf Pipe.

In 2005, the National Violence Against Women Survey estimated 302,000 women and almost 93,000 men were raped over a twelve month period. Survivors of sexual violence are faced with long and short-term effects, including pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases and emotional difficulties, which can lead to isolation from family and friends, depression and even suicide.

Last year, the Sacred Heart Women's Shelter served 950 clients - an alarming 28 percent were direct victims of sexual violence.

Law enforcement officials will provide an escort for the entire walk. There will also be vehicles available for those in need of a ride or a break during the course of the walk. All participants will receive a t-shirt featuring the beautiful artwork of JoAnne Bird. Lunch and water will be provided, courtesy of the Sacred Heart Center.

The Sacred Heart Center is grateful for the continued support of the South Dakota Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. For more information or to volunteer for the event, please call Marcy Lesmeister or Stephanie Good Bear at (605) 964-7233.



Part of the 22 ladies line up on stage. Photo by Dee Lawrence

Cheyenne Eagle Butte High School girls promote fashion

EAGLE BUTTE - Twenty-two beautiful Lakota ladies walked the runway on Good Friday April 14 at the Cheyenne Eagle Butte High School Auditorium.

The event drew a fun crowd that was pleased with the fashion show as well as the local bands.

The night began with a dark auditorium and colored lights on stage and around the band. Sammi Ducheneaux, graduate of Cheyenne Eagle Butte High School, was the master of ceremonies.

The curtains opened to a nicely lit stage themed "Hollywood Lights" and out came the first model, Julie White Dog, 6-year old C-EB Kindergarten student wore an elegant navy blue gown flipping her hair with hand on her hips as she stopped and posed for the crowd. Following Julie was a steady flow of girls between the ages of 15-18 walking to the beat of Jay-Z, Christina Mullian, Three Six Mafia and Kanye West.

After the first show, Jessica Kennedy, fashion show director announced the first band, Riot Heads. Walker Rose, sophomore at C-EB wailed on the guitar as Lindee Lawrence also a sophomore at C-EB pounded the drums. The crowd was amazed at the talent these two individuals displayed and liked the fact the drummer was a female.

Next was the theme, "Total Eclipse of the Heart" which displayed the black gowns. After this scene, the girls gathered together in a single line as the curtains closed. The next youth band, Cover Girls entertained the crowd as the models changed for the third theme. The Cover Girls are Casey Swires an 18 year old from Isabel on lead guitar and lead singer. Michael Shannon, Dupree high school also on guitar and Clayton "Swayzie" Kennedy, Dupree high school on the drums. The band played hits from today's alternative hit selections. Orville Lee, was in charge of the sound equipment and without him the night would not have been as great as it was.

Following the Cover Girls, the next theme was "April Showers" which showed off our selection of summer gowns in pastel colors. Betsy Mitchell, President of the Cheyenne River Youth Project Board, thanked the crowd for coming and expressed her appreciation for the support of the Program.

"The Main has sponsored the Passion for Fashion event for girls in order to receive a free prom dress as well as a make up kit and stylist tips for participating in our yearly slumber party. This year Programs Manager, Jessica Kennedy took it to the next level by organizing a real Fashion Show!"

The last theme of the night, "Scarlet Sky" poured out the ladies in red.

The red gowns elegantly filled the stage accompanied by the rest of the girls in one final walk.

Riot Heads played the final song and the crowd was left in awe and whispers filled the auditorium on how they didn't want the fashion show to end!

Fashion sense came all the way from England and Germany as they worked on props, lights and décor for months prior to the event. Help from graduates of the high school; Jill Kessler, Randi Peacock, Jessica Haskell, Jenilee Kennedy and Keni Jo Hulm who assisted the girls with make up, hair and back stage directing.

An all night slumber party also took place that same night at the Main. The girls received gifts from CRYP donors from across the United States. The girls enjoyed pizza and stayed up late trying on dresses, fixing each other's hair and make up and fell asleep watching movies. "It is very important for us as a Youth Center to reach out to our young ladies and do our part to restore the sacredness in women."

"We give back one night of innocence to the girls and remind them of how valuable they are in hopes to help with self-respect, confidence and repair self esteem. The girls were happy and enjoyed a night of beauty while making new friends and a memory that will last a lifetime," said Jessica Kennedy, CRYP programs manager.



Front row (L-R): Caesha Red Bear, Destiny Annis, Raya Garrett, Kellen Circle Eagle, Julie White Dog
Back row (L-R): Cheyenne Smith, Kasonia Bartlett, Jessica Kennedy, Enaesha Bobtail Bear, Mckenzie Circle Eagle
Not pictured: April Nordvold and Trinity Lends His Horse

Girl Scout troop gets creative

EAGLE BUTTE - Every Wednesday after school, girls from kinder garden to second grade gather at the Cheyenne River Youth Project "The Main" for after school learning. The cost is free and open to any girl who would like to participate. Parents just have to fill out a form.

The girls begin by stating the Girl Scout Promise and learn about friendship, setting goals and good manners. They also prepare arts and crafts to take home.

"The girls are very creative and fun to work with" said Jessica Kennedy, troop leader, "they bring out the little girl in me and its rewarding knowing I am making a difference in the life of a child."

Be on the lookout for girl scouts selling cookies. All proceeds will go toward the girl's first badges!

United Tribes graduation May 5

BISMARCK, N.D. - The 2006 commencement ceremony for graduates of United Tribes Technical College is scheduled for 1 p.m. on Friday, May 5 at Lone Star Arena on the college campus in Bismarck.

Students will be honored who have earned Associate of Applied Science Degrees and Certificates of Completion in 16 different academic and vocational programs. The graduates are from 21 different tribal nations.

The event concludes the 2005-06 academic year, the college's 37th year serving American Indian students and their families.

The class motto is: "Tradition and Education will Lead us to Success." As a lasting legacy, six trees will be planted on campus in honor of the graduates and to recognize North Dakota Arbor Day, May 5.

Scheduled to present talks are Dr. David M. Gipp, UTTC president; Tex G. Hall, Mandan-Hidatsa-Arikara Nation chairman and chair of the UTTC Board of Directors; and other tribal leaders on the college governing board from the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate, Spirit Lake Nation, and the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa.

Some graduates completed their course of study at the end of the Fall 2005 term. Scholarships and other honors earned by individuals will be announced during the ceremony. A reception at the UTTC cafeteria will follow. Family, friends and public are invited to attend.

In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held in the large gymnasium of the James Henry Community Building.

Crow Creek Tribal School could close because of insurance dispute

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) - The Crow Creek Tribal School is in danger of closing because an insurance company has not settled the school's claims from a fire that destroyed the student dormitory at the campus in Stephan a year ago, officials said Friday.

School Superintendent Scott Raue and Gov. Mike Rounds held a news conference to discuss the situation, saying they hope Minnesota-based St. Paul Travelers will settle the insurance dispute quickly so the school for American Indian students can finish the school year.

Raue said the school, run by the Crow Creek Sioux Tribe in central South Dakota, used its own money to build temporary dormitory buildings and a kitchen area so the school could operate this year. He said the school money was spent in anticipation of getting the insurance settlement.

Raue said that unless the insurance dispute is settled, the school might be unable to make payroll on May 3, which could mean the school would close two weeks before the end of the school year. Besides local students, the school also educates students from other areas of the state.

``All along it was our goal to make sure the students at our school had a safe setting, an educational setting that we could operate for over 600 students so they could be safe. We accomplished that," Raue said. ``We are here today because of the fact that the insurance carrier has not in my estimation done good faith in what they promised they would do."

Rounds, who was in the insurance business before becoming governor, said the press conference was not intended to put pressure on St. Paul Travelers, which he said has an excellent reputation. But he said he directed the state Insurance Division to write a letter asking the insurance company about the delay, and he said he has asked state Attorney General Larry Long to look into the matter.

``We fully intend to do everything we can to resolve the situation in hopefully an amicable fashion prior to the time the school would have to close," the governor said.

Kim O'Connell, a spokesperson for St. Paul Travelers, said company officials familiar with the case were not available late Friday to comment.

Investigators couldn't determine the cause of the April 2005 fire, but said it was not deliberately set.

Raue said the school's total loss from the fire amounted to about $4.5 million. The Bureau of Indian Affairs provided $1.3 million to help build temporary dorms so classes could open last fall, and the school has received some other help, including about $400,000 from the state.

St. Paul Travelers already has advanced some money to the school, but officials said they believe the school is still short about $2.6 million.

The school was insured for extra expenses and lost income through a program in which many South Dakota schools join together to insure themselves. Money from those schools is used to cover small losses. But the program, run by the South Dakota Associated School Boards, buys insurance from St. Paul Travelers to cover large losses.

Dick Tieszen, a lawyer for Associated School Boards, said St. Paul Travelers has argued that because the school received $1.3 million from the BIA, the insurance company is entitled to a credit that would reduce the insurance payment by that amount.

Tieszen said he could not discuss details, but the school has offered to accept less than its original claim in order to settle the issue quickly.

``The school is in jeopardy," Tieszen said.

The Crow Creek School District has 600 students, with about 400 in the middle school and high school in Stephan. Raue said 204 students live in the new temporary dorms built in Stephan.

Raue said the school system has 220 full-time and part-time teachers and other staff, and he hopes the staff members would agree to work without getting paid to finish the school year if the insurance dispute is not settled.

Crow Creek Sioux Tribal Vice Chairman Rocky Fallis said some people might criticize the decision to use operating money for the temporary dorms. But he said Raue should not be blamed for that decision because the tribal council, which also sits as the school board, agreed to that plan to keep the school open.

Rosebud Sioux Tribe Education Department

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April is "Child Abuse Prevention Month"

- *Early Intervention Services Birth-5 (Infants & Toddlers w/Disabilities*
- *Lakol Wicohan Glunipiki (RST Even Start Program)*
- *Truancy Intervention Services (Pre-K-12 Schools & Families)*
- *Technology Education Centers (St. Francis/Parmelee/Antelope/White River area)*
- *Higher Education Scholarship Program*

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
SICANGU WICOTI AWANYAKAPE CORPORATION
RFP SWA 0604 -Playground Equipment-

Sicangu Wicoti Awanyakape Corporation (SWA) is requesting proposals from qualified Indian as well as Non-Indian companies for the purchase and installation of playground equipment to be installed in the Antelope area located on the Rosebud Sioux Reservation.

Documents for submitting proposals may be picked up at the Procurement office or can be mailed to you upon request. To request a set of documents please call Ms.Pam Kills In Water at (605)747-2203 ext. 259. Due to large amount of pages proposal documents will not be faxed out.

Proposals will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. May 10, 2006, at the Sicangu Wicoti Awanyakape Corporation,

ATTN: Ms. Pam Kills In Water, Procurement Assistant, PO Box 69, Rosebud, SD, 57570, after which time proposals will be recorded and accepted for consideration. Proposals received after this time will not be accepted. The Authority reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive irregularities

Mr. Amos Prue, Executive Director
Sicangu Wicoti Awanyakape Corporation
P.O. Box 69
BIA Route 9, Soldier Creek Road
Rosebud, South Dakota 57570

United States Department of the Interior
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Position: SUPERVISORY SOCIAL WORKER, GS-0185-12
GS-12: $62,291 - $80,975 Per Annum

Vacancy Announcement Number: AB-06-53
Opening Date: 04/11/06 **Closing Date:** 05/10/06

Summary of Duties: Incumbent plans, develops, and monitors the execution of the General Assistance, Child Welfare Adult Assistance, Disaster, Emergency Assistance and Service-Only Program, including other non-financial services such as specialist/consultant in matters relating to these components in addition to overall agency contract monitoring responsibilities. Provide professional expertise, direction and consultation to implement all areas of the social service programs. Develop, interpret, and conduct a complete and comprehensive review provision.

Duty Station Location:
BIA, Realty-Tenure & Management Section,
Pine Ridge Agency, Pine Ridge, SD

Procedures on How To Apply:
Mail applications to the BIA Southern Plains Human Resources
(FedEx: 1 mile north on Hwy 281)
PO Box 368, Anadarko, OK 73005. or you may fax to: 1-405-247-4991.

Applications and all accompanying documents must be received by the closing date of the announcements.

Please submit the forms as indicated in the position vacancy anouncement.

Contact Information:
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Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770

Phone: 605-867-6014 **Fax:** 605-867-1922

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06-084	Diector	Energy & Housing Resources Program	Pine Ridge, SD
06-085	Director	ONTRAC	Pine Ridge, SD
06-086	Specimen Collector Director	OST Collection site	Pine Ridge, SD
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06-088	Director	OST land Office	Pine Ridge, SD
06-089	Coordinator	OST Judiciary Committee	Pine Ridge, SD

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05-131	District Service Maintenance/Janitor	OST Administrion	LaCreek District
05-133	Administrative Assistant	OST Administration	Porcupine District
05-134	District Service Center Manager	OST Administration	Medicine Root District
05-137	District Service Maintenance/Janitor	OST Administration	Medicine Root District
05-167	Water Treatment Plant Operator III	OSRWSS Mni Wiconi Water Treatment Plant/Coreline	Ft. Pierre, SD
05-186	Counselor Trainee (7)	Anpetu Luta Otipi(Living in a Red Day)	7 mi SE of Kyle, SD
05-187	MIS Clerk/Receptionist (3)	Anpetu luta Otipi(Living in a Red Day)	7 mi SE of Kyle, SD
05-197	Tractor Trailer Driver/Warehouseman	OST Food Distribution	Eagle Nest District
05-201	District Data Clerk	OST Administration	Pass Creek District
05-220	District Service Maintenance/Janitor	OST Administration	Eagle Nest District
05-225	CommunityHome-Health professional(CHHP)	OST Oyate BliHelya(Diabetes Preven)	Pine Ridge
06-018	Clinical Nurse	Native Women's health Care	Rapid City, SD
06-020	Medical Transcriptionist	Native Women's Health Care	Rapid City, SD
06-023	Medical Records Clerk (Full-time)	Native Women's Health Care	Rapid City, SD
06-024	Medical Records Clerk (Part-time)	Native Women's Health Care	Rapid City, SD

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a complete OST Application for Employment to the OST Personnel Office no later than 4:30 pm of the closing date. Mail in applications postmarked on the closing date will be accepted. Attach all pertinent documentation, I.E. Copy of High School Diploma or GED Certificate, copy of Official College Transcripts and/or College Degree, Certificate of Indian Blood if claiming Indian Preference and DD214 if claiming Veteran's Preference.

Faxed in applications(s) will not be accepted

- INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED -

- Position Announcements -

Professional Research Assistant
Position #16287

The American Indian and Alaska Native Programs, University of Colorado Denver & Health Sciences Center, seeks a full-time Professional Research Assistant who will be responsible for supervising a project examining the effects of the implementation of an HIV/AIDS intervention into all middle school Reservation-wide. This research will be coordinated out of the Pine Ridge, SD field office.

Responsibilities include: coordination of school meetings with school officials, facilitating the implementation of a health curriculum in all middle schools, tracking andmonitoring project data, organizing small group discussions int he community and working with community organizations, schools, and youth to obtain feedback and disseminate project findings throughout the life of the project.

Qualifications: Minimum of a BA or equivalent experience; computer experience and knowledge of Microsoft Office Suite; a valid driver's license; proof of auto liability insurance, and willingness to travel reservation-wide, and occasionally out of state. Ability to work well in a team environment and observe strict rules of confidentiality and appropriate communication; attention to detail; organization and efficiency; and excellent verbal and interpersonal skills desired. Knowledge of Lakota language and culture; and interest in HIV-prevention, school-based programs, and community health preferred.

Salary: $31,000-$35,000 annually.

Letter of interest, resume, and names of three references should be sent to:

PRA-WTW-DCC Search Committee,
PO Box 6508, Mail Stop F800,
Aurora, CO 80045-0508.
Please indicate "WTW-DCC Search" on the resume or cover letter.
Application Deadline: 5/5/06

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Professional Research Assistant
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The American Indian and Alaska Native Programs, University of Colorado Denver & Health Sciences Center, seeks a full-time Professional Research Assistant who will be responsible for overseeing a research project on early childhood development. The research will be coordinated outof the Pine Ridge, SD field office.

Responsibilities include: monitoring of local data collection, daily liaison with local and Denver-based staff, conduct weekly project meetings and quality review, assisting with project assessments as needed, and working with community organizations to obtain feedback and disseminate project findings throughout the life of the project.

Qualifications: Minimum of a BA or equivalent experience; computer experience and knowledge of Microsoft Office Suite; a valid driver's license, proof of auto liability insurance; and willingness to travel reservation-wide, to nearby communities (including Rapid City), and occasionally out of state. Ability to work well in a team environment and observe strict rules of confidentiality and appropriate communication; attention to detail; organization and efficiency; and excellent verbal and interpersonal skills desired. interest in early childhood development and intervention preferred.

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NOTICE OF VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
Opening Date: April 6, 2005
Closing Date: April 28, 2006

Business Office
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Elementary
(2) Teachers

Secondary
(2) Lakota Studies Teachers
K-12 Art Teacher
Librarian
(1) Testing / Technology Coordinator / Teacher

Special Education
Behavior Specialist

Complete and submit required Crazy Horse School Employment Application and (3) three reference forms and other pertinent data to:

Human Resource Officer

If claiming Indian Preference or Veteran preference, please submit appropriate documentation (i.e. Degree of Indian Blood and/or DD 214).Applicants will be required to submit/pass a Background check per PL 101-047, PL 101-630 and Drug and alcohol test prior to employment. If applying for a teacher position certification is required for consideration.

All positions are contingent on availability of funding

Crazy Horse School is a federally funded PL 100-297 Contract School

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Big Bats - Pine Ridge
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in Martin
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I would like to wish my Baby, Tashina I.H. a good day. Love Always, Mom &

Happy Birthday to my Brother, Lenny, Don't eat too much cake and ice cream. Love your Sis BJE.

Happy Belated Birthday on 3-29-06 to Grandpa Virgil LaDeaux Sr. Wishing you many more to come. Love Always, your grandchildren, Virgil III, William, Linda LaDeaux and Robert H.

Happy Birthday to my Brother, Lenny, Don't eat too much cake and ice cream. Love your Sis BJE.

This is to our Grandpa Leon TWB Sr We miss you very much and hope you Miss us. We hope to see you soon and come and play with you this summer. Remember we are here for you, Love Kevin & Jaden TWB

Tina M Painte
I would like to let a very special someone that I am proud of her and Glad she got accepted to go to Aakers college. You make me proud and happy with smiles keep up the good work. always yours LTWBJr

Jesse James Black Bear I love you and I think of you always… your baby, Miranda Ann.

Congratulations to Brittany Rose Poor Bear for being selected Jr. Miss Lakota Omniciye for 2006-2007 and to Tara One Horn for being selected Miss Lakota Ominiciye at the 27th annual Black Hills State University From your families… good job!!

Happy Birthday Leo James Dubray, just wishing you were here for your baby boy Mike, we both miss and love you always. We'll its your birthday and I just want you to know that we are thinking about you today and everyday from this day on. You mean the world to me and Mike. I always wondered why GOD took you from us, it's because he only takes the best, and everyone who knew you knows you're THE BEST, you meant everything to everyone. It's so hard to believe your not hear, every day I shed silent tears. I always did care, now that your gone and left me with our precious son I'm scared. I'll do my best for you. We Love and Miss You Always, Have a Happy Birthday in Heaven. Love Always Melinda and your son Michael Shangreaux

Congratulations Anna B. and Barb On opening of your new office. 522 7th St #219 Rapid City, SD 57701 605-348-9642 From Phoebe.

Happy Birthday on 4-15-06 to Vance Jr. Kills Enemy. May you have a fun on your birthday and wishing you many more to come. Love always, your dad Vance Sr. Grandpa, Grandma, Donna Virgil and all your crazy cousins on White Horse Creek.

we would like to wish our grandma a happy day and we are proud of you on putting out your paper. love your grand kids

/\ Brittany, Kay, Kevin, Jaden , and wakian.

Happy Birthday Leo James Love and miss you everyday and every night, forever and always, Love your Cuz Shanna Dubray.

Happy Birthdayon 4-15-06 to Virgil Lane LeDeaux III who turned 8 years old. Wishing you amny more birthdays to come. And have fun on your birthday. Love you always, your mom and dad Virgil & Donna LaDeaux.

Happy Birthday to Alvin and Calvin and Brandon on 4-15. Love Crystal & Leslie

Happy Birthday on 4-24 to my auntie Tiara Lays Hard From Ciara.

Happy Easter to Mita Oyate and LaVonne Mesteth and family, Rachel Mesteth & Family, Shoulders Clan, Lisa & Gordy Looks Twice and family. From Lynn, Jun-C, and Baby Charles (sky) in the Beautiful Black Hills.Happy Birthday on 4-15-06 to Leroy Looks Twice III. Wishing you many more Birthdays to come. Love always, Auntie Donna, Uncle Virgil, Grandma & Grandpa, Uncle Vance, Auntie Shan and all crazy cousins down in White Horse Creek.



We would like to congradulate our mother on getting accepted at Aakers college of business in Bismarck ND. We are very proud of you and Love you Forever Loving you. and Dad loves you very much! Keep up the good work Mom, Love Kevin & Jaden and Lon Your the best Mom!

To Our Great Uncle Jeremy Lee Takes War Bonnett who is in Devils Lake, ND , We hope you are being a good man and thinking of the better things in life that are waiting for you here. We would also like to wish you the best and hope you are thinking of us here in Bismarck. As soon as we can see you we will try our hardest and come see you because we miss you very much Uncle Jeremy. We will Always Love You and we miss you playing your flute for us, we will be praying for you Love your Nephews Kevin & Jaden Takes War Bonnett.

Happy 23rd Birthday Daddy Leo James Dubray 4-20-83 to 7-21-04 Wished you were here today (or everyday) so I could spend your good day with you, I know you would love that. I miss yu somuch , not a day goes by that I don't think of you, I LOVE YOU with all my heart, always and forever dad. Your one and only son Michael Riley Shangreaux.

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Thank you Manuel for coming to my games and supporting me! Love Always Roseanna.

Happy 4th Birthday to Julien G. Have a Happy one on April 29th . From Lainee and Yamni.

Happy Birthday on April 30th Denny Packard From the crew T.S #389

I want to say Hi to my family. I am thankful for everything I have. I love you Mom, Manual, Jenni, and Brandon.

I Love my Mom so much I want to wish her Happy Times. Love Roseanna

Wishing a Happy Belated 22nd Birthday to Denise M Painte (AKA Grease Ball) on the 24th.Have a good Birthday from Kevin and Jaden

Happy Belated Birthday to my uncle Clinton on 4-11 from Ciara.

Congratulations to Allen playing Martin, you go Allen from Coach Robert W L.

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Notice of Bids/Proposals

The RST Special Events Committee is taking bids or proposals for the 2006 RST Fair Activities including parade; Miss Rosebud pageant;garden contest;Women's softball tourney;youth activities; Mud Races; mud volleyball;horseshoe tournament; carnival and other activities that should be included. Bids or proposals need to be submitted to James Wike, Treasurer, PO Box 430, Rosebud, SD 57570 by May 4,2006 at 5:00 p.m. A copy of the bid or proposal can be submitted to Whitney Meek, Chairperson,Special Events. The bid or proposal needs to include a description of the activity, expenses and revenue that the even may generate. Any questions regarding the bids or proposals can be referred to the Special Events Committee.

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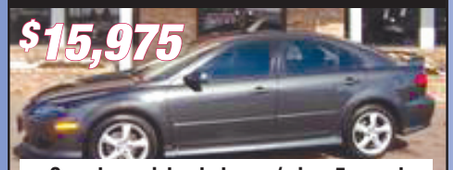
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Proposals will be accepted until 12:00 p.m. May 24, 2006 at the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Building, Attention: James D. Wike, RST Treasurer, P.O. Box 430, Rosebud, S.D. 57570. Facsimile proposals will not be accepted. Proposals will be received and accepted for consideration. Proposals received after this time will not be accepted.

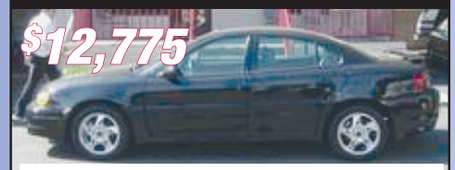
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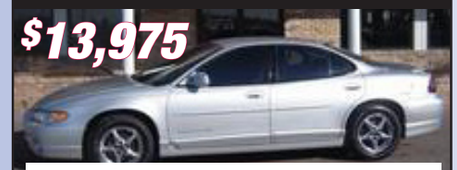
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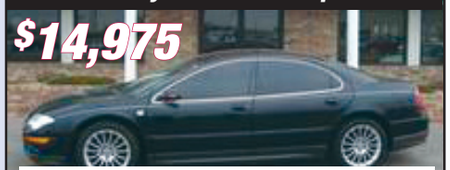
Gray, low mi, loaded up w/wing, 5 speed, sharp.

'03 Pontiac Grand Am GT


21,000 mi, one owner, graphite leather & chrome wheels, loaded, sunroof, like new.

'02 Pontiac Grand Prix GT


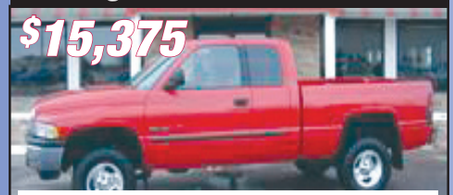
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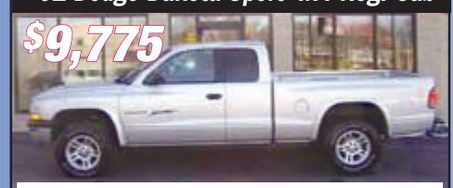
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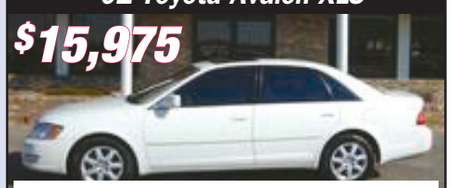
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03 Pontiac Grand Am GT, 34,000 mi, sunroof, chrome wheels, sharp..... $13,975
02 Buick Regal LS, 38,000 mi, pewter w/taupe leather, all options, excellent..... $12,975
02 Buick Park Ave Ultra, beige, all options, heated leather, chrome wheels, mint $14,975
02 Pontiac Grand Am GT, 40,000 mi, 1 owner, loaded & sharp..... $12,975
02 Pontiac Grand Prix GT, dark blue, heated leather, wing & chrome wheels, excellent $11,475
02 Honda Civic EX, 33,000 mi, champagne w/sunroof, 5 speed..... $12,975
02 Honda Civic LX, 35,000 mi, 4 door, loaded w/wing, sharp..... $11,975
01 Buick Park Ave, low mi, pewter w/leather, loaded, excellent..... $10,475
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Low mi, 1 owner, leather, sunroof & more, sharp.

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Sicangu youth found dead in south Antelope after prom nite

MISSION - According to FBI supervisor special agent, Robert Perry, based in Rapid City, 18 year old Sicangu youth Coleman Marshall was found dead in the south Antelope area. "There is an open death investigation with an autopsy scheduled." said Perry, with a further investigation in order to see if there was foul play.

Perry noted that the FBI may be releasing more information next week on the case.

Rosebud Law Enforcement Services criminal investigator, Chris Barrera, was unable to comment on the investigation and noted that the FBI has jurisdiction over the case.

Cheyenne River youth dies in gang prevention horse ride

EAGLE BUTTE - Morgan Yellow Head, 16, died last Sunday morning while riding on a horse that apparently was not yet broke for children to ride.

The Cheyenne River youngster was on a gang prevention ride from Eagle Butte to Green Grass.

There were approximately 20 people on the ride when the accident occurred along U.S. Highway 212 on Friday morning.

He was taken to the Eagle Butte I.H.S. hospital and then, flown to the Rapid City Regional Hospital where he died.

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Pine Ridge IHS to expand

$6.6 million from collections will improve health care

BY AMANDA TAKES WAR BONNETT
Times Editor

PINE RIDGE - In this next year, a new wing will be added to Pine Ridge hospital that will improve health care for the area residents. The emergency room will be expanded within the facility and renovated. Furthermore, there will be individual rooms in the ER with walls that will afford privacy.

Last Friday, a special ceremony was held to break ground to symbolize the expansion of the hospital that extends out on the east side of the hospital and will provide 26,000 more square feet of space to better fit the needs of the health care on the reservation. Bill Pourier, CEO of the Pine Ridge unit, was master of ceremonies for the event and speakers included Oliver Red Cloud; Alex White Plume, Oglala Sioux vice president; Vern Donnell, current Cheyenne River Tribe CEO; Ester DeSersa; Monica Macek and Kathy Janis.

Pourier noted that DeSersa and Red Cloud were active during the time when the plans were first developed to build the new hospital, which was completed in 1993. Arta Carlow was also a primary lobbyist for the new hospital. DeSersa recalled how the times were back then on getting the new hospital built. "We worked for 20 years to get the hospital," she said. "I still have the shovels" from the ground breaking back then. She said more doctors and nurses are needed. "This ground breaking is very important, it's doing something for the people," she concluded.

Red Cloud spoke of the importance of teachings of the treaty. "What we have here today with the hospital," is from that treaty.



A ceremony last Friday marked the official start for the Pine Ridge hospital expansion. L-R: Bill Pourier, Vern Donnell, Oliver Red Cloud, Monica Macek, Alex White Plume, Ester DeSersa, Kathy Janis, Valerie Janis and Juanita Scherich. Photo by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.

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KILI Radio still struggling to get back on air, needs $76,000

BY AMANDA TAKES WAR BONNETT
Times Editor

PORCUPINE - After almost two weeks, KILI Radio 90.1 FM atop Porcupine Butte is still silent.

On Saturday, April 15, lightening struck near the ten bay antenna that takes up the top 100 feet of KILI's 300 foot tower and caused burning in the antenna.

The station's engineer was able to get it back on air on very low power but that eventually dropped and the station went off air on Sunday, April 23rd.. For the past 23 years, KILI Radio has repaired and spliced their transmission lines and patched theri antenna and knew they would eventually need to get a new antenna and the lightening accident has made it more real now said Melanie Janis, station manager.

Last week the initial price was around $50,000 to replace the antenna and the transmission lines. Since that time and after more work by the engineers, the price has gone up to $76,000.

Tom Casey, the station's development manager, said they are in the process of submitting an emergency proposal to Washington DC for funding from the Public Telecommunications Facilities Program, part of the Department of Commerce.

If funded, the money would

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NCAA denies University of North Dakota appeal on nickname 'Fighting Sioux'

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

INDIANAPOLIS, IN - On Friday, April 28 the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Executive Committee continued to list three collegiate institutions which will be subject to restrictions on the use of Native "nicknames" imagery and mascots during their appearance at NCAA championships should they choose to participate in such post season play.

The University of North Dakota's use of the nickname "Fighting Sioux" or its logo will not be allowed during NCAA championships; the NCAA wrote in a press release, "The Executive Committee concluded that Native American references used by each university create hostile or abusive environments inconsistent with the NCAA commitment to diversity, respect and sportsmanship."

Leigh Jeanotte, the Director of American Indian services at UND wrote in response to an email request, "Furthermore, it is troubling when most of the tribes of the Great Sioux Nation have submitted resolutions requesting UND to change the name, and they have not listened. This issue is definitely not over with the

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Community Calendar
'Rez Happenings'

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Pahin Sinte College Center Walking Club
starting at 4 p.m. each day Monday through Friday at the center in Porcupine, for information call Janice or Alva at 867-5404.

Grief Support Group
meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888.

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841.

Spring Fling Music Program
Wednesday, May 3 at 1:30 p.m. in the commons area of Crazy Horse School in Wanblee.

Free Estate Planning Services
Wednesday, May 3, with Dakota Plains Legal services inviting all Tribal trust landowners and members to a free community education meeting at 10:30 a.m. with staff available for questions until 3 p.m., for info call 867-1020.

Common Sense Parenting Class
Wednesday, May 3, 2-4 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Church in Pine Ridge offering parents practical ideas and techniques for raising happy, well adjusted children, for info call 348-6086 or 1 800 727-2401.

OST Commodity Issue
Thursday, May 4 at the CAP Office in Kyle, Monday, May 8 in Manderson and Wounded Knee, Wednesday, May 10, Sunrise Housing in Martin, Friday, May 12, Evergreen and CAP Office in Porcupine District, Tuesday, May 16, Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni housing, Thursday, May 18th in Oglala.

Fund Raiser for 2005 Miss He Sapa Win
Lunch sale Friday and Saturday, May 5 and 6 at Prairie Market in Rapid City from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily to raise money for Shere Lynn Wright as she fulfills her duties as the reigning Miss He Sapa Win/

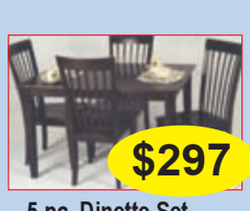
Spring Fever Slow Pitch Softball Tourney
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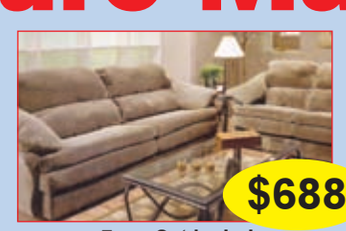
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Pine Ridge hospital to build addition

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Ester DeSersa and Oliver Red Cloud were special guests at the ceremony and did a wonderful job in describing the efforts in getting the new hospital. Juanita Scherich, Monica Macek and Bill Pourier all spoke of the importance of providing good health care. Photos by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.

It's why we have Indian Health Services on the reservations. "Remember the treaty takes care of us," he added. "We have to keep our treaty and don't lose it, it's the difference we have with other tribes, we have a treaty. It gives a voice in Washington," he said.

He gave a lesson in the Lakota language of how to say doctor. He said he can be pejuta wicasa which means medicine man or wicasa wakan, which means doctor,too. Wa means purity and kan means vein. That means keeping your blood pure to be healthy.

Monica Macek, facilities design and construction consultant for IHS, explained what the expansion will entail and how it will improve services to patients. Macek, Oglala Lakota, grew up in the Porcupine area, graduated from Red Cloud High School and then went to Notre Dame University where she received her education in engineering. She was recently "Facility Manager of the Year" by the Aberdeen Area Indian Health Service.

Current offices and exam rooms will be moved to the new wing which will allow more space for the emergency room and for the triage area.

The expansion will include an urgent care clinic and this will make it more efficient. Also, individual examination rooms in the emergency room will be regular walls instead of curtains. The expansion will link the emergency area to the x-ray area. The additional space will allow for a pediatrics clinic also, said Macek.

Pourier said the additional wing and expansion project will cost $6.6 million and all of the funding comes from third party collections since 2001. The staff of the hospital business office was noted for their efforts in collections. Third party collections come from Title 19 health insurance, Medicare and Medicaid, private health insurance and Veterans Administration monies.

Pourier also said, "Congress has to approve use of the monies used for construction costs. We had to provide the need for the expansion." That took time to get approved.

Macek said recently a seven apartment complex of three buildings was completed for hospital staff, also from money from collections from insurance companies.

She also noted other projects completed such as resealing the roads, completed the card swipe system, work on completed on the boiler system and heat pumps and carpet replacements to name a few.

A construction company hasn't been named yet for the project and will be in June, Macek said.

Donnell, participated in the first initial planning process for the expansion and is the former unit director for Pine Ridge and is now at Eagle Butte spoke of the importance of the congressional support for the Indian Health Service.

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cover up to 75 percent of what they need.

They are also looking at other options for money he said.

The biggest problem is time," said Casey. He said if they gave the antenna manufacturer a down payment tomorrow, they said it could take up to six weeks to get the new antenna installed.

Another option is the possibility of going back on at low power and goingon air in a small listening area. It is just a possibility. "We get calls the time, why we aren't on air and what it will take to get back on air," he said.

KILI Radio has an Internet site that is streaming audio and allows up to 200 listeners at one time. With the radio being off air, the staff at the radio station are keeping the Internet site active. They are playing music, announcements and the possibility of doing some of the musical shows on the net. That site is www.kiliradio.org http://www.kiliradio.org/ . Last Saturday Mary White Face, Saturdays' Country Show produced her show over the Internet.

White Face, long time DJ, urges loyal listeners to take an active role in helping raise the money for the station. A fund raiser dance is planned on at Kyle on Friday, May 5 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Las India Bonita or Angie's burritos stand.

There will be a dance machine and most of the station's DJs will be there. On Sunday, May 7 there will be another dance machine at Pinky's at 2 to 6 p.m.

She said they will be setting up other districts to raise funds. She said they will be setting up donation jars at the stores. For more information on the fundraisers, call Mary at 441-3171.

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recent NCAA decision. UND now is considering legal action. I think this is also futile. Don't get me wrong as I think UND is a great institution with over 400 American Indian students and over 31 Indian related programs. These programs and students generate approximately $12 million annually for UND. Our goal is to become a recognized as a leading institution for American Indians nationally. Changing the "Fighting Sioux" name will make us an ever greater institution."

In a letter dated April 27 from the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, Chairman Ron His Horse Is Thunder described the tribe's continuing opposition of the nickname "Fighting Sioux"; he wrote, "The SRST maintains its stance opposing the "Fighting Sioux" athletic nickname and logo used by the University of North Dakota (UND). Attached is a copy of SRST council Resolution Number 438-05 passed in 2005 which officially and respectfully requests UND to discontinue use of its nickname and logo and supports the NCAA decision to bar the use of Native American tribal names in post season games by colleges and universities."

The University of Illinois-Champaign and Indiana University of Pennsylvania are the other two on the list with post-season restrictions. The NCAA decision also means that the three teams will not be allowed to host NCAA championships.

Over the last eight months, four colleges have been removed from the list because their namesake tribes have given their approval, while six others remain on the list with appeals pending. Five institutions have actually changed their names according to the NCAA press release and three will undergo NCAA staff review, while one college is on a watch list.



His Horse Is Thunder also wrote on behalf of SRST as he noted, "The SRST remains committed to protecting the integrity of the Dakota and Lakota (Sioux) culture and spirituality of its members, especially for SRST member alumni and current students of UND."

The day prior to the NCAA announcement, the Grand Forks Herald reported that UND president, Charles Kupchella, had sent a letter to the NCAA indicated that the university had permission to use the nickname. Kupcella had apparently based his letter on a letter from a member of the tribe's judiciary committee who had polled six of eight districts on the reservation about their stance on use of the nickname.

That is where His Horse Is Thunder intervened on Thursday and also sent a letter to the NCAA and said that the judiciary committee only had the authority to recommend such an action. He also noted that the council representative did not have the authority to lobby the NCAA.

UND needed tribal backing from both of the North Dakota Sioux tribes and the SRST would have required a full council vote in order to back the name use. Apparently, there was no such vote and His Horse Is Thunder is opposed to such approval as noted in his letter to the NCAA citing SRST resolution 438-05. It was not clear whether or not the Spirit Lake Sioux supported the nickname usage.

Community Calendar
'Rez Happenings'

Co-ed Softball Season Opener Slam'n Jam Friday, Saturday

and Sunday, May 5-7 at the Porcupine School ball field, a fundraiser for the Porcupine School 8th grade class and includes a horseshoe tourney and a staff basketball tourney, for info call Harold at 455-6450 or 455-6474.

Three Mile Creek Youth Rodeo and School

Friday and Saturday, May 5 and 6 at Three Mile Creek arena, nine miles southwest of Kyle with check-ins for school at 9am on Friday and at 10am on Saturday, for info contact Michelle at 455-2797, 455-2313 or 441-4931.

Earlybird Men's Fastpitch Tourney

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 5-7 at the Oglala ballfield as a fundraiser for Kyle Blacksmith and Dalen Black Bull who are participating in the North American Indigenous Games in Denver in July, for info call Liz at 454-0077, Mells at 441-2781 or Julie at 441-2445

Wakanyeja Cikala Tournament

A 12 team double elimination Tournament at the Lakota Veterans gym in St. Francis May 5-7, for information call Merle Anderson at 605 208-2607 or 747-2201.

Co-ed Volleyball Tourney

Third Annual John Beard Co-ed Volleyball Tournament is set for Saturday, May 6, an "Open" format tournament, for info contact Sheila Romero at 381-8991 or Lisa at 718-0934.

34th Anniversary of Wounded Knee 73 planning meeting

Monday, May 8 at 1 p.m. at the Claudia Iron Hawk Sully residence in Wounded Knee, for info call 867-1413, 455-2590 or 454-1741 or 867-5713 with a potluck dinner.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye

Friday, May 11 at Pine Ridge School for the TWO Finals, sponsored by Shannon County Schools with grand entries set for 1pm and 6:30pm, celebrating Lakota music and dance with dance and drum groups from schools across the reservation.

Kindergarten Round-up

Our Lady of Lourdes School in Porcupine on Friday, May 12 from 10 a.m.-12 noon with a lunch provided - students entering Kindergarten in the fall of 2006 must be at least five years old before September 1, 2006.

Dakota Warriors Men's Slow pitch tourney

Eight team, double E Friday and Saturday, May 12 and 13 at the Fallen Warrior Softball Field in Ft. Thompson, for info call Wes ast 605 245-2909 or 730-1837.

Brushbreaker Down Under or Bust men's Slow Pitch tourney

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 12-14 in Rosebud, for more info call Dave at 747-2732 or 208-1088 or Connie at 441-5662 or 747-4600.

Mother's Day Slugfest Co-ed Softball tourney

Friday-Sunday, May 12-14 at Manderson ballfield, for info call Frank at 441-8642.

Unveiling of Headstone/Eugenia Lynn DuBray

Saturday, May 13 at 1 p.m. at the American Horse School gym, dinner to follow, for information call Lorena at 441-6043.

Great Plains Regional Golf tournament

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 19-21 at the Lee Park Golf Course in Aberdeen. For information call Gordon at 605 216-2586, John at 605 226-7347 or Henry at 605 290-3344.

Youth Slowpitch Softball Tournament

Sunday, May 21 at the Fallen Warrior field in Ft. Thompson, for information contact Wes Fire Cloud 245-2909 or 730-1637.

Voter Registration Deadline

Monday, May 22 for primary, school and city elections set for Tuesday, June 6th with registration being completed during regular business hours at the county auditor's office, municipal finance office, secretary of state's office,. And those locations which provide driver's licenses, food stamps, TAMF, WIC, military recruitment and assistance to the disabled as provided by the Department of Human Services.

Voter Registration Deadline

Monday, May 29 for the Shannon County District 65-1 School Board Election to be held on Tuesday, June 13, for information call the county auditor at 745-5130 or the county office at 288-1921.

Crazy Horse Ride

Set for Sunday through Friday, June 4-9 in honor of all veterans, for information contact Bam Brewer at 867-1119 or 441-8810.

JoAnne Bird exhbit

at the Sioux Indian Museum from May 7 to June 28, located at 222 New York St. in Rapid City.

To sumbit a community calendar item, email to lakota1868@gwtc.net, or fax to 685-1870 or mail to Community Calendar, Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551

Young Kratovil wins four events to lead Bennett County boys in West River, O'Neill leads girls

O'Bryan wins three sprints, Wilson-Pine, Bernie win two apiece

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Bennett County won both the boy's team and the girl's team titles during last week's West River Conference track meet hosted by Pine Ridge high school. Todd County took second in both the girls and the boys while Pine Ridge, Red Cloud and Little Wound rounded out the boys team finish and Red Cloud, Little Wound and Pine Ridge finished three four and five in the girls.

Bennett County's super sophomore, Corbin Kratovil, led the way for the boys with firsts in the 100 and 200 and the high jump and long jump. Maggie O'Neill led the Warrior girls with golds in the 100 and 300 meter hurdles and the triple jump. Abbie Kratovil won the shot and the discus to help Bennett County to the team title while Todd County's Julie Bernie took the gold in both the 1600 and the 3200 to help solidify the Lady Falcons team second place.

Marissa O'Bryan, Red Cloud senior, swept the girl's sprints winning the 100, 200 and 400 while the Bennett County girls won the 400, 800 and 1600 relays.

Meet results include:

Girls team: Bennett County 131, Todd County117, Red Cloud 42, Little Wound 15 and Pine Ridge 2 Boys Team: Bennett County 123, Todd County 112, Pine Ridge 70, Red Cloud 22 and Little Wound 15.

Individual: Boys

300 Hurdles
1. 49.63 Jarrett Allen TC
2. 50.87 Thomas Thunder Hawk PR
3. 54.79 Vern Marshall LW
4. 1.04.32 Grey Hamilton RC

3200 relay
1. 10:06.56 Bennett Co.
2. 10:13.01 Todd County

110 Hurdles
1. 20.4 Dave Michaud PR
2. 21.4 Thomas Thunder Hawk PR

100m dash
1. 11.50 Corbin Kratovil BC
2. 11.84 Charlie Moe TC
3. 11.87 Bobby Janis PR
4. 12.40 Dave Michaud PR
5. 12.68 Jesus Duran TC

800m relay
1. 1:43.82 Todd County
2. 1:53.77 Bennett County

1600m run
1. 4:38.62 Alex Wilson PR
2. 5:03.61 Albert Her Many Horses TC
3. 5:10.33 Wade O'Bryan RC
4. 5:16.06 Vern Marshall LW
5. 5:27.52 Julian Siers LW

400m relay
1. 47.57 Todd County
2. 49.51 Pine Ridge
3. 55.21 Red Cloud
4. 57.26 Bennett Co.

400m dash
1. 54.75 Charlie Moe TC
2. 55.12 Trent Heath BC
3. 56.05 Bobby Janis PR
4. 56.20 Tanner Saxton BC
5. 57.29 Joey Porter RC

300m Hurdles
1. 49.63 Jarrett Allen TC
2. 50.87 Thomas Thunder Hawk PR
3. 54.79 Vern Marshall LW
4. 1:03.32 Grey Hamilton LW

Medley Relay
1. 4:01.73 Pine Ridge
2. 4:28.47 Bennett County
3. 5:00.64 Todd County

800m dash
1. 2:13.78 Albert Her Many Horses TC
2. 2:23.16 Wade O'Bryan RC
3. 2:28.79 Luis Sanders BC
4. 2:31.95 Waylon Macek BC
5. 2:42.77 Wilbur Red Elk PR

200m run
1. 23.36 Corbin Kratovil BC
2. 23. 57 Charlie Moe TC
3. 24.07 Gunner Krogman TC
4. 25.08 Trent Heath BC
5. 25.27 Clint Sasse BC

3200m run
1. 10:27.84 Alex Wilson PR
2. 11:19.20 Vern Marshall LW
3. 12:24.15 Jarrett Allen TC
4. 12:24.65 Julian Siers LW
5. 13:29.21 Francis Krug TC

1600m relay
1. 3:58.77 Bennett County
2. 4:04.96 Todd County

Shot Put
1. 39'11" Lavern Left Hand Bull TC
2. 39'6.25" Chris Rahn TC
3. 37'2.5" Jeremiah Donovan BC
4. 36'8.25" DJ Toczek BC
5. 34'3.75" Lenny Lone Hill RC

Long Jump
1. 20'1.5" Corbin Kratovil BC
2. 19'8 Gunner Krogman TC
3. 18'5 Joey Porter RC
4. 18'3.25 Trenten Heath BC
5. 17'2.75 Jaden Allen TC

Girls

300 Hurdles
1. 51.21 Maggie O'Neil BC
2. 52.58 Julie Boyce LW
3. 56.11 Marque Lunderman RC

3200 relay
1. 11:41.15 Todd County

100m Hurdles
1. 17.5 Maggie O'Neil BC
2. 18.03 Amy O'Neil BC
3. 19.62 Marque Lunderman RC
4. 19.78 Shelby Hunger TC

100m dash
1. 12.81 Marissa O'Bryan RC
2. 13.44 Wendy Schmaltz TC
3. 13.60 Tia McCloskey TC
4. 14.00 Keely Krolikowski BC
5. 14.61 Rianna Albers RC

800m relay
1. 2:01.09 Bennett County
2. 2:13.51 Todd County

1600m run
1. 6:00.64 Julie Bernie TC
2. 6:23.04 Brittany Larvie TC
3. 6:26.68 Lisa Two Charge TC
4. 6:28.36 Kylie Wilson TC
5. 9:02.05 Summer ChristiansenLW

400m relay
1. 58.25 Bennett County
2. 1:01.05 Todd County

400m dash
1. 1:01.48 Marissa O'Bryan RC
2. 1:07.49 Keely Krowlikowski BC
3. 1:08.71 Wendy Schmaltz TC
4. 1:11.25 Timmi Grablander TC
5. 1:15.65 Dakota Dixon TC

300m hurdles
1. 51.21 Maggie O'Neil BC
2. 52.58 Julie Boyce LW
3. 56.11 Marque Lunderman LW
4.

Medley Relay
1. 4:44.63 Todd County

800m dash
1. 2:32.83 Lisa Two Charge TC
2. 2:38.90 Keely KroliKowski BC
3. 2:39.63 Julie Boyce LW
4. 2:52.19 EmmyHerManyHorsesTC
5. 3:06.41 Kristen Weston RC

200m run
1. 26.78 Marissa O'Bryan RC
2. 27.30 Wendy Schmaltz TC
3. 28.64 Kayla Porch BC
4. 28.10 Tia McClosky TC
5. 29.10 Shaina Clifford RC

3200m run
1. 12:53.16 Julie Bernie TC
2. 14:02.13 Kylie Wilson TC
3. 17:04.90 Julie Boyce LW
4. 19:01.54 Sammi Bagola PR

1600m relay
1. 4:49.26 Bennett County
2. 4:53.01 Todd County

Shot Put
1. 34'9.5" Abby Kratovil BC
2. 34'4.5" Katrina Donovan BC
3. 33'9.5" Summer Folkers BC
4. 28'6.5" Crystal Salway TC
5. 26'9.75" Jordan Rahn TC

Long Jump
1. 13'3.5" Kayla Porch BC
2. 12'9.5 Marque Lunderman RC
3. 12'5.25 MaryKayVandermay BC
4. 12'3.75 Cara Kratovil BC
5. 12'3" Abby Kratovil BC

South Dakota Basketball Divas bring back second straight Fort Hall title

FT. HALL, Idaho - The South Dakota Basketball Divas defeated the Montana Jammers 71-53 in the championship game of the Ft. Hall Girl's high school division for their second straight championship.

"Hustle, determination and teamwork made the difference," said head coach, Tiny DeCory, "the team The Divas clobbered the Nevada Babes 63-31 to get to the semis and finished up with a two game sweep over the Jammers 79-57 and 71-53.

"We used three quick guards to force a lot of turnovers and score quickly in transition," added DeCory who works for Oglala Lakota College's headstart program in her day job, "Keisha Brewer grabbed nine rebounds a game and averaged six assists while Robin Webber and Nichelle Red Owl led the fast break."

Lacey Weston earned the MVP award an Robin Webber was named to the all star team.

In addition to Weston, Webber, Red Owl and Brewer, the Basketball Divas included Aimee Pond, Sophia Janis, Sadie In the Woods, Christian Janis, Alyssa Cottier and Saudia Tasso. Will Good Eagle assisted DeCory in coaching the champion Divas.

Top graduating seniors listed

PIERRE (AP) - A list of students honored Monday by Associated School Boards of South Dakota as the top one percent of graduating seniors in their high schools. Below are the listed students alphabetized, only from tribal high schools.

Candace Hill, Cheyenne-Eagle Butte High School ; Evangeline Poor Bear, Crazy Horse High School;

Brittany Buum, Crow Creek High School ;Nathaniel Allen, Flandreau Indian High School; Sadie In the Woods, Little Wound High School;

Scarlet Drapeau, Lower Brule High School; Travis Ducheneaux, Marion High School; Bethany Drapeau, Marty Indian High School; Philip Eagle, McIntosh High School;

Lane Taken Alive, McLaughlin High School; Tamera Long, Pine Ridge High School;

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OPINION PAGE

Guest Editorial

Tending to our own 'backyards'

It feels justifiable most of the time when we lay blame upon the dominant society for many of our social ills, emotional turmoil and economic challenges.

However, at some point we need to look inward and share the responsibility for discovering long-term solutions for whatever ails us.

Last month in Sioux Falls it was noted that methamphetamine is getting into the country from across the southern border and is flourishing on Indian reservations, to name one place, because of very lax laws, which are not stemming the flow.

It seems it is easier for us to take to task issues that are brought on by non-Indians and because of our historical trauma and we are quick to take up the signs and march when we see the unfairness of an issue.

It's easier for us to march on White Clay against the non-Indian than to do a 180 degree turn and march and demand responsiblity in our own backyard with the bootleggers and the selling of meth in our very own communities.

The impact of the 'Death to Meth' concert has provided awareness to those that attended. It's a good thing what the organizers of the concert have done.

If we look at some of the grant funding we have received whether by entitlement or by competitive grant funding we could look at some of that as laying the groundwork for innovative and creative solutions to the issues that confront us every day.

We have many young and capable Lakota students, professionals and those in the work place who should be exploring and dreaming up never before heard of solutions to some of the more daunting obstacles that we face.

Such things as new paradigms in economic development, creative designs in technological development and new conceptual ideas that will excite young people about the future is greatly needed.

There is so much more we can do and it is high time to start using the other ninety percent of our brains as we take the reins and become a stronger and determined Lakota society that is capable of withstanding the onslaught of the new century.

We can preserve and perpetuate our beautiful Lakota society, and at the same time be self-sufficient in promoting our natural resources, human capital, and ways in which to address the coming scourge of such things as the bird flu or even methamphetamine and its effects.

Our hope is that there will be uniform laws throughout Indian lands, which will address the punitive measures for methamphetamine sales.

Again, much praise to Saunie Wilson, Charlie White Elk, Beverly Tuttle and Carol O'Rourke for their hard work in organizing the one day "Death to Meth" concert. We appreciate your commitment.



'Very well, then — you're all deported!'

The above Editorial Cartoon appeared in the Boulder Daily Camera and we wanted to share it with our readers.

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Guest Column

Building hometown prosperity

BY SEN. TIM JOHNSON (D-S.D.)
Special Guest Column

South Dakota is truly a wonderful place to call home - but it's not always the easiest place to make a living.

Though we have already made great strides in strengthening and diversifying our economy, we're still not where we want to be.

A shortage of good-paying jobs, especially in our more rural areas, is one of the key reasons many of our young people leave South Dakota. As they and other job-seekers pursue opportunities elsewhere, smaller towns wither away, and our state as a whole loses some of the people who are its single greatest asset.

This problem is not new one, and it is not unique to South Dakota.

Despite all the good things we've accomplished together in the past, though, there's still more to be done. In my conversations around the state, people have explained to me that they'd rather not have to leave their hometowns to seek prosperity elsewhere, but they feel they have no choice.

Too often, they feel that good-paying career opportunities are simply not available here. This needs to change.

In December of 2005, I asked South Dakotans to help me take stock of the things we're doing to promote economic development in our state. I sent out hundreds of surveys that asked what South Dakotans feel our priorities should be and held more than a dozen meetings about this topic in communities around our state.

Based on the information I received through my economic development survey, meetings with community leaders throughout our state, and the analysis of other experts, I have identified a set of four development strategies, or "pillars," that represent my priorities for advancing South Dakota's economic development from the federal level. Together, these pillars make up what I call a "Hometown Prosperity Plan" for South Dakota. The pillars include the following:

First, "Promoting Partnerships," which means encouraging even more cooperation and less competition among states within our region, among towns and organizations within South Dakota, with Indian Country and among leaders at all levels;

Second, "Emphasizing Entrepreneurship," which means placing a greater emphasis on nurturing start-up businesses so we can grow from within;

Third, "Investing in the Public Good," which means nudging private investment toward sectors that benefit South Dakota, and funding federal investments that earn positive returns in the form of community benefits; and

Fourth, "Protecting Pocketbooks," which means taking action against rising energy costs, rising health-care costs, stagnant wages, and other things that squeeze finances and sap our economic strength.

Economic development is a "lynchpin" issue in the sense that strengthening our economy leads to progress on many other issues -- generating additional resources for education, reducing crime rates, and making it easier for people to provide for their families. This is why economic development is worth focusing on, and it is one of the reasons I developed this plan.

As a member of both the Senate Budget Committee and the Appropriations Committee, I will help determine funding levels for many federal programs that impact South Dakota. In addition, I will have the opportunity to seek "earmark" funding for specific projects in our state. We're also making preparations for a new farm bill, which sets policy not just for agriculture, but for rural development more generally. Together, these and other upcoming legislative developments will present me with opportunities to impact economic development in South Dakota from the federal level.

We have already made considerable progress on economic development, and I believe the strategies detailed in my plan represent a promising proposal for building on that progress.

I appreciate the suggestions and ideas from the many people who helped to develop this plan, and I look forward to continuing our work together as we seek to implement its components.

I encourage people to take a look at the detailed plan on my website at http://johnson.senate.gov and continue to send in their ideas.

By "promoting partnerships," "emphasizing entrepreneurship," "investing in the public good," and "protecting pocketbooks," I know we can bring even greater prosperity to the communities that South Dakotans call home.

Other Views

They don't want Indians praying at Bear Butte

Dear Editor:

This letter is regarding the Meade County Commissioners decision to approve the alcohol application of Mr. Jay Allen who proposes to build a 22,500 sq foot bar, 155,000 square foot asphalt parking lot, and an amphitheater to seat 30,000 near Bear Butte.

Bear Butte is a Sacred Mountain to our Lakota People and many other Native Nations. We pray there, learn there, and receive healing there. Bear Butte is our church, school, and hospital.

While some people may believe that since there is no development actually ON THE MOUNTAIN, it is okay to build nearby. However, elected officials such as the Commissioners have a responsibility not only to the people who vote candidates into office, but to people everywhere who depend on the judgment of officials to take care of social responsibility.

There are laws in place all over the United States which protect the integrity of churches, schools and hospitals. The Meade County Commissioners have the power to demand by example that all people, businesses, organizations, and governments show their respect for a Sacred Mountain by their ability to enact a vote of No to Mr. Allen's application.

This is a great responsibility that the Meade County Commissioners have. The eyes and ears of the whole country and many other nations watch their action regarding this issue.

Through my work with Treaty Councils in Lakota Country and at the United Nations regarding the Rights of Indigenous Peoples', I know that the Lakota People and many other Native Nations have the inalienable Human Right to pray at sacred places.

This Human Right becomes denied when the decision-makers approve of action, which in essence, sanctions the desecration of sacred places.

Many people urged the Commissioners to consider the future when making decisions, to think of the coming generations of not only Lakota People and other Native Nations, but of Meade County residents' grandchildren and great-grandchildren, as well.

A good leader is visionary for his people, and for all people, who will be effected by his decision making. Bear Butte is a sacred place, it is a National Historic Site, it is a State Park, and the nearby Bear Butte Lake is a National Wildlife Refuge. With such highly esteemed designations, the Meade County Commissioners had all these reasons, these good reasons, to vote in such a manner as to protect and preserve Bear Butte for the people of today and generations to come.

Many of us attending the April 4, 2006 hearing urged the Commissioners to take courage and vote for the environment, the natural balance of Creation, the coming generations. We urged them to stand together as a Commission against the powerful raging money machine that often drives small towns into making disastrous, regrettable decisions, that in the end benefit no one except the one capitalist owner and the recipients of the pitifully-few dollars he/she may spread around town while taking home the millions, violating the rights of others, contaminating the environment and the society impacted by the driving force of wanting to make the dollar, in disregard for the destruction he leaves behind for others to clean up and suffer from.

Indeed, as elected officials, the Commissioners must be aware that the decision to allow Mr. Allen the one tool he needs to make a profit from his endeavor, will in fact, result in great suffering for the Lakota people and other Native Nations who need and cherish Bear Butte, as well as environmentalists who respect Bear Butte for the special place that it is. Isn't 60 bars enough?

Indigenous People all over the world, and environmentalists all over the world, could have celebrated the Commission's decision to protect and preserve the Sacred Mountain, Bear Butte, if the vote was to tell Mr. Allen, "No, the location of your establishment is inappropriate for an alcohol license. Such a location would be damaging to too many people, too many generations, too many species of the environment.

Your application is denied." However, the decision was to approve Mr. Allen's alcohol-license application. The power was there for the Commission to enact an honorable decision, yet without any discussion, the vote was unanimous to approve. Many people, including residents of Meade County, feel the Commission's action was not only dishonorable, but premeditated.

The decision did not surprise many, for not many expected to receive justice in the Meade County Courthouse. Yet, the construction of Mr. Allen's bar has been halted, for the moment, by the many days and nights of falling rain, hail, sleet, and snow; by a power greater than the Commission.

On the mind of many people at the rally and the hearing was the remembrance that April 4 was the anniversary of the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr., who said "The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort, but where he stands in times of challenges and controversy."

The world watching that day certainly saw where the Meade County Commissioners stood, and now understand the ultimate measure of these men as individuals and as a collective. Who do they represent? Many residents are against further destruction of the environment of Bear Butte.

The many people who marched on Sturgis, closing down Highway 34, included several Traditional Healers (Medicine Men), elders, Treaty Councils, many Sun Dance Societies, Headsmen, Matriarchs, elders, school children, high school and college students and faculty, Warrior Societies, United States military Veterans, elect-

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Northern Perspectives

Food doesn't look the same



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

I don't want to be an alarmist, as they say, but the fried foods that taste so good are giving us diabetes and killing us. I don't want to say that Lakota people are most susceptible to diabetes because I am not a scientist, but I can say that all of us simply need to get more exercise and eat healthy.

As one gets older, I think we slowly begin to realize that the food we put into our bodies is certainly at the heart of many of the good and bad things that happen in our lifetime. I always think that if I could look back at my life or re-do it, I would be a vegetarian or something. I think tunkasila should let me have a "do over" when it comes to being reincarnated as I think I know how to eat healthy.

It is too bad that it takes a lifetime to learn that not all things are healthy for us. I used to read food labels years ago and avoided the fat content and lately I have taken up that habit as my son is a big kid and he's also learning to eat healthy. There have been many times in my life where I enjoyed big fat juicy cheeseburgers and french fries, but now I know that just one serving probably contains all of an adult daily allowance of fat intake.

I think it takes not only desire and education to learn about the unhealthy effects of those foods and drinks that are not good for us, but also time, experience and simply living life. When I was a young man, I didn't give much thought to eating healthy and just what that meant. Most of our favorite food stuffs tastes so good, it is hard to start 'today' with our diet plans.

As I noted before, if I knew what I know now about the beneficial effects of simply drinking a lot of water, I would have drank gallons. Actually, the recommended intake of water seems to be around eight glasses and that probably amounts to close to a half-gallon. A couple of my health issues centered around the need to drink more water in my life and I kind of dropped the ball because I didn't. Now days, there is a lot of information out there on the Internet and in the newspapers about how to maintain a health lifestyle.

Most of the information that recommends a healthy lifestyle could be summarized briefly, yet, it would be a good guide for most of us. The experts recommend no smoking, no alcohol and at least 30 minutes of exercise 4-5 times a week in addition to eating a balanced diet. Most of the recommend tips are meant to be accomplished in moderation and not in an extreme way. For example, when cholesterol is broken down into good and bad and our bodies need both. It is kind of confusing, but apparently our bodies need the good fat as well.

What is a challenge for most us is to pay attention to those food labels as we purchase our food and that can be time consuming. Also, many of the fast foods establishments on the reservation do not publish the fat content of their food because they are not equipped to calculate that figure as it would take time. One could actually estimate what that would be if served in exact proportions, but then again it is time consuming.

The other issue is financial, as many healthy foods which are labeled "whole wheat" or "organically grown" are sometimes too expensive for most of us. Most of us simply cannot expand our budgets to include those things, which are good for our families. In that case, I think that we do have to make an effort to buy only those things that are low fat as most products now days have a very distinct label, which lists the "Nutrition Facts."

Despite a couple of health issues, which have accompanied me, I never smoked cigarettes or drank alcohol and those two positive risk factors have helped me to journey this far in life. Each time I sit down to my favorite food of fried chicken, mashed potatoes, beef stew, or pasta I have to remind myself that "moderation" is a watch word that I can never forget. What my son and I do a lot of times is we order a meal and share it. This works especially well with a chef salad which are usually fairly good size. Also, eating out is expensive no matter where you go and this practice cuts down on the final bill and we manage to come away feeling that we didn't stuff ourselves.

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Praying at Bear Butte *from page A4*

ed officials, *ikce wicasa* and *winyan* (common men and women), drum groups; bikers from several states, South Dakota Senators and Congressional Representatives, Civil Liberty Attorneys, church groups, Tribal Police, and local and Black Hills area residents. We engaged in a collective action. We stood in solidarity.

At the Protect and Preserve Bear Butte Rally the Lakota and other Tribal Nations, and our many brothers and sisters of all races and walks of life stood together in solidarity with one prayer, to protect and preserve Bear Butte. The prayer strengthened the people, which was in the heart of those who organized the Rally: Intertribal Coalition to Defend Bear Butte, Lakota Action Network, Owe Aku (Bring Back the Way), Mennonite Central Committee, Bear Butte International Alliance. We all understood that the Commission is guided by a system of oppression, the capitalist system.

Some felt that the Commission was also guided by another system of oppression, racism. We understood that environmental racism (policies/laws which most greatly impact a group of people-Lakota and other tribes, in this case) would also probably rear its' ugly head, and it did.

Yet, we recalled the words of Martin Luther King, Jr., who said "Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter." We could not be silent that day, we had to make a stand for our Sacred Mountain.

It was a peaceful stand, there were no arrests, not criminal behavior, no riot broke out. The Lakota Security (Warrior Society) on duty that day protected the Rally participants, and kept a firm hand on the crowd at all times. The only people who got out of hand were the towns folk peeking out of stores who yelled insults at our youth. We did not throw insults back, our voice was our March and our Rally, and we were not silent that day when we made a stand for our Sacred Mountain and our Way of Life.

Our work is not done, we will continue to resist the desecration of Bear Butte. April 4 was just the beginning of our resistance. We will continue to make a stand for our Human Right to pray, for our Sacred Mountain, with the establishment of an encampment, with Opening Ceremonies on July 4 at Bear Butte.

We will camp there with our Tribal Nations, organizations, and societies, and our allies will join us.

We will have a peaceful Gathering of Nations to Defend Bear Butte. In this organized resistance to the desecration of our Sacred Mountain, and the accompanying destruction to our Way of Life, we will host many learning experiences from traditional medicine and food to international Human Rights law.

The Meade County Commissioners have stated that they are concerned and worried about so many "Indians coming to town."

We wonder why they do not worry about the drunken, drugged tourists, a higher crime rate, enormous mounds of trash, people urinating in the ditches because there are not enough toilets for half a million people, increased police calls, and the many social problems testified to by county residents at the hearing (not to stereo-type the bikers, just repeating the residents' testimony!).

We wonder why the Commission would choose to be faced with such an outcome, but they don't want Indians praying at Bear Butte?

Debra White Plume,
Bring Back the Way, writing from the banks of Wounded Knee Creek
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Notes From Indian Country

Living in a Red Day



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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Terri Blue is her family name and so is White Eyes. But if you put the names together as she does sometimes, it comes out Terri Blue White Eyes. Hmmmm!

Anyway, however she writes her name there should be room in there for "Dynamic." That's right - dynamic or maybe "Devoted." For more than 20 years she has spent her life providing health care to the sick and those consumed by the double scourges of drugs and alcohol.

"You can blame it all on my Mom because she was a health care worker and it sort of trickled down to me. I remember when she worked at the Health Clinic in Los Angeles and I was there to learn from her," Blue said.

Her mother, Juanita White Eyes and her brothers and sisters, were students at Holy Rosary Indian Mission on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota when I attended school there. Her uncle Carl White Eyes was about my age and we were pretty good friends at the mission school. Juanita is now 80 years old and according to Ms. Blue, "she is still running around getting things done."

Ms. Blue is the Director of Anpetu Luta Otipi (Living in a Red Day), an Oglala Sioux Tribe Comprehensive Substance Abuse Program. The program started out many years ago as Project Phoenix but has since merged to form the one program. Her office and staff is located just outside of Kyle on the No Flesh Road. It is also a residence that houses beds for 10 inpatients.

"I've put in 20 years with the program, but one of my staff members, Peggy Janis, has been here for 23 years," Blue said.

The Indian Health Service funds the program and when I asked Ms. Blue if they were supportive, she replied, "They say they are." She was very concerned about the lack of support from the State of South Dakota. "The state will not recognize our credentials as certified alcohol and drug counselors and we feel excluded because in order to get recognized by them we have to attend their special training program and since we are Lakota and use our own traditional and cultural values to heal our people, we just do not fit in with the state regulations at times," she said.

Ms. Blue believes in teaching her clients about living in balance. "We don't follow a 12-step program, but instead we have a traditional concept we call The Seven Directions. We try to help our clients with their mental, physical and spiritual self," she said.

Anpetu Luta Otipi gets as many as 900 referrals a year. Of those that are accepted into the program about 90 percent are considered residential patients. "All of our staff are certified alcohol and drug counselors and the biggest problem we face on this reservation is alcoholism," Ms. Blue said.

Because of space and funding shortages the program has alternating cycles of 30 days for the youth and 30 days for the adults in the residential program Ms. Blue is particularly proud of the support given her program by the Lakota people in her community. "Our clients have to remain alcohol and substance free for one year before they can come to us and offer their help as volunteers," she said.

But because the reservation is a small community patients often return to the same situations and lifestyles that brought them to the program in the first place. "Recidivism is very high, about 85 percent and we are really trying to create a new approach, a paradigm shift if you will," Blue said.

The program has helped youngsters fighting alcohol related problems as young as 10-years-old. "We had to sneak in the 10-year-old's, because the program is designed to help people from age 12 on up. Two thirds of our clients are male, but we do get a lot of women referred to us from the Department of Social Services. These women have been abused or have become alcohol and substance dependent and have lost custody of their children," Blue said.

"We have a hard time convincing the state government that our program has to emphasize Lakota values. Traditional Lakota values like generosity, wisdom, courage, respect and bravery guide all aspects of the program," Blue said. "Our philosophy includes the belief that the Lakota people have endured hundreds of years of grief, pain and loss. Our people have learned to cope with this loss through the use of drugs and alcohol," Blue believes.

"It's been a long, hard fight for us at Anpetu Luta Otipi, but we are determined to cure the serious addictions that have plagued our people for much too long and sometimes we have to cry along with them, but we try to lend them our strength to heal themselves," Blue said.

The color "red" reflects the path many Lakota travel when they are living good and productive lives. It reflects the Good Red Road they walk upon and those who come to Terri Blue White Eyes for help are looking for a new life that will bring them to "Living in a Red Day," the Lakota equivalent of "One Day at a Time."

Anyone wishing to help this wonderful program survive can call 605-455-2331 or write to: Anpetu Luta Otipi, P.O. Box 275, Kyle, SD 57752. With funds from the Indian Health Service cut for this year, Terri and her loyal staff need all of the financial assistance they can get.

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A column for and about women veterans

Worried about my daughter's behavior

Dear SAS: My daughter just got back from Iraq last year. I can tell that something is bothering her but she won't talk to me about it. When I try to ask her, she gets angry and tells me to mind my own business. This is not how we used to be. We had a good relationship and she used to talk about everything with me. When I suggested that maybe a counselor could help, she really got mad. I feel like she is hurting. What can I do?

Answer: It is good that you are concerned for your daughter and are reaching out for help. It appears that there are two types of expectations here. You have the expectation of closeness that once was in place. For your daughter, after serving in the military, her sense of things has changed. Let's try to step into her shoes first to see what we can learn.

You say she is hurting and we do not know if she is hurting physically or emotionally. You do say that she is not willing to talk about things.

Soldiers learn that they only talk about their experiences on a need to know basis. For example, during war they learn they are only to talk about missions to others in their unit. When soldiers return home, they do not share openly with family even though they are no longer on the "missions" of military life. Many will continue to feel that they can only be comfortable talking with others who have also been in combat. At home they may miss the closeness of their combat buddies because they feel that no one else can understand them now. When a family member tries to ask questions, like you did out of concern, the veteran may think you are trying to pry into her affairs. Another consideration is that she is trying to protect you. If she had some terrible experiences, she is going to be reluctant to tell you out of respect for your feelings. She will not want to place more worry on you. This will be particularly true if re-deployment is a possibility. She may also feel that she has to continue to "keep her stuff together" because if she breaks down she might worry about her ability to continue to be an effective soldier.

The other thing to keep in mind is that your daughter may still be in the habit of controlling her emotions-something that was absolutely critical in combat. The one emotion that was allowed and encouraged was anger. Anger can be used as a motivator, and certainly is used as a form of self expression.

It may be that your daughter wishes she could tell you some things, but feels she can't. She feels frustrated and her anger is a product of her frustration. Her anger may also be her way to try to get you to quit asking questions. Again, it is because she does not want to let you know her struggles so you won't worry. Either way, you feel that she is withdrawing from you. Since she is your daughter, that may make you feel like you need to reach out to her more, so you ask more often. Unfortunately the result is that the strain increases, which is what you described in your letter.

If you have a question, please write a letter to one of the following individuals:

Dr. Sally Weyer at the VA Black Hills Health Care System
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VOICES PAGE

A mystery unsolved at He Sapa

Editor's Note The following story was written by Francis Apple Sr. in the Lakota language. Next week, the English version of the story will be published.***

BY FRANCIS APPLE SR.
Special to the Times

1. Tunkasila, ehanni eyasnan wicoyake wan oyeke.

2. Unciyani makoce hecetkiciya otakuye wanglag ipi na pankeska wakpa takiya glapi yukan He Sapa he kohu nipi hanl ahanhepi keye.

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7. Yukan waciculaya lolicihani ca el ihunni pi.

8. Apajula wan etan awing wicahpayapi yunkan watohanl wasin sloyapi ca he lila wastemnan hiyu ca lila locinpi keye.

9. Ecet'kiya yapi yunkan wasicula ki yus'inya hinalapi na manzakan iyakihpayapi ca yamnpi ca katiye wicapi keye.

10. Enanhni wotapi na mazaskazi ole wicasala hena maya anawica spa pi keye.

11. Sunsunla ikpi san ya wakinkiya nanjin pi ca awicablezapi yunkan yupiyag sapa wojuha cikcikala ya inyan ya wiyakpakpaka o'ikoyaka ca ojugjula un ca iyo hi kinpi keye.

12. Inyan hena kala ipeyapi na wajuhala hena eya icupi, wanji heya keya, lenan wase ognanke waste yelo.

13. Tunkasila heya keye le wojuha ki le wanji na mnihuha mazaska ya yuzigzic anant'inya sicanwapi ognakapi he nankun wanji awagni. John Reshaw wakipazokte, toksa hena taku ki slolyin kte.

14. John Reshaw taku ya akipi hena wayankin na lila iyokpi keye.

15. Lenan blu ha kte lo, hinhanaki wati ekta yaupi ki tokeya lila tanyan wayata pi na hehanl sunkawakan mitawa ki tukte niye yacinpi ki niglahnigapi kte.

16. Nakun masopiye mitawa hetan iyakazopi oyekihi oyakehipi (Lakota ikazopi canna ungnanhansnan tohanni glajujupi sni)

17. Ho, ihihanni el ecel ecunpi keye.

18. John Reshaw heya owicakiya keye. Wetu ki unkigluwinyeyapi na manzaskazi hena ole unyanpi kte lo.

19. Wannan wetu, wa skan na peji to wahehanl He Sapa takiya itoheyapi.

Yunkan atayas tokiyotanlahci wasicula hena epi na sunsunla ikpi sanla hena awicayustanpi hena atayas iye wicayapi okihipi sni keye maka tipi wan otipi he e keyas toka han.

20. Pankeska wakpa ta coka kipi keye.

21. Tunkasila heye ungnan takunl un hececa sece toka han..

22.Ungnans ake taku unk'upi na unyusakapi kta un hececa sece.

23. Tunkasila, owehanhan unkawapi na eyasnan heunkiyapi, lehanl takuya hecel maka mahel yankehenan uniyeyapi okihipi ca yahapi.

24. Heca wanji unkolotapi na yuha heciya unyapi na taksniya manzaskazi hena iye unyanpi unkokihipi.

25. Tunkasila eyasnan heye Henna wowakan ikoyake ca he an iyeunyanpi unkokihipi sni.

26.Ungnans akinil unhinglapi na iyuha unkicikte pi unkokihipi.

27. Mnihuha mazaska ya gigi ca tate el kahwogyapi na yuzigzicapi ya anatinyapi hena eya icupi, lena heikan waste yelo eyapi keye. Ho, lehanl hena iwankapi yukan hena mazaska opawinge heca ca otahci tate kahwog iyaya keye.

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Top Ten reasons for the week

This week's topic is:

TOP 10 'YOU KNOW WHEN YOU ARE A TRIBAL EMPLOYEE WHEN:'

1. You don't officially start working in the morning till you've read all your emails.

2. Not only do you know all the security guards, and janitors you're related to them too.

3. Your version of a conference call is when you call your cousin, friends and plan the weekend basketball/powwow/rodeo plans.

4. The only time your man/woman/snag picks you up from work is on payday.

5. You have pictures on the wall.

6. Before calling in sick, you rehearse your sick voice and sick story several times out loud so it's not so obvious you're hung-over.

7. Your kid's school supplies all came from the tribal supply department.

8. You call in sick on payday, then send your cousin to pick up your check. (That's real rezzed)

9. You contribute $1 to the Tribal Christmas Party, pile on your plate AND take three plates home for your family.

10. Your co-workers know not to expect you at work the day after payday.

11. You tell your creditors your "not in the office" when they call at work.

12. Your kids call your work and say, "Let me speak to my mom" and the co-workers knows who its for.

Each week the Lakota Country Times has a topic for our "top ten." If you have a top ten you would like to shart, you can submit your "top ten" response to next weeks issue by e-mail to: lakota1868@gwtc.net, or fax to 685-1870, or drop in the HAPPY AD BOX at Big Bat's or Lil' Angels. All respondors will remain confidential.

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Red Cloud Indian School Elementary Graduation

Our Lady of Lourdes Eighth Grade Graduation
Thursday, May 18, 2006 at 9:00 am

Carley Clifford	Bryer Iron Cloud	Ethleen Cournoye
Josey Johnson	Dwight Kelly	Teslah Knight
Amber Palmier	Victoria Phelps	James Plume
Samantha Puckett	Amber Steele	Tamara Steele
Colby Weston	Kiley Weston	Jonnie Winters
Kyle Woodward	Megan Yellow Boy	

Red Cloud Eighth Grade Graduation
Thursday, May 18, 2006 at 2:00 p.m.

John Amiotte	Joseph Amiotte	Dane Arredondo
Vonna Blacksmith	Dustin Brewer	Savanna Crazy Thunder
Sarah Herman	Raymond Hernandez	Henry Hudspeth
Anita Janis	Jace Janis	Jeremiah Janis
Daisa One Feather	Laree Pourier	John Richards
Aubree Running Hawk	Montana Sierra	Demi Tapio
Jacey Twiss	Michelle Twiss	Daniel Two Bulls
Alex Two Lance	Steven Vitalis	Chyler Weston
Jerad Weston	Autumn White Eyes	

Join our eighth grade graduates in the celebration ceremony Thursday, May 18, 2006.

Red Cloud Indian School

Outstanding students honored at 27th annual reservation awards banquet

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

WOLF CREEK - On Monday evening at Wolf Creek School, students, school board, faculty and staff members joined parents, community members and tribal officials to honor the top eighth graders and seniors from across Pine Ridge Reservation. In honor of the memory of Dick Hagen, a long time elected official from Pine Ridge who was committed to public service and our youth, the Porcupine School Student Council was presented with the "Outstanding Student Leadership" award honoring Cody Young, Alphonso Pawnee Leggings, Kimberly Standing Soldier and Charles White Eyes.

"We are here to recognize our youth, our outstanding students," said tribal president, Cecelia Fire Thunder, "but we need to recognize the parents, the grandparents or significant adults who have played a major role in the success of our students - our children cannot do well or succeed without parents or grandparents standing behind them."

Rianna Albers, a senior at Red Cloud, won the 12th grade academic award. Albers was named a Gates Scholar earlier this month and chose to enroll at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis rather than Georgetown. Also nominated for the award was Sadie In The Woods/Little Wound, Robert Janis/Pine Ridge and Evangeline Poor Bear/Crazy Horse.



Jessica Helper of Pine Ridge high school(left) won the extracurricular award, Anna Diaz, Red Cloud senior and current Miss Oglala Lakota Nation, was also nominated; photo courtesy of Shannon Co. schools

In 12th grade athletics, TyAnn Pourier of Little Wound edged out Johnny Crow of Red Cloud, Deana Big Crow of Pine Ridge and Jay Romero of Crazy Horse. All four nominees are planning to head to college. Pourier had an outstanding senior volleyball and basketball year and plans to go to South Dakota State University in Brookings. Big Crow plans on playing basketball at Chadron State College an Johnny Crow is planning on signing with McCook Community College in Nebraska to play basketball.

Honoring the memory of Bill Cuny, long time educator, Charles Janis of Pine Ridge was honored for the Bill Cuny Citizenship award. Brandi Shortman of Red Cloud and Louis Kills Straight were also nominated. Janis plans on majoring in criminal justice at Chadron State and play sports for the NCAA Division II school.

The night's 12th grade extracurricular award was presented to Jessica Helper of Pine Ridge. Anna Diaz of Red Cloud and Binki Malik of Little Wound were also nominated.

Tom Vocu, a past Shannon County school board member and current staff member at Wolf Creek School was the MC for the 27th annual recognition banquet. DD and the Fayrohs, a rock nostalgia dance band that plays throughout the black Hills area, provided the entertainment for the evening.

Stephanie Clifford from Batesland was selected as the eighth grade academic award winner. Virginia Little Crow/American Horse, Brianna Randall/Crazy Horse, Brennan Montgomery/Little Wound, Brent Spoonhunter/Loneman, Megan Yellow Boy/Our Lady of Lourdes, Lacy Pourier/Pine Ridge, Daylon Black Bull/Porcupine, Amber Running Hawk/Red Cloud, Alan Jealous/Rockyford, Tyrell Tayle/Wolf Creek and Lacy Colhoff/Wounded Knee District school were also nominated.

Christian Janis/Pine Ridge played in the Big Foot Conference game in early December and went on to play as the sixth man for the Pine Ridge Lady Thorpes, earning Lakota Nation all tourney honors. Janis was selected as the eighth grade athletic award winner. Nominations included: James Flye/Porcupine, Kiley Weston/Our Lady of Lourdes, Dallas Two Lance/Loneman, Kirsten Clifford/Little Wound, Kristi Boltz/Batesland, David Red Bear/American Horse, Lars Backward/Wolf Creek, Martika Drapeau/Rockyford and Jared Weston/Red Cloud.

Alyssa Cottier/Pine Ridge was chosen for the Bill Cuny Citizenship award. Those nominated by their schools included: Raymond Garcia/Wolf Creek, Brandon Two Bulls/Red Shirt, Henry Hudaspeth/Red Cloud, Ashley Mesteth/Porcupine, Samantha Pucket/OLL, Johnny Yellow Cloud/Loneman, Colynn Condon/Batesland and Sam Yellow Hawk/American Horse.

John Richards/Red Cloud earned the extracurricular award. Schools also nominated Maryssa Red Bear/American Horse, Calsee Has No Horse/Batesland, Tara One Horn/Little Wound, Mary Two Lance/Loneman, Amber Steele/OLL, Delia Big Boy/Pine Ridge, Kimberly Janis/Porcupine, Barbara White Eyes and Haley Lakota/Wolf Creek.

"Our children represent the human capital for the future," concluded Fire Thunder, "in just the way we have representatives from each of the schools here tonight, we need to have all of the schools sit down and work together on how we may do this better, learn from each other and get the job done - each of our high school seniors should finish school with a plan; this is an exciting time, we have so many beautiful, hard working and creative young people coming up!"



Nominations for eighth grade athletic included Lars Backward/Wolf Creek, Kiley Weston/Our Lady of Lourdes, Dallas Two Lance/Loneman, David Red Bear/American Horse, Christian Janis/Pine Ridge(winner) and Kirsten Clifford/Little Wound; photo courtesy of Shannon County schools



The outstanding student leadership award went to the Porcupine Student Council including Charles Black Eyes, Alfonso Pawnee Leggings, Kimberly Standing Soldier and Codi Young; photo courtesy of Shannon County Schools



Rianna Albers, Red Cloud senior, won the academic award while Sadie In The Woods/Little Wound, Evangeline Poor Bear/Crazy Horse and Robert Janis/Pine Ridge were also nominated; photo courtesy of Shannon County schools

Congratulations Seniors 2006

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High School Graduations

Little Wound High School May 25th 11 am
Pine Ridge High School May 17th 10 am
Crazy Horse High School May 12th 2 pm
Red Cloud High School May 19th 10 am

8th Grade Graduations

Little Wound Middle School May 17th 2 pm
Pine Ridge Middle School May 18th 5 pm
Crazy Horse Middle School May 11th 2 pm
Red Cloud Middle School May 18th 2 pm
American Horse School May 19th
Wounded Knee District School May 31st 10 am
Loneman School May 17th 2 pm
Porcupine Y.R. School May 24th 10 am
Wolf Creek School June 2nd 10 am
Rockyford School June 2nd 1 pm
Batesland School June 2nd 1:30 pm
Red Shirt School June 6th 11 am
Our Lady of Lourdes May 18th 9 am

May the Great Spirit Guide
You every step of the way as you
journey through life
and may you use the lessons you have
learned during this time
to be open to receive the many blessings today
and always; to strengthen you as you face
the many challenges
in fulfilling your dreams and goals.
OST 36th President
Cecelia Fire Thunder



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Phillip Good Crow

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Ruth Brown
Austin Watkins
Ella John Carlow
Bernard White Face
Walt Big Crow
Mary Poor Thunder
Thomas Poor Bear
Paul Little
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Kathy Janis

Crazy Horse School
High School Graduation
Friday, May 12th - 2:00 p.m.

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May commodity schedule

PINE RIDGE - The May commodity schedule is as follows:

Thursday, May 4 at Kyle by the CAP building.

Monday, May 8 at Manderson by the post office and Wounded Knee at the upper housing.

Wednesday, May 10 at Martin Sunrise homes.

Friday, May 12 at Porcupine Evergreen by the CAP building.

Tuesday, May 16 at Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni Lake.

Thursdays, May 18 at Oglala at the old Oglala store site.

May 24 to 31 Pine Ridge and Wanblee warehouse will be closed for inventory.

The warehouse is open for 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day. Listen to KILI Radio station for any changes.

Listed below is the criteria needed to participate in the commodity program:

1. Verification of income: check stubs, SSI and Social Security, pension letters.

2. Clients residency requires that they live on or near the reservation.

3. No district households shall be permitted to pick up their commodities in Pine Ridge until after the first seven working days.

4. No household shall be permitted to participate in the commodity program and the food stamp program during the same month.

Monthly income guidelines: Household size Income Limit

1	$ 932
2	$1,204
3	$1,474
4	$1,747
5	$2,042
6	$2,335
7	$2,607
8	$2,869

For each additional member plus $272. Dependent care deduction maximum allowable is $200 for dependent children under two years of age and $175 for all other dependents.

Air ambulances will be based on Pine Ridge, Rosebud, will save time

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - Isolated American Indians soon will be closer to emergency health care through a plan to put air ambulances on reservations nationwide.

The first airplanes will be on the Pine Ridge and Rosebud reservations in South Dakota by July, then Fort Berthold in North Dakota.

The goal is to reduce the time it takes to get a patient to a hospital that can provide a level of care not available in rural areas.

"If we can start saving hours ... we can start saving lives," Tex Hall, chairman of the Inter-Tribal Economic Alliance, said Wednesday at the announcement in Sioux Falls.

It now can take three or four hours for some patients to get to a hospital because the air ambulance first must fly from its hospital to the reservation and then back to the hospital.

Hall's coalition of tribes is working with PassNet of Plymouth, Minn., which secured investors and plans to put fixed-wing airplanes on 50 reservations over the next five years and cut that time, its CEO, John Warnock, said.

"We want to roll this out one station a month," he said.

Funding for the flights will come

from the federal programs under which the patients are covered: Medicare, Medicaid, Indian Health Services and the Veterans Administration, Warnock said.

Cecelia Fire Thunder, Oglala Sioux Tribe president, said the service will allow patients to be taken immediately to a burn unit, for example, instead of local and regional hospitals first.

The airplanes also will be used to fly in specialists so people can be cared for on the reservation, which will keep that money from going elsewhere, said Fire Thunder, whose tribal members live on the huge Pine Ridge reservation in southwestern South Dakota.

We're going to be able to bring the experts in," she said.

Rep. Paul Valandra, D-Mission, a member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, mentioned the need to Warnock in December. The Rosebud and Pine Ridge health committees and tribal councils have since approved it, and the planes are scheduled to be in service by summer.

"This group moves at warp speed," Warnock said.

Valandra said the state also will save Medicaid money because of the ability to shop around for the best rates and specialties.

Warnock said fixed-wing airplanes will be used instead of helicopters because they cost a third less to operate, are faster and can fly in inclement weather.

He said that in 2003, he dislodged a piece of food from his 4-year-old son's throat, and the seven minutes it took paramedics to arrive seemed like an eternity.

"I can't imagine what it's like to hold a child's hand for four hours," Warnock said.

Hall, chairman of the Three Affiliated Tribes in Fort Berthold, N.D., is also former president of the National Congress of American Indians. The Inter-Tribal Economic Alliance, which he now runs, is a national coalition of Indian tribes, Alaska natives and native Hawaiians.



Colton Gotheridge honored at Bennett County's Teca Wacipi

MARTIN - Last Friday, Bennett County School's Pajola Otonwahe Dance Club sponsored their first Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye and out of the 15 members schools, 12 participated in contest. Colton Gotheridge, is in second grade at Martin Grade School. The dance club honored him for being an inspiration to other dance club members and his courage to grass dance with his diability. Also honored by the dance club and Cecelia Fire Thunder was Superintendent Slemmer and Grade School Principal Belinda Reddy for their support of the dance club. There were 18 participating handgame teams and eight drum groups. Jennifer Takes War Bonnett and Jason Drapeaux, dance club sponsors hope that next year more students will be involved in the dance club as it promotes cultural growth. Top: First grand entry at 1 p.m. Below: Cecelia Fire Thunder, tribal president honors Colton Gotheridge, Belinda Ready, grade school principal and Wayne Slemmer, school superintendent. Photos by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.



SBA Business Loan express to be at Pine Ridge May 4

PINE RIDGE - The South Dakota Small Business Administration District Office announced they will be crisscrossing the state bringing their programs and services to new and existing businesses.

The tour is intended to be a one-stop resource for SBA loan programs and technical assistance. Several lenders will be on hand at each location to accept and review loan applications, and visit with business owners and entrepreneurs about their financial needs. Additionally, business counselors and other economic development experts will be available to answer questions and provide assistance for startup or existing businesses.

The tour will be in Pine Ridge Thursday, May 4, at Suanne Big Crow Boys and Girls Club from 12-4 p.m. Representatives from Innovative Bank, Wells Fargo, First National Bank of Gordon will meet with you individually to discuss financing alternatives. The Small Business Development Center and Oglala Sioux Financial Services Office business counselors, SBA and Lakota Fund business specialists will also be available to answer your business-related questions. SBA loans under $25,000 require no collateral, no down payment, have no prepayment penalty and minimal paperwork. Bring your records - applications may be accepted on the spot! And if your business needs exceed $25,000, SBA has other loan programs available up to $4 million!

Space is limited. For more information, call OSFCS @ (605) 867.1265 or SBA's Michele Arends @ 605.330.4243 ext.11 or email michele.arends@sba.gov.

The centerpiece of the loan tour is the SBA Community Express Loan Program. The Community Express Loan program is an expedited loan process that requires no collateral, no financial statements and the business plan does not have to be completed at the time the entrepreneur applies for the loan.

RST council representative Scott Herman completing graduate degree

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

MISSION - During a day and age when many tribal nations are debating the merits of requiring tribal council representatives to earn academic credentials, Rosebud Sioux tribal councilman, Scott Herman, is closing in on the completion of his thesis for a master's degree in Educational Leadership from Oglala Lakota College in Kyle.

Representing District 3, Antelope community, Herman has been studying for his graduate degree in a consistent and dedicated manner, despite having to commute west to the Pine Ridge reservation over the last couple of years. His persistence will pay off next month with commencement exercises and then, this fall he will be working in some capacity of program or school administration in return for the grant funding which paid for his tuition, books and related costs.



Scott Herman

It is common knowledge that many of the legal, social, and economic issues that tribal councils are charged with require some academic and practical experience to comprehend and act on. Many RST council meetings are broadcast over KINI FM radio and the listening audience is able to acquire a sense of the range of issues that the council must wrestle with on a monthly basis. Issues such as housing, public health issues, and managing the tribe's land and natural resources can be a challenge.

It appears that outside specialists or consultants are often relied upon and contracted with when a rather complicated issue is encountered. Educating tribal members close to home and equipping them with such knowledge may be a way to cut back on such related cost as tribal members gain specialized knowledge themselves.

Herman is a 1985 graduate of Todd County High School and went on to enroll at Sinte Gleska University and successfully earned a Bachelor of Science in elementary education in 1993. He was employed as an elementary teacher at Rosebud Elementary school in the Todd County School District from 1993 to 2005 and taught grades 2nd, 3rd and 4th. He completed his required OLC administrative internship experience at South Elementary school.

He enrolled in the OLC leadership program in 2004 and has stayed on track in meeting academic progress toward degree completion and, in fact, will be matriculating during OLC's commencement ceremonies on June 25 at the college's powwow grounds, the site of the 2006 commencement.

When asked to comment about his commitment to the graduate degree program and the dedication and commuting involved in meeting degree requirements Herman said, "I had a really good cohort group who kept me going when the going got tough! You have to have a true commitment to completing, the traveling back and forth was tough but I knew that when I finished it would be worth it."

He previously served as an Antelope council representative from 2001 to 2003 and was re-elected by the community in 2005 for a second two-year term.

Herman's parents are longtime Antelope residents Parnell and Sally Herman and his children are Kellan and Kelsie.

Herman's future plans are to complete his term on the council and look for an administrative position in some capacity in the education field.

Shakopee grants to Oglala Nation $39.2 million for projects

Cangleska, Inc. receives $500,000 for shelter

PRIOR LAKE, Minn. - The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community has awarded a $500,000 grant to the Oglala Sioux Tribe of South Dakota for Cangleska, Inc., a tribal organization which provides domestic violence and sexual assault prevention and intervention programming. Since 1989 Cangleska has served the members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, operating two shelters, one on the Pine Ridge Reservation and one in Rapid City, South Dakota. In addition to providing safe space for women who have been battered and their children, Cangleska provides outreach advocacy services, probation services, civil legal services, a men's re-education program, an integrated criminal justice system, and coordinated response and training. Cangleska also operates Sacred Circle, a national resource center providing technical assistance, consultation, and training to Indian Tribes and organizations in developing strategies and remedies to end violence against Native women. The grant will help fund a new women's shelter to replace the one on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

"Domestic violence and sexual assault are devastating crimes and is a problem in Native American communities including on the Pine Ridge. As a matter of fact, Native American women are the most victimized group in the United States according to the United States Department of Justice," wrote Oglala President Cecelia Fire Thunder in a letter to the SMSC requesting the grant.

In 2005 the SMSC made a loan for $38 million to the Oglala Sioux Tribe for debt consolidation and an expansion of the Tribe's Prairie Wind Casino and Hotel. In the past the SMSC has also made grants totaling more than $363,700 for projects benefiting the Oglala Sioux Tribe, including $103,700 for trucks and road equipment, $250,000 for the Bennett County Activity Center, and $10,000 for propane tanks for tribal members.

"The members of the Shakopee Mdewakanton Community have made a commitment to help other Tribes recover from historical oppression and the resulting societal problems," said SMSC Chairman Stanley R. Crooks. "It is important for us to help other Tribes whenever we can."

Both the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community and the Oglala Sioux Tribe are members of the Great Sioux Nation, which consists of seven campfires, including the Mdewakanton and Teton bands of Sioux. The Oglala Sioux Band is one of the seven distinct and sovereign bands of the Teton group. The Oglala Sioux Tribe has approximately 41,000 tribal members of whom about one-half reside on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, a territory that covers over 4,700 square miles in western South Dakota.

The SMSC utilizes its financial resources from gaming and non-gaming enterprises to pay for all of the internal infrastructure of the Tribe, including but not limited to housing, roads, water and sewer systems, emergency services, and essential services to its Tribal members in education, health, and welfare. The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community has a charitable giving program which comes from a cultural and social tradition to assist those in need. Over the past several years the SMSC has donated more than $56.5 million to charitable organizations and Indian Tribes, including more than $15.7 million in fiscal year 2005. The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community, a federally recognized Indian Tribe in Minnesota, is the owner and operator of Mystic Lake Casino Hotel, Playworks, Dakotah! Sport and Fitness, The Meadows at Mystic Lake Golf Course, and other enterprises on a reservation south of the Twin Cities.

Firm fined for cheating tribal schools

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) - A Texas company has been fined $4.6 million for cheating schools on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation as part of a federal program.

According to authorities, NextiraOne LLC of Houston inflated equipment prices, submitted false invoices and failed to install and deliver some services and equipment.

The firm was involved in a Federal Communications Commission program that provides Internet access and other telecommunications services to economically disadvantaged schools and libraries.

Under a plea agreement, NextiraOne will pay a $1.9 million criminal fine.

A civil settlement requires the company to forfeit more than $2.6 million for uncompensated work at other school districts.

Veterans benefits fair held at Rosebud

One of kind for South Dakota reservations

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The Department of Veterans Affairs Dakota Regional office and the South Dakota's VA Medical centers held a veteran's compensation and benefits fair April 25-27 at the Rosebud Sioux Tribe veterans affairs building. The fair was apparently the first of its kind held in South Dakota. The dates were announced on KINI FM radio and the opening day saw Richard Iyotte, KINI station manager interviewing several people connected with the event.

A press release noted, "A VA disability examiner will be available to provide compensation and pension examinations along with VA Rating Board specialist to adjudicate certain disability and pension claims.

A flag raising ceremony was held on opening day and RST president Rodney M. Bordeaux initiated the event with an opening statement. RST council representative Russell Eagle Bear also spoke along with a blessing by Sicangu medicine man Roy Stone, Sr. Joe White Buffalo and group sang the honor songs.

On the first day, 39 veterans signed up to inquire about benefits eligibility, while the second day saw 19 veterans and on the last day the number were smaller.

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe, which authorized the event by tribal resolution, worked in cooperation with the Indian Health Service and the VA. It was a way in which veterans and their dependents could apply for VA benefits and information at one location and in some cases be notified about their eligibility in one day.

Shortly after arriving, a veteran is asked to sign in and is directed to one of several tables being manned by VA personnel. Looking around the room there were tables with signs representing the congressional delegation, the Black Hills Health Care Systems (VA), the S.D. Disable Veterans of America, the American Legion and the Paralyzed Veterans of America. The Social Security Administration was also available to accept claims.

Art Honomicl, an enrolled tribal member of the Yankton Sioux, served as the coordinator of the event. He is employed by the VA in Sioux Falls as a VA rating specialist and minority veterans program coordinator. He worked closely with RST veterans affairs director, Orlando Morrison, to bring several VA employees to the Rosebud.

Morrison said, "To have the VA and different support organizations, and a VA doctor here and to adjudicate a claim in one day is beyond belief."

He was referring to the fact that three veterans had qualified for a pension that they were not previously aware of and the process had been decided in one day through the efforts of the rating specialist. Another veteran was eligible to receive an increase of upgrade in his benefits on this day.

Honomicl said, "We are trying to have a benefits fair on each reservation in South Dakota. We want to have at least two each year and next year we will hold it in Sisseton." What makes the benefits fair unique is that the VA does not conduct outreach programs in other communities in quite the same manner.

On the Rosebud reservation, there are reportedly around 1,100 veterans who qualify for veterans benefits and services. There is an effort by former RST council representative Lenard "Shadow" Wright to create a database that accurately portrays the number of veterans actually residing on the Rosebud. The purpose is to have the information available so that veterans could be better served by the veterans affairs program, while keeping them up-to-date as to the latest benefits that are available to them.

Morrison noted that veterans as a group are sometimes non-responsive when it comes to efforts to count them. Many have had experiences with the government that have caused them to be suspicious of government intrusion in their life and would simply like to be left alone. He said, "For the first time, it was good. We are not going to get everyone the first time as many do not trust the government."

For Native veterans, this distrust of the government is likely compounded by the often contentious relationship that respective tribal nations have had throughout the ages with the federal government.

Charlie Quinn, originally from the Rosebud reservation and now living in Lower Brule has been a VA veterans benefits representative for 15 years and was in attendance. He said he trains county and veterans service officers in assisting with veterans claims. Jack Moore of the White Eagle Christian Academy of Mission also stopped by to visit with VA personnel about a potential claim. Archie Hopkins of Kyle, a county veterans service officer for Shannon County also took advantage of the outreach services as he consulted with VA personnel.

The veterans benefits fair was a great idea and outreach service to the Sicangu veterans and the hope is that there will be more like this one for veterans in the future as there are some vital services that veterans have access to. Many veterans could also be seen signing for veterans medical eligibility and that is an important one for all veterans.

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Federal appeals court rejects Leonard Peltier jurisdiction appeal

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) _ The government had the right to prosecute American Indian activist Leonard Peltier for crimes that occurred on a South Dakota reservation, a federal appeals court has ruled.

Peltier is serving two consecutive life sentences for the deaths of two FBI agents during a 1975 standoff near Oglala, on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

He has filed numerous appeals since he was convicted by a jury in Fargo in 1977.

In the latest appeal, Peltier and his lawyers argued that federal courts have no jurisdiction over Indian land.

U.S. District Judge Ralph Erickson ruled last summer that the government has the right to prosecute and imprison anyone who kills federal agents, no matter where the crime occurs.

Peltier appealed that decision to the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. The appeals court upheld Erickson's ruling Friday.

``Killing a federal officer engaged in his or her official duties affects the federal government's ability to execute its laws and is thus an offense that the United States can punish,'' wrote Judge Morris Arnold in the decision.

Barry Bachrach, Peltier's lawyer, said Friday afternoon that he hadn't yet told his client about the latest decision.

``We are disappointed and we're just going to keep moving forward with the issues to correct this injustice,'' he said.

The Pine Ridge shootout left three people dead amid battles between federal agents and the American Indian Movement in the 1970s.

FBI agents Ronald Williams and Jack Coler were shot in the head at point-blank range. The Justice Department concluded that an FBI sniper killed AIM member Joseph Stuntz.

Peltier has claimed the FBI framed him, which the agency denies.

His supporters said he was treated unfairly because of his political activism.

Sen. Johnson asks Bush budget nominee for water funds

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) _ U.S. Sen. Tim Johnson met Thursday with President Bush's pick to lead the Office of Management and Budget and tried to make funding for two South Dakota water projects a priority with the White House.

Johnson is a member of the Senate Budget Committee, which will oversee the confirmation process of Rob Portman, a former six-term Republican congressman from Ohio who now serves as U.S. trade representative.

Johnson, D-S.D., said he used the meeting to reiterate the congressional delegation's request to increase funding for the Lewis and Clark and Mni Wiconi water projects.

``We've got to finish up what we've got. Otherwise we'll never get them done. I think he appreciated that,'' Johnson told The Associated Press, reiterating his message to Portman.

In his budget request for the 2007 budget year, President Bush recommended $21 million for the Lewis and Clark water system _ $6 million more than the year before but short of the $53 million requested.

The system is a partnership of 15 cities and five rural water districts in South Dakota, Iowa and Minnesota that would get treated water from wells near the Missouri River. The biggest customer is Sioux Falls.

The Mni Wiconi project is designed to deliver water to about 55,000 people in nine West River counties, Pine Ridge and on the Lower Brule and Rosebud Indian reservations.

It's set to receive $22.9 million in construction money in the 2007 budget.

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BHSU 24TH Annual Lakota Ominiciye Wacipi results

SPEARFISH - The Lakota Omnicipye Wacipi at BHSU held on April 21, 21, and 23 at the Donald E. Young Sports and Fitness center began at 5 p.m. on Friday with a welcome by Spearfish Mayor Jerry Krambeck and an introduction of all royalty.

Dance registration was held on Saturday with several specials including the Ms. Lakota Omniciye special and a buffalo feed at 5:00 p.m. The evening session included a welcome by the BHSU president and a JJ Weston special. On Sunday, the crowning of the New Lakota Omniciye royalty was held. The new 2006 Miss Lakota Omniciye is Tara One Horn, and the Jr. Miss Lakota OMniciye is Brittany Rose Poor Bear.

The results of the Ominiciye Wacipi are as follows:

Women's traditional: 1st -Delmarina One Feather, 2nd - Patricia Roy-Trujillo, 3rd - Christina Parker.

Women's Jingle: 1st - Alice Phelps, 2nd Denise One Star 3rd - Jolene One Star.

Women's Fancy Shawl: 1st- Aspen Rendon 2nd- Tiffany Weston, 3rd - Pierette Rave.

Men's Traditional: 1st - Wes New Holy 2nd - Ira Colhoff, Jr. 3rd - Sheldon Two Crow.

Men's Grass: 1st - Julius Not Afraid 2nd - Buck Spotted Tail 3rd -Mike One Star.

Men's Fancy: 1st - Aaron Wright Klamatin 2d - Frank Whitesell

Teens Girls Traditiional: 1st -Daise One Feather 2nd - Tamara McKay 3rd - Stephanie Garnier Red Cloud.

Teen Girls Jingle: 1st - Anna Shield 2nd - Lynssey New Holy 3rd - Emily Thunder Hawk.

Teen Girls Fancy Shawl: 1st - Victoria Phelps 2nd - Lisa Marie Bear Robe 3rd - Aubrey Hare.

Teen Boys Traditional: 1st - Cante Knight 2nd - Skyler Little Shield 3rd - Bryan Bear Robe.

Teen Boys Fancy: 1st - Canku One Star 2nd Nathan Iron Shell 3rd - Dwight Kelly. Jr.

Girls Traditional: 1st - Shaylynn Ramsey 2nd - Shayni Soldier Wolf 3rd - Marie Milda.

Jr Girls Jingle: 1st - Alexandra Hunter 2nd - Kyleigh Blacksmith 3rd - Elaina Red Shirt.

Jr Girls Fancy Shawl: 1st - Destiny Yellow Cloud 2nd - Lareese Blue Legs 3rd - Danielle Whirlwind.

Jr. Boys Traditiional: 1st - Derek Tyon 2nd - Isaiah Weseal Bear 3rd - Justin Williams. Jr.

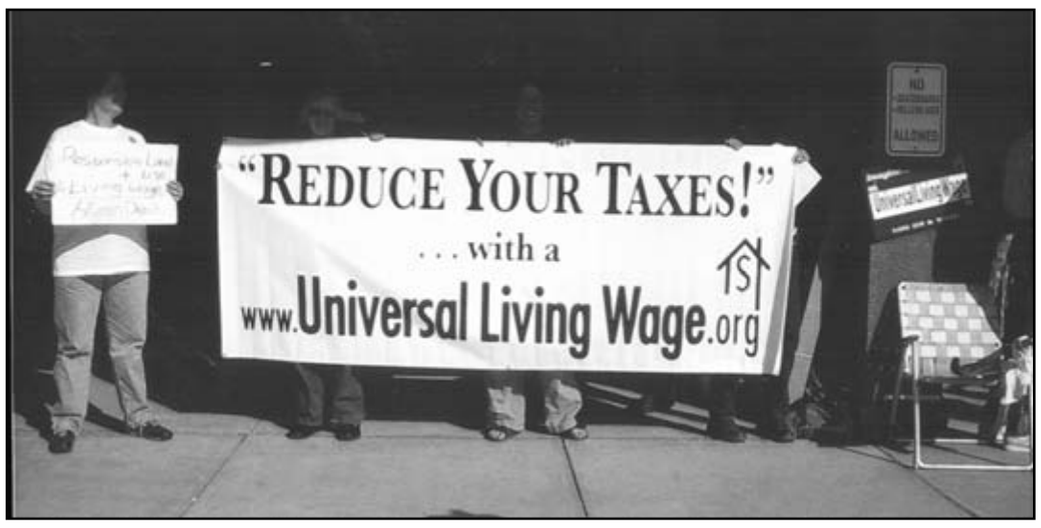
Boys Fancy: 1st - Hunter Blacksmith 2nd - Brandon Iron Cloud 3rd - Takoda Ghost Bear.

Jr. Boys Grass: 1st - Misun Mills 2nd - Rico Cortez 3rd - Jay Knight.

Golden Age Women: 1st - Millie Black Bear, Julia Rencountre 3rd -Deloris Hayes.

Golden Age Men: 1st - Fred Stand 2nd - Chris Eagle Hawk 3rd - Bryan Brewer.





Chas Jewett coordinated the Living Wage rally held last month at Rapid City.

Two students of the Pine Ridge High School Thorpes JROTC Battalion in grand entry are Arlana Two Bulls and the male cadet is Coree Short Bear. If you would like more information about the Thorpes High School JROTC Battalion, call (605) 867-6401.
Right: Bryan Brewer, a teacher at Pine Ridge High School and director of the Lakota Nation Invitational Tournament and the only Native American on the South Dakota High School Activities Association board of directors is a skilled traditonal dancer. Below: A participant of the tiny tot division. Photos by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.





Chas Jewett leads Living Wage rally

RAPID CITY - Chas Jewett, Cheyenne River, and organizer for the Sierra Club and Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe member, led the Smart Growth Coalition in support of the Universal Living Wage Campaign on tax day, April 17.

A group of about 20 volunteers joined and greeted taxpayers as they made their last-minute returns at the Rapid City Post Office.

The Universal Living Wage Campaign in Rapid City was one of 100 held simultaneously at post offices in all 50 states. It was the fifth annual Universal Living Wage tax day event.

The Smart Growth Coalition joined with 1,460 businesses, unions, religious groups, including the Center for Community Change, the National Council of Churches, the National Health Care for the Homeless Council, the National Organization for Women Church Women United, United for a Fair Economy, the National Low Income Housing Coalition, American Apparel, Communication Workers of America, Service Employees International Union/SEIU and Black Veterans for Social Justice, representing 1,000,000 registered voters, to promote the Universal Living Wage Campaign.

Jewett, who coordinated the Native Vote Project in South Dakota two years ago for the Northern Plains Tribal Voter Education Project, began organizing for a living wage in December 2005. In February, Janet Robideau, executive director, Montana Peoples Action and Indian Peoples Action and a Northern Cheyenne tribal member, presented in Rapid City on the Living Wage campaign that she had successfully led in Missoula, Mont. Jewett was able to bring together the Cowboy Indian Alliance, the Democracy in Action women's group, conservationist and local unions as part of the Smart Growth Coalition supporting a living wage.

Nationally, American business has grown to rely on government subsidies to pick up that portion of the wage that they have failed to provide. Workers have been forced, in ever increasing numbers, to depend on food stamps, General Assistance and TANF.

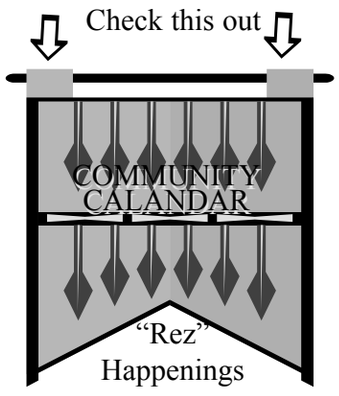
Congress intended these to be emergency, stop-gap measures. Instead, many businesses have used these government supports to meet basic payroll. A national shift is occurring from the business responsibility of paying a "fair wage for a fair day's work" to creating an ever-increasing burden on the taxpayer.

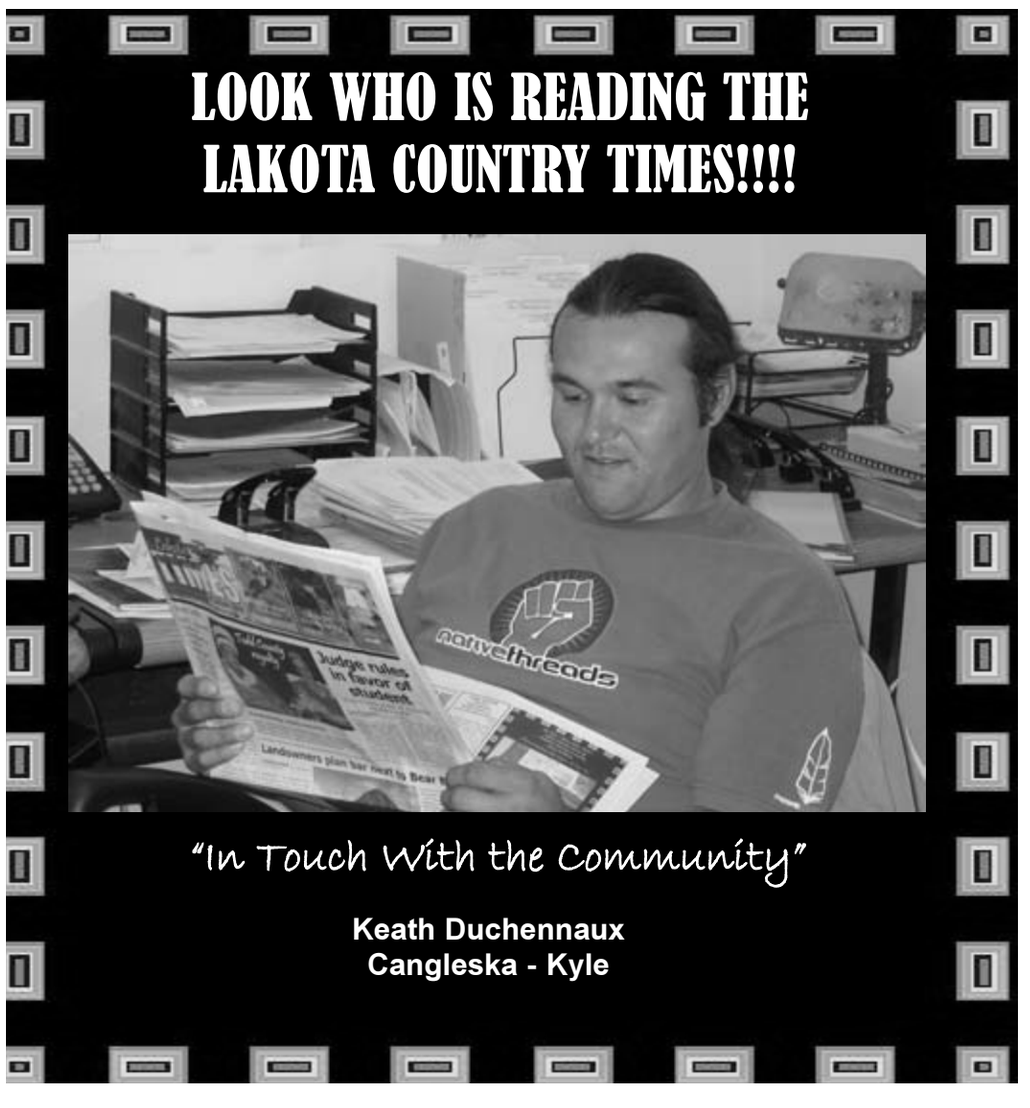
The group emphasized these points with a gigantic 4' x 10' banner that read, "Reduce your Taxes. Support a Universal Living Wage."
Speakers in addition to Jewett included Mike Howe, organizer for the Local Carpenters Union and three candidates for the South Dakota State Legislature: Laurie Wudtke, House candidate from District #35, which comprises a number of Native American voters in the Lakota Homes North Rapid Area; Pam Hemmingsen, candidate for the House and Tom Katus, Senate candidate, both from District #35 representing central Rapid City, comprised of a number of blue-collar workers residing in Robbinsdale. Candidate Katus stated, "Our goal for a living wage in Rapid City is to have the City Council pass an ordinance to encourage all employers to pay their employees at least at the same rate that the City does its employees. Starting wage for City employees is $10 an hour plus benefits. Meanwhile, Wal-Mart brags that its average wage is $10, and more than two-thirds of its employees have no benefits at all because they are part-time workers. We want Wal-Mart and all major employers to pay their employees at least as well as the citizens who are City employees."

Jewett was pleased with the turnout and the many positive responses people made once they found out that taxes would be reduced when living wages were paid, enabling poor people who have been dependent on the government for TANF and food stamps to become tax paying citizens. "Our Smart Growth Coalition is beginning to have real impact on the citizens of Rapid City," she concluded. She was also leader of the recent successful Smart Growth campaign that collected 2,600 signatures to put a referendum on the June 6 ballot to allow the citizens to vote on whether or not they wanted to approve re-zoning from agricultural to general commercial land.

The City Council, by a narrow margin, approved re-zoning, which would allow another Wal-Mart Supercenter to be part of leapfrog sprawling development in the Black Hills. "We simply have to stop this insane sprawl," Jewett said. "Such sprawling out-of-control development desecrates our sacred Black Hills. We are destroying the future of our children and grandchildren. Traditional tribal leaders deliberated seriously on their decisions, as they knew they would impact seven generations.

We Native Americans need to educate our non-Indian friends about both the sacredness of the Black Hills and the sanity of smart growth/living wage development."





ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I am writing to you out of complete curiosity. I want to have another child and it just hasn't happened yet and I would like to know if you see another child coming into my life anytime soon?

Curious one

Dear Curious One:

I looks as though you will have another child in about one and a half years. At this time, I see a boy. Be patient - the Creator has a better time clock than our human minds do. Good luck to you.

Dear Anna,

Why does this happen to me? How is my future going to turn out? By the end of this year will my baby's dad come back to us?

If so, will everything be alright? If not why? Will he marry and have kids with this girls he assumes he loves? I know I've pushed him away but now I am tired and depressed. Please help with an answer, I have no where to turn as I still love and miss him. Will ever come back to me in the future?

Tired and depressed

Dear Tired and depressed:

You can manipulate him into returning to you (in a way, anyway), mostly just for sex. You are living in a continual thought pattern that is circular, and returns you only to your strong obsession, which does not equal love.

When a man has indicated that he is in love with another - trust what he is telling you. It wasn't an easy conversation to have, so he told you the best way that he could.

If you minipulate him back into your life you will never feel secure in the relationship because deep in your heart you will truly understand that he does not love you in a way that will sustain. You will end up trying very hard to please him but will never manage to make him happy, because he truly doesn't want to be there.

It is a set up for unfaithfulness and abusive behavior. I have found that if a man does not love me there is nothing in the world that I can do to make that happen. Your desperation not to be alone has led you to being dishonest with yourself. You don't clearly regard all the facts and mask them instead with unfulfilled dreams and imaginings. If you feel unhappy now magnify that by 1000 times by being with a mate that you have forced to be with you and doesn't really have the feelings for you that you want him to have.

It is not a matter of how "good" you are, how hard you work, how magnificent your sexual technical lovemaking - or what kind of an ideal person for him you try to make yourself into. You are not ideal for him if he wants someone else, and he should be allowed that in his life. If you truly love someone you would desire more than wanting him for yourself, you would truly want him to be happy.

True love is generous, and you may think that you really love him, but in all truth you just want him. To make matters worse, it is truly not him that you love but a romantic idea of who you are trying to create him to be in your mind. This is not healthy.

I know that you have his child, but there again that was not his idea - it was yours. You can create a friendly relationship with him for the sake of your baby, and for both of your happiness you must let this man go.

A trapped man (or a man that feels trapped) is like a wild animal in too small of a cage. It is cruel.

You would end up blaming him for not meeting your expectations, for going out with his friends, you would accuse him of having affairs, you would accuse him of not loving his child and you would destroy any feeling except anger that he has for you.

He in turn would help you to destroy your self esteem as he reflected back to you the anger and frustration that he feels.

Please let him go, decide to create within yourself a loving woman, graceful in the energy of love and pleasant in her relationship with herself and her friends and family.

Concentrate on learning to take care of yourself.

Find what you really want to do with your life - because no matter what else, with a man or no man, you have to be responsible for yourself and your baby. You are young - you will live a long time, the right man does exist, but not until you are the right woman.

Please look inside yourself, heal your jealousies, be open and honest with yourself in every moment. Know who you are, the good, the terriffic, the graceful, the bad and the ugly. Rid yourself of anger and the desire for revenge.

I know you are sad, but it is a lot less sad right now that it could be if you decide to try to minipulate and then control this man.

If you do not follow what I say the outcome is one that you will survive: You will trap him into your bed, create another obligation from guilt, try and control his every move because of your fear (fear based on truth) that he doesn't love you enough.

He would become angry, a cheater, dishonest, and treat you abusively because of his resentment.

Please don't waste your time on someone that doesn't love you, just wait, heal yourself from the insult you feel and your crushed feelings and go on. Life will get better. We create, by the way, our life entirely ourselves. We draw to ourself what we believe in (in other words, negative people lead negative lives).

Be thankful for your health and grateful for the opportunity you have to create a good and balanced life. I'm telling you in so very many words to simply get over it. By the way, in about two years you will find a man that you love - and surprise - he loves you too. Good luck on your healing journey.

Dear Anna,

Since my years after college, I am involved in the profession that I give a lot of time and dedication to. It became part of my life, gives me satisfaction but takes away a lot of other things. It is a very noble profession, and I feel honored I am involved in it.

I work very hard, have my dreams about greater success, but I know that it depends on so many things. Do you see for me more career recognition?

And the other question, if I may... I have lived in many places, since I left my home. I go back and feel nostalgic still keeping some things there. Also, being recognized professionally over there makes me happy.

Sometimes I think I should move back and settle there; maybe it will be easier there than here, maybe not. At the same time, I expend a lot of effort trying to achieve greater recognition in my new place where I have lived for the last 16 years. What do you foresee for me in the future, if I may ask?

Wondering

Dear Wondering:

You are truly a beautiful person. Everything in your life has been dedicated to helping others while at the same time fulfilling your own desires. The Creator will allow you to live in the "house of acknowledgment" because you are in alignment with the higher good of all, and you have prayed and been heard.

People where you live do recongize your talent, ability and giving nature. However, people expect you to know that they think highly of you and it is contrary to the Lakota way to "gush" over people. You are fortunate if someone says "good job." That simple phrase means so very much more than just those few words.

The sense of success you are looking for is everywhere around you. It is a journey to wisdom to understand that success is an internal feeling and not something you can find in others recognition of you.

Success is a personal assessment, honest and never cruel, utilizing compassion and an understanding of your true nature. It is an internal comfort zone resulting in a good feeling about yourself and your work. Please accept that success is yours and people will better mirror that back towards you.

Your desire to return home is a precursor to that decision. It is not time yet for you to return to home ground, but when it is, don't worry, you will be offered a job (through a relative that tells you about it) that meets your desires for more responsibility, money and recognition. You are wonderful. Shift your perspective to not take yourself for granted - and others will stop taking you for granted.

This does not mean that you are better than anybody else, it just means that you recognize your own ability. It is a fool that doesn't appreciate the gifts that the Creator has offered to them.

Simply put, If a famous musician never recognized and accepted their skill and talent, they would never have been able to share their talent with us.

Enjoy yourself, enjoy your mind, and learn to appreciate life a little bit more.

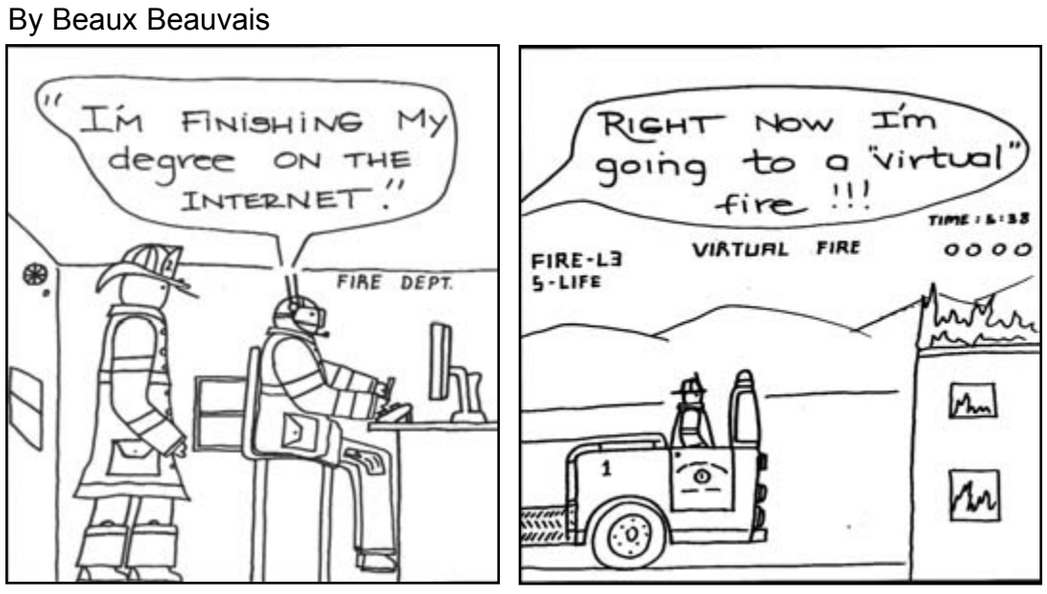
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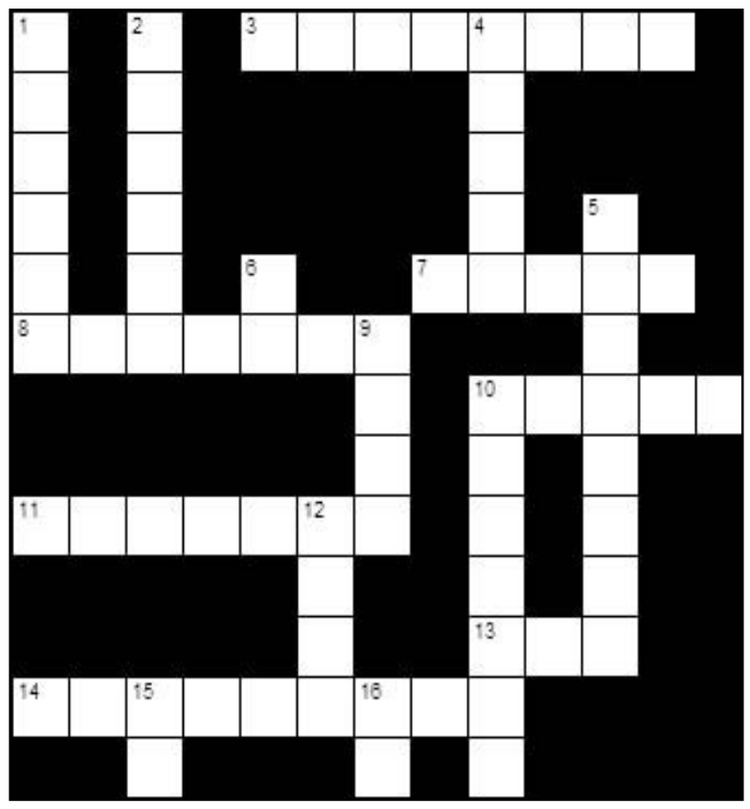
(answers in next week's issue)

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3. four directions
7. sweat
8. announcer
10. fairly good
11. to think
13. she is full
14. in a good way

Down

1. repairing something
2. expression of thankfulness
4. going home
5. it is we
6. almost
9. carry something on your back
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Alanna Jolynn Arapahoe, 4 months old.....Kyle
Willard W. Chase in Winter, 55.....Oglala
William R. Gillespie, 78.....Oglala
Morgan John Yellow Head, 16.....Eagle Butte
George Elmer Archambault, 70..... Bullhead

Alanna Jolynn Arapahoe

KYLE - Alanna Jolynn Arapahoe, four month infant, died April 20 at the Rapid City Regional Hospital of natural causes.

Surviving are parents Joseph and Clevia Arapahoe, Kyle; a sister:Olawan Last Horse, Kyle; maternal grandmother Wilma Kills In Water, Porcupine and paternal grandmother Maureen Last Horse, Kyle.

A one night wake service will be at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 3 at Our Lady of Sorrows Church Hall, Kyle.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, May 4 at St. John's Catholic Church, Allen with the Rev. Rob Krohl officiating with traditional Lakota services by Jerome Lebeau

Burial will be at the Plenty Bear Family Cemetery, Allen.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Willard W. Chase In Winter

OGLALA - Willard W. Chase in Winter, 55, died April 30 of natural causes. He was in the United States Marine Corps. Survivors include his son Cole Chase in Winter of Oglala; daughters Dana Chase In Winter and Kelli Chase In Winter both of Oglala; a step-daughter Laurie Bagola, Oglala; his mother Martha Chase In Winter, Oglala; brothers Bernard Chase In Winter and Darnell Chase In Winter both of Oglala; Donovan Chase In Winter, Pine Ridge;

A step-brother: Philbert White Butterfly, Rapid City; sisters Beverly Corbine and Genevieve Chase In Winter both of Rapid City; Darlene Eagle Hawk, Oglala; Cheryl Chase, Yvonne Chase and Diane Chase all of Pine Ridge; stepsisters Bonnie Plenty Arrows, Wounded Knee; Joyce White Butterfly, Pine Ridge and Karen White Butterfly, Manderson.

A two night wake begins 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 3, at the Oglala Recreation Center, Oglala.

Funeral services are 9 a.m. Friday, May 5 at the Oglala Recreation Center

Burial will be at 2:30 p.m. at the Black Hills National Cemetery, Sturgis.

Funeral Arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

William R. Gillespie

OGLALA - William R. Gillespie, 78, died April 29 at Crestview Nursing Home, Chadron, Neb. of natural causes.

Survivors include numerous nieces and nephews and cousins.Numerous Nieces, nephews and cousins

A one night wake begins Thursday, May 4 at Brother Rene' Catholic Hall, Oglala.

Funeral services are at 10 a.m., Friday, May 5 at Br. Rene Catholic Hall with Sister Connie Schmitt.

Burial of Cremains will take place at 10 a.m., Tuesday, May 9 at Makasan Presbyterian Cemetery at Oglala.

Funeral Arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Morgan John Yellow Head

EAGLE BUTTE - Morgan John Yellow Head, 16, Eagle Butte, died Sunday, April 30, at Rapid City Regional Hospital as the result of a horse-riding accident.

Arrangements are pending with Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge.

George Elmer Archambault

BULLHEAD - George Elmer Archambault, 70, Bullhead, died Monday, April 24, at Beverly Healthcare Center in Mobridge. Funeral services were Saturday at St. John's Episcopal Church in Bullhead, with Mother Danny Westerlund and all Standing Rock lay ministers officiating. Burial was at St. John's Episcopal Cemetery.

DAKOTA PLAINS LEGAL SERVICES
Vacancy Announcement
(Pine Ridge, South Dakota)

POSITION: Dakota Plains Legal Services (DPLS) is accepting applications for a paralegal position at the Pine Ridge, South Dakota, DPLS branch office funded through a one-year grant from the Indian Land Tenure Foundation.

RESPONSIBILITIES: Selected candidate will deliver estate planning and land consolidation services to tribal landowners and assist in the delivery of community education forums on estate planning.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants, through formal education, training and experience, must have knowledge and expertise regarding the legal system, substantive and procedural law, and the ethical considerations of the legal profession. The selected candidate will work under the direct supervision of a licensed attorney. Applicants must have strong written and oral communication skills, be self-motivated, willing to assume immediate responsibility, handle a significant workload, and have a demonstrated commitment to serving the needs of low-income people and Native Americans. Applicants must also be qualified to obtain a license to practice in the local Tribal Court. Since this position requires travel, applicants must have a valid driver's license, good driving record and be insurable by DPLS' auto liability insurance carrier.

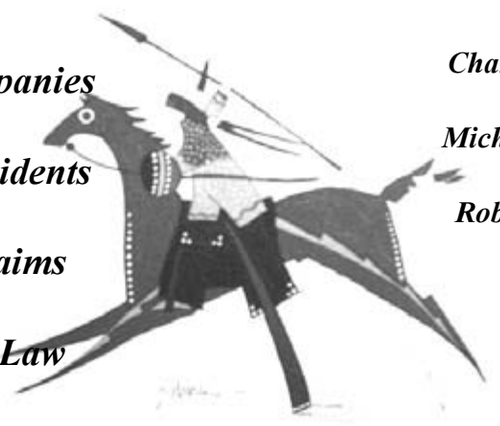
Applicants must have knowledge of land tenure issues, estate planning options available to trust landowners that will alleviate and prevent land fractionation, and the importance of keeping land in trust as well as knowledge of the Indian Land Consolidation Act and American Indian Probate Reform Act.
CLOSING DATE: May 12, 2006
SALARY: DOE and qualifications.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Submit letter of interest and application or resume to:
Cheryl Three Stars Valandra, ILTF Supervising Attorney,
Dakota Plains Legal Services, P.O. Box 727, Mission, SD 57555
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Marjorie Schmidt, PA-C, Physicians Assistant
To make an appointment to see one of the above, call Gordon Clinic, daily 308-282-1442 or Rushville Clinic at **308-327-2757.**

EYE CARE:
John Herlihy, M.D., Opthamologist .....**Thursday, May 18**
Hospital Outpatient Area, 300 E. 8th Street
To make an appointment call **1-800-343-3009**

FOOT CARE:
Twila Fickel, DPM, Podiatrist .....**Wednesday, May 10 & 24**
Hospital Outpatient Area, 300 E. 8th Street
To make an appointment, call Gordon Memorial Hospital daily between 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., at **308-282-6149.**

AUDIOLOGY:
Kurt Fabrenbrook, AUD ..... **Friday, May 18**
Hospital Outpatient Area, 300 E. 8th Street
To make an appointment, call **308-635-0600**

NEUROLOGY:
Matt Simmons, M.D., Neurologist .....**Tuesday, May 9**
Hospital Outpatient Area, 300 E. 8th Street
A physician referral is required. To make an appointment call between 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., **605-341-3770**.

NEUROSURGEON: The Spine Center
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Lee Hash, M.D. .....**Thursday, May 11 & 25**

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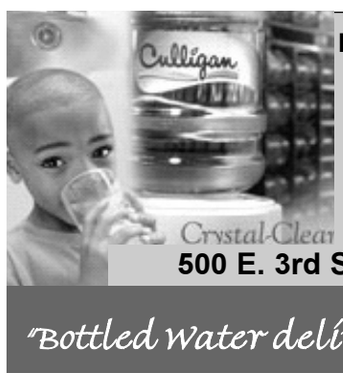
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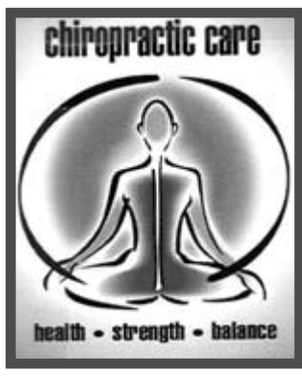
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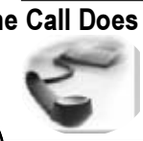
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Notice of Bids/Proposals

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Rosebud Sioux Tribe
Rosebud Sioux Tribe is requesting proposals from qualified Indian as well as Non-Indian companies for FDIC Banking and Investment Services.

Documents for submitting proposals may be picked up at the Procurement Office or can be mailed to you upon request. To request a set of documents please call Ms. Cheryl Jones at (605)747-2381, ext. 268. due to large amounts of pages, proposal documents will not be faxed out.

Bid Proposals

Proposals will be accepted until 12:00 p.m. May 24, 2006 at the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Building, Attention: James D. Wike, RST Treasurer, P.O. Box 430, Rosebud, S.D. 57570. Facsimile proposals will not be accepted. Proposals will be received and accepted for consideration. Proposals received after this time will not be accepted.
James D. Wike,
Treasurer
Rosebud Sioux Tribe
P.O. Box 430
Rosebud, South Dakota 57570

SEE What's in "Our" Classifieds!

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing

P.O. Box 603 - East Hwy. 18 - Pine Ridge, SD 57770

*** Vacancy Announcement ***

Carpenter - Central Division

Janitor/Groundskeeper - Pine Ridge,SD

Opening Date: April 27, 2006, 8:00 am **Closing Date:** May 10, 2006 4:30 pm

- Salary As Budgeted -

How To Apply:

Submit a completed Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing employment application to the Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Manager. Attach all pertinent documents,Blood Degree if claiming Indian Preference, Veterans Discharge DD214, High School or GED Diploma, College Transcripts, College Diploma, Reference Letters, Licenses or Certifications and State Driver's License. Resumes mjust have addresses and telephone numbers of past or present employers. All information submitted will be verified.

Will be drug/alcohol tested. Selection for the position will be contingent upon a negative test result. Applicant is subject to Background investigation. Expenses are at the applicants cost. No late or incomplete applications will be accepted.

For position description and additional information please contact:

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Office at 605-867-5161 ext. 104 or 136

-Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Reserves The Right To Reject All Applications-

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

SICANGU WICOTI AWANYAKAPE CORPORATION

RFP SWA 0604 -Playground Equipment-

Sicangu Wicoti Awanyakape Corporation (SWA) is requesting proposals from qualified Indian as well as Non-Indian companies for the purchase and installation of playground equipment to be installed in the Antelope area located on the Rosebud Sioux Reservation.

Documents for submitting proposals may be picked up at the Procurement office or can be mailed to you upon request. To request a set of documents please call Ms.Pam Kills In Water at (605)747-2203 ext. 259. Due to large amount of pages proposal documents will not be faxed out.

Proposals will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. May 10, 2006, at the Sicangu Wicoti Awanyakape Corporation,

ATTN: Ms. Pam Kills In Water, Procurement Assistant, PO Box 69, Rosebud, SD, 57570, after which time proposals will be recorded and accepted for consideration. Proposals received after this time will not be accepted. The Authority reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive irregularities

Mr. Amos Prue, Executive Director
Sicangu Wicoti Awanyakape Corporation
P.O. Box 69
BIA Route 9, Soldier Creek Road
Rosebud, South Dakota 57570

RST Personnel Office

-VACANCY -

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe is advertising for:

Chief Financial Officer

The Chief Financial Officer must ensure that the financial system used and operated by the tribe is: conforming with generally accepted principles of accounting, conforming with applicable federal regulations, provide meaningful and useful information to all applicable staff and council. Design and implement changes to the accounting system and to policies and procedures as required to meet the objectives stated above. Ensure that all Tribal programs use the accounting system as designed and implemented. To ensure that communications between the Tribe and outside agencies are smooth, timely and accurate. To provide coordination and mediation as necessary. To report financial status of the tribe to the Tribal Council together with the Treasurer. Qualifications include a four year degree in accounting, finance or related degree, Five (5) years experience, basic computer operation and experience with word processing and spreadsheet application.

Opening Date: 04-28-06 / Closing Date: 05-29-06

For a complete job description or to apply, contact:
RST Personnel Department
Phone: 605-747-2381 or Fax: 605-747-5165

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Position: SUPERVISORY SOCIAL WORKER, GS-0185-12
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Vacancy Announcement Number: AB-06-53
Opening Date: 04/11/06 Closing Date: 05/10/06

Summary of Duties: Incumbent plans, develops, and monitors the execution of the General Assistance, Child Welfare Adult Assistance, Disaster, Emergency Assistance and Service-Only Program, including other non-financial services such as specialist/consultant in matters relating to these components in addition to overall agency contract monitoring responsibilities. Provide professional expertise, direction and consultation to implement all areas of the social service programs. Develop, interpret, and conduct a complete and comprehensive review provision.

Duty Station Location:
BIA, Realty-Tenure & Management Section,
Pine Ridge Agency, Pine Ridge, SD

Procedures on How To Apply:
Mail applications to the BIA Southern Plains Human Resources
(FedEx: 1 mile north on Hwy 281)
PO Box 368, Anadarko, OK 73005. or you may fax to: 1-405-247-4991.

Applications and all accompanying documents must be received by the closing date of the announcements.

Please submit the forms as indicated in the position vacancy anouncement.

Contact Information:
BIA
Pine Ridge Agency
Administration
Pine Ridge, South Dakota,
For More information Call: 605-867-5126

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NOTICE OF VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Opening Date: April 6, 2005
Closing Date: May 19, 2006

Secondary
(2) Lakota Studies Teachers
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(1) English Teacher
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Elementary
(3) Teachers
(1) Counselor

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(1) Behavior Specialist

Complete and submit required Crazy Horse School Employment Application and (3) three reference forms and other pertinent data to:

Human Resource Office

If claiming Indian Preference or Veteran preference, please submit appropriate documentation (i.e. Degree of Indian Blood and/or DD 214).Applicants will be required to submit/pass a Background check per PL 101-047, PL 101-630 and Drug and alcohol test prior to employment. If applying for a teacher position certification is required for consideration.

All positions are contingent on availability of funding

Crazy Horse School is a federally funded PL 100-297 Contract School

- - Water Conservation Methods - -

Our department would like to remind the Oyate of the Pine Ridge Reservation that we are entering our 5th year of drought conditions and every drop of water is precious. Here are some crucial water conservation measures:

- - Be Water-Wise Outdoors - -

- Try watering lawns in the early morning or late afternoon to prevent evaporation and scorching of the grass during mid-day sun.
- Try not to water on windy days
- Try using drip irrigation for your lawns. Saves 75% more water than s prinklers by limiting evaporation.
- Over-watering can cause fungus to form brown patches on lawns.
- Water lawns and shrubs once every five days to promote longer stronger roots.
- When mowing try keeping grass 3 inches long to help in moisture absorption.
- Keep swimming pools covered to stop debris and to help prevent evaporation.
- Try backwashing your swimming pool's filter weekly to help keep the water clean.
- Clean feet before entering pool.
- Make sure all livestock watering devices have an adequate float system that does not leak.
- Report all yard hydrant and thermo-line leaks to proper authorities.

- - Be Water-Wise Indoors - -

- Report all leaking bathroom and kitchen fixtures.
- When washing clothes use the right water setting for the load.
- Listen for toilet constantly running or filling when not in use (a leaky toilet can account for up to 1400 gallons of water lost per day, while the average household uses only 350 gallons per day.)
- A leaking toilet can cause your septic system to back up because of over saturation.
- Try using low flow toilets (1.5 to 2 gallons per flush), old toilets use up to 5 gallons per flush.
- Don't use your toilet as a garbage disposal.
- Turn off water while brushing teeth, shaving and washing dishes.
- Take fast showers instead of baths.
- Use low flow fixtures in baths and kitchens.
- An Ultra low flow showerhead uses 1.5 gallons per minute, while conventional showerheads can use up to 5 gallons per minute.

OST Department of Water Maintenance and Conservation

For questions or concerns please call our Pine Ridge office at 867-1999 our Kyle office at 455-1367 or toll free at 1-888-771-9780

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Congrats to Martha Lou and Cleveland on the birth of their beautiful baby girl, Cadence Ashley. From Tash, Christ and Ciara.

Happy 1st Birthday to my pretty girl Mateisha Gay. I can't believe you are already 1 year old. You are growing up to fast. Love you lots my little strawberry short cake. From mom Jenny



Congratulations to Brittany Rose Poor Bear for getting Jr. Miss Lakota Omniciye at the Black Hills State University Powwow. You made a wonderful accomplishment. We are very proud you of princess.
Stay strong and always be proud baby. We Love you always, from Dad, Mom, brothers Baby J and Wakinyan.

Happy 18th Birthday to Kathleen C. Janis on May 5th. Hope you have a fun day and stay out of trouble! From your #1 hero, Lorie B.

I would like to say Happy 1st B-day to my granddaughte 4-22-06. From your grandma in North Route.

I would like to wish our daughter Mateisha Gay a Happy 1st Birthday on 4-22-06. We love you Baby. From mom (Jenny) and dad (Mike).

CONGRATULATIONS!! to our father Newly Elected - Councilman RANDY D. MARKS SR. Crow Creek Sioux Tribal Council From: your children Randy Jr. and Logan Denae Marks Congratulations!! Randy D. Marks Sr. Crow Creek Sioux Tribe Councilman / Veteran May Tunkasila bless you and guide you, as you lead our people to a better tomorrow. From: The Bad Moccasin Tiyospaye Ft. Thompson South Dakota.

"WOPILA TANKA" (Great Thanks)

To all those who supported and believed in our father. RANDY D. MARKS SR. CCST-COUNCILMAN From: Daughters (Logan, Lita, Ellie) & Sons (Randy Jr., Johnsie)

Bad Moccasin Family

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Teachers: Mrs. Donna Randall & Mrs. Twila Goodman



Ethan Bad Hand, Amaya Bettelyoun, Angilita Between Lodges, Quianna Blue Legs, Alexzander Conroy, Dominique Dull Knife, Traytin Dull Knife



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MUMPS

As of April 17, 2006 Nebraska, 92 confirmed and probable cases have been reported to the Nebraska Department of Health (DOH). As of April 29, 2006 IOWA, 975 confirmed, probable, and suspected cases of mumps have been reported to the Iowa Department of Health.

The majority of cases are occurring among persons 18-25 years of age, Many of whom are vaccinated. Additional cases of mumps, possible linked to the Iowa outbreak, are also under investigation in seven neighboring states, including Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, and Wisconsin.

The Iowa Department of Health has identified two (2) persons diagnosed with mumps who were potentially infectious during travel on nine different commercial flights involving two airlines between the timeframe of March 26, 2006 - April 2, 2006. The origin and arrival cities for these flights included Cedar Rapid/ Waterloo, IA; Dallas, TX; Detroit, MI; Bentonville, AR; Minneapolis, MN; St. Louis, MO; Tucson, AZ; and Washington, DC.

Symptoms & Signs

After a 14 to 24 day incubation period, the onset of mumps occurs with chills, headache, anorexia, malaise and a low to moderate grade fever that may last 14 to 24 hours before salivary gland involvement is noted.These symptoms may be absent in mild cases.

Diagnosis

Diagnosis of typical cases during an epidemic is easy; diagnosis of sporadic cases is not.

Prognosis and Prophylaxis

Prognosis is excellent in uncomplicated mumps. Although rarely, a relapse occurs after about 2 weeks, particularly in postpubertal patients; mumps may involve organs other than the salivary glands. Symptoms may precede, accompany, follow, or occur without salivary gland involvement.

Live mumps virus vaccine is the agent of choice for active immunization. This vaccine produces no significant local or systemic reaction and requires only one injection. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends vaccination (with measles-mumps, rubella) at 12 to 15 months of age and again at entry into grade school or junior high school. Post exposure vaccination does not protect against mumps from that exposure.

Treatment

Treatment is symptomatic. A soft diet reduces pain caused by chewing. Acidic substances (e.g. citrus fruit juices) may also cause discomfort and should be avoided. Analgesics may be used for headache and general malaise.

Vaccination

The current recommendation is that a first dose of MMR be administered at age 12 to 15 months, with a second dose at four to six years. If the second dose is missed it can also be administered during adolescence.

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Pine Ridge celebrates the Raider Challenge team championship this past weekend in Lower Brule and includes Robert Janis, Robin Webber, Brandy Cottier, Coree Short Bear, Dusti Michaud, DJ Clifford, John Morrison, Gaylen Twiss, Carl Fast Eagle, Leslie Iron Hawk, Alexandria Mousseau, Yvonne Merrival, Tara White and Susanne Schultze. Photo courtesy of team leader, Brett Stoneberger

Thorpe's junior ROTC win big at Raider Challenge

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

LOWER BRULE - Pine Ridge defeated Lower Brule and Fargo West ROTC teams this past weekend in a Raider Challenge, a team and individual competition between high school junior ROTC squads.

The challenge hosted by Lower Brule high school Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Senior Robert Janis and junior Robin Webber won the individual male and female competitions.

The three day event includes individual cadets competing against a set standard to earn the Raider distinction and then cadets compete in a Raider Challenge team competition against other high school ROTC squads.

In the individual competition, cadets wake up between 4 to 4:30 a.m., have breakfast at 6 am, participate in an eight mile march in under two hours, do push ups, curl ups, pull ups for the boys and flex arm hang for the girls, basketball throw and a two mile run for the boys and a one mile run for the girls.

The team competition included an obstacle course, log sit-ups, log wrestling and a one mile relay with a four cadet team.

"Pine Ridge came in ready to go, they spanked the competition," said Brett "Stoney" Stoneberger, team leader, "we had great participation throughout the year and these results reflect well on our program and the opportunities that our students have to experience and meet a number of challenges that will help prepare each of them for their life after high school."

Overall, 14 students participated in the competition from Pine Ridge with five earning the Raider distinction including Robert Janis, Robin Webber, Coree Short Bear, Brandy Cottier and Dusti Michaud.

The Pine Ridge team also included: DJ Clifford, John Morrison, Gaylen Twiss, Carl Fast Eagle, Leslie Iron Hawk, Alexandria Mousseau, Yvonne Merrival, Tara White and Susanne Schultze.

Voting rights lawsuit reinstated against City of Martin

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS AND AMANDA TAKES WAR BONNETT
Times Staff





Pearl Cottier and Rebecca Three Stars

MARTIN - PIERRE - The U.S. Court of Appeals heard the case of Cottier and Three Stars v. the city of Martin on May 5 in which the plaintiffs accused the city of drawing voting districts which essentially violate the voting rights of Native Americans living in the city.

The case was ruled upon 2-1 by appeals judges Bye, Heaney, and Colloton in favor of the plaintiffs and it requires Judge Karen Schrier to hold additional hearings to see if city voting districts should be re-drawn.

Martin is divided into dual member wards and each has two aldermen who serve for two year staggered terms. According to the court document No. 05-1895 Lakota people make up 36 percent of the voting age population and represent 45 percent of the city population. An Indian-preferred candidate has only been elected twice since 1984 and when the ACLU sued the city last year, Schrier ruled that the plaintiffs in that case had not shown that white voters in Martin had voted in a

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Grazing ordinance goes to districts in preparation for return to OST council floor

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - "We are visiting each district with this proposed grazing ordinance," said Ruth Brown, chair of the tribe's land committee, "I'm doing my homework, I think there is change going on and I have had a chance to take it personally to Aberdeen for their review."

A year after it was originally scheduled to be approved, a proposed new grazing ordinance was presented to the tribal council at their regularly scheduled quarterly meeting at the Wounded Knee District School in Manderson in mid April. After some heated discussion, the new ordinance was tabled by a vote of 10-8.

"We are in a time of change, we have already seen a new $12 rate for each animal unit measure that was implemented by the Bureau on Nov. 1 for any new lessees and for all other on Nov. 1, 2006," said charter allocation committee member Melvin Cummings, a

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Community Calendar
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AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Grief Support Group
Meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888.

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841

OST Commodity Issue
Manderson and Wounded Knee, Wednesday, May 10, Sunrise Housing in Martin, Friday, May 12, Evergreen and CAP Office in Porcupine District, Tuesday, May 16, Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni housing, Thursday, May 18 in Oglala.

Girl's High School Regional Golf
Gold tourney in Thursday, May 11 in Hot Springs at 11:00 a.m.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
Friday, May 11 at Pine Ridge School for the TWO Finals, sponsored by Shannon County Schools with grand entries set for 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. celebrating Lakota music and dance with dance and drum groups from schools across the reservation.

Red Cloud Graduation Pow Wow
Friday, May 12 at the Paul Dizzy Trout field house at Red Cloud School with graduation meal at 5:00 p.m. and grand entry at 6:30 p.m. featuring feather tying ceremony for 2006 Red Cloud high school graduates.

Kindergarten Round-up
Our Lady of Lourdes School in Porcupine on Friday, May 12 from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon with a lunch provided - students entering Kindergarten in the fall of 2006 must be at least five years old before September 1, 2006.

Dakota Warriors Men's Slow pitch tourney
Eight team, double E Friday and Saturday, May 12 and 13 at the Fallen Warrior Softball Field in Ft. Thompson, SD, for info call Wes at 605 245-2909 or 730-1837.

Brushbreaker Down Under or Bust men's Slow Pitch tourney
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 12-14 in Rosebud, for more info call Dave at 747-2732 or 208-1088 or Connie at 441-5662 or 747-4600.

Mother's Day Slugfest Co-ed Softball Tourney
Friday-Sunday, May 12-14 at Manderson ballfield, for info call Frank at 441-8642.

Unveiling of Headstone/Eugenia Lynn DuBray
Saturday, May 13 at 1 p.m. at the American Horse School gym, dinner to follow, for information call Lorena at 441-6043.

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Sadie In The Woods achieves academic excellence
Bound for Duke University on scholarships

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

KYLE - Each spring commencement in Lakota country brings with it almost "magical" stories of those young people who have achieved academic excellence and great athletic accomplishments. Sadie In The Woods is one who has achieved a perfect grade point average at Little Wound School and will be moving on to Duke University in the fall to study obstetrics. Her achievement as a Gates Millennium Scholar will help fund her studies for four years.

Her story after having lived a relatively young life is the stuff that headlines are made of.

In The Woods has enjoyed a stellar career on the basketball court and her accomplishments are too numerous to list, however, her presence has been immense at the annual Lakota Nation Invitational tournament for the last several years. Her honors range from KOTA News athlete of the week to LNI all-tourney to the MVP at the Dakota Oyate Challenge in Huron. She was a Junior National first team All American and South Dakota MVP.



In volleyball her honors have also ranged from LNI All-Tourney to West River All-Conference to Kadoka HS All-

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City of Martin voting lawsuit reinstated

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way to defeat candidates preferred by Lakota voters.

The appeals court judges wrote, "We disagree and remand the matter back to district court to complete the analysis required by the United States Supreme Court pursuant to section 2 of the Voting Rights Act as construed by Thornberg v. Gingles, 478 US 30, 49-50 (1986). If the district court then finds in favor of the plaintiffs, it shall develop a plan under which Native Americans will have a reasonable opportunity to elect an Indian-preferred candidate."

Section 2 says that a denial of right to vote occurs when, "It is shown that the political processes leading to nomination or selection in the State or political subdivision are not equally open to members of a class of citizens protected by subsection (a) of this section."

The appeals court judges agreed with the plaintiffs when they wrote, "In our view the district court erred in three respects when it determined the white majority usually did not defeat the minority-preferred candidate. First, it did not give sufficient weight to the exit polls of the 2003 elections. Second, it did not give any weight to the results of the 2002, 2003, and 2004 aldermanic elections.

Finally, the district court relied exclusively on county, state and national elections in determining that the evidence failed to prove that Indian-preferred usually lost elections."

Furthermore, the judges also wrote, "Because Native Americans and whites make up more than 99 percent of Martin's population, the only conclusion available is that white voters voted as a bloc to defeat the Indian-preferred candidates."

"This decision underscores the continuing problems faced by Native American voters as well as the need to extend the protections of the expiring provisions of the 1965 Voting Rights Act which are now being considered by Congress," said Bryan Sells, a staff attorney with the ACLU Voting Rights Project and lead counsel in this case. "I can tell you I think we have a very strong case."

"The Native American community in Martin, and especially the LaCreek District Civil Rights Committee, have worked so hard, for so long, to change their community into a good place to live and raise their children and grandchildren," said Jennifer Ring, Executive Director of the ACLU of the Dakotas.

"I am pleased that the Eighth Circuit recognized their right to finally have a say in how their town is run. Nothing beats an actual seat at the table," she said.

Earlier this year, the ACLU issued an 867 page report documenting 293 cases brought by the ACLU in 31 states to protect the right to vote and challenge discrimination in voting. The ACLU has urged Congress to renew the provisions of the Voting Rights Act that have been so effective in thwarting voting discrimination: These provisions are set to expire in 2007.

The ACLU has been involved in seven voting rights cases in South Dakota, winning all seven cases. The cases included were on the Cheyenne River and Standing Rock, Emery vs. Hunt; the second one was in Wagner vs. Community school district, third Bone Shirt vs. Nelson, which was voting irregularities in the state's District 27 around Pine Ridge and Rosebud, another was the Quiver vs. Nelson, which involved Shannon and Todd counties, Cottier vs. City of Martin, another case was in Buffalo County Kirkie vs. Buffalo County involved the county commission district in Buffalo County and Charles Mix County, Black Moon vs. Charles Mix County.

Pearl Cottier, is a long time resident of Bennett County and home owner in the city of Martin, and active in community and tribal organizations. She is currently center director of LaCreek College Center of Oglala Lakota College. She also is on the tribal gaming commission and the tribal personnel board.

Cottier was unavailable for comment. She was in a hit and run car accident April 26 on the Rosebud Reservation. She is currently at Mayo Clinic at Rochester, Minn. Cottier suffered injuries from the accident.

Rebecca Three Stars, lives in Martin, and is a chemical dependency counselor with the Martin Addiction Recovery center. She refused to comment and referred comment to ACLU Attorney Bryan Sells.

The dissenting appeal judge Colloton wrote, "Because I do not believe the district court erred in its conclusion that plaintiffs failed to meet their burden, I would affirm the judgment of the district court."

June 1 deadline for grazing ordinance

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livestock grower and landowner from Manderson, "how best can we balance the needs of the rancher with those of the landowner?"

Debate swirled on the floor that day in Manderson, a dialogue that looked at whether there should be a first and second preference included in the new ordinance as the old one had, if you require 100 per cent ownership of the cattle that are run on a unit does that hurt the small Indian operators, are there conflicts of interest built into the system with the BIA land operations office being involved in both the allocation committee and the appeals board, should they just open the bidding for the range units and is the tribe in a position as the largest landowner on the reservation to look at ways in which they may maximize the income they earn off of land leases?

The allocation committee has been in existence since 1970 when Johnson Holy Rock, Jake Little Thunder, Melvin Cummings and Charles Under Baggage first came together. Today's committee has a representative from each district with Cummings from Wounded Knee District, Donna Bull Bear Garnette/Medicine Root, Moon Weston/Porcupine, Chuck Olson/LaCreek, Gerald Bush/Eagle Nest, Dan Hudspeth/Oglala, Albert Curry Jr./Pass Creek, Faith Tobacco/Wakpamni and Fred Pond/Pine Ridge Village.

"We are taking this ordinance to Wakpamni today, to Pass Creek CAP in Allen next and we will be in Kyle on Friday, the 12," said Brown, "we took it to Aberdeen for the regional director, William Benjamin to review along with Alice Harwood, Jim Steele and their biologist."

Brown adds that on the recommendation of the Bureau, they will delete the portion about prairie dogs from the ordinance and the Bureau will not have anyone sit on the appeals board because of a conflict of interest.

"We want to set up a special council meeting for Wednesday, May 31 in LaCreek District for this ordinance," Brown said, "I'm geared up to get this passed, we need to move on."

Editor's note**Landowners and stockgrowers speak out about proposed ordinance and what it means to them, their families and to the tribe.*

In The Woods excells in academics

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Tourney.

When asked about what kind of support she received from family and school she said, "My mom is a teacher and she pushes me academically. My dad has been my spiritual support. I come from a long line of midwives and I want to be the first certified obstetrician here to graduate from Duke." She said her grandma Wilma Whirlwind Horse, her mother, Sadie Zimiga, and grandmother, Elizabeth Witt, were traditional midwives who delivered many babies on the reservation. "I want to be the first certified obstetrician from my family."

Sadie's mother is Marla Herman, who is an English teacher at Little Wound High School and her father is Byron In The Woods, from Eagle Butte. Her siblings are Jemma and Trin In The Woods and a little brother Stormy Shot With Arrow. Jemma is a sophomore at United Sioux Tribes Technical College. Trin is a freshman at Little Wound High School.

Looking at a composite profile of Sadie reveals a young Lakota student who has been so very dedicated and consistent in her pursuit of her post-high school dreams. She visited the Duke campus in April and when she enrolls in the fall, she plans on trying out for the basketball team. She said, "I have been accepted into my dream school. I know that I will never be satisfied until I have at least tried and given it my all to make the team."

Academic excellence is equally as or more important than sports to In The Woods, as her goals include being a positive role model for children, being a medical doctor specializing in obstetrics/gynecology and opening a Ob/Gyn clinic on the Pine Ridge reservation.

Her 4.0 grade point average and 25 on the ACT test, combined with her number one ranking in a class of 50 seniors will serve her well as she moves on to the rigorous demands of a very elite eastern university.

Duke University was recently in the national spotlight with its Lacrosse team experiencing some legal problems; however, its reputation as an academic and athletic powerhouse on the east coast and the nation has not been diminished.

Sadie lives an alcohol and drug free lifestyle and that fact is noteworthy as Lakota youngsters who are following in her footsteps will want to know what it was that motivated her over the course of her education at Little Wound School. She said, "My teachers have been my number one support. They stayed and helped me and were very tough. We have the greatest teachers at Little Would School. I am very honored to be chosen as a guest speaker at the eighth grade graduation."

"Growing up, I had very few positive role models. I see the alcoholism, poverty and apathy here on the reservation and I want to become a role model for others like me."

She said she has role models now but when she was younger, she didn't have many role models.

In addition to the Gates Millennium Scholarship, Sadie also received the Mark K. Ulmer Memorial scholarship from the Native American Scholarship Foundation in the amount of $3,000. Duke University has given Sadie a nearly full ride scholarship. Duke is in Durham, N.C. Of the 19, 000 applicants who applied to Duke, only 1,665 were accepted and Sadie was one those accepted for the class of 2010.

She said, "I would like to thank the youth, community members, and staff at LWS and all those who believed in me and motivated me to do my best. I would like to acknowledge my grandpa Rex Herman who supported me in every way possible.

I would also like to thank my boyfriend, Chance Weston, and his wonderful parents for their support."

Sadie In The Woods has proven to be gifted academic scholar and her future just got brighter as the path to excellence is waiting to be paved. Singer Brian Littrel is credited with a quote that is appropriate to Sadie's academic journey.

He wrote, "Shoot for the moon, even if you miss, you'll land among the stars."

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Pine Ridge High School Graduation
Thursday, May 18 in Pine Ridge at 11:00 a.m. at the high school gym.

Regional High School track meets
Thursday, May 18 in Winner for Region 7A and in Custer for Region 8A.

Red Cloud High School Graduation
Friday, May 19 at the fieldhouse at Red Cloud school at 10:00 a.m.

Brushbreaker Downunder or Bust Tourney
Thursday-Saturday, May 19-21 in Rosebud featuring men's 12 team slow pitch double E tourney as fundraiser for Taylor Brushbreaker to participate in Downunder Bowl in Australia, for info contact Dave at 747-2732, 208-1088 or Connie at 441-5662 or 747-4600.

Great Plains Regional Golf tournament
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 19-21 at the Lee Park Golf Course in Aberdeen, SD. For information call Gordon at 605 216-2586, John at 605 226-7347 or Henry at 605 290-3344.

Youth Slowpitch Softball Tournament
Sunday, May 21 at the Fallen Warrior field in Ft. Thompson, for information contact Wes Fire Cloud 245-2909 or 730-1637.

Voter Registration Deadline
Monday, May 22 for primary, school and city elections set for Tuesday, June 6 with registration being completed during regular business hours at the county auditor's office, municipal finance office, secretary of state's office,. And those locations which provide driver's licenses, food stamps, TAMF, WIC, military recruitment and assistance to the disabled as provided by the Department of Human Services.

Voter Registration Deadline
Monday, May 29th for the Shannon County District 65-1 School Board Election to be held on Tuesday, June 13, for information call the county auditor at 745-5130 or the county office at 288-1921.

Crazy Horse Ride
Set for Sunday through Friday, June 4-9 in honor of all veterans, for information contact Bam Brewer at 867-1119 or 441-8810.

To list an event in the community calendar, email the even to lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870 or mail to Lakota Country Times, Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551.

Groups plan demonstrations during Sturgis bike rally

STURGIS, S.D. (AP) - American Indian groups upset at commercial expansion toward Bear Butte during the Sturgis motorcycle rally say they will stage daily demonstrations during this year's rally.

Their commitment came Tuesday after the Meade County Commission approved a liquor license transfer for a new concert venue, Rock'n the Rally at Glencoe CampResort.

Last month, the commission approved a beer license for the Broken Spoke Saloon and Sturgis County Line campground.

Both enterprises would be about 3 miles from Bear Butte, which is a sacred site to a number of tribes.

Carter Camp of the Intertribal Coalition to Defend Bear Butte and Jay Red Hawk of the Bear Butte International Alliance said the demonstrations during the Sturgis rally will be peaceful.

The groups also are organizing a large, summerlong gathering at Bear Butte that could draw as many as 10,000 people, Camp said.

Camp said the groups will ask bikers to voluntarily honor a buffer zone around Bear Butte, staying away from the rally campgrounds, saloons and concert venues east of Fort Meade Veteran's Affairs Hospital. He believes some bikers will side with the groups.

``We're not trying to shut down the rally," Camp said. ``We know the rally has an economic impact on the state; we just want a buffer around Bear Butte."

On Wednesday, the Meade County auditor said enough valid petitions had been submitted to refer the Broken Spoke beer license approval to a public vote.

The referral move hit a dead end Thursday when the county commission decided unanimously that its granting of the license is an administrative decision that cannot be referred to a public vote.

Tempers occasionally flared at the hearing. Commissioners imposed a 30-minute time limit for each side, but only a fraction of the opponents had spoken as the time limit expired.

At one point, Sheriff Ron Merwin stood between the commissioners and a number of angry people who were still waiting to testify when the time limit expired.

Nancy Hilding of Black Hawk said South Dakota law bars liquor sales on Sunday morning out of respect for Christians but that Indians are denied the same protection of their religion.

A gift of life and love

Kidney donation brings sisters and family together

BY NATASHA D. BORDEAUX
Rosebud Sioux Tribe Prevention Program Public Relations Specialist

ROSEBUD - After two decades of battling one illness after another, 58-year-old Tillie Black Bear was tired.

She had suffered through over a decade of battling the painful and debilitating disease called Lupus, (a chronic inflammatory disease where antibodies attack their own tissues and organs) followed by several years of dealing with type 2 diabetes and the resulting damage it caused.

Black Bear was diagnosed with Lupus in 1978. In 1988 the Lupus began attacking her liver. She was put on Prednisone (a steroid) to stabilize her liver. The Prednisone caused her to gain 66 pounds and consequently, in 1994, she was diagnosed with diabetes. Within a few years the diabetes began to take its toll on her body.

"By the summer of 2001 they told me my kidney function was below 15 percent and I needed to go on dialysis," Black Bear said.

Dialysis is an artificial process of removing waste from the blood stream, when the kidney can no longer do so.

"I hadn't given it much thought, at first," Black Bear said.

But her family was concerned and let her know.

"We had a cookout at Ghost Hawk Park. Afterwards, I went home and the whole family came. I was staying at my daughter Connie's at that time in Rosebud. All my nephews and nieces and grandkids came and talked to me about my dialysis, saying they wanted me to be here."

Black Bear said that meeting convinced her to go on dialysis.

"They talked to me and I listened to them. The decision was made by the young people (of my family). It was a really powerful meeting with those young people," Black Bear said.

Even with the support an encouragement of her family, Black Bear was still not prepared for the changes that dialysis would bring.

She would have to be on dialysis three times a week for three-hour-long periods.

"You are always drained on a dialysis run," she said. "I never could sleep (through the dialysis treatment)… I had difficulty just sitting still. It was hard just holding a book up."

Still she knew she could not live without the treatments and went obligingly to each one. But, after three and a half years on dialysis, she felt herself becoming depressed and questioned her reasons for hanging on.

"I think you just kind of exist on dialysis. You live day to day," Black Bear said.

"With people who are chronically ill, there are times when we get weak in our thought process. It gets frustrating because you can't do your own house cleaning, you can't cook for yourself, or do your own laundry, and you have to rely on the graciousness of others to do those things for you," Black Bear said.

> I think there must be a purpose that I was given another chance at life. Now I 'm looking for that purpose.
>
> **-Tillie Black Bear**



Violet Mousseaux and Tillie Black Bear.

"When you are not feeling well, you begin to think, 'Why am I still alive?'" she recalled.

Black Bear's family began to notice the change and became worried.

"We seen her turning toward the worst every time she went to dialysis," said Violet Mousseaux, Black Bear's younger sister.

"She was not getting better. To us, she was getting worse," Mousseaux said.

So the family called another meeting. And once again the youth of the family expressed how much they needed their auntie, their grandmother and mother with them. They encouraged her to look into a kidney transplant. Several family members stepped forward to volunteer to donate a kidney.

"But some had high blood pressure, or were diabetic, or had rheumatoid arthritis," Mousseaux said. But Mousseaux, at 53 years-of-age, had none of those ailments and was relatively healthy, despite a smoking habit. So she got tested.

"I was a match," Mousseaux said.

Through more prayers and discussion the two women decided they would go ahead with the surgery. Even so, they still kept their humor about them.

"When I would tell Tillie "I'm going to sweat to pray for you' she would say 'I don't want your prayers, I want your kidney," Mousseaux said.

But deciding to go through with it was only the beginning of a long and frustrating process. At first the family chose a hospital and surgeon in Colorado. But after driving back and forth for a few tests and meetings they decided that having the surgery in Sioux Falls, S.D., which was closer to home and family, was a better option.

But then there were more tests and hesitations and more tests. The doctors were very careful to make sure each of the women was cancer-free and other disease-free in order to assure the best outcome. There were mammograms, and blood tests and x-rays.

"It got to the point where I almost backed off. It seems like there was always something in the way," Mousseaux said. "I even got to the point where I told her to find someone else."

But despite those difficulties everything turned out for the best and the surgery was planned for January 6, 2005.

Both women were told that they had only a 50/50 chance of making it through the surgery.

"Even though they told me all that, I didn't have any fear, I was not scared or anything. I really put my heart into it.," Mousseaux said.

"Before the surgery we had four nights of ceremonies … It really helped," Black Bear said.

Mousseaux agreed that their faith helped them both focus on a good outcome. "We did a lot of praying before we went; we prayed that things would be ok," Mousseaux said.

"The day of the surgery the medicine person was there with us all day," Black Bear said.

Many of their family and extended family drove to Sioux Falls to offer prayers and support through the surgery. And it paid off!

Both women made it through the surgery without a hitch.

And while recovery has been difficult for both, they are doing well and enjoying their time together here on earth.

"Through love, prayers and family support we came through this," Mousseaux said.

Black Bear feels the same. "Now here I am, me, and my sister violet giving me a kidney. She wants me to be alive. Sometimes when it gets hard, like when I am still in pain and other people can't see it. It always helps to go to the sweat lodge to release some of that energy," Black Bear said.

Before and after the surgery both sisters have dealt with people's misconceptions about organ donations. Some have said it is against Lakota belief, or that a person will spend eternity looking for her kidney, or when you give away an organ you give away part of your spirit.

"I asked the priest about that. I am spiritually a real prayerful person," Mousseaux said. She said he was able to help her come to terms with these misconceptions through her faith in God, and her knowledge that she is doing something out of love.

Mousseaux said she was rather amused when "one person said you'll be looking for your kidney after you die. That didn't bother me because I know where it is."

Black Bear also takes the comments in stride. "Sometimes there is a misconception that it is against Lakota beliefs to give away your organs. But they are wrong," Black Bear said.

She said she feels honored to have a part of her sister with her. "When I die I will have all of my organs and part of my sister with me," Black Bear said.

Both Black Bear and Mousseaux have said how their grandkids have helped them get through the pain and disability after the surgery.

"There is still a lot of pain. It is hard just to endure the pain. Having the grandkids around really helps, seeing them everyday. They are very respectful. They help me walk by grabbing my arm. The young men, who wouldn't be caught anywhere with a purse, will carry their grandma's purse, for me," Black Bear said.

Mousseaux also found strength to heal from within her family. "It was my grandchildren and nephews and nieces that really occupied my time… they took the pain away from me by their presence, by being there and keeping me occupied."

Through it all, both women agree the surgery has brought them and their families closer together. It has increased their faith and has offered Black Bear a new lease on life.

Mousseaux says she encourages more Native people to embrace live organ donation as an option to improving the quality of life for their loved ones.

"I would say it is a very unique and priceless gift you can give to somebody. I would tell them, 'If you love that person, do it.' If they are scared, they can come to me and I can talk with them," Mousseaux said.

"It kind of made me feel good (to give a kidney) and made me feel special. To do something like that, especially for my sister, so she can live long and enjoy life with her grandkids and her family," Mousseaux said.

Black Bear can not be thankful enough for the gift her sister has given her.

"I very seldom get enlightening moments. But when my oldest grandson was graduating at St. Francis Indian School (last spring), I was thinking about when he was born …"

She said at that moment she recalled his life, and thought about the lives all her other grandchildren. She realized how fortunate she was to be sitting in her seat of honor at the graduation ceremony, watching her grandson at his proudest moment.

"I was really thankful for my sister Violet for giving me a kidney so I could see my grandson graduate. It was one of those profound moments," Black Bear said.

Now, Black Bear occupies her time with her work as Executive Director at the White Buffalo Calf Women's Shelter in Mission as well as with her many grandchildren, nephews and nieces and her own children.

Without the kidney transplant, Black Bear might still be alive today, but she would not have the energy and spirit she has come to value, since the operation.

"I think there must be a purpose that I was given another chance at life. Now I am looking for that purpose," Black Bear said.

Track teams making final preparations for regionals

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

EAGLE BUTTE/VALENTINE - Alex Wilson-Pine, a junior at Pine Ridge, continued his preparation for the upcoming regional qualifying meets with three firsts in Eagle Butte on Friday - Wilson-Pine won both the 1600 and 3200 and anchored the sprint medley with the 800 as Michael Jack, Juan Ramos and Bulldawg Michaud ran a 3:55 for the gold medal.

Austin Red Shirt took second in the high jump, Michaud took third in the 100 and the Thorpes took second in the 4X200 with Jack, Michaud, Ramos and tom Thunder Hawk. Faith, Cheyenne Eagle Butte, Takini, Lemmon, Lower Brule and Tiospaye Topa all participated.

Pine Ridge goes to Winner on Friday and Kadoka on Saturday and back to Winner next Thursday for the Region 7A track meet to qualify for state.

Marissa O'Bryan from Red Cloud won the 100 in Valentine on Friday on a blustery cold day but struggled in both the 200 and 400. O'Bryan has already qualified for state in the 100 and is looking to qualify early in both the 200 and 400 on Friday in Winner. Sophomore Lester Gotheridge has been turning in decent times in both the 800 and 1600 and decided to focus on the 800 only at Valentine.

Red Cloud travels to Custer on the 18th for the Region 8A track meet.

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Past Lakota Nation MVP's sign to play college ball next year

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

ABERDEEN/CHADRON - After a brilliant high school career at Todd County, Sunni Busch signed a letter of intent to play basketball at Chadron State College for the 2006/2007 school year.

"Sunni had the ability to dominate a game like no other player I've seen play," said Chuck Wilson, Todd County coach, "she was able to drive to the rim, pull up for a jumper, knock down a three and battle for rebounds as well as hit a teammate anywhere on the floor with a well timed pass."

Busch led the Lady Falcons to the 2005 State A tourney in Watertown where they finished sixth and helped this year's edition to an 18-5 record losing to Bennett County in the regional final. She led her team to back to back LNI championships in 2003 and 2004 earning the MVP awards each year. This year she was named to the first team all state for Class A in South Dakota.

Chadron plays in the tough Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, a NCAA Division II conference and is looking to use Sunni and a number of other new recruits to rebound after several down years at the Nebraska panhandle school.

Lennea Mueller led her Custer Lady Wildcats to their first ever Lakota Nation title this past December, earning the MVP nod in the process. Mueller has signed with Northern State University in Aberdeen for the 2006/2007 school year.

Mueller was both the point guard and the top scorer for the Lady Wildcats earning all state honors this year and leading Custer to a fifth place finish in last years State A tourney in Watertown.

Lennea is one of nine recruits signed to play ball nest year for Northern, a program that finished this season with a 25-7 record losing in the semis of the North Central Regional tournament.

Nurses week proclamation signed by tribal president

PINE RIDGE - Fro the week of May 6 to 12, Oglala Sioux Tribal President Cecelia Fire Thunder has signed a proclamation to honor nurses during Registered Nurses Week.

The proclamation states, "All across the United States, registered nurses are being saluted and the Oglala Lakota of the Great Sioux Nation is comprised of over 40,000 enrolled members, and the tribe recognizes the dedication, commitment and effortless services provided by the Registered Nurses, and Professional nursing which has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of hospitalized patients.

The tribe would like to raise awareness of the value of nursing and assist with educating the public about the role nurses play in meeting the health care needs of our people and to recognize the registered nurses areas of expertise provided to the people, so the Oglala Sioux Tribe has declared the week of May 6-12 as National Nurses Week with the theme "Nurses: Strength, Commitment, Compassion" in celebration of the ways in which registered nurses strive to provide safe and high quality patient care and map out the way to improve our health care system.

She encourages the community to show appreciate for nurses who work in the communities.

OPINION PAGE

Guest Editorial

Tending to our own 'backyards'

The 2006 spring commencements are an exciting time in Lakota country as the culmination of a long and hard winter that saw Lakota people contending with the weather, rising propane prices, and the uncertainty of federal budget cuts that will surely impact the quality of education for our youngsters.

Last week, the Senate Appropriations Committee restored the planned cuts to the very important Johnson O'Malley program which aids many Lakota students in public schools.

It remains to be seen if they will restored permanently as part of the president's 2007 budget.

As families celebrate the achievements of their youngsters there are so many success stories amongst the people that it is difficult to single out any one individual.

We have to congratulate Sadie In The Woods of Little Wound School for leading the way in getting accepted to Duke University. She is also a Gates Millennium Scholar, along with Willow Wright and Kristin Herman of Todd County High School. We apologize for not publishing the entire first of such scholars in Lakota country as there are others.

Now that many of our Lakota youngsters will be moving on, it is a time of anticipation for those of us who expect great things from them. It is a time for action as Lakota country is in dire need of new leaders and achievers who will help us to adapt to the changing times and arrive at new and innovative ideas to eradicate some very old problems which continue to plague us.

Once again, good luck to all area Lakota students who will be matriculating from their respective schools and whether you are planning a career in the military, attending college, or going to work we are looking for you to make us proud.

Guest Column

On getting my fill Food for thought

BY NATASHA D. BORDEAUX

Rosebud Sioux Tribe

Diabetes Prevention Program

What I want to eat and what I should eat are two entirely different things.

For example, my favorite meal to cook and eat is beef stroganoff. I love the fluffy egg noodles, the texture of ground beef and the rich sour cream sauce with a tang of white wine, mushrooms and sweet onions.

Its indulgence at its most extreme -- and I can't get enough.

The dish is not hard to prepare and I can usually have it done in less than an hour. It's one of those meals I call a diet buster – high in carbs, high in fat, high in sodium and high in calories.

But have I mentioned how delicious it is?

On those glorious occasions when I prepare this meal my kids are ecstatic. Ok, maybe they're just excited. It's me who gets giddy with delight anticipating my upcoming gorge.

When the cooking and preparation are complete, I usually serve the kids all they think they can eat, and then… the rest of the pot is all mine!!

I almost inhale the first plate, spend a little more time chewing and tasting the second, and the third (sometimes fourth) I usually graze on and pick at until it disappears.

When I am finally finished I feel as though I am bursting at the seams. I waddle over to my easy chair and bask in my excess for as long as it takes for me to feel normal again.

I'm not sure how many calories I consume in an average stroganoff binge but I assume it's more than I can burn off in my daily exercise routine (in fact it probably will take two or three of my workouts to burn all that).

While my stroganoff incidents seem quite extreme, I have to admit that they are really not that far off from the way I normally eat.

I tend to eat until I am full. Even though I know that I have already eaten an acceptable portion size, I still need to feel "full." So I'll eat a little more, then pick at "just a bit more," and when I clean up the dishes I sneak in a little more of the kid's leftovers.

So as you can see, I spend a lot of time recuperating on my easy chair after I eat. I'm used to feeling like a stuffed hen after meals. And that's why, like many people, even when I'm preparing healthy food; I have a hard time reaching and maintaining my healthy goal weight.

I know maintaining that goal weight is the key to reducing my chances of developing diabetes, but immediate gratification often outweighs long-term health.

But I guess the first step to recovery is admitting there is a problem.

When I first made up my mind to "get healthy" I started with a little walking. After I lost a few pounds and felt stronger. I wanted to work on eating healthier. I learned about good foods, whole wheat versus processed white flour, lean meats, olive oil and the value of vegetables.

I revamped my kitchen cupboards and my refrigerator with mostly healthy foods. I revamped my recipes to include "healthy" options.

But what I should have done was revamp my way of thinking about foods.

Even healthy foods can be overdone. Six "healthy" chicken breast tacos in one sitting is not good for a person, no matter how healthy the ingredients.

I have come to the place in my journey toward health where I have to admit that portion size is just as important as exercise and eating healthy foods.

I have developed a few tricks to help me reduce the amount I eat. Since I seem to over-do it in the evenings I have found that relaxing with a cup of green tea after supper, exercising later in the evening, or just making time to relax and do something I enjoy each evening are some of the ways to quell my evening urge to eat.

I also take stock of just how much food I am actually eating. I visually "weigh" each portion and compare it to what a healthy portion looks like.

Monitoring portion sizes is a bit tricky, since the trend in our culture is bigger is better. But here are some cues:

3 oz of meat is equal to one deck of cards.

A serving of pasta is ½ cup or the same size as a computer mouse

A baseball is equal to a portion of beans

A roll of film is equal to one serving of peanut butter

½ a cup of veggies is the same size as a computer mouse

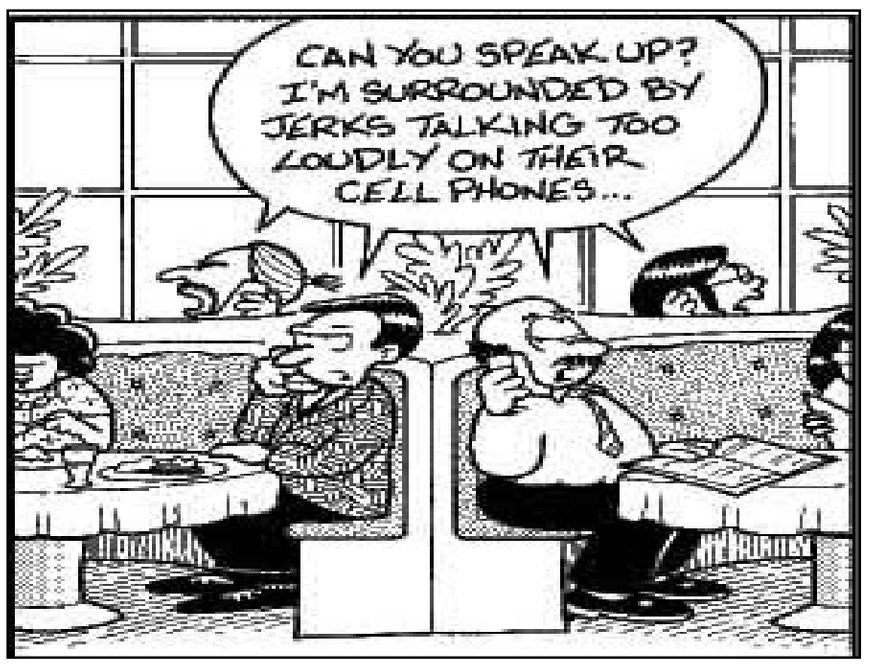
2 9-volt batteries is the same as 1 ½ oz of cheese

10 French fries are size of a deck of cards.

The biggest obstacle to eating healthy is learning to eat for sustenance and not for pleasure. While I do not intend to give up my occasional stroganoff indulgences, I am pretty sure there will be some leftovers next time.

Eating right is a huge portion of maintaining a healthy weight. And maintaining a healthy weight is the key to keeping me and my family diabetes free. I know my view on food is one of the contributors to the unhealthy habits I have adopted over the years, and it is up to me to change that.

Changing my thinking about food just might be one of the toughest challenges I have undertaken. But if it means a healthier and happier life for me and my family then it just might be worth it.



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Other Views

Life begins at conception?

Dear Editor:

Life begins at conception? Is there proof of this? On the surface it seems easy to believe.

I can believe the physical body starts as an embryo and progresses into the fetus stage. But when does the consciousness, or soul, enter the body? So far, the beliefs about that indicate it enters at birth when the baby takes its first breath or through the soft spot, or during the eighth or ninth month of pregnancy.

The physical body and soul are separate. When a person dies, there are family members and friends who talk about speaking to the departed soul. Similarly, pregnant women often know that speaking to a waiting soul is not much different, and that includes speaking to the soul when it's not the right time or situation for adding a new life.

There's a difference betwen knowing and believing, and we need to kindly consider women's intelligence and beliefs when it comes to reproductive decisions. "The heart has its reasons which reason cannot know."

Much of life is cloudy, - a mystery. There are many assumptions and theories that cannot be proven. So much truth we don't know. One person's experience and/or belief cannot dictate everyone else's reality.

Sylvia Lambert
Interior, S. D.

A mystery unsolved at He Sapa, continues...

Editor's Note The following story was written by Francis Apple Sr. and was published last week in the Lakota language. This week, the English version of the story is published.***

BY FRANCIS APPLE SR.

Special to the Times

1. My grandpa tells of a true story
2. He and two of his friends went to visit relatives towards the cave and were on their way home to Platte River
3. It got dark on them on the Westside of the sacred Black Hills so they decided to bed down on a high ridge
4. My Grandpa got up early and went to find something to cook over the open fire and here he saw a streak of smoke arising from a ravine
5. He woke up his friends and told them, get up, we'll go and check where the smoke is coming from
6. Maybe whoever they are can share some food.
7. They came upon them preparing their breakfast
8. From a rise in the ground they could see what was going on. And here the smell of bacon over came them, so they started to walk toward them
9. The prospectors were frightened and then went for their guns, so they shot them down
10. They ate the bacon and sour dough in a hurry and caved the dirt bank over them
11. They checked the donkeys and tied to the packed saddles were some nice little pouches full of heavy rocks with a glistening affect.
12. They dumped the heavy ore and took the leather pouches, one of them said these will make good containers for our war paint.
13. My grandpa said, I will take one of these pouches full of rocks and also one of these rolls of paper money with a rubberband around it and show it to John Reshaw, he will know what it is.
14. John Reshaw saw what they brought for him to see, and was very glad.
15. He said I will keep these, tomorrow you came to my place, have a good meal and then pick out a horse of your choice from my herd.
16. You can also charge stuff from my store through the winter. (when a Lakota Ikazo they usually never pay up).
17. The next morning they went to Mr. Reshaws residence.
18. John Reshaw told them, well make preparation and in the spring we'll go look for the gold that you dumped.
19. In the spring when the snows melted and the grass turned green, they headed towards the Black Hills.
20. And here they couldn't find the place where they left the prospectors and their donkeys not even the dug out they lived in so they went back to Platte River empty.
21. Grandpa said maybe theres a reason for us not to find the gold.
22. Maybe this business man was going to take us again.
23. We used to tease our grandpa and say nowadays the white man developed a thing that you can find stuff like that lies buried in the ground.
24. Maybe we could rent of those counters and find that gold.
25. Grandpa would say maybe we weren't supposed to find that gold for a good reason.
26. Maybe we'll fight over it and kill each other.
27. The paper money that they let fly in the wind were brown, Grandpa later that these were 100 dollar bills and ----the rolls of money had rubber bands around them . They took the rubber bands and said these will make good hair ties.

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Thoughts that come from the heart

Cell phone use and exercising respect



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Lately I have had discussions with several people on manners and etiquette and there was a great column in *Rapid City Journal's* Sunday edition by Lynn Taylor Rick on just that subject entitled 'Where have all our manners gone?'

She states a statistic by the Associate Press Poll, that nearly 70 percent of 1,011 adults polled believe that people are ruder today that they were 20 or 30 years ago.

She quotes Sandra Marker, a sociology professor at Black Hills State University in Spearfish as saying that we have become more of an individualist society. "I just think that's one of the reasons that there is so much more conflict in today's society. We've sort of gone away from manners," she said. "I think there's been a shift to the more self-centered." Taylor Rick said gone are days when people cringed at the thought of being scolded in public.

When I read that column I thought of Indian country and how life has become with cell phones use.

In the last five years, cell phones have become so much more popular and cell phone use has exploded on both the Pine Ridge and Rosebud reservation with the advent of the Life Line program which allows residents to become cell users at a low cost. That comes from a Federal Communication Commission's service program for low income consumers. It was a congressional mandate and is paid for by telecommunications carriers between states and international.

They have become known as 'commod phones.' There was another name that was floating about and people called them 'treaty phones' and that had a better ring to it. I think people called them that because they assumed it was one of our treaty rights but in reality it was because Cellular One, which is now Alltel Wireless, used the Life Line program to be able to offer cell phones to residents who were eligible because they had low income guidelines. Of course, there are limits to that, if one has a commod phone, it has restrictions that allows services only in a certain area.

Which means most of the service area is within the reservation boundaries prefixes, except for the Hills area.

Regardless, what it meant to reservation residents was a lot. It meant phone service for areas that don't have a regular telephone cable line to their homes. It meant being high in technology use to be able to have communication with family and others. It meant being able to have telephone service, which is considered a necessity for modern daily life.

And it was cool to see that type of service on the reservation, first Pine Ridge and then Rosebud and some where along the line the Navajo Nation will have the service. By now we all know what parts of the reservation offer the best cell signal or what areas have the lowest signal. We know when the signal ends and what areas we can make that last call on the way out of the reservation.

Along with that came 'mannerism' or respect. I have attended ceremonies and public events where it didn't bother people to keep their cell phone on and disrupt what was going on with their with phones ringing to the tunes of 'ring,,,ring' to O'Canada to the sound of popular songs. The phone would ring and the cell phone user would quickly take it out of their pocket or purse and of course check the caller ID to see who the caller was, then they would either silence it or answer it and whisper, "hello." While this was occurring, the people present would adjust their attention to what was going to the short act that just occurred with the cell user.

Several weeks ago, we attended a repatriation ceremony and I was surprised at the amount of people that used their cell phones during the ceremony. They either answered it right where they were sitting or they quickly exited the room while answering the phone. We left ours in the car. Because we knew we were going to participate in something that called for respect. If I am waiting for an important call and need to have my cell with me, then I put it on vibrate. Cell phones come with all kinds of little options, like vibrate or voice mail and things that are designed for respect. Voice mail is cool if the user really does return calls. Of course, I know a few people who have voice mails and hardly ever clean out their messages. When I tease them they should clean out their messages, they say 'oh yeah, that… well, I hate messing with that, takes too much time.' So don't know if that falls along the line of mannerism or just being lazy. The only thing it doesn't come with is a little manual that lets you know when to use it and when not to use in regards to respecting other people.

I have been in conversations where what was being said was important regardless if it was just family conservation or where business was being discussed.

Someone would be there with a cell phone and it would ring and they would answer it right there and carry on a conversation with the caller suddenly oblivious to those around them. And we would wait with patience until we could resume business.

As to why we lack respect in using cell phones is probably more along the lines of it being a new thing and it is so cool to be able to just own a cell phone and so of course we are going to use to the maximum possible.

Or maybe it is because that communication link is important to the user and the caller for what ever reason.

So should we really label that self centered as it is becoming more of a way of the future regarding manners and respect. We can whine and complain to no end but it is something that we aren't teaching in our t*iwahe* like we should or maybe it is because we don't teach for change in lifestyles like we should.

That could mean teaching our children how to live in a changing world and yet be able to retain our cultural values.

Notes From Indian Country

Is there a generic Indian word for greed?



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)
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The jokesters call them "Katrina cottages" and there are 10,000 sitting empty in Hope, Arkansas. Ironically, these mobile homes now resting in the birthplace of former President Bill Clinton, were purchased by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (they bought 20,000 trailers for $440 million) to house the thousands of people left homeless by the Katrina Hurricane, but only half of them were ever utilized.

The trailer debacle was just another mistake in the long list of mistakes chalked up by FEMA after Katrina. It seems that FEMA has established rules that disallow manufactured homes from being set up in a flood plain, and since New Orleans is below sea level, it is considered by FEMA itself as a flood plain.

But all of that aside, what would be the most advantageous way to make good use of the stranded house trailers? Senator Tim Johnson (D-SD) has a great idea. Why not move them to where they are badly needed, say the Indian reservations? Many of the reservations in the west are housing poor. There are supposedly 90,000 families that are homeless or are living in substandard housing.

On reservations like the Pine Ridge, Rosebud, Crow Creek and Standing Rock, some homes hold as many as three families. People without a home see little hope for the future. Homelessness contributes greatly to the cycle of poverty so prevalent on Indian reservations in states like South Dakota.

The proposal by Senator Johnson has merit. He has taken the time to visit many Indian reservations in the west, particularly in his home state, and he has observed firsthand, the horrific living conditions of so many Indian families.

I recall visiting the office of Andrew Cuomo when he was the head of the Housing and Urban Development agency in Washington, DC and scratching my head in wonder as Cuomo took me through the halls of HUD showing me the enlarged photos of the interiors and exteriors of the terrible housing problems on South Dakota's Indian reservations

Some of the photos showed the poverty stricken families sitting on makeshift beds that doubled as couches surrounded by all of the accoutrements of the very poor. All of the evidence of the harsh conditions existing on these reservations was there decorating the halls of HUD like so many trophies. Why even post these terrible photos? What purpose did they serve if nothing was being done to change the images?

The living conditions of the very poor Indians in states like South Dakota, compared to those very rich casino Indians, is analogous to people living in the poorest Third World country to those living in Beverly Hills, California. In fact, there is no comparison. Some Indian tribes are making so much money from their casinos that their members live in 4,000 square foot mansions while in South Dakota many tribal members live in the worst squalor.

The very rich gaming tribes are not obligated to help their brothers and sisters on the poor reservations and in most cases, they don't. It bothers some of us greatly when we observe these rich tribes spending millions promoting boxing matches or buying professional women's basketball teams, or just squandering their money on golf courses and elaborate resorts.

And even when these rich tribes try to help, it sometimes causes more problems than even they anticipated. Case in point, the Shakopee Nation in Minnesota made a loan of $38 million to the Oglala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Reservation recently. Perhaps the loan should have come to the tribe in the form of a grant because the entire financial obligations of the tribe to repay the loan was not explained thoroughly to the general population and once the rumor mills started chaos set in.

Tribal President Cecelia Fire Thunder requested the loan for all of the obvious reasons. The tribe was heavily in debt and sinking deeper every day. The loan would not only help the tribe lift itself up from the depths, but it would help them build an addition to their casino and, hopefully, provide more income and jobs. As I said, these good intentions were not explained very well reservation-wide and soon rumors began to circulate that the tribal council and its president had put up the very land the tribe walked upon as collateral for the loan. Impeachment proceedings were started and Fire Thunder was suspended from office for 66 days.

Fire Thunder eventually set the record straight and her suspension was lifted, but all of this turmoil and loss of valuable time could have been prevented if the communications between the tribal government, the Shakopee and the people had been more specific. Although Shakopee's intent was good, the aftermath was not.

With all of their millions Shakopee should have sent a delegation of public relations people to Pine Ridge to explain all of the intricacies of the loan, and when things turned so bad that Fire Thunder was nearly impeached, Shakopee should have intervened by removing the 6 percent interest rate it was charging the tribe for the loan, or by making the loan an outright grant.

All that aside, I commend Sen. Tim Johnson for taking the initiative to find adequate housing for some of the poorest tribes in America and as I have written in the past, Tim Johnson is one of the very best friends the Indian people have in the U. S. Senate. Representative Stephanie Herseth (D-SD) is the very best friend Indians have in the House of Representatives.

I also say shame on you to those rich tribes that squander billions on frivolity while their brothers and sisters live in extreme poverty. Is there a generic Indian word for greed?

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Northern Perspectives

Thoughts of the Sturgis Rally and its impact on our family



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

I wrote a feature story about Alice Four Horns of St. Francis for our issue number 25 and I thought it turned out pretty doggone good. Unci Alice even said it did. I actually kept some extra copies of the story that I need to give to her. Alice is my niece, Mara's close relative through her paternal side. Mara's father is a former brother in law and he and Alice share the same last name. Anyway, I was close to Mara as I lived with her family for the last couple of years of her high school days.

Alice was at Mara's funeral and spoke in Lakota about the fragile nature of our lives, especially when it involves the death of our young Lakota.

Mara was tragically killed by a motorcycle at the Piedmont exit during the Sturgis rally a couple of years ago and it was difficult to accept her death as our family cherished her greatly. She had a wonderful personality and she never failed to razz you if it looked like you were ignoring her. I still feel sadness when I hear her favorite song, "Bittersweet" by Big Head Todd and the Monsters.

As the Sturgis rally approaches each summer we begin to re-visit the loss of Mara. When I think about the accident I try to imagine all of the events that had to fall into place that night so that they would all converge and Mara would be in the wrong place. That's about the only way to explain away someone's senseless passing. In Mara's case she left four beautiful children to mourn.

As I have noted in many of my writings, I am functionally fluent in Lakota and am not a white man as one writer accused me of being recently, eyas tiwahe mitawa ki hanke un wasicu. Our extended family like many Lakota on the northern plains carries a beautiful French name. I think it may translate to 'beautiful journey' and it aptly describes my personal journey at times.

The Lakota people follow an oral tradition and many kolas of mine will admit that they do not write out Lakota, but are very good speakers of the language. Friends of mine like Sylvan White Hat, Pat and Howard Bad Hand, and cousin Ned Metcalf have taught me valuable lessons about speaking Lakota and not necessarily about the written form as Lakota people didn't have books thousands of years ago. As I do my translations I use Fr. Buechel and Fr. Karol's dictionaries occasionally, even though they are the white guys.

I simply plod along and see if I can write what I hear phonetically, after all as one gets older you don't quite hear the same as when you are young. I am proud of my burgeoning ability to know the language of my ancestors on my Iron Shooter side and am doing quite well.

Keep up the good work guys as the language as very much alive and we have many great teachers whom I have learned so much from. We are going to publish an interview that I did with Johnson Holy Rock soon and do it as a 'contest' where students will be asked to translate the interview from Lakota to English for a prize.

Other Views

Just carrying out the district's orders

Dear Editor:

I attended a council meeting on April 11 at Manderson because the Medicine Root District had some complaints and charges against our councilwoman so I was asked by the members to attend the council meeting. I listened to the council all morning talking about complaints, then they broke for dinner.

After dinner I was in the school office making some copies for the tribal treasurer when a police officer came up to me and said he wanted to talk to me outside, so I asked him if I could give the papers to the treasurer first. Then I went with the officer outside and asked him what was wrong and he said his police car was over there, so I went to the car and got in and still didn't know why.

While this was going on, children were getting out of school and getting on the bus. I thought to myself what were the children thinking when they have seen one of their grandma's get in a police car.

I had no idea what was going on until I got to Pine Ridge and was taken to jail. There I was booked for disorderly conduct and harassment. The statement was by the Wounded Knee councilman and happened more than a month ago. Back in March I spoke to him outside of the Red Cloud building, I asked him some questions that he couldn't answer so he filed charges against me. When a councilman takes an oath of office, he is sworn to promote and protect the Oglala Sioux Tribe, I am one of the tribal members and it didn't look like he was protecting me, instead he had me thrown in jail for speaking out to him about his duties as a councilman.

This isn't the end of it, two days later on April 13, I was served with a restraining order by the Medicine Root District councilwoman. All I was doing was carrying out the orders of the Medicine Root District members, as I am chairperson of the district.

I brought charges against the Wounded Knee councilman on April 13 for elderly abuse, harrassment, and false accusations. He wasn't arrested, is it because he is a councilman and I am just an elderly member?

What is this world coming to if you can't talk to a councilman and questions his actions? It seems like the council is dictating to us members instead of listening to us.

Maybe we need to take a good look at the up coming election.

Connie Whirlwind Horse
Kyle, S.D.

Local youth experience cultural ride at creation story performance

BY NATASHA D. BORDEAUX
Special to the Times

ANTELOPE - The deep, constant drone of the drum intermingled with the clear and true voices of the hoka (singers) set the stage for a heart-felt journey.

The journey was a modern cultural performance of the Creation Story which is a combination of the oral storytelling tradition combined with traditional song and dance in a modern, stage-like setting.

The April 27 performance brought the audience of an estimated 700 youth and community members at the SGU Multipurpose gymnasium to complete silence then rallied them to shouts of joy and excitement.

The smell of burning sage and the special-effects of rising smoke amongst the dancers struck an emotional chord with the audience. The traditional storytelling style of Albert White Hat was interlaced with the graceful movements of dancers in full traditional regalia. White Hat related the traditional Lakota creation stories in several segments to the audience.

The performance required the expertise of 20 local dancers, nine of them youth.





Ihaaaaani ... (In the beginning...)

Albert White Hat narrated the Lakota cultural performance of "Creation Story" on Thursday, April 27 at the Sinte Gleska University Multipurpose Gymnasium in Antelope. The modern stage performance incorporated Lakota storytelling with many traditional Lakota dances and music. Twenty dancers and the Kiyukanpi drum group lead the audience of over 700 youth and community members through the gamut of pride, joy, elation and sorrow with their heart-felt performances.

The show was much more than simply beautiful, it was moving. It allowed the audience to collectively enjoy a sense of pride and self importance that only comes from a compassionate performance with heart-felt performers.

The audience was at once in awe and filled with joy. Adrian Yellow Kidney, a student at family life center, summed up his emotions stating, "It made me want to sing!"

Another student, Tomas Martinez of Mrs. Bartlett's 4th and 5th grade classroom at Rosebud Elementary, was also deeply moved.

"The play changed my life. By seeing them dance, I was sad when (Albert White Hat) said we were the last of our people. When they beat the drum it makes me want to dance," he said.

The emotion and pride felt by the audience was quite clear despite the intense darkness in the venue. The only lighting was the stage lighting on the players, provided by Jim Bordeaux, which added intensity and continuity to the overall performance.

Denise One Star, TCSD Indian Studies Coordinator and performer said the performance was about offering culturally appropriate role models to the youth. "There are so many outside influences on our youth. This is something that is theirs. Something they can feel proud of," said One Star.

She said she was happy with the response the audience gave to the performance.

Some students left with more knowledge of their own culture, like Tab Stoneman of the Family Life Center. "It talked about our culture and how we were a long time ago … the way they put that play - it was cool. I like my culture."

Randi Running of Mrs. Bartlett's class at Rosebud Elementary left with a greater sense of pride in her culture. "It made me proud and happy just to see our people sing and dance."

The show was sponsored by the Todd County School District, Sinte Gleska University and Tribal Education.

Iron Cloud earns poetry awards

KYLE - An alumnus of Little Wound School, Trevor Iron Cloud, was awarded the 2006 Editor's Choice Award by the International Library of Poetry and poetry.com for his poem "Love, Marriage and the Works."

The first four lines of the poem read "What is love? What is Marriage? You'll find the answer In a baby carriage."

In March, Trevor was nominated as a "2006 Poetry Ambassador" by the International Library of Poetry and received a certificate.

Iron Cloud was also nominated by the International Society of Poets as the "Poet of the Year" for 2006.

He was invited to attend the 20th anniversary of the society during its poets convention and symposium in Las Vegas, NV.

He will receive a Poetry in Crystal Award Trophy and a Commemorative Award Medallion for his poetic achievements.

Pine Ridge Chamber of Commerce elects new officers

KYLE - The Pine Ridge Chamber of Commerce membership has selected a new board of directors at their April 19 meeting.

The Pine Ridge Chamber of Commerce's office in located at the Lakota Fund building in Kyle and has a membership of 118 businesses and 70 percent are in the Pine Ridge area.

Those elected to the board are:

Harvey White Woman, Lakota Fund/WBI for a two year term as president.

Sam O'Rourke, Badlands Septic Pumper, for a three year term as vice president.

Anne Hunter, Lakota Express/Lakota Mall for a two year term as secretary.

Daphne Richards-Cook, Alliance of Tribal Tourism Advocates for a one term as treasurer.

Llody Patton for a one year term as fifth member. Other board members include Howard Olson of Singing Horse; Larry Pourier for Native American Natrail Foods; Daycia Cummings of Red D Cash/Ibank; Kimberly Tilsen-Brave Heart of Rural Community Innovations.

White Woman said one of the focuses of the newly elected board is to refocus on the overall intent of the chamber and continue to work on building a better business environment for businesses and also to provide more services for the fees the chamber members pay.

He said they will continue to advocate for the current businesses and potential business in regards to policy and laws that govern how a business can operate on the reservation. Part of that is educating the community and tribal leadership and other governments what a business owner has to go through with their unique challenges in being successful in this area.

When you see a lot of people are first generation entrepreneurs and every successful business that is created is a role model for up and coming entrepreneurs, he said.

Finley, Amundson named South Dakota Mr. and Miss Basketball for 2006, High Wolf, Busch, Kratovil also nominated for senior state wide award

WEBSTER - On Sunday, at a special banquet in Webster, Hanson and Anderson Basketball book named the Miss and Mr. South Dakota Basketball for 2006; Zach Finley, a 6'9" senior who helped lead St. Thomas More to an undefeated 26-0 state A championship season was named Mr. Basketball while Michelle Amundson, a 5'7" senior who led Dell Rapids to an undefeated season and the State A title was named Miss Basketball for 2006.

Daelan High Wolf topped off his senior season at Cheyenne Eagle Butte with a first team all state award and a nomination as Mr. Basketball. High Wolf averaged 27.5 points per game, 10 rebounds, 4.5 assists and four steals. Daelan spent his first two years at Pine Ridge under coach Dusty LeBeau and finished his last two years in Eagle Butte. High Wolf is deciding between Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, KAN and Mount Marty College in Springfield.

Also nominated for the award was Tate Pesicka of Yankton, Ryan Dix of Aberdeen Roncalli, Zach Seefeldt of Clark, Bryce Kreutzfeldt of Chester Area, Mitch Boeck of Arlingrton, Dusty Coleman of Sioux Falls O'Gorman and Michael Tveidt of Pierre.

Sunni Busch of Todd County and Abby Kratovil of Bennett County earned first team all state in Class A and were nominated for the Miss Basketball award. Busch averaged just under 21 points per game leading the Lady Falcons to an 18-5 season and has signed with Chadron State College to play ball next year. Kratovil led the Bennett County Lady Warriors to a fifth place finish in this year's State A tourney and averaged 18.8 points a game with 10.3 rebounds; she has signed to play at South Dakota State University in the fall.

Players also nominated for the Miss Basketball award included: Teresa Case of Sioux Falls Roosevelt, Kristi Board of Doland-Conde, Ketty Cornemann of Yankton, Allison Johnson of Stickney-Mount Vernon and Tiffany Moe of Brookings.

Following the 1987-1988 season, George Bettelyoun of Pine ridge was named Mr. Basketball. SuAnn Big Crow of Pine Ridge was nominated in the winter of 1991-1992 and died in a tragic car wreck on the way to the awards banquet.

Laura Big Crow signs with Mayville State University

MAYVILLE, ND - After an outstanding season at Williston State College, Laura Big Crow, a graduate of Pine Ridge high school, signed with Mayville State University for her last two years of college basketball.

Big Crow finished the season averaging 22.7 points a game, fifth in the nation, with 10.1 rebounds and helping the Lady Tetons to a 23-7 record and a second place finish in the Mon-Dak Conference.

Laura had a fantastic season for us this year," said Hunter Berg, Williston coach, "she dominated the paint scoring big numbers each game, leading the team in rebounds and being a positive role model for all her teammates; she will be a great addition to the Comets basketball team for the next two years."

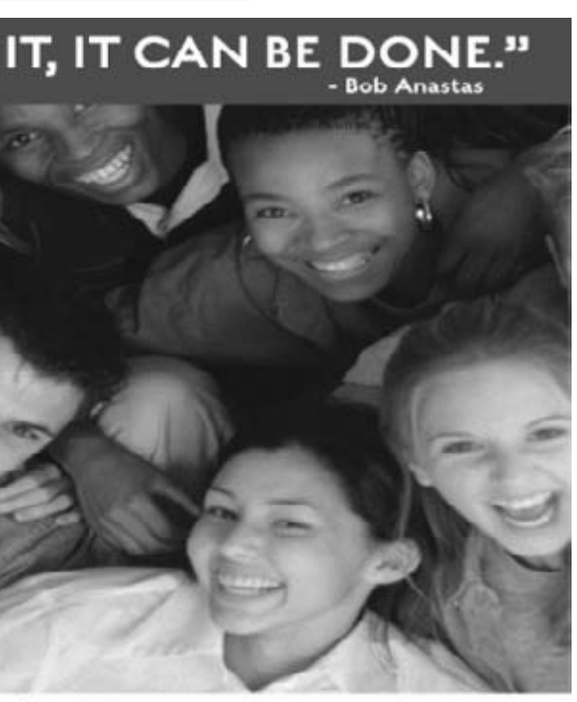
Mayville State is an NAIA school and participates in the Dakota Athletic Conference along with Black Hills State University, Dakota State, Dickinson State, Jamestown College, Minot State University, South Dakota Tech and Valley City State.

First offering classes in 1890, Mayville State is a rural tablet PC campus located in Mayville, 45 miles north of and 11 miles east of Fargo with just over 800 students involved in 70 different academic programs and a nationally identified teacher education division.

The Comets were 12-14 last year and Big Crow is one of eight players signed so far by the school for the 2006-2007 school year.

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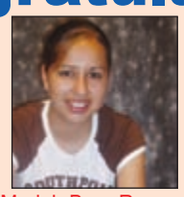
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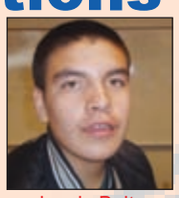
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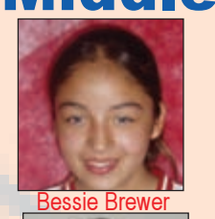

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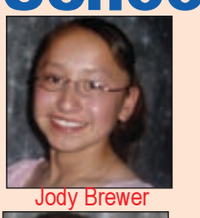

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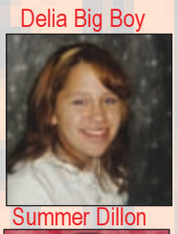

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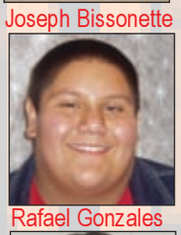

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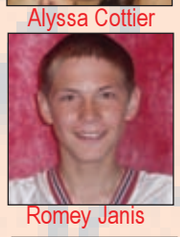

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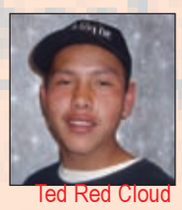

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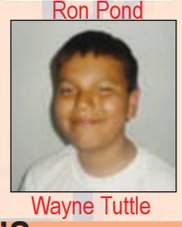

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Bruce Jacobs
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Thomas Rowland
Cassandra Saucedo
Chaz Thompson
Kyle Yankton

ANDREA AKER'S KINDERGARTEN CLASS

Top Row (L-R)
Kyana Running Hawk, Tyrell Pond, Trace Davis, Emerald Mills, Selena Hernandez, Jakoby Martin
Middle Row (L-R)
Katlin Rabbit, Richard Smallwood, Kalup Morrison, Kylan Shangreaux, Santino Fast Horse, Frances Stands
Front Row (L-R)
Jaydin Peters, larry Clements Jr., tyree Garnier, Lorna Clifford, John Red Cloud, Terrance Two Bulls, Alanie Mesteth
Not pictured:
Trayton O'John

CECELIA LAMONT'S KINDERGARTEN CLASS

Bottom row (L-R)
Michael Pulliam, Lyle Richards Jr., Jack Whalen
Middle row (L-R)
Gia Apple, Denisha Red Cloud, Lessanes Goings, Roger Bettelyoun, Teresa Colhoff
Back row (L-R)
Tianna Akers, Brianna Goings, Tiara Mesteth, Krystal Bear Robe, Allan Smith, Larrel Black Elk, Jymie Behan, Croc Lopez
Not pictured:
Jordan White Calf, Joseph O'Rourke, Kimberly Walking

CONNIE RICHARDS' KINDERGARTEN CLASS

Top Row (L-R)
Adrianna Smith, Kyle Morrison, Maria White Calf, TeQuanna Poor Bear, Edward Yankton
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Allison Clifford, Samantha Richard, Carl Martin, Aaliyah Provost, Julius Bad Heart Bull, Rodney Clements
Bottom Row (L-R) Jason Little, Mellennium Fast Horse, Nicholas Bissonette, Derese Shay, Steven Brewer
Not pictured:
Christopher Brown, Esther Red Nest, Tommi Red Feather

Congratulations Seniors 2006

High School Graduations

Little Wound High School May 25th 11 am
Pine Ridge High School May 17th 10 am
Crazy Horse High School May 12th 2 pm
Red Cloud High School May 19th 10 am

8th Grade Graduations

Little Wound Middle School May 17th 2 pm
Pine Ridge Middle School May 18th 5 pm
Crazy Horse Middle School May 11th 2 pm
Red Cloud Middle School May 18th 2 pm
American Horse School May 19th
Wounded Knee District School May 31st 10 am
Loneman School May 17th 2 pm
Porcupine Y.R. School May 24th 10 am
Wolf Creek School June 2nd 10 am
Rockyford School June 2nd 1 pm
Batesland School June 2nd 1:30 pm
Red Shirt School June 6th 11 am
Our Lady of Lourdes May 18th 9 am

May the Great Spirit Guide
You every step of the way as you
journey through life
and may you use the lessons you have
learned during this time
to be open to receive the many blessings today
and always; to strengthen you as you face
the many challenges
in fulfilling your dreams and goals.
OST 36th President
Cecelia Fire Thunder

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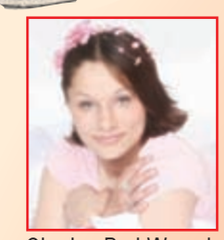
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Lydia Bear Killer
Kathy Janis

PINE RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

WEDNESDAY MAY 17, 2006 100:00 A.M.

Pine Ridge High School Gymnasium

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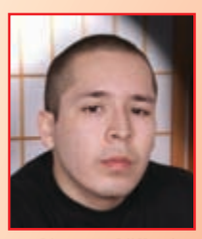
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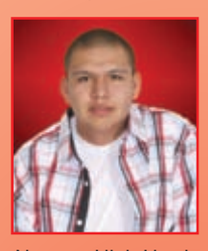

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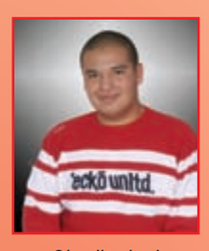

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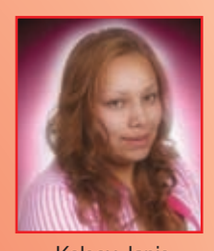

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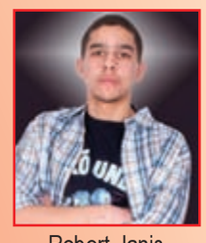
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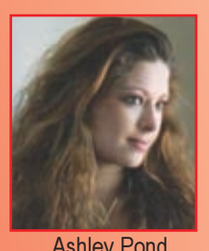

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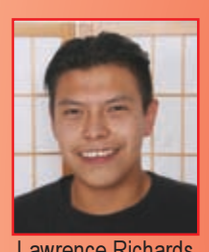

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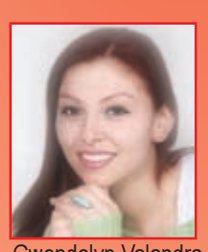
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Jamie Wounded Arrow

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Miranda Short Bear

Ryan Lame

Nicole Swallow

Amber Tall

Miranda Thunder Horse

Tamara Trueblood

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Waylon Warrior

Roxie White Plume

Alycia Wilson-Briere

Chanumpa White Plume

As our final year comes to an end
we pause to reflect upon the many memories which
have brought us tears and joy
We came to this place together
to learn, to grow, to share
Time and space may separate us but
where ever our pathways take us we will always be the
Class of 2006 from Pine Ridge High

Flower:
Red Rose with Silvertip

Class Colors:
Red, White, and Black



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Two Sections



KYLE - Sadie In The Woods and Willis Zephier, were selected by their peers as prom queen and king on April 28 for prom night at Little Wound High School. Sadie is a senior and the daughter of Marla Herman and Bryan In The Woods. Photo courtesy of Olivia Zephier.



PINE RIDGE - Charles "Goldberg" Janis and Marietta Escamilla were voted king and queen at Pine Ridge High School on April 28 at the high school prom. Both are seniors and the parents of Charles are Charles Sr. and Emma Janis and the mother of Marietta is Karen Escamilla. Other royalty include Jerry Two Bulls and Ashley Two Bulls. Photo courtesy of Jerry Matthews.



MISSION - Lance Pablo and Erica Red Bear were crowned Todd County High School king and queen last Friday night during prom night. Both are seniors. Pablo is the son of Jennifer and Guy Colombe and Erica Red Bear is the daughter of Lisa Shott. Other royalty included Seth Olson, Amiel Red Fish, Kevin Dickson, and Summer Folkers, Char Wilson, and Amanda Riley. Photo courtesy of Jerry Matthews.

OLL students complete DARE program

PORCUPINE - On April 20, 61 students graduated from the Our Lady Of Lourdes School drug resistance program.

Molanna Clifford, the school resource officer, said the Drug Abuse Resistance Education was a pioneer prevention effort founded in Los Angeles in 1983, and teaches kids how to recognize and resist the direct and subtle pressures that influence them to experiment with alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, and other drugs.

Between 70 percent and 90 percent of all crime is drug related. The DARE program is a part of the Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary School students' educational experience.

The program started Feb. 9 and ended March 20.

A specially trained officer enters the classroom as a "coach" to support kids who are using research-based refusal strategies in high-stakes peer-pressure environments.

Officer Clifford (Alumnus Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary) is an excellent role model and educator throughout the eight week program, and the students highly respect and admire her, said Erin Hoover, guidance counselor. One of the final DARE projects for each student was to write an essay of the skills they learned through the program.

Each essay written showed evidence that the students had been very attentive.

It is our hope that through programs like this our youth will develop additional skills to become and remain healthy and successful as individuals, and as members of our communities, said Hoover.

All 61 OLL students successfully completed the curriculum, and a graduation ceremony was held in the OLL gym on April 20.

Captain Pat Mills (Alumnus Red Cloud Indian School) was the graduation speaker. Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary is part of the Red Cloud Indian School System. This is just another example of our graduates giving back to the community and to the students, said Hoover.



Fifth Grade, back row: Officer Molanna Clifford, Wesley Colhoff, Jory Weston, Calvin Janis, Dennis Kills Right Jr., Patrick Not Help Him Jr., Captain Pat Mills, Fifth Grade Teacher - Theresa Lessert. Front row: Haley Hernandez, Jessica Puckett, Briar Pettigrew, Jennifer Brave Heart, and Haylee Hernandez.



Sixth grade, back row: Officer Molanna Clifford, Julian Hernandez, Justice Kills Straight, Rhonda, Peneaux Simone Shots, Alaina Clifford, Patricia Kelly Not Help Him, Mark, Jerome Lebeaux. Anthony Rossman, Captain Pat Mills, Christina . Front row: Marisa Two Lance, Marlee Iron Crow, Charlie Cuny, Shaina Mesteth, Sierra Yellow Boy, Renae Cournoyer, and Devin Shangreaux.



Seventh grade: back row: Officer Molanna Clifford, Cody Ballhagen, Ryan Lays Bad, Truman Rossman, Shawn Patton, Lane Pourier, Captain Pat Mills, Brandon Fuller. Front row: Quiana Perkins, Karla Byrd, Shayla Iron Cloud, Sonyah Clifford, Kayla Iron Cloud, and Mariah Mills.



Eight Grade, back row: Officer Molanna Clifford, Bryer Paul Iron Cloud, Ethleen Cournoyer, Kiley Weston, Dwight Kelly, Carl Swallow, Colby Weston, Josey Johnson, Captain Pat Mills, Victoria Phelps, James Plume, Amber Palmier. Front Row: Samantha Puckett, Teslah Knight, Kyla Woodard, Tamara Steele, Jonnie Winters, Carly Clifford, Amber Palmier, and Megan Yellow Boy.

Porcupine School science winners listed

PORCUPINE - Porcupine School recently had their science fair and the following students placed in the fair.

Grand Prize

First grade: Brandon Watkins, *Dinosaur World*

Second grade: Katie New Holy *Listen To Your Heart*

Seventh grade: Lolita Locke and Norma Comes Killing *Harbor Wave*

Eighth Grade: Hughy Kills Back and Lessah Comes Killing *What is Mold*

First place: 7th Grade Martin Mesteth and Nick White Bull *Thunder Glove*

Second place: 6th Grade Tyler Lone Elk *How a CD Burner Works*

Seventh grade: Ashley Lays Bad *Fire Extinguisher*

Third place: 7th Grade Michelle Sandy *Solar Deluxe*

Mitzi James and Kylie Giago *Recycling.*

May Events

May 17, kindergarten celebration

May 19, early dismissal 1:30 p.m.

May 23, 8th grade banquet.

May 24, 8th grade graduation.

May 26, last day of school.



Grand prize winners includes first grader Brandon Watkins with his view into the *Dinosaur World.*



Another grand prize winner second grader Katie New Holy, with her *Listen To Your Heart.*



Grand prize winners seventh graders Lolita Locke and Norma Comes Killing *Harbor Wave.*

Open forum/summit meeting on treaty issues held

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ST. FRANCIS - The Sicangu oyate hosted an open forum and summit at the Lakota veterans gym on Saturday, April 29, according to former RST council representative Darrell Marcus who coordinated the summit. The Lakota language was utilized, while many reverted to English for non-Lakota speakers.

A host of speakers were invited to discuss the treaties, the I.R.A. government, pending resolutions, a plan for future meetings and an update on Bear Butte. Marcus and eight other tribal members and also the R.S.T. Treaty office had attended a meeting of the Meade County commissioners in Sturgis earlier on the application for a liquor license by Jay Allen and was able to give an account of an encounter that was tension filled as sheriff's deputies with pistols filed into the courtroom.

The Bear Butte International Alliance based in Sturgis has been on the forefront along with other grass roots people to oppose the construction of a couple of 'biker bars' being built so close in proximity to the sacred Mato Paha.

Marcus reported that he had been appointed to the Black Hills treaty council representing the Sicangu along with Stanley Red Bird, Jr., Leland Little Dog and Delmar Iron. There was no quorum present for a meeting of the Black Hills treaty council.

Representatives of the Oglala Lakota, Sicangu Lakota, Kule Wicasa, Cheyenne River Lakota, the Ihanktonwan, and the Ft. Peck reservation in Montana were at the meeting. Three such meetings will be held in the future at the veterans gym.

Marcus served as the emcee for the open forum and summit on treaties. Harold Salway gave an opening prayer and sang an 1868 treaty song. Speakers included Floyd Hand, Duane Good Face, Homer Whirlwind Soldier and others after introductions were made of all present.

Ione Quigley and Victor Douville of the SGU Lakota Studies department apparently gave an excellent PowerPoint presentation on the historical Sicangu leadership which focused on a traditional form of government. Douville is a noted Sicangu Lakota historian and has been teaching at SGU since the university opened its doors in 1971. He has been researching and writing on the topic of a traditional form of Lakota government that is community based and will likely have some of his work published soon.

The Oceti Sakowin group from Standing Rock reservation and Cheyenne River reservation also were present and were in support of a blood quantum initiative which was not acted upon as there was no quorum as noted.

Marcus served on the RST tribal council for three consecutive terms representing Soldier Creek and Ring Thunder district and reported that he did a lot of research and study on the topic of diplomacy, democracy and tribal government during first part of his tenure as council representative.

He served in the U.S. Marine for four years and attended Arizona State University in Tempe, AZ. His wife, Donna, is employed in the administration department at the Rosebud I.H.S. hospital. He says that he has been asked on several occasions to put into action the idea of a return to a traditional form of government that would exist side by side with the present IRA government. He said, "I would go into each community and ask them about a different form of government to work with the IRA. There would be memorandum of agreement that we would get special funding also for our needs."

A follow-up summit of treaty issues will be held on June 26 to coincide with Indian Day and the state's congressional delegation, the BIA, and the I.H.S. will be invited to speak about the history of tribal government from 1934 forward.

There will be a Treaty & Open Forum meeting at the St. Francis Veteran's Gym starting at 10 a.m to 6 p.m. on June 3.

SBA *Loan Express Tour* held for entrepreneurs

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - The long hours and commitment that goes into owning a small business can be rather intimidating, especially when one has to contend with regulations, a business plan, employee supervision, and the rest of the demands of owning or starting up a small business. The Small Business Administration (SBA) was on a six location "Loan Express Tour" in five stops in South Dakota last week and it held a kind of "personal income empowerment" day at the SuAnn Big Crow Boys and Girls Club on Thursday, April 4.

The program which began at 12:00 pm to 4:00 p.m. saw some 32 participants who signed in at the door and were given registration materials.

A guide for small businesses was given out entitled "Business Resource, For Starting and Expanding Entrepreneurs" and it provides information from 'getting started' in small business to listing many internet and print resources that are available to small business.

The SBA has a 52 year history in which it has added to its financial assistance function by offering publications which help small business owners to gain skills to start, manage and a grow a small business. Its Resource Directory contains 60 publications on financial management, marketing, emerging businesses, etc. The publications are available from the SBA website at www.sba.gov/library/pubs.html.

Pat Ross of the OST credit board and TERO director kicked off the day's program and a catered meal was served with a Lakota prayer offered by Dr. Archie Beauvais. John Brown II, the District Director of the SBA's South Dakota District Office was the lead presenter as he spoke of the 'Express Tour' and its objective to bring services to the people, rather than the reverse. He said, "We needed to do the tour. It is an opportunity for the programs, services of SBA and its partners to bring services to the people, instead of them coming to us. It can take months to get those services."

Brown introduced the four financial lending partners that were along on the tour. They included Clay Colombe of Wells Fargo Bank of Mission, Dona Leavens of the Small Business Development Center in Rapid City, the Community Express Loan Program of California and the First National Bank of Gordon.

Wendy Apple of the Lakota Fund in Kyle spoke of her role as a business success coach for Wawokiye in setting up a program called "People of the Arts" which is a directory of Oglala Sioux tribal members who create beadwork, quilts and clothing. The directory will be available in all visitors' centers.

Patricia Catches, an Oglala elder, arrived after the meal and after participants had dispersed to consult with the lenders at their respective tables. She said, "I just want some information. I am scared of a loan because of the unpredictability of the economy. The type of business I am interested in goes in phases. I don't know if they can help me. It would be better if I did a feasibility study, but I have not." Patricia alternated between English and Lakota and explained that she does some of her work at home as she is interested in a small employment agency for those over 55 years of age.

Courtney Two Lance of OST took care of registration and was instrumental in setting up the program. She said, "I recommended eight clients for this and they are all here. We need to try and contract with the SBA for a small business development center. As the cuts become more apparent we need to do more. We need more lenders to come here. This is the place to invest."

Two Lance was excited by the fact that her office had secured a $30 thousand grant to set up a secured transaction code under the tribal Uniform Commercial Code.

She had recently returned from a training session where that topic had been discussed and she noted that the funding will help to provide for training for the courts. Her hope was that this kind of work could be its own tribally chartered entity whose focus would be zoning and consumer protection.

How to protect your land that is held in trust

RAPID CITY - The Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians and Dakota Plains Legal Services are pleased to present an informational seminar for Indian people residing in the Rapid City area.

The topic is protection of your family's Indian land held in trust and options tribal members have to preserve trust land interests.

Learn how to protect your family's Indian land interests:

Resolve issues of multiple owners in trustland (fractionation)

Learn about the American Indian Probate Reform Act. A new law that will take affect June 20, 2006.

Consolidate current trust land holdings

Retain current trust land and the income received from it for life time

Ensure who will receive your land in the future

Avoid allowing someone to decide who will get your family's Indian land when you die.

The seminar will be at the Mother Butler Center on Wednesday, May 24 at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments will be provided. For more information call (605) 342-7171.

Cougar killed at Mission

MISSION, S.D. (AP) - A mountain lion that was chased up a tree by dogs was shot and killed by tribal wildlife officials in the Mission city limits Saturday morning.

Mission is on the Rosebud Indian Reservation.

``We had the option of tranquilizing it, but we couldn't get a person with the credentials to do it. So we opted to harvest it because it was in a residential area,'' said Chance Wooden Knife, the director of the tribe's Department of Game, Fish and Parks.

He said it was a young male.

Officials with the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks say mountain lions that are showing up outside the Black Hills usually are young ones that are forced out of the hills by older cats to protect their territory.

Wooden Knife said there are occasional reports of mountain lion sightings in the area, but none has been confirmed before this.

``Our department doesn't have a mountain lion policy. After this I guess we'll have to reorganize and get one,'' he said.

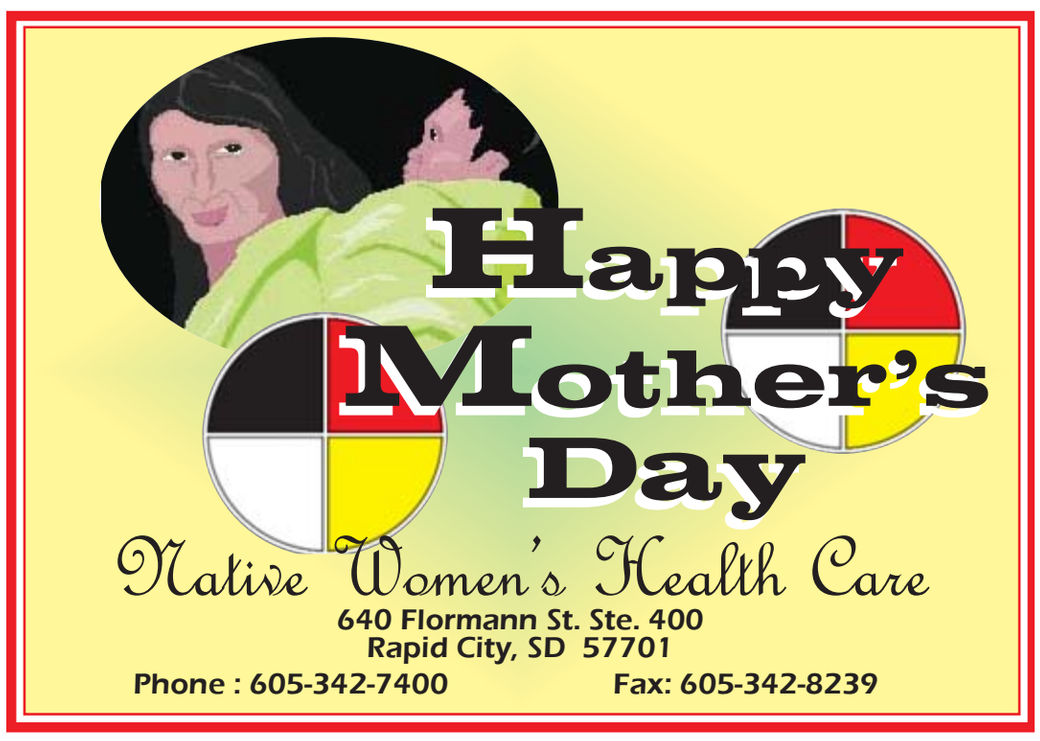
Lakota Funds to offer small business course

KYLE - Beginning Wednesday, May 17, there will be a community entrepreneur class at the Pejuta Haka College Center in Kyle from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The class is sponsored by Oglala Lakota College, Lakota Funds and Wawokiye Business Institute.

People who are interested in starting their own small business should attend the 12 week course. CEUs will be awarded and attendees who successfully complete the course work will receive a certificate. Contact Wendy Apple at Lakota Funds at 455-2500 or Doug Noyes @ dnoyes@olc.edu.





ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I worry about my son all the time. He has a problem with alcohol and drugs.

I pray for him all the time, but he seems to do good for just a little while, and he's back to the stuff again. He does have friends, but he chooses to communicate with his user friends more than the normal friends.

He has a child, but it seems that he has no responsibility. He can't hold ajob, he can't hold a relationship, so what else is new. Sometimes I get so frustrated, and I don't want to help him anymore, but I love him.

I keep harping on him to get into treatment, but he doesn't answer me. Does he hear me when I talk to him, or does he tune me out? What do you see for my son? I only want to hear the good, not the bad.

Thank You, Worried

Dear Worried:

You are not alone. There are hundreds of parents on and off the reservation fighting this same battle. What I see for your son in a continued hard time - until he has such a hard time that he finds sobriety.

This sobriety will enhance his self-esteem, allow him to return to school and reestablish his life in a much better way. When? You want to know when? Give or take a little in time, based on his own personal rhythm, it feels to be about almost a couple of years from now. He is very likely to spend some time in jail.

I have been in your shoes, and there is no easy answer for how to deal with this. My final solution was to totally abandon my son, his friends, his responsibilities and to outlaw him from my home until he could find sobriety. You owe it to yourself, and to your son, because anything you do to "enable" him makes it easier to keep using.

Your son's patterns of behavior are symptomatic of a "addict" and his buddies. They begin to set themselves aside from all of their regular friends because of the fear of disapproval. They create "special bros" that share their secret and live the same lifestyle. That is why a person that goes through treatment has to change friends in order to stay sober.

You will make it mom. He will survive. There are programs to help both you and him. Contact Anpetu Lute Otipi (for example) or find resources in your area to help you. An intervention may work, but it is risky because it comes from the "outside" not the inside of the addicted family member.

He will try from time to time to stay clean...but until he really sees sober as an advantage in his personal experience, he won't stay sober.

Again, get into tough love, and maybe that will help make his life experience so tough a little bit sooner so that he changes his direction just a little sooner. Good Luck.

Dear Anna,

I have been think about having another child but I am unsure if I should or not. I have been thinking about it alot and I was just wondering if you could help me with my choice or give me a little direction.

I have a child that is older and my boyfriend of almost three years wants me to have his baby. We are both older and we live together but I guess I am really scared to have a child with him, I don't want to have to raise the child on my own like I did with my first. I know that I would have the help of my mom and sisters but that isn't their job. What I really want to know is should I have a baby with him or not? Are things going to change with him and I any time soon? And if they are going to change is it going to be for the better?

Thank you Anna for your time.

Dear Your welcome for my time:

Nope. I see you deciding that the odds are pretty good that if you did have this child you would be raising it alone - eventually anyway. Good decision. I know you care for your boyfriend, but he has some pretty severe control issues and you seem to have jealousy issues ...and no matter what that equals a rough road. I personally would not make a decision to hold on to somebody that I really don't see myself with in the long term.

You want to know if having a baby will change him? Well yeah, it will make him more unavailable - and more fiscally in debt. He can't change without finding something within himself - a relationship with the Creator, a belief in himself, release of anger....therapy....something has got to trigger within himself a desire to change and live in harmony and peace. You are not the person to do that, if you were....it would be done.

Dear Anna,

School is almost over. I really like school and I worry about being home all summer with my crazy family.

They fight and drink and act crazy and hit each other and scream. I want to get a job but I don't have any way to get to work. What do you see?

Wants to Run for the summer

Dear Wants to Run:

I guess this says a lot about the void created by YO closing its doors. I understand that there is a new program being formed so keep up with the news on that one, and meanwhile contact the Boys Club in Pine Ridge and ask for some help. For next year contact the National Parks Administration and ask about applying for a position within our National Parks that includes room and board for the summer season. It is a great opportunity and I see you working at Glacier National Park next year. I see you working as a waiter and cleaning rooms - and working in a kitchen area.

Good luck with your family. I am glad that you recognize that their nutsiness is not related to you, and that you still love them and have compassion for them. You are a good strong young man. I see that you go to sweat sometimes, so please remember to pray for a better life for yourself and others. You will go away to school - someplace in Colorado, and I do see that you are very good with cars and motors.

You will be able to teach car mechanics someday - maybe on the reservation and help other youths get away from home for the summer. Good Luck.

Dear Anna,

How old do I have to be before I have sex?

Just wondering

Dear Just wondering:

Old enough not to have to ask. I'd say somewhere around 40 - the age when most men finally understand what it is all about - and are finally mature enough not to have to prove it (zssst - burn).

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication.

Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only. The Lakota Country Times owners and employees have no liability regarding the answers provided.

The Rez Firefighter (Peta Usniyapi)

By Beaux Beauvais



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By Thom Little Moon



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Lakota Crossword Puzzle

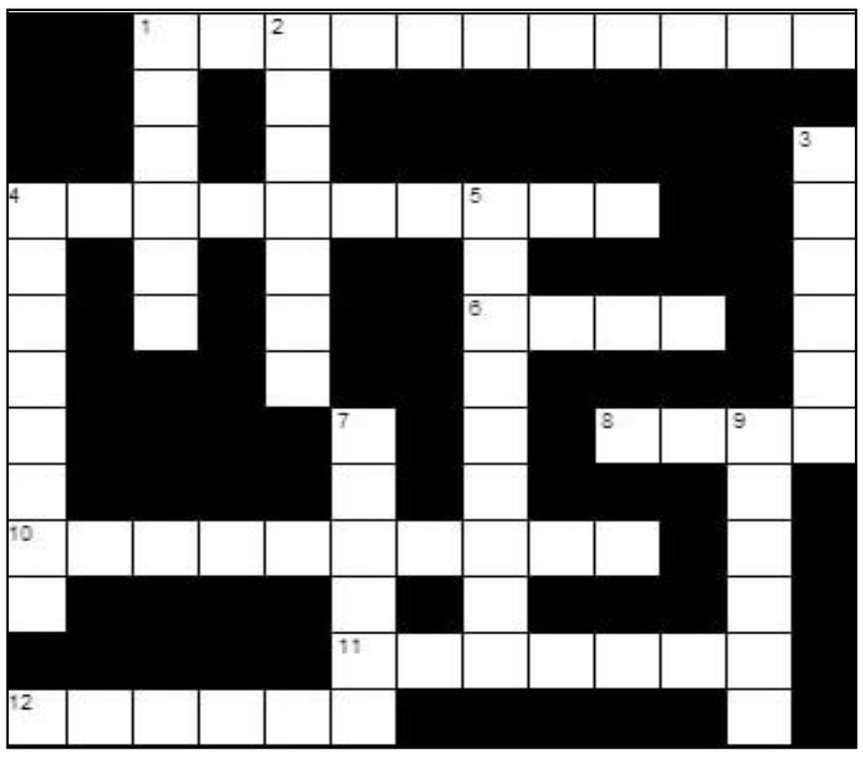
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

1. top
4. on top
6. down
8. across
10. forward
11. in back of
12. in front of

Down

1. up
2. closed
3. through
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Answers from last week's puzzle



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Effie Hunt, 72.....Eagle Butte
Matthew Bobtail Bear, 14.....Little Eagle

Effie Hunt

EAGLE BUTTE - Effie Hunt, 72, Eagle Butte, died Thursday, May 4, as the result of a car accident near Red Scaffold. Funeral services were May 10, at Eagle Butte school auditorium, with the Rev. Wayne Olson officiating. Burial was at Hunt Family Cemetery south of Eagle Butte. Kesling Funeral Home in Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Matthew Bobtail Bear

LITTLE EAGLE - Matthew Bobtail Bear, 14, Little Eagle, died Friday, April 28, at his home. Wake services were Tuesday, May 9, at Blue Gym in Little Eagle. Funeral services were Wednesday, May 10, at Elk Horn Congregational Church in Little Eagle, with the Rev. Leslie Bobtail Bear, the Rev. Norman Blue Coat, Richard Charging Eagle and the Standing Rock Episcopal lay minister officiating.

Burial was at the church cemetery.

In loving memory of Bobbi K. Poor Bear Hacker
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Happy Mother's Day

My Beautiful, Beloved Sister

I think of you everyday and as this

Mother's Day nears, I'm reminded of how fun & loving you were.

I miss you dearly and if I can

Turn back time, I'd change everything

On that dreadful night when you left and never returned.

We all miss you, especially your babies.

We know you are always near, but sometimes that is enough.

Life is a mystery and life is beautiful, we wish you were here to enjoy it with us. Letting go is the hardest thing we have to do; why did you have to leave so soon?

Words can't express the love and

Admiration that I have for you.

You were strong, beautiful, funny, caring

And always knew what to say to brighten one's day. Right now,

I wish you were here to help ease the pain of your absence.

I love you but I know you knew that.

May you rest in peace.

Oye Mi Canto-Your Sister

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NOTICES

Shannon County School Board Meeting Minutes April 27, 2006

The Shannon County School Board held the regular monthly meeting on Thursday, April 27, 2006 at Batesland, SD, after being rescheduled from April 24, due to inclement weather. President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

Board members present: Angie Eagle Bull, Todd O'Bryan, Ruth Cummings, Melvin Cummings.

Members absent: Latricia DeCory

Others present Dr. Margo Heinert, Superintendent, Maurice Twiss, Special Services Coordinator, Loretta Giago, Wolf Creek Principal, Don Wince, Wolf Creek Asst. Principal, Darrell Eagle Bull, Wolf Creek Dean of Students, Bob Hall, Rockyford Principal, Monica Whirlwind Horse, Rockyford Asst. Principal, Wayne Goff, Batesland Principal, Marlene Stout, Red Shirt Principal, Robert Two Crow, Technology Director, Vickie Grant, Assessment Coordinator, Karen Bowen-Raymond, Curricular Coordinator, Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary, Brian Wechsler, Wolf Creek Teacher, Marilyn Winters, Maggie Ross, Vina Holiday, Bobbie Sullivan.

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

6189 Approval of Agenda: Motion by M. Cummings to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

6190 Approval of Minutes: Motion by R. Cummings to approve minutes of the 3/30/06 regular meeting. Motion carried.

6191 Personnel: Motion by M. Cummings to approve all personnel recommendations, as listed. Motion carried.

6192 Personnel Clerk Job Title Change: Motion by O'Bryan to table this issue until the May regular meeting, for additional information. Motion carried.

6193 S.D. Coalition of Schools: Motion by R. Cummings to not support the S.D. Coalition in a lawsuit against the state of South Dakota. Motion carried.

6194 Financials: Motion by O'Bryan to approve the financial report, disbursements, payroll expense, and supplemental budgets, as listed. Motion carried.

6195 Red Shirt Community: Bobbie Sullivan voiced concerns to the Board on behalf of the Red Shirt parents and community members in regard to recent break ins at Red Shirt School. The Superintendent will investigate legal avenues and report back to the board at the May meeting.

Motion by R. Cummings to direct administration to follow up with prosecution of the perpetrators with the OST Court, and also will direct maintenance staff to secure windows on the Red Shirt School. Motion carried.

6196 Transportation Needs 2006-07: Motion by M. Cummings to authorize administration to proceed with necessary vehicle purchases, not exceeding the dollar amount presented by administration. Further, to allow administration to utilize the bid from Lyman County School District for the purchase, school as per administration recommendation. Motion carried.

6197 Application for Public School Exemption: Motion by O'Bryan to approve the application for public school exemption for one student, as listed on file. Motion carried.

6198 Wolf Creek Garbage Pick-up: Discussion was held in regard to the lack of timely garbage pick up at Wolf Creek School. Motion by O'Bryan to enter into a contract with Pine Ridge Village for garbage pick up, contract expiring July 1, 2006. Lack of efficient service of garbage pick up will result in nullifying the contract, and a report to the Environmental Protection Agency, due to health hazards. Motion carried.

6199 May Board Meeting: The May board meeting will be held on Monday, May 22, 2006 at Red Shirt School, beginning at 5: 00 p.m.

6200 Recognition Banquet: Board members and administrators were reminded and invited to the May 1, 2006 Pine Ridge Reservation Student Recognition Banquet sponsored by Shannon County Schools, held at the Wolf Creek School.

6201 Adjournment: Motion by O'Bryan to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 p.m. Motion carried. Signed by Pattie Nelson, Administrative Secretary.

Supplemental Budget

Title III Language Instruction for LEP:
Revenue State $64,023.00; Expenditures, Salaries $50,000.00; Soc. Sec./Med. $6,250.00; Health Insurance $6,250.00; Professional Services $0; Other Supplies $1,523.00; Total Expenditures $64,023.00

Batesland Title I School Improvement Grant
Revenue: Federal Thru State $1,263.45; Expenditures: Salaries $(12,141.59); Social Security Medicare $162.34; Employee Retirement $162.34; Health Insurance $162.34; Other Supplies $12,918.02; Total Expenditures $1,263.45.

Wolfcreek Title I School Improvement Grant
Revenue Federal thru State $15,911.83. Expenditures: Salaries $(9,174.87); Social Security Medicare $1,330.90; Employee Retirement $1,330.90; Health Insurance $1,330.90; Other Supplies $21,094.00; Total Expenditures $15,911.83

Rockyford Title I School Improvement Grant
Revenue: Federal thru State $17,218.26; Expenditures: Salaries $(10,119.49); Social Security Medicare $880.46; Employee Retirement $880.46; Health Insurance $880.46; Other Supplies $24,696.37; Total Expenditures $17,218.26.

Disbursements

Description of goods or services; VSP $7.42; Dollar General $87.18; Same Day Surgery $2,793.00; Carol Reitz $96.40; SPED Parent $111.36; AUL $25.35; DCI $195.00; Special Olympics $18.00; Dollar General $74.75; Wayne Goff (petty cash) $328.85; Dorothy Two Bulls $306.64; Golden West $90.51; Marilyn Halverson $70.40; Madonna Peterson $138.40; Jennifer Spotted Bear $1,150.00; Tammy Ghost Bear $75.00; SPED Parent $318.84; Total $5,887.10.

General Fund

A & I Distributors parts $419.63, Vendor Total $419.63; ASBSD 3/30/06 Spring Leg. Meetings $50.00, Vendor Total $50.00; AT&T Long distance $857.31, Vendor Total $$857.31; Abouresk & Zephier Fees $950.53, Vendor Total $950.53; Advanced Business Computing 236 Website Progamming $4,095.00, Vendor Total $$4,095.00; Alco Store #204 Supplies $219.25, Vendor total $219.25; All Season Sports 257 Supplies $207.50, All Season Sports 267 Supplies $400.00, All Season Sports 295 Supplies $600.00, Vendor Total $1,207.50; ALSCO Custodial Supplies $208.68, Custodial Supplies $567.81, Custodial Supplies $1,469.52, Custodial Supplies $1,088.15, Custodial Supplies $77.67, Vendor Total $3,411.83; American Guidance Service Supplies $153.96, Vendor Total $153.96; Amsterdam Printing & Litho Supplies $295.37, Vendor Total $295.37; Anderson's Supplies $148.34, Vendor Total $148.34; Apple Computer Inc. Computer Supplies $201.95, Vendor Total $201.95; Batesland School August Request $425.25, Batesland School 06-44/ Presch. 06-44 Preschool $500.00, Vendor Total $925.25; Best Expresson Inc. Great Program-RF $497.67, Vendor Total $497.67; Best Western Sturgis 3-31-06 Shann Travel $730.10, Vendor total $730.10; Black Hills Electric Utilities $624.24, Vendor Total $624.24; Borders Inc Supplies $152.40, Supplies $410.84, Vendor Total $563.24; BP gasoline $69.18, Vendor Total $69.18; Business Office Systems Inc. Staples $153.80, Staples $63.94, Business Office Systems Inc. Staples $191.84, Vendor Total $409.58; CCSSO -in Registration $175.00, Vendor Total $175.00; CDW Government Inc. Computer Supplies $58.00, CDW Government Inc. Computer Supplies $570.00, Vendor Total $628.00; Chris Supply Co., Inc. Supplies $131.76, Computer Repairs/supplies $15.95, $23.37, $80.56, $356.92, $486.60, $9.95, $274.08, $129.99, $29.54, Vendor Total $ 1,538.72; Christensen, Dana 4/6/6 mileage $70.40, mileage $70.40, Vendor Total $140.80; Clifford, Scott 4/18-24/06 fees $1,200.00, Vendor Total $1,200.00; CNA Surety 4/06 Notary Bond $78.00, Vendor Total $78.00; Cole Pest Control $110.00, $289.00, $138.00, $253.00, $195.00, Vendor Total $985.00; Committee for Children supplies $2,473.84, Vendor Total $2,473.84; Cope Stacey 3/27/06 supplies $20.78, Vendor Total $20.78; Corporate Card 3/29/06 Credit card chgs $17,702.71, Vendor Total $17,702.71; Country Inn & Suites 3/6-Shannon Travel $354.95, Travel $2,239.72, Vendor Total $2,594.67; Crazy Horse School 11/5/5 BS-entry fees $40.00, Vendor Total $40.00; Culligan Water Conditioning 4/6-Shannon Water $1,109.05, Vendor Total $1109.05; Cummings Melvin 3/30/06 mileage $78.08, Vendor Total $78.08; Cummings Ruth A 3.30.06 mileage $23.68, Vendor Total $23.68; Data computer Products computer supplies $490.01, Vendor Total $490.01; Decker Equipment supplies $83.83, Vendor Total $83.83; Drew-Lerdal Darla 5/1/06 services $1400.00, Vendor Total $1400.00; Eagle Bull Andrea 3.30.06 mileage $44.16, Vendor Total $44.16; Eagle Bull Darrell 3/21-25/06 Travel $64.00, Travel $250.00, Vendor Total $314.00; ECMD supplies $235.73, Vendor Total $235.73; Eddies Truck Sales Inc RC repairs $307.46, Vendor Total $307.46; Education Technology Partners computer licensing $915.80, Vendor Total $915.80; ETS-Educational testing supplies $400.00, supplies $200.00, supplies $40.00, Vendor Total $640.00; Evergreen Office supplies $228.16, $47.90, $19.38, $10.36, $77.70, $41.44, $865.82, $99.99, $469.92, $119.88, $83.70, $56.36, Evergreen $37.44, Vendor Total $2,158.05; Fabric Warehouse 38731 supplies $12.79, Vendor Total $12.79; Family Thrift Center 1/17-0066 supplies $17.60, $42.40, $41.92, $9.98, $132.11, Family $19.09, $21.31, $48.73, $22.30, Vendor Total $355.44; FEDEX 3-445-99671 shipping $31.51, Vendor Total $31.51; Follett Library Resources Laura Bush Grant $144.72, Vendor Total $144.72; Foreman Sales and Service parts $99.44, $51.33, $172.30, $64.48, $152.00, $109.04, Vendor Total $648.59; French Flowers 10551 Supplies $29.29, Vendor Total $29.29; Fribley Jonathan 3/1-31/06 services $4625.24, Vendor Total $4625.24; Garth Stevens Inc. supplies $134.00, Vendor Total $134.00; Gibbons Terri Jo 4/2006 travel $245.12, Vendor Total $245.12; Goff Wayne mileage $167.68,Vendor Total $167.58; Golden Corral Family Steakhouse Travel $33.04 $194.48, Vendor Total $227.52; Golden West Technologies Inc Telephone $485.10 $485.10 $485.10, Vendor Total $1949.40; Golden West Telephone Co 867-5882 $10.57, vendor Total $10.57; Great Plains Communications Telephone $725.56, Vendor Total $725.56; Great Western Tire Company bobcat repairs $1101.80, $40.00 $1073.50 $208.97 $249.44, Vendor Total $2673.71; Grimm's Pump Service gasoline pump repairs $779.80 $113.30, Vendor Total $893.10; Halverson Marilyn Travel $249.76; Hanen Centre services $3514.96; Harcourt Assessment Inc test materials $774.00; Harlow's Bus sales parts $76.92; Harvey's Lock Shop supplies $17.55; Has No Horse Regina mileage $13.44; Heartland Paper Company supplies $238.56 $50.49, Vendor Total $289.05; Heathershaw Designs supplies $328.00; Highsmith Inc. supplies $294.03; Hillyard vacuum/supplies $530.00 $1463.04 $2553.51 $900.18 $399.00 $153.00, Vendor Total $5998.73; Homestead Building supplies $549.25; Husker Auto Parts $624.96 $451.64, Vendor Total $1076.60; IELE services $2550.00; Ideal Supermarket supplies $337.86; International Laser Group supplies $497.65, $138.00, $444.00, $234.85, $474.00, $1282.00, $129.00, $368.80, $185.80, $36.00, $318.00, Vendor Total $4108.10; Jackson Mona travel-$38.00; Johnson Machine parts $728.76; Keiser Krista D mileage-$13.44; Krotz Carol supplies-$70.00; Labcorp laboratory corporation drug testing-$15.00; Lacreek Electric Ass'n utilites-$11,737.57 repairs-$106.59, Vendor Total $11,844.16; Lakeshore learning materials supplies-$152.15 $206.13, Vendor Total $358.28; Lakota Country Times School bd vac-$288.00 school brd mtg-$702.72, Vendor Total $990.72; Lakota Prarie Ranch Resort supplies-$253.58; Lawson Products parts-$187.95; LeBeau Connie mileage-$64.64; Lithia Automotive parts-$125.02, $647.37, Vendor Total $772.39; Little Print Shop supplies-$193.00, $243.00, Vendor Total $436.00; Lonberger Dawn travel-$163.36; Lorman Education Services registration-$289.00; Ludens Gayle $69.62; M Lee Smith Publisher subscription-$297.00; Maynard Buckles supplies-$595.00; McKie Ford Lincoln Mercury parts-$127.97; Means Kathy travel-$64.00; Menards supplies-$472.06, $52.65, $131.00, Vendor Total $655.71; Midcontinent Testing water testing-$54.00; Mills Roger repairs RS-$600.00; Muddy Creek Oil & Gas diesel-$14,362.58; NSBA membership-$2.100.00; NAEIR supplies-$10.00; National Geographic Society textbooks-$362.77, $657.13, $378.57, Vendor Total $1398.47; National Laboratories supplies-$637.58, $683.66, Vendor Total $1321.24; Native Peoples subscription-$19.95; Norm's CarquestAuto Parts $79.71; Northwest Regional Educational training-$12,164.00; OST Water & Sewer utilities-$100.00; O'Bryan Todd mileage-$23.04; Occupational Health Network drug testing-$120.00; OCETI Sakowin Consortium membership-$250.00; Office Max Credit Plan supplies-$354.56, $85.15, $74.88, $59.98, $349.71, Vendor Total $924.28; Oriental Trading Company supplies-$214.45; Otte Packing services-$247.84; Panhandle Sales & Service supplies-$12.00; Peterson Madonna travel-$299.04; Petty Cash Batesland School $300.00; Petty Cash Rockyford School supplies-$118.11; Pine Ridge Village garbage utilites-$1,000.00; Pitney Bowes postage-$411.00, $98.97, $23.48, Vendor Total $533.45; Postmaster Batesland Box rent-$48.00, $96.00, Vendor Total $144.00; Pourier Rona mileage-$141.44; Pourier Tom Repairs RS-$600.00; Ramkota-RC travel-$65.00; Rapid Auto Glass repairs-$475.40; Rapid Chevrolet parts-$100.70; Rapid City Journal subscription-$95.00, $375.60, Vendor Total $470.60; Red Cloud Indian School Book Fair-$610.00; Red Lion Hotel 8th grade-$2304.00; Red Owl Ann Travel-$108.40; Reinhart Institutional foods $157.77; Rockhurst University travel-$241.68; SD Federal Property Agency supplies-$185.00; Salomon Sanitation garbage service $780.00, $280.00, $780.00, Vendor Total $1840.00; Sam's Club supplies-$261.81, $61.39, $275.37, $104.07, $36.34, $943.65, $62.84, $79.74, $39.82, $390.90, $147.24, $319.22, Vendor Total $2722.39; Scholz Markie residency presentor-$1100.00; School Health Corportation supplies-$177.29; School Nurse Supply Inc $144.04, $155.00, Vendor Total $299.04; School Speciality supplies-$50.89, $18.76, $104.50, Vendor Total $174.15; School Traditions tassels-$295.62; SDN Communications telephones-$1870.22; Sears Commercial One Supplies-$349.99; Shannon County School Imprest saving bonds-$4627.24, reimburse acct-$5147.50, Vendor Total $9774.74; Sheridan County Journal subscri-$28.00; Sign & Trophy Westex supplies-$26.50; Sioux Nation Shopping Center supplies-$162.45; Swallow Lorraine mileage-$18.88; TIE comp school reform-$4500.00; Tatonka Capital Corporation copier maint-$275.20, $584.00, Vendor total $859.20; Techonology for Education Inc compuer license-$3848.20; Todd County School District $25.00; Town of Batesland $500.00; TRIARCO supplies-$44.13, $52.97, Vendor Total $97.10; True Value supplies-$104.12; Trueblood Jesse JL repairs RS-$600.00; Turn Around Publishing supplies-$100.00; Twiss Maurice travel-$620.00; University of Oregon $139.00; Upstart supplies-$383.90; Wakpamni Bed & Breakfast lodging $249.60; Walmart Community supplies-$18.17; Weber James travel-$70.40, training-$106.00, Vendor Total $176.40; West River International parts-$102.58, $37.53, Vendor total $140.11; West River Parent Teacher Outl supplies-$382.40, $99.70, Vendor Total $482.10; WESTCO propane-$12,977.43; Western Communications repairs-$60.60; Western States Industries supplies-$315.85; White Robert repairs-RS$600.00; William Macgill & Co supplies-$62.10; Winternals software LP computer license-$751.80; Fund Total:

Capital Outlay Fund

Best Business products copier lease-$160.60; $506.69, Vendor Total $667.29; Corner Construction Corporation RS project-$46,362.85; EMC.Paradigm publishing textbooks-$1374.78; NCTE supplies-$31.95; Tatonka Capital Corporation copier maint-$4166.00; Fund Total:$52,602.87

Special Eduation Fund

Black Hills Special Services $3107.75; Childrens Care & Rehab Development $5124.00; Childrens Home Society tuition-$1559.80; Donovan Mark travel-$145.61; Instructional Planning Center $278.53; McDonalds travel-$100.00; Optical Works Inc supplies-$60.95; Ross Dona Ruth services-$1112.64; Shannon County School Imprest $448.20; Sioux Nation Shopping Center supplies-$39.76; 4/14-5/1 mileage $220.80; USD school of medicine services-$1395.04. Fund Total: $13,803.08

Food Service Fund

Augustana College registr-$1570.00; BTU Services Inc $701.88; Child & Adult Nutristion service-$1379.67; Crown Plaza Hotel travel-$646.82; Family Thrift Center supplies-$6.18; Food Service of America $1225.01, $1,022.54, $2029.37, $2792.11, Vendor Total $7069.03; Harkers's food service $357.90, $1906.24, $1343.79, $2770.14, Vendor Total $6378.07; Hillyard supplies-$188.03, $202.48, $306.76, Vendor Total $697.27; HRS Food Service $478.00, $536.55, $1146.35, Vendor Total $2160.90; Kemps Gillette Dairy $927.63, $1625.24, $2093.87, Vendor Total $4646.74; Reinhart Institutional Foods $4206.09, $396.55, $8339.52, $9164.12, Vendor Total $22,106.28; Reitz Carol travel-$215.90; Sensible Foods $4908.28; Shannon County School Imprest $96.40; Techno Ply LTD food service-$386.04. Fund Total: $52,969.46

Federal Programs Special Serv

All Season Sports supplies-$2375.00; Brown Industries Inc supplies-$1213.50; Debbies Cakes and Floral $27.00, $25.00, Vendor Total $52.00; Ideal Super Market $52.76; Martin Floral $45.00; Occupational Health Network drug testing-$2310.00; Party America $59.63; Pine Ridge Oil Company $285.00; Sam's Club $333.90; Shannon County School Imprest $195.00. Fund Total: #6,921.70

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Barnett Robert supplies-$22.96; Pizza Hut of Gordon $111.79 Fund Total $134.75; Checking Acct Total $316,723.50

Checks to be processed: Modern Farms repairs-$8827.22, Alltel cell phones-$1762.51, FEDEX shipping $38.55

PERSONNEL ATTACHMENT:

Resignation: Geneva Lone Hill-Wolf Creek School Birth 0-3 Aide effective 3-31-06, Carmen Walton-Batesland School CCC lab Aide/bus monitor effective 4-10-06, Wendell Ghost Bear-Wolf Creek School Maintenance effective 4-11-06, Patrick Sheppard-Wolf Creek School Physical Education teacher effective End of contract, Kylee Heinert-Rockyford School teacher effective end of contract, Sherri Sether-RockyfordSchool Teacher effective June 1, 2006, James Weber-District Techonology tech. effective end of current contract.

Terminations: Wolf Creek Aide Effective 4/11/06, Batesland Home School Coordinator effective 3/6/06

In House Transfer request: Jeannie Pourier from Wolf Creek Aide to Custodian, Ryan Ross from Wolf Creek School Bilingual Trainee to Classroom Aide

Classified Non re new: Wolf Creek Custodian

Contracts for Approval: Brain Wechsler District Technology Tech from 7-1-06 to 6-30-07 $50,740.00

Administrative Recommendation: Myron Pourier-Director of Transportation and Facilities Maintenance

Extra CurricularAssignment: Harold Crow-Batesland Softball co coach from 4-11-06 to 5-20-06

45 Probationary Completions: Lenore Monnens-Red Shirt School Title I aide, Colleen Condon-Wolf Creek School Preschool Aide, Cheryl Shedeed-Wolf Creek School Special Education Aide, Vickie Stouffer-Wolf Creek School Special Education Aide, Susie Star-Wolf Creek School TitleI aide, Fawn Yellow Boy-Wolf Creek School Cook, Stacy Two Lance-Rockyford School Early Childhood Administrative Asst, Tonie Hernandez-Rockyford School Special Education Aide, Gary High Hawk-Rockyford School One on One Aide

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Rosebud Sioux Tribe

Rosebud Sioux Tribe is requesting proposals from qualified Indian as well as Non-Indian companies for FDIC Banking and Investment Services.

Documents for submitting proposals may be picked up at the Procurement Office or can be mailed to you upon request. To request a set of documents please call Ms. Cheryl Jones at (605)747-2381, ext. 268. due to large amounts of pages, proposal documents will not be faxed out.

Proposals will be accepted until 12:00 p.m. May 24, 2006 at the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Building, Attention: James D. Wike, RST Treasurer, P.O. Box 430, Rosebud, S.D. 57570. Facsimile proposals will not be accepted. Proposals will be received and accepted for consideration. Proposals received after this time will not be accepted.

James D. Wike,
Treasurer
Rosebud Sioux Tribe
P.O. Box 430
Rosebud, South Dakota 57570

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL DESIGN/BUILD PROJECT

Oglala Lakota College (OLC) is receiving bids for Design/Build of an addition to the Rapid City Center Extension. The work includes two additions of approximately 4,475 square feet, and additional renovation. The work is intended to match the existing building in quality, appearance, and materials. The site is located in Rapid C ity, Pennington Country, South Dakota.

Proposed Conceptual Drawings and Outline Specifications of the Center will be available at the pre-bid conference. All questions prior to the pre-bid can be forwarded to Mr. Todd Hesson, Encompass Architects; 403-477-2404.

The Bidder (Design-Builder) shall be required to complete the scope of work as outlined in the statement of work, including all professional design services and construction services.

The successful bidder must comply with the Tribe's TERO ordinances, including any licensing requirements and TERO tax. They must also comply with the Department of Labor's Davis Bacon Act.

Mandatory attendance is required at a Prebid Conference scheduled for 3:00 p.m. local time Wednesday, May 24, 2006 at Piya Wiconi conference room, College Administrative Building, Kyle, S.D.

A 5% Bid Bond will be required, and a 100% payment and performance bond is required of the successful bid.

Sealed bids must be addressed to: Eilene Janis, Oglala Lakota College, PO Box 490, Kyle, SD 57752.

Bids will be accepted until 4 p.m., local time, June 13, 2006 at the President's office of Oglala Lakota College, Kyle, S.D. the opening of the bids will be communicated at the pre bid conference.

Oglala Lakota College reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

ACCEPTING BIDS FOR DORMITORIES

The Oglala Lakota College, Kyle, South Dakota will be accepting bids from General Contractors for construction for two new dormitory buildings, one in Kyle, South Dakota and one in Pine Ridge, South Dakota, both in Shannon County, South Dakota. The buildings are approximately 4,600 square feet and are of identical designs. The buildings are to be site adapted to locations in Pine Ridge, and Kyle, South Dakota.

A MANDATORY pre-bid conference will be schedule for 3:00 p.m. local time, Wednesday, May 24, 2006 at Piya Wiconi conference room, College Administrative Building, Kyle, South Dakota. All interested Bidders are required to attend. All questions or other issues raised at the pre-bid conference will be addressed by written addenda following the conference. Bids received from Bidders who did not attend this conference will not be considered.

Bids shall be submitted on the B id Form included in the Project Manual and shall be in a sealed envelope marked "Oglala Lakota College-Dormitories." Bids shall be addressed to Eilene Janis, Oglala Lakota College, P. O. Box 490, Kyle, SD, 57752. Bids will be accepted until 4 p.m. local time, June 13, 2006 at the President's office of Oglala Lakota College, Kyle, S.D., the opening of the bids will be communicated at the pre bid conference. Bids received after this time will not be opened. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to waive any informalities.

Each Bidder is required to include with their Bid, Bid Security as outlined in the Instruction to Bidders and elsewhere in the Bidding Documents. The Contractor awarded the project will be required to provide a performance and payment bond in the amount of 100% of the Contract price. See the Bidding and General Requirements in the Bidding Documents for additional information.

The successful bidder must also comply with the Tribe's TERO ordinance including any licensing requirements and TERO tax. The TERO tax and fees must be included with your bid. The successful bidder must also comply with the Department of labor's Davis Bacon Act.

Indian Preference will be considered for Bidders with Indian ownership or participation. Consideration of Indian Preference shall be at the sole discretion of the Oglala Lakota College Board of Trustees.

2005 Audit Bid for Three Affiliated Tribes

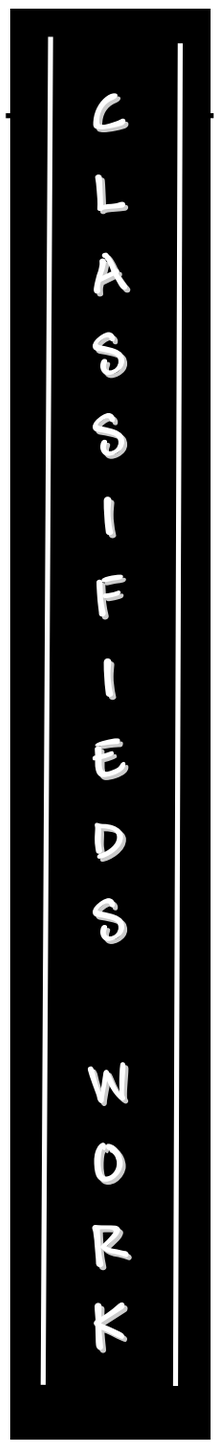
All enterprise funds, and non-enterprise funds of the Three Affiliated Tribes, the Fixed Asset and long-term debt Account Groups (approximately 200) shall be audited in accordance with

(1) generally accepted auditing standards as included in Statements on Auditing Standards, published by the American Institute of Certified Accounts,

(2) Government Auditing Standards,

(3) the GAO Guidelines for Financial and Compliance Audits of Federally Assisted Programs,

(4) OMB Circular A-133, and (5) Tribal Audit Parameters (as will be discussed with successful bidder), for the fiscal year ending for 2005. Please submit Bids to: Marcus Wells Sr. - Financial Advisor 404 Frontage Road, New Town, ND 58763 Telephone: 701-421-1011 or 701-627-2032.



Sinte Gleska University
Personnel Office - PO Box 105
Mission, South Dakota 57555
Phone: 605-856-8100 Ext. 8471 Fax: 605-856-4135

Position: Distance Learning/Media Manager - Open until filled

Qualifications: Responsible person with Bachelor of Science degree in Communications Technology or Business Administration. Master Level preferred. Four years experience in distance learning course development and delivery preferred. Individual must possess minimum of 2 years experience in Internet and WEB-based applications. Person must have excellent organization, record keeping and facilitation skills.

Duties and Responsibilities:
- To assess institutional needs in the area of distance learning resources which are identified by current and future needs
- Oversee and deilver program curriculum design, delivery and evaluations.
- Provide feedback mechanism's for students and staff.
- Work closely with staff on the delivery and development of classes
- Partnering and collaboration with staff/instructors.
- Committment to accommodate diverse distance learning needs.
- Assist departments to identify their distance learning needs.
- Supervise employees.
- Fluent in taping/media-editing,processing
- Responsible for the technical aspects of audio/video recording for electronic media productions.
- Responsible for the technical operation, programming,maintenance,logistics and management of the university's videoconferencing, web delivery system,interactive video, classroom's net work, and other media technologies.
- Promotes an understanding of an appreciation for the use of telecourses, interactive video class rooms, and other media based technologies.
- Other duties as assigned in the performance of his/her responsibilities and as mutually agreed upon to the benefit of Sinte Gleska University.

Along with application, applicants should send a cover letter, resume, undergraduate and graduate transcipts and arrange for three letters of reference to be sent to address above.

DAKOTA PLAINS LEGAL SERVICES
Vacancy Announcement
(Pine Ridge, South Dakota)

POSITION: Dakota Plains Legal Services (DPLS) is accepting applications for a paralegal position at the Pine Ridge, South Dakota, DPLS branch office funded through a one-year grant from the Indian Land Tenure Foundation.

RESPONSIBILITIES: Selected candidate will deliver estate planning and land consolidation services to tribal landowners and assist in the delivery of community education forums on estate planning.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants, through formal education, training and experience, must have knowledge and expertise regarding the legal system, substantive and procedural law, and the ethical considerations of the legal profession. The selected candidate will work under the direct supervision of a licensed attorney. Applicants must have strong written and oral communication skills, be self-motivated, willing to assume immediate responsibility, handle a significant workload, and have a demonstrated commitment to serving the needs of low-income people and Native Americans. Applicants must also be qualified to obtain a license to practice in the local Tribal Court. Since this position requires travel, applicants must have a valid driver's license, good driving record and be insurable by DPLS' auto liability insurance carrier.

Applicants must have knowledge of land tenure issues, estate planning options available to trust landowners that will alleviate and prevent land fractionation, and the importance of keeping land in trust as well as knowledge of the Indian Land Consolidation Act and American Indian Probate Reform Act.
CLOSING DATE: May 12, 2006
SALARY: DOE and qualifications.

APPLICATION INFORMATION: Submit letter of interest and application or resume to:
Cheryl Three Stars Valandra, ILTF Supervising Attorney,
Dakota Plains Legal Services, P.O. Box 727, Mission, SD 57555
Phone: (605) 856-4444 email: dpls12@gwtc.net.

Lakota Country Times makes "your" job ad WORK!

Red Cloud Indian School
is accepting applications for the following positions:

- **HIGH SCHOOOL:**
  Lakota Language Teacher
  Counselor
  Head Girl's Basketball Coach
- **RED CLOUD ELEMENTARY:**
  Montessori Teacher
  PE Teacher/Athlete Director
  Lakota Language Teacher
  Part-Time Counselor
- **OUR LADY OF LOURDES:**
  Fifth Grade Teacher
  Eighth Grade Teacher
  Counselor
  Office Manager

DEADLINE: Until Filled

For More Information Contact
bbraveheart@redcloudschool.org
Robert Brave Heart, Sr.
Superintendent
605-867-5888

RST Personnel Office
-VACANCY -

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe is advertising for:

Chief Financial Officer

The Chief Financial Officer must ensure that the financial system used and operated by the tribe is: conforming with generally accepted principles of accounting, conforming with applicable federal regulations, provide meaningful and useful information to all applicable staff and council. Design and implement changes to the accounting system and to policies and procedures as required to meet the objectives stated above. Ensure that all Tribal programs use the accounting system as designed and implemented. To ensure that communications between the Tribe and outside agencies are smooth, timely and accurate. To provide coordination and mediation as necessary. To report financial status of the tribe to the Tribal Council together with the Treasurer. Qualifications include a four year degree in accounting, finance or related degree, Five (5) years experience, basic computer operation and experience with word processing and spreadsheet application.

Opening Date: 04-28-06 / Closing Date: 05-29-06

For a complete job description or to apply, contact:
RST Personnel Department
Phone: 605-747-2381 or Fax: 605-747-5165

Prairie Wind Casino
Oglala Sioux Tribe
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1-800-705-9463 or 867-6300 ext. 121

All applicants will be required to apply and acquire an Oglala Sioux Tribal Key gaming license.

Little Wound School
Kyle, South Dakota
JOB VACANCIES (04-04-06)

The Little Wound School Board is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2006-2007 school term:

High School Dept.	Middle School Dept.	Elementary Dept.
SPED Transition Specialist	Counselor	SPED Teacher
Computer Teacher	Math Teacher (2)	Teacher (2) 4th Grade
Lakota language Teacher	Science Teacher	Counselor
Science Teacher	Language Arts Teacher (2)	Custodian (closing 5/19/06)
Math Teacher	Social Studies Teacher (2)	
English Teacher	Lakota Language Teacher	
Geography (Sophomore)		
Principal		
Counselor		
Custodian (Closing 5/19/06)		

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OTHER DEPARTMENTS
(73) Extra-duty positions Open until filled

High School: 1)Boys Bball Coach 2)Boys JV BbCoach 3)Freshmen boys Bball Coach 4)Boys Bball Cheerleading 5)Girls Bball Coach 6)Girls JV Bball Coach 7)Freshmen Girls Bball Coach 8)Girls Bball Cheerleading 9)Football Coach 10)Football Asst. 11)Football Asst. 12) Football Cheerleading 13)Cross-Country Coach 14)Cross-Country Asst. 15) Boys Head Golf Coach 16)Boys Golf Asst. 17)Girls Head Golf Coach 18)Head Track Coach 19)Track Asst. 20)Head Wrestling Coach 21)Wrestling Asst. 22)Volleyball Head Coach 23) Volleyball Asst. 24)National Honor Society 25)Student Council 26)Student Council 27)Oral Intrepretation Sponsor 28)Co-Oral Interp. 29)Senior Class Sponsor 30)Senior Class Sponsor 31)Junior Class Sponsor 32)Junior Class Sponsor 33)Sophomore Class Sponsor 34)Freshmen Class Sponsor 35)Handgame Sponsor 36)Yearbook Sponsor 37)Yearbook Sponsor 38)Rodeo Club Sponsor
Middle School: 39)Head Football Coach 40)Football Asst, 41)Football Asst. 42)Football Cheerleading 43)Boys Bball Coach 44)Boys Bball Asst. 45)Boys Bball co-asst. 46)Girls Bball Coach 47)Girl Bball Asst. 48) Girls Bball Asst. 49)Head Track Coach 50)Track Asst. 51)Boys Bball Cheerleading sponsor 52)Girls Bball Cheerleading sponsor 53)Wrestling Coach 54)Softball Coach 55)Softball Asst. 56)Head Volleyball Coach 57)Volleyball Asst. 58)Head Cross Country 59)Cross Country Asst. 60)Student Council 61)K-12 Indian Dance Club Sponsor 62)K-8 Rodeo Club Sponsor 63)Hand game Sponsor 64)8th Grade Sponsor
Elementary: 65)K-12 Indian Dance Club Sponsor 66)Indian Dance Club Sponsor 67)Rodeo Club Sponsor 68)Wrestling Coach 69)Wrestling Asst. 70)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 71)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 72)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 73)Handgame Sponsor.

HOW TO APPLY: Submit a completed LWS employment application to: Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD-214 to claim Veteran's preference, official college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials. For more information, call: (605) 455-6179 or 455-6178. www.lws.k12.sd.us

>>> NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS <<<
It is the policy of the Little Wound School to provide an alcohol and drug-free workplace. All appointments for employment are contingent upon receipt of a verified negative drug test through pre-employment drug testing, receipt of a favorable background investigation and the availability of federal funds. The legal policy of Indian preference will be followed to qualified applicants. Veteran's preference shall be applied to qualified Veteran applicants. **www.lws.k12.sd.us**

CRAZY HORSE SCHOOL
Box 260
Wanblee, South Dakota 57577
Phone: 605-455-6811 Fax: 605-462-6621

NOTICE OF VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
Opening Date: April 6, 2005
Closing Date: May 19, 2006

Secondary
(2) Lakota Studies Teachers
K-12 Art Teacher
Librarian
(1) Social Studies Teacher
(1) English Teacher
(1) Mathematics Teacher
(1) Testing / Technology / Teacher

Elementary
(3) Teachers
(1) Counselor

Special Education
(1) Behavior Specialist

Complete and submit required Crazy Horse School Employment Application and (3) three reference forms and other pertinent data to:

Human Resource Office

If claiming Indian Preference or Veteran preference, please submit appropriate documentation (i.e. Degree of Indian Blood and/or DD 214).Applicants will be required to submit/pass a Background check per PL 101-047, PL 101-630 and Drug and alcohol test prior to employment. If applying for a teacher position certification is required for consideration.

All positions are contingent on availability of funding

Crazy Horse School is a federally funded PL 100-297 Contract School

Happy Ads

Happy Ads are FREE
Drop boxes at
Big Bats - Pine Ridge
Lil Angels - Kyle
Lakota Country Times Office in Martin
or email to lakota1868@gwtc.net

Congratulations to our son and bro. Alan Clements for receiving your B.S. Degree in computer Science, at the University of Findlay, Ohio. A job well done. Dad, Mom and Bro Doyle, Agnes and Aaron Clements.

Happy Mothers Day on May 14th to our Mother, Grandmother, We Love You from Nancy, Colleen, Vincent, Carlen and Craig.

The Soderlin TWINS are here!!



Pierce Thomas (R) & Payton Andrew (L)
Son's of Brett Soderlin & Eltina Three Stars
Born: April 1, 2006 @ 2:41 pm/2:42 pm
Pierce * 5 lbs 18-1/2"
Payton * 5.11 lbs 18"
Siblings: Laynee Alynn
Maternal Grandparents: Elton Sr. & Rebecca Three Stars; Maternal Greatgrandparents: Francis 'Chubbs' Thunder Hawk & Phyllis Apple-White Bear; Maternal Great-Greatgrandmothers: Frannie Twiss & the late Rebecca Cottier-Apple; Paternal Grandparents: Kenny & Deb Soderlin; Paternal Greatgrandparents: Vesta Soderlin, Bob & Shirley Claussen. We want to thank everyone for all your prayers.

I would like to wish all my sisters a Happy Mothers Day: Wanda Waters - Twiss, Sheryl tres Waters, Francee Weasle Bear, Joann Two Dogs, Juanita Two Dogs, Mae Tobacco. Have a nice day. Coming from your baby sis violet

I would like to wish a Happy Mothers Day Emerald Janis, Wanda Mills, Kelly Lewis Nellie Long, Kellie Waters, Connie Morgan, Marlys Rabbit, Jane Rabbit, Wanda Donavan, Lyla Bettelyoun, Buffy Red Fish, Eileen Janis, Violet Waters, From Kelly, Jack, hunter, Eric, Angle, Pearl.

Happy Mothers day to my Beautiful Mom I Love You very much, Jessica

congratulations to Tamera Long for making the best of the class on KOTA Territory News. Love Always Aunt Kelly, Uncle Jack, Cousins Eric, Hunter, Angle, and Pearl.

To my mother Eula Young
Who taught me to be honest and real...How to work for what I want and give everything I've got. How to learn from each new experience, and How to love with every bit of my heart. Love you Mom and Happy Mother's Day from your daughter Joni and Granddaughter Katelyn.

Happy Mother's Day to the following ladies:
Dora Under Baggage
Rachel Yells Eagle
Mary White Thunder
Twila Hopkins
Karen Coyle
Carrie Romero
Gina Ferguson
Jane Wilcox
Hannah White Elk
Jennifer Takes War Bonnett
Tanya Martinez
Cordelia White Elk
Christy Lone Elk
Stephanie Kindle
Sonja Brave Bird
Denise Plenty Arrows
Trina Long Pumpkin
Edna Plenty Arrows
and to whoever else I may have forgotten.
I just wanted to say thank you to all of you, for being part of my life and my son's life. We hope you all have a great Mother's Day!
Love, Brionne and Teron Hopkins

Happy Mother's Day
To my mother Opal Smith. Thanks for being there for me and "all" my family. I hope this year your knee gets better. To the best mom, Grandma, and Great-Grandma. Love, Connie

Happy Birthday on May 3rd, 2006 to Ryan Teague Janis! Have a great day you deserve it! We Love you alot, Mom, Dad, Rob, and Gina.

I would like to wish a Happy Mothers Day to Emerald Janis Thanks for being there. Love Always Kelly - B.J.

Happy Mothers Day to Lillian thunder hawk on may 14th we love you very much! Leslie, Nancy and Craig.

Wishing a Happy Birthday to my son Ryan Joseph White Eyes who will be 24yrs old on May 12th, 2006. Wishing you many more son, Love you a lot. Love Mom (Violet White Eyes)

Happy mothers day, Sharon Two Crow we love you with all of our hearts. You're a wonderful person & Mom Love your daughter Gina and son in law Dave.

Happy Birthday to Jessica Beck the hardest worker at Big Bats. 5/21/06 finally 17rs old, from all your co-workers.

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A congratulation to my beautiful niece calsee has no horse from graduating from 8th grade in Batesland we're proud of you. Auntie Rae and soon to be Uncle Dave.

Happy Mothers Day on May 14th to my beautiful mother Lilian Thunder Hawk I love you, your daughter Nancy

Happy Mothers Day to Rachel Bissonett, Jenny Mesteth - Two Two, Lupe Rodriguez, Marella Randall, Paulette Means, Sherry Steele Hope you all enjoy your day love Michelle Randall.



Happy Mothers Day Auntie! I love you very much! Love, Tokahe

Happy Mothers Day to my mother Violet Bissonette Love Michelle R

Happy Mothers Day to: Dorothy Iris, Violet Bissonette, Marcy Whalen, Heather Janis, Tamara Means, Cat Mousseau, Love Paulette, Waylon and James.

Happy Birthday to my friend Ishala Wica Belt Happy 17th Ishy! Your friends Jessica & Rainy.

Happy Birthday to Myra Lenae Hopkins who will be turning 1 on 5/15/06. Hey babygirl, can't believe a whole year has already passed and were so blessed and thankful for having you in our lives. You bring us great joy and happiness my girl. We love you very much and we wish you many more Birthdays.

Love always,
Aunti-mom Brionne,
Uncle and Big Brother
Teron



Jeremy Meeks and Jaymi Schmidt would like to announce their engagment and upcoming wedding. The Bride to be is the daughter of Jim and Marian Schmidt of Belle Fouche, SD. The Groom is the son of Jerry and Marylin Halverson of Gordan, Neb. and Jim and Elsie Meeks of Interior, SD and the Grandson of the late Charles and Verna Heathershaw. Jeremy and Jaymi plan a June 3, 2006 wedding in Belle Fourche

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We would like to wish our Gamma Diane a Happy Mothers Day we hope you have a good day and we wish you all the best! Coming from your two Grands sons Kevin & Jaden TWB

Happy Mothers Day



Ina! I'm so blessed to have the most beautiful, loving, and compassionate Ina ever! Thank you for always being there for me and being my role model, I love you! Love Your First Baby.....Chanda and your Takoja Tokahe

Happy Mothers Day



Auntie! I love you very much! Love, Tokahe

We Would like to wish our Mother A very *Happy Mothers Day Tina Marie Painte* You are the Best Mother any one could ever have we are very proud of you and Dad we couldn't ask for any other Parents in the world to be ours. You are truly the best MOM and your sons love you and keep up the good work and hang in there the world is a very BIG place to see in a lifetime. We will always be here for you and we are the proudest sons in the world. Always and Forever your two sons Kevin & Jaden Takes War Bonnett

Happy Mothers Day



Grandma Dawn! I am thankful for your wisdom, laughter, and love through the years! I look forward to many more travels with you! We love you ---- Chanda and Tokahe

Happy Mothers Day Ann Blue Bird

I would like to wish My Mother Ann a very Happy Mothers Day on Sunday. I just want you to know that you are the best mom I could ever have and the best grandma your grandchildren could ever have. I wish you the best and keep up the good work and Remember we love you very much and so do the rest of the kids and grandkids. You are truly the best Mother in the world. Coming from your son Lorenzo & Lisa and your Grandskids.

Happy 2nd Birthday to our beautiful baby girl Jamie Leann Helper Hope your day is filled with joy and happiness all our love, Mama Eileen and daddy Roy Jr

Congratulations

Tina & Leon Jr, on their engagement and happiness together for the rest of their lives may the Good and Happiness be with you and we hope you two have the best times of your lives and Greatness of all continue in your hearts may you two have the happiest times ever Happy trails to the both of you. From your family and relatives.

Happy Mothers Day

To a very Beautiful Mother she is truly the best mom anyone could ever have. Have a good day and remember you are the best we could ever have we will always love you and we are proud of you. From Lon, Jen, Ness and Jeremy.

Happy Belated Birthday Paul Returns From Scout from your sis Christine Returns

Happy Birthday on May 5th to Shana Helper from Corwin, Jeremy, Tasina and Corey

I would like to send a big hug and kisses to our daughter Consuela Rayann Jealous Of Him Love
Mommy and Daddy

Happy Belated Birthday on May 1st to our lil sis Johnette Jewel Yellow Hawk. Hope your day was good love you lots Lillian and Leann

We would like to wish our unci Lillian Thunder Hawk a Happy Day and a speedy recovery. Hope you feel better soon. Have a wonderful Day. Love you grandma huggs and kisses from some of your takoja's Miranda, Tyler, Margaret,Warren, Cerin, Jake, Gloria, and baby Vivian

I love you mom you are a hardworker and I love everything you give me,
Love Roseanna

Hey Manual I want to say I love you, you are so cool!
Love Roseanna
P.S. I love you Jenni, Brandon, & Mom
You guys Rock

Happy Mothers Day
RJ Apple, Latasha G, Angel B, Loretta TWB, O' Destiny, Tamera C, and to all my girls who are mama's! Keep on keepin on!From Ness

Happy Mothers Day
Amanda Rose TWB You are appreciated, we Love You Very Much! thank you for bringing us intothis World! Love Vanessa and Jeremy

Happy Mothers Day & Thank You Claudia Apple for bringing us into this world! Love your kids. Lena, A.J, R.J, Tasha, Paulette, Carlos and Raven Apple, we love you!

Happy Mothers Day To my wonderful mother Claudia Apple from your daughter RJ Apple

Happy Mothers Day to my older sister Lena Apple I love My nephews from your lil sister RJ and wish a Happy 1st Mothers Day to RJ Apple Congratulations its a boy! Coming into this world in 3 months and to all the mothers in my family

I want to wish my mother Lorena Brave Hawk for being #1 MOM. and a Happy Mother's Day coming from
Brooks.

Happy Belated Birthday
Mother and Daughter
March 8th- Robyn Antelope, Farrell. We wish you the best, with lots of love & hugs. keep strong! god bless from your son & mom Isaiah Farrell, Ernestine Spotted Tail.
Happy Belated Birthdays
to my grandchildren in April, 2006
14th - Eden One Feather
16th - Shantell One Feather
25th - Jason Weasel
love you all, from grandma Ernestine
Happy Birthday
May, 2006
4th - Vivian One Feather
6th - Sunny Little Dog
6th - Austin Spotted Horse
11th - Art Taken Alive Jr
17th - Kaitin Richardson(1 yr)
24th - Clifford One Feather III
wish you all the Best
Ernestine Spotted Horse.
In Loving Memory
May 9th
to Nephew Creedence Antelope Would of been your Birthday, but I know you're in a better place. May you rest in peace, miss you! Auntie Ernestine Spotted Horse

Happy Mother's Day to my mommy Brooks
From Thea
Love you very much

To my beautiful sister Raquel Reddest
Your special i more ways than you know, and Mother's Day is a perfect time to thank you for always being there and helping me out in every obstacle I've ever ran into.
So today I'm wishing you a lovely and Happy Mother's Day. From your sister Joni and neice Katelyn

ROSEBUD COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE FACILITY SERVICES

Shelly Harris
Chief Executive Officer
Soldier Creek Road
Rosebud, South Dakota 57570

DIRECT HOSPITAL TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

Main Switchboard	747-2231
Administration	747-3242
Dental	747-3277
Mental Health	747-3265
Benefit Coordinator	747-3213
Medical Records	747-3214
Optometry (Eye)	747-3274
Public Health Nursing	747-3314
APPOINTMENTS	747-3270
EMERGENCY DEPT.	747-3259
Patient Registration	747-3613 or 747-3614
Pharmacy (Automated System)	747-3268

MUMPS

As of April 17, 2006 Nebraska, 92 confirmed and probable cases have been reported to the Nebraska Department of Health (DOH). As of April 29, 2006 IOWA, 975 confirmed, probable, and suspected cases of mumps have been reported to the Iowa Department of Health.

The majority of cases are occurring among persons 18-25 years of age, Many of whom are vaccinated. Additional cases of mumps, possible linked to the Iowa outbreak, are also under investigation in seven neighboring states, including Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, and Wisconsin.

The Iowa Department of Health has identified two (2) persons diagnosed with mumps who were potentially infectious during travel on nine different commercial flights involving two airlines between the timeframe of March 26, 2006 - April 2, 2006. The origin and arrival cities for these flights included Cedar Rapid/ Waterloo, IA; Dallas, TX; Detroit, MI; Bentonville, AR; Minneapolis, MN; St. Louis, MO; Tucson, AZ; and Washington, DC.

Symptoms & Signs

After a 14 to 24 day incubation period, the onset of mumps occurs with chills, headache, anorexia, malaise and a low to moderate grade fever that may last 14 to 24 hours before salivary gland involvement is noted.These symptoms may be absent in mild cases.

Diagnosis

Diagnosis of typical cases during an epidemic is easy; diagnosis of sporadic cases is not.

Prognosis and Prophylaxis

Prognosis is excellent in uncomplicated mumps. Although rarely, a relapse occurs after about 2 weeks, particularly in postpubertal patients; mumps may involve organs other than the salivary glands. Symptoms may precede, accompany, follow, or occur without salivary gland involvement.

Live mumps virus vaccine is the agent of choice for active immunization. This vaccine produces no significant local or systemic reaction and requires only one injection. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends vaccination (with measles-mumps, rubella) at 12 to 15 months of age and again at entry into grade school or junior high school. Post exposure vaccination does not protect against mumps from that exposure.

Treatment

Treatment is symptomatic. A soft diet reduces pain caused by chewing. Acidic substances (e.g. citrus fruit juices) may also cause discomfort and should be avoided. Analgesics may be used for headache and general malaise.

Vaccination

The current recommendation is that a first dose of MMR be administered at age 12 to 15 months, with a second dose at four to six years. If the second dose is missed it can also be administered during adolescence.

Information provided to you by the I.H.S. Rosebud comprehensive Health Care Facility because we care about You and Your Loved Ones.

Red Cloud Indian School

Class of 2006


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Jordan Herman


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Michelle High Hawk


Dakota Iron Cloud


Cody Lacey


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Lisa Palmier


Karlee Provost


Sandra Red Feather


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Gary Richards, Jr.


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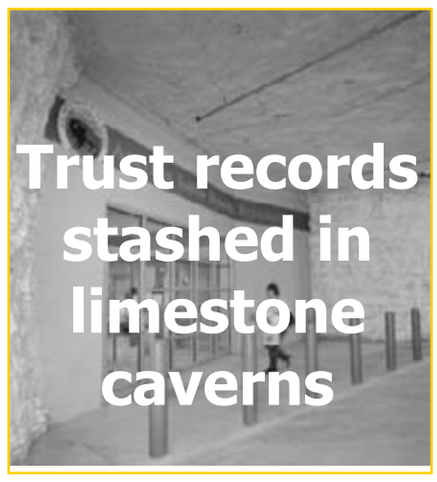
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Combat action badges awarded

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Trust records stashed in limestone caverns

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KILI Radio needs $201,000 for antenna

Replacement package requires 25 percent match

PORCUPINE - "Up until now it has been fairly fluid on what we needed and what we were going after," said Melanie Janis, KILI station manger, "after working with our engineer and a national consultant, we are now requesting enough money to replace our antenna, the transmission line, our transmitter and put in a new grounding system."

KILI Radio was hit by lightening on April 15 and went off the air due to damage to the equipment on April 23. First estimate to replace the antenna and line was $50,000, then a real estimate based on bids from vendors was $76,000 and after further evaluation it was found necessary to replace the entire transmission package at $201,000.

Public Telecommunications Facilities Program out of the Department of Commerce has a regular funding cycle for equipment for public television and radio stations around the country, they also have emergency funds according to Janis. If PTFP funds the project, they require a 25 per cent match which in KILI's case would be somewhere between $40,000 and $50,000.

"We have held a series of fundraisers in the community, in Kyle, Manderson and Porcupine," said Janis, "and on Saturday in Rapid City, the Oglala Nation Education Coalition decided to take $18,000 awarded to ONEC from the Empowerment Zone for an educational project and pass it on to KILI to help the station reach their required matching monies."

Expressing concern about the need to get the station back on the air as soon as possible, the ONEC

Please turn to $201,000: A2

Man convicted of selling meth on Wind River, Rosebud and Oglala appeals his life sentence

DENVER (AP) - An attorney for a man serving life in prison for selling nearly 100 pounds of methamphetamine on a Wyoming Indian reservation told a federal appeals court last Thursday the sentence was unreasonable and should be recalculated.

Jesus Martin Sagaste-Cruz likely would have been sentenced to about 20 years if he had not been punished further because another man carried a gun during drug transactions, said his attorney, Randall Gaither. Prosecutors said the second man was directed by Sagaste-Cruz.

Gaither told a three-judge panel of the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals that Sagaste-Cruz's sentence was lengthened because of his business relationship to Vance Gilliam, who also was convicted in a drug ring that authorities said was headed by Sagaste-Cruz and his brother, Julio Cesar Sagaste-Cruz, who is still wanted for his role. Both are Mexican citizens.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Murray told the panel that even if the trial judge had not punished Sagaste-Cruz for someone else's firearm, he still could have been sentenced to life because he had organized and directed the drug ring.

``I believe the trial court said something to the effect that because the quantities were so great, that enhancement (of the sentence because of the gun) wasn't really important,'' Murray said.

The prosecutor said Gilliam and at least five others were under Sagaste-Cruz's direction in a drug operation that stretched from Mexico to the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota.

Authorities said the drug ring relied on distributors who sold the drug to support their own methamphetamine habits. Distributors were recruited on

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Northern Cheyenne march against meth

BY BECKY SHAY
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LAME DEER - The war on meth marched through Lame Deer on Friday.

Several hundred people -- including small children in strollers, students carrying signs, and adults -- marched down Cheyenne Avenue in the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation's first large community event to combat methamphetamine use on the reservation.

The march led to a rally at the tribal headquarters, then continued to the school, where the afternoon included a feed and a series of speakers and entertainment.

"We have declared war on meth," Tribal President Eugene Little Coyote said to a round of applause and ululating. "But those are just words. We have now arrived at a time to turn our words into action." Members of a community task force, spearheaded by the tribal health board, are the generals in the war, Little Coyote said. He called on the Tribal Council to target manufacturers and dealers.

Members of the community will have to work together to fight meth in their families, their towns and their tribe, he said. That will include speaking out when they need to and supporting law enforcement.

Request to join task force

Little Coyote said he expects to ask the Tribal Council next week to join a Cooperative Agency Task Force that is being created and includes law enforcement from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the FBI and Colstrip. There is already a drug task force working, but this group will be another tool in the fight.

Please turn to March: A2

QUICK HITS

Caregivers train on elder abuse

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Staff

MISSION - The RST Caregivers Program administered by Sharon Swift and assisted by Vista volunteer Megan Gesino held a training session spanning two days for law enforcement, social services, medical personnel and other caregivers who come into firsthand and initial contact with RST tribal elders. A third day was added to alert Elders of any state and federal benefits they may be entitled to during the AARP Benefits Check-up Day. The National Legal Training Project of the AARP Foundation of Washington, D.C. funded the training that covered the cost of the materials, and the trainers.

The two day training session was held at the Bishop Harold Jones building; Caregiver program director, Sharon Swift, gave the opening remarks, while the facilitator on-site was Imani Woody. Mike Cross of Kyle delivered the opening and closing prayers in Lakota, while Swift and Gesino registered participants and disseminated a number of valuable reference materials on the topic of elders. The first day of training was on how to spot elder abuse and the rights of elders. Many elders attended both trainings.

Imani Woody is a training specialist with the National Legal Training Project of AARP facilitated both training sessions. She said, "Elder abuse is escalating across the United States and in Indian

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Community Calendar
'Rez Happenings'

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Grief Support Group
Meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30pm at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888.

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841.

OST Commodity Issue
Thursday, May 18 in Oglala

Pine Ridge High School Graduation
Thursday, May 17. in Pine Ridge at 10am at the high school gym

Little Wound Eighth Grade Graduation
Wednesday, May 17 at 2 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes Graduation
Thursday, May 18th at 10 a.m.

Red Cloud Eighth Grade Graduation
Thursday, May 18 at 2 p.m.

Pine Ridge Eighth Grade Celebration
Thursday, May 18 with awards at 5pm with a dance to follow.

Regional High School track meets
Thursday, May 18 in Winner for Region 7A and in Custer for Region 8A

Red Cloud High School Graduation
Friday, May 19th at the fieldhouse at Red Cloud school at 10 a.m.

American Horse School Graduation
Friday, May 19 at 10 a.m. in Allen

Brushbreaker Downunder or Bust Tourney
Thursday-Saturday, May 19-21 in Rosebud featuring men's 12 team slow pitch double E tourney as fundraiser for Taylor Brushbreaker to participate in Downunder Bowl in Australia, for info contact Dave at 747-2732, 208-1088 or Connie at 441-5662 or 747-4600.

Great Plains Regional Golf tournament
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 19-21 at the Lee Park Golf Course in Aberdeen.. For information call Gordon at 605 216-2586, John at 605 226-7347 or Henry at 605 290-3344

Youth Slowpitch Softball Tournament
Sunday, May 21 at the Fallen Warrior field in Ft. Thompson, for information contact Wes Fire Cloud 245-2909 or 730-1637

Porcupine School Graduation
Wednesday, May 24 at 10 a.m.

Little Wound High School Graduation
Thursday, May 25th at 11 a.m.



Elder abuse training in Rosebud

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Country because there are more people growing old. is infringing on their rights. NLTP wants to build a collaboration at Rosebud. We hope that the tribal code will be approved and enforced.

Two publications entitled "Elder Abuse" training module and another "Enhancing Law Enforcement Response to Elderly Crime Victims" were published by the National Legal Training Project of the AARP in Washington, D.C. The elder abuse module provides a quick overview of legislation and statistics which describe elder abuse nationwide.

A nationwide state by state listing to call for domestic elder abuser is given, while an elder abuse assessment wheel is also illustrated in order to guide an elder abuse advocate in devising an intervention plan if needed.

The other publication provided a profile of an aging population, while describing the many ways in which the elderly are victimized, while suggesting ways to effectively respond to elderly abuse. A draft tribal code was also handed out entitled, the Rosebud Sioux Lakota Tribal Elder and Handicapped Adult Protection Code.

It appears to be a rather comprehensive document that provides definitions connected with elder abuse and what an elder protection





Lois Antoine and Sam Wounded Head, two elders who where in attendance. Photos by Archie Beauvais.

team is charged with.

According to Swift, "The Caregivers program has evolved from a program that originally had as its mission the long term care of the elderly to one that is currently more advocacy oriented for the elderly in the area of transportation, aging issues, housing and social services."

She noted that she was disappointed at the turnout the first day, however, the second day saw up to 30 training participants. On the third day, an elder benefits day was held at the SGU multipurpose building in Antelope.

May is "Older Americans Month" according to Swift and she noted that the Caregivers receive calls each week about some elder being abused. Elder abuse is occurring on the Rosebud reservation and no one is being prosecuted, she said. Swift also noted that there is no elder abuse protection team on the reservation and one is needed to address elder abuse and exploitation.

Mark Michel, a detective with the San Diego, Calif. police department is a consultant of the AARP Foundation NLTP and provided the training on Elder Abuse and Law Enforcement.

He works out of the Family Justice Center and conducts elder abuse investigations. He noted that there are some 2,800 elders on the Rosebud Sioux reservation and the crime rate is 3-4 times the national average.

The elder population is going to increase 20-25 percent in the coming years and this, in turn, will lead to the need for new legislation and impact social and law enforcement services. An important point noted by Michel was that if the elderly experience a loss in property is can be devastating. He said, "If an elder has a loss, they are thirteen times more likely to die. Elders can't go out and earn an income so the loss is hard to recoup if they lose their nest egg.

It is a crime against the person. The dynamic of elder abuse is difficult because the offender often lives with the elder. They know that if they report this, there will be repercussions. The family dynamic protects the person doing it."

On the second day of training, Michel used a PowerPoint presentation to highlight a number of topics relative to elder abuse. He spoke of offender profiles, common methods and tools that people use to defraud elders of their money and possessions, investigative considerations, victim interviewing, evidence gathering, etc.

Michel said, "You all know that you have to report abuse, but what is missing is the training. How do we recognize it? There are 'red flags' which are listed in the AARP handout."

REZ Happenings

Voter Registration Deadline
Monday, May 22 for primary, school and city elections set for Tuesday, June 6th with registration being completed during regular business hours at the county auditor's office, municipal finance office, secretary of state's office,. And those locations which provide driver's licenses, food stamps, TAMF, WIC, military recruitment and assistance to the disabled as provided by the Department of Human Services

Voter Registration Deadline
Monday, May 29th for the Shannon County District 65-1 School Board Election to be held on Tuesday, June 13th, for information call the county auditor at 745-5130 or the county office at 288-1921

Rockyford School Graduation
Friday, June 2nd with Kindergarten at 10am and 8th grade at 1:30pm

Batesland School Graduation
Friday, June 2nd with Kindergarten at 10am and eighth grade at 1pm

Wolf Creek School Graduation
Friday, June 2nd with Kindergarten at 10am and Eighth Grade at 1pm

Crazy Horse Ride
Set for Sunday through Friday, June 4-9 in honor of all veterans, for information contact Bam Brewer at 867-1119 or 441-8810

Shannon County School Board Election
Tuesday, June 13th with polls open from 7am to 7pm across the county

To list an event in the community calendar, email the even to lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870 or mail to Lakota Country Times, Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551.

Mexican convicted of selling meth appeals

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the Wind River Indian Reservation, in Fremont County in Wyoming, on the Rosebud, Pine Ridge and Yankton reservations in South Dakota and on the Santee Reservation in Nebraska, authorities said.

Jeffrey D. Sweetin of the federal Drug Enforcement Administration said at the time that Sagaste-Cruz exploited jurisdictional loopholes on reservations. Sweetin called him ``a predator who targeted Native Americans in order to make a profit.''

Sagaste-Cruz was convicted in 2005 on charges of distribution of methamphetamine and conspiracy.

Gaither said there was no evidence presented during Sagaste-Cruz's trial that he was responsible for Gilliam's gun or that he owned or used a gun. He said Sagaste-Cruz's attorney during the trial and sentencing hearing failed to object to information about Gilliam's firearm that was contained in a presentencing report prepared by probation officers.

Appeals court judges questioned Gaither about whether removing the sentence enhancement for firearm possession would make a difference in sentence calculations, saying if Sagaste-Cruz could still get a life sentence without the gun finding, any error might not matter.

Gaither argued that because it is a life sentence, any recalculation would matter.

``The firearm and aspect of violence could be the only thing that triggered a life sentence,'' Gaither said.

He also argued that there was not enough evidence to prove Sagaste-Cruz was an organizer or director of the drug ring.

The judges did not indicate when they would rule.

Northern Cheyenne march against meth

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"There is strength in numbers to fight meth," Little Coyote said.

Shanaya Sandcrane, 12, was among the students who carried signs and marched. Shanaya said the rally had an effect.

"I think it should make a difference," she said. Meth "seems like it's had an effect on a lot of people here."

People should not use it, Shanaya said, "because there's nothing good coming out of it."

Don Shoulderblade, Keeper of the Sacred Hat, one of the tribe's convenants, said the hat has been with the Cheyenne people through all their battles.

"Today she's still with us in the battle with drug abuse," he said.

"Meth is a destroyer," he said. "It destroys lives, it destroys home, it destroys your health and, most of all, it destroys your spirit."

After his talk, Shoulderblade gave a prayer, partially spoken in English, and asked the creator, Maheo, to watch over the Cheyenne people and lead them on the right path.

"The meth that is tearing up our families, destroying our homes, take it away, Maheo," he prayed.

Several Tribal Council members encouraged residents to not only refuse to use methamphetamine, but to speak up when they know others are using.

A challenge not to use

Not using is a challenge, Lame Deer District council member Allen Fisher said.

"That's not easy when you have methamphetamine promotion out there," Fisher said.

And it takes bravery to speak out against others using the drug.

"Learn to ask for help," Fisher said. "Do not cover it up. Make some changes. Take a stance of nonuse."

Ashland District Councilman Joe Fox Jr. said the rally will take hold of those who attended, especially the many children in attendance.

"I truly believe the Cheyenne people have to heal each other, and this is a start," Fox said.

Birney District Councilwoman Alberta Fisher talked of children and adults who are afraid, hungry and having financial troubles.

"These are all the effects of meth, alcohol and drugs," she said.

Fisher said she has family and friends who use meth.

"We bury people, and they bring us many tears, they bring us many hardships," she said. "And yet we fail to go to the source of the problem and put them in jail.

"Let's get to the source of the problem, and that's the drug dealers. Prosecute them. Don't be afraid. They are the ones that are killing us."

Lame Deer District Councilman Jace Killsback said drug users have "no shame" and will smoke meth in public. Using the slang of his 20-something generation, Killsback said they "light a bulb in their car downtown."

People have to speak out -- just as they did at the march and rally -- when they see drugs being used or sold, Killsback said. A call to police is the first step, he said.

"Don't be afraid to call in if you see somebody all geeked out or that's dealing drugs," he said.

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Western Dakota Tech holds eagle feather ceremony

RAPID CITY - Western Dakota Tech held an Eagle Feather "Hunka" Ceremony at 11 a.m. Friday, May 12, in Room ABCD at WDT to honor WDT's American Indian graduates.

WDT will honor approximately 20 American Indian students by giving each graduate a blessed eagle feather and medicine wheel denoting an Honor of Accomplishment.

Gerard A. Baker, superintendent of Mount Rushmore National Memorial, served as commencement speaker during the event. Baker is Mandan-Hidatsa of Ft. Berthold, ND.

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representatives voted unanimously to help KILI out.

"We need KILI back on right away, we all depend on the station for every day news and information and especially for emergency info," said Ernie Little, Loneman School board member, "Loneman is going a step farther and setting up an annual contract for $5,000 for KILI to help provide a solid base of funding."

While KILI waits for word on the PTFP proposal and puts together the match, the station is looking at putting up a temporary one bay antenna that would possibly hit Pine Ridge, Wounded Knee, Manderson, Porcupine, Sharps, Kyle, Allen and Batesland.

"We are working really hard to get back on the air as soon as possible," said Janis, "we will be back on the air better than ever and ready for the next 20-30 years but I just cannot put a date to our plans. Everywhere we go people stop us and ask us when will KILI be back on the air."

Times coordinates Rosebud bureau to better serve Sicangu

ROSEBUD - The *Lakota Country Times* located between the Pine Ridge and Rosebud Sioux reservations has announced the opening of its Rosebud Bureau. The bureau will be able to respond to requests from institutions, tribal entities, private businesses and the community to cover local events and carry local advertisements, both legal and routine.

The *Times* has covered more 100 community events, tribal council meetings, and other cultural, economic and social functions over the last year and a half on the Rosebud reservation and will continue to serve that function. Amanda Takes War Bonnett is the editor, publisher and part owner and views the opening of a Rosebud bureau as a convenient and culturally sensitive way to respond to the information needs of the Sicangu Nation.

Takes War Bonnett said Dr. Archie Beauvais has been correspondent for the paper for the past year and has been writing articles from Rosebud and with the higher demand, we decided to open a bureau at Rosebud to make it easier for people to access the newspaper.

The *Times* will report Lakota news, events, and sports in a professional manner that is reflective of a Lakota spirit, while being essentially a 'watchdog' for legislation at all levels which impact the Sicangu Nation.

In order to make contact with the LCT's Rosebud Bureau please contact Dr. Archie Beauvais at 856-4745.

State birth rate tops national average

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) The latest statistics show the birth rate in South Dakota is 15 for every 1,000 people, slightly above the national rate of 14 per 1,000, according to the state Department of Health.

Seventy-nine percent of the nearly 11,000 babies born each year in South Dakota have white mothers. American Indian women account for 18 percent of births, and other races make up the rest.

Doctors delivered 93 percent of the babies; certified nurse midwives assisted with most of the rest.

Red Cloud, Todd County qualify three each for next week's State A golf tourney in Hot Springs

Cheyenne Eagle Butte's Keckler wins Region 3A

BY TOM CRASH
Times Staff

HOT SPRINGS/PIERRE - Lead-Deadwood, the defending State A champs, won the Region 4A high school girls golf title Thursday at the Southern Hills Golf Course in Hot Springs with a 359, 77 strokes better than runner up Belle Fourche's 436; Custer took third with 456 and St. Thomas More was fourth at 486. The top two teams move n to the State A tourney Monday and Tuesday at the same course in Hot Springs.

The Lady Golddiggers had four of the top five individual finishers with Tara Hofer earning medalist honors with an 81. Red Cloud did not have the necessary four golfers for the team competition but qualified all three of their golfers; Jacqui White, a sophomore took sixth with a 95, Bobbi White a freshman, was ninth with 99 and Shelby Ross, another freshman was 13th with a 114.

The top 18 individuals with ties earn a trip to the State A so 20 golfers qualified from Region 4A on Thursday. Little Wound freshman, Alyssa Whirlwind Horse was 12th with a 112.

On Monday in Pierre n Region 3A, Lexi Keckler, a senior at Cheyenne Eagle Butte took top individual honors with a 93; Todd County's Shauna Gentry, a junior and Shaundai Prue, a sophomore, tied for 12th with 110 while senior Kristen Hermen scored a 112 for 16th.

Bon Homme won the region with a 418, Winner was second with 432; at 469 Todd County was 5th and Cheyenne Eagle Butte ended up 7th with 534, St. Francis did not have enough golfers for a team.

St. Francis freshman Christina Crow Eagle finished with a 126, Todd County senior Kayla Hermen had a 137, CEB senior Candace Hill 139, CEB 8th grader Tomie Peterson 144 and CEB 8th grader McKayle Keckler at 158.

The State A girl's tourney is set for Monday and Tuesday May 22 and 23 at the Southern Hills Golf Course in Hot Springs.

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High school track season heads for regional and state meets

'Bryan, Wilson-Pine, Wohlleber look ahead to State

PINE RIDGE/EAGLE BUTTE - Regional track meets are set for Thursday, May 18th around the state with student athletes getting ready to qualify for the state meet set for May 26th and 27th in Spearfish and Rapid City.

Alex Wilson-Pine, a junior at Pine Ridge won both the 800 and 1600 meter runs Friday in Winner, the site of this week's region 7A meet set for Thursday. Wilson-Pine has run strong all year in the 1600 and 3200 and will be a favorite in the region.

Todd County sophomore, Gunner Krogman won the triple jump, waqs second in the long jump and took fourth in the high jump at Winner and will be competing for a state berth in all three events.

Todd County's Charlie Moe placed fourth in the 100, fifth in the 200 and 2nd in the 400 at Winner and will be working hard in all three at the regionals, the top two in each event in the regions qualify for state.

Todd County won the medley and took second in the 4X100 relay.

Marissa O'Bryan, Red Cloud senior, won the 200 and 400 and probably would have been a triple winner but was disqualified in the 100 at Winner. O'Bryan has some of the best times in the state in all three events, the 100, 200 and 400 and will be battling Annie Bloom of St. Thomas More in the Region 8A meet Thursday in Custer, Bloom won the 100, 200, 400 and 800 in the Black Hills Conference meet on Friday.

Wendy Schmaltz, Todd County, was second in both the 100 and 200 while Lisa Two Charge was second in the 800 and fifth in the 1600.

Jordan Wohlleber, an eighth grader at Cheyenne Eagle Butte has the best time this year in Class A in the 3200 at 11:46.00 and has already qualified in both the 1600 and 3200 by hitting the state standards, Jordyn Cook has qualified already in both of the dame events. Eagle Butte's Tyrone White has qualified in both the 800 and 1600 and will be looking to qualify in the 3200 on Thursday in Region 6A.

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Four Directions walk unites Oyate for Health and Diabetes awareness

BY NASTASHA D. BORDEAUX
RST Diabetes Prevention Program

ROSEBUD – United against diabetes, the Rosebud Reservation community joined together for a walk of prayer and reflection on May 3 at the Second Annual Four Directions Walk in Rosebud.

Sponsored by the Rosebud Sioux Tribe Diabetes Prevention Program and SGU Diabetes Initiative, the annual walk symbolizes the unification and dedication of the Sicangu Oyate's hearts, minds and prayers in an effort to prevent diabetes.

With 428 participants from across the Rosebud Reservation participating in the walk, Connie Brushbreaker, Director of RST Diabetes Prevention Program, hopes this annual event will soon become a symbol of triumph over the disease that has already taken its toll on the health of the Sicangu Oyate.

"We hope the walk will bring attention to the need for regular, daily exercise and the need for everyone to make healthy changes to their diets," said Brushbreaker. "Type 2 diabetes is not just something you get from getting older; it is a disease that is brought on ourselves by lack of exercise and by consuming more food than we need for energy. We hope this Four Directions walk will inspire some to make healthy changes today, before diabetes has a chance to set in."

RST President Rodney Bordeaux offered a welcoming address to all the participants before the walk. He urged the public to make an effort to keep up daily exercise.

He noted that at 54 years-old, he himself did not have diabetes and attributed that to an active lifestyle.

"I feel this walk is important and I wanted to show the administration is in full support of the efforts toward the prevention of diabetes and of stressing the importance of living healthy active lifestyle," Bordeaux said.

He said he felt it is very important to teach the youth to live in a healthy way. "If we can convey to each child -- at early age -- that regular exercise and a good diet will prevent diabetes then, I think they have a good start in the right direction," said Bordeaux.

All 428 participants in the walk received a yellow, red, black, or white t-shirt which corresponded to the color representing the direction they walked in from.

Each direction was lead by a local spiritual leader and each direction was lead by an eagle staff.

A drum group rode ahead of each group of walkers, representing the heartbeat, "the unity" of the people walking and praying together. Eagle Creek, Red Leaf, and Wateca Drum Group (of Rosebud Elementary) each lead a group of walkers.

A traditional meal of soup, wojapi and frybread followed the walk.

Brushbreaker felt the walk event was a success and that the diabetes prevention message reached many. She was also happy that so many came out to support each other in their healthy choices.

"We as a people can help each other adopt healthier lifestyles by being supportive and recognizing each other's individual efforts; whether it is daily walking or simply ordering the small size fries instead of the large. A pat on the back, a thumbs-up, or even a 'way to go' goes along way to keep a person on the path to good health" said Brushbreaker.

OPINION PAGE

Guest Editorial

City of Martin must fix its racial injustice

A federal appeals court has reinstated a Native American voting-rights lawsuit against the city of Martin, with two key points:

It's clear from "the absence of Native American aldermen, combined with evidence of racially polarized voting" that there are problems.

If districts need to be redrawn, "the city should get a chance to do so."

Both points make perfect sense.

U.S. District Judge Karen Schreier ruled in favor of the city last year, saying the suit failed to show that the white majority usually voted in ways to defeat candidates preferred by Native Americans. The ACLU, suing on behalf of two Native American voters, argued that districts had been drawn in such a way as to dilute Native American voting.

In reinstating the suit, the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals sends the question back to Schreier for more hearings.

Isn't it time to just end this? Decide that purposely or not, Native Americans have been closed out of the electoral process, and it's time to fix the problem.

Never-ending court proceedings won't help anyone. City leaders need to come to grips with the problems and solve them.

Editor's Note*Editorial reprinted from the Sioux Falls Argus Leader of May 14.**



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Things to empower yourself

Tasha Standing Soldier - an inspiration for others



By Patty Pourier

Meth use, gangs, alcoholism, unemployment, drop out rates in our schools, lack of a work force, politica upheaval…these are standard topics on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Sometimes, I think we get so used to failures, we are jealous of true successes we have on our reservations. What about the success stories?

We rarely hear about those.

Has our culture come to the point that to hear of a success in someone else's life makes us jealous because we have not been successful in our own?

Is success a bad seven-letter word? Is it more socially acceptable to be unsuccessful than to achieve our dreams?

I am going to briefly share a success story and would welcome to hear from our readers about any other success stories in their lives or their family lives.

Tasha Standing Solider successfully attended her freshman year of high school at an all girls' school in Colorado.

Odds are she would not have been able to complete a full year of school away from her family, her friends, her home, and her reservation.

She graduated after attending three years of high school at Little Wound School.

Statistics show that most girls entering high school at Little Wound will not graduate.

She had a son, Damon, and as a single mother continued her education starting at Oglala Lakota College.

Most single mothers do not attend college.

Tasha then went on to further her dreams and education at South Dakota State University, six hours from home, in Brookings.

She had her son with her, and cared for him while attending school. She lived away from her family support system.

To a non-reservation reader, this may not be a big deal, but to someone who grew up on the reservation, it is a big deal to be able to move off the reservation, with a child, and consistently continue to thrive.

Next, she completed an internship during the summer at Chadron, Neb.,a border town to the reservation. She had to establish new day care for three months, and new living arrangements.

Tasha then went back to South Dakota State University to complete her Doctorate in Pharmacy.

She graduated May 5, 2006, against all odds.

It took her seven years to accomplish her goals and she did it. After graduation she was accepted in the Air Force and will be a pharmacist within the Air Force.

I applaud Tasha, her mother Denise Pourier and her sister Jamie and her brother Ted for the great success story this is and against all odds, we want to recognize her accomplishment.

Other Views

Thank you for the wonderful job you do

Dear Editor,

Love your new online format. You ask why is a woman in Rhode Island reading the *Lakota Country Times.* Many reasons one I love your people and I have been working with a group known as Friends of Pine Ridge Reservation.

I was out there in 1995 and came home heart sick and all I could think to do was send clothes, yarn and other things to your beautiful people,

Yes I grew up poor, but not poor, poor, but I have done much reading of history and many books over the years. Has been a habit if I don't understand I read.

Have had the joy of sending books to the schools and many other things.

I felt great joy when all the seniors at Red Cloud are going to college could not be prouder than if they had been my own children.

Also reading Sadie In The Wood's article about going to Duke University and I stand in my home clapping and blessing her and her future.

I'm sorry that the KILI Radio Station is down and I will try to send some money for I know that it is the link to all and being a former radio disc jockey know that is important for every thing is so spread out.

Though I am far I feel very near and have found that my heart is on Pine Ridge with Creators blessings I hope to go back next year.

Question: Saw the badlands how did any one find their way out of there.

Again thank you for the wonderful job that you do .

Nancy Schupp
Rhode Island

Other Views

What can be done about police discrimination?

Dear Editor:

I am concerned about how the Martin City officers are treating individuals that are disabled and throwing them down and abusing the individual even when they are intoxicated. I think they should at least show a little respect.

They shouldn't have to use pepper spray on them to arrest them. There's this one certain individual officer that uses force on individuals who is really abusive. He stops people and pulls them over for no apparent reason. I wish the county and the city would quit disputing and get their act together and take a look at what's really going on in Bennett County. This is a racist town, no taking sides. It shouldn't make a difference on what color they are or what or whom they are.

They also shouldn't have to break a door down, just arrest some individuals just because she/he is intoxicated. I am a concerned person and had this happen to me and believe me, no white person would like it if an officer came and broke down their door. The officier don't have to pay to have the door fixed. We have to replace it ourselves, and that is money out of our pockets. What if we didn't have that kind of money.

I get BIA general assistance and that's not very much to even pay bills monthly.

Recently there was an incident where two male individuals who fought and they were relatives and one was injured. The injured one was taken to Winner jail and the other walked away. He should have gone to jail also and held for the same thing. The one who is sitting in jail is incompetent and is on SSI. I think that is discrimination. Just because one is working someplace to back him 100 percent. What can be done about discrimination like this?

Pila Miya
Candy Eagle Louse
Martin, S.D.

Mothers are the hub of the wheel

Dear Editor:

We will look into the word of God and he made a way for us.

In the book of Ephesians, Chapter 5, verses 22-33, are these words, "Wives, submit to your husbands as to the Lord."

For the husband is the head of the household and the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior.

Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit to their husbands.

Husbands, love your wife, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.

He who loves his wife loves himself. After all, no one ever hated his own body, but he feeds and cares for it, just as Christ does the Church - for we are members of his body.

However, each of you also must love his wife as he loves himself, and the wife must respect her husband.

Many women will say if husbands are to love their wives, why does my husband beat me up?

Remember getting beat up is not love. If you are getting beat up, why?

When you love your husband, you are to forgive him. Remember men are not perfect and they forget things too, like your birthday or your anniversary or your favorite food or whatever you get upset about.

God gave us women a very important job, he made us to be homemakers, one who stays at home and makes a house a home.

We are to be at home when our children come home from school, we are to have a meal cooked for our families when our husband comes home from work. Remember when a husband is working around outside the home, he is keeping the place clean and orderly for the protection of his family.

We should all work to keep our homes clean and orderly, make sure the children have clean clothes for school.

We are to be in control of the food department, make sure you have enough food for the month, buy things in bulk if possible.

If at all possible, stay away from precooked foods, they cost too much and do not last. Think about what your family likes to eat and make your meals accordingly.

I do not mean pop, potato, chips, candy bars, or any other fast food that is not good for them. Remember we are created from the Earth, so our bodies needs lots of vegetables and fruits to keep us healthy.

Many families feed their children too much fried foods and too much sugar, so many of the children are overweight and many have health problems.

When you eat meat do not fry it, the grease is what is not good for you. Do like our ancestors did, they roasted and boiled and dried it, that is why they are able to survive the weather.

We are also to make sure our family is ready for the winter months, start getting ready in the summer and the fall, making quilts in the summer months, buying the winter clothes, snow boots, gloves and mittens in the fall, so when the snow starts to come down, your family will be ready for it. Be a praying woman and teach your children to do what is right and try your best to keep them from the wrong. Remember you are an example for your children.

Help your husband to be a good example to the children. Remember, you are your husband's helper.

Mothers are like the hub of the wheel, we hold our families together.

Cecelia Spotted Bear
Wounded Knee, S.D.

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Northern Perspectives

Commencement is an act of inspiring others



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

Ordinarily, I don't go to a lot of commencement celebrations at any level, as I am kind of lazy. But, the other issue is that the auditorium is usually jam packed and so humid that the internal temperature can be uncomfortable. I can recall a time when my mother and I went to a commencement at SDSU for my younger sister. It was so crowded by the time that we got there that we simply sat in the lobby and waited. It wasn't a very memorable experience for us other than the crowded conditions.

I have also given several commencement addresses and was able to make it through the duration and I was always thankful of that. I will be giving a short talk at White Eagle Christian Academy soon and this will be my fourth time and by now they are tired of my same old ideas, but in the Lakota way four times is good.

I like the commencements that are held outdoors as the fresh air flows freely and people can move about unimpeded. I attended commencement ceremonies at Harvard University in 1981 prior to the year that I was scheduled to get my diploma and that was fun because it was held outside in what they call Harvard Yard, the home to the undergraduates.

I couldn't remember anything about that experience other than the speaker was some foreign dignitary. I was sorry to say that I didn't go back the following year to go through ceremonies.

I honestly think that young people need to attend their graduation and receive their diplomas and experience the great honor of having accomplished something and bring closure to that part of their lives. If nothing else, I think it is good to hold your own honoring party at home and celebrate and then, move on to greater challenges.

One thing we fail to think about, is that when we reach a milestone like graduation, it also inspires others who are coming behind us and who would love to be where we are on the stage. You can just see others as they are mentally figuring the months or years when they will also matriculate and go onto college, the military or filter into the workforce.

I attended several commencement related functions and a memorial dinner over the weekend and I was rather honored to be invited to each one. As a writer and someone who has worked to inspire Lakota people simply by my achievements in higher education, it is equally as inspiring for me when someone comes up and says that they had followed in my footsteps.

As I was leaving a memorial dinner at my friend Pat Bad Hand's house yesterday I stopped to acknowledge a former colleague, Pat Eagle Elk.

She told me that I had been an inspiration to her and that she had gone on and completed a Ph.D in clinical psychology.

That revelation made me proud of Pat and proud of my work on the Rosebud. It's one of the reasons that I advise and assist Sicangu people who wish to continue their education beyond the undergraduate level.

I sometimes hear people say, "If I can reach out and help one person than what will have made my work all the worth it." It was the kind of feeling that I had as I watch those young people being honored.

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Notes From Indian Country

Escaping the net of the 'Dropout Nation'



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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"Reading, riting and rithmatic, taught to the tune of a hickory stick," probably says more about early America than most of us dare to remember.

It was not uncommon for teachers to have a hickory stick or a ping-pong paddle within easy reach and to use these tools to punish unruly children. As a matter of fact, parents expected that their children be paddled or spanked if they acted up in school.

In fact, spanking at home by both parents was perfectly acceptable in the society when I was young. Although I don't recall either of my parents using this form of discipline on me I observed it in other families, especially when I moved from the Indian reservation to the city.

The traditional Lakota families seldom used physical force to discipline their children. A sharp look and a "hiya," (no) usually did the trick. I can still hear my father's "hiya" that brought me to a halt if I was doing something mischievous.

I am sure that is why it was such a cultural shock for so many Indian children when they were shipped off to the boarding schools operated by the US Government and the Christian churches in the 1800s and into the middle 1900s. When I first saw a Catholic priest beat a classmate of mine with a leather strap for an infraction it was a very traumatic experience

But just as the children of the early settlers survived the hickory stick, many of the Indian children survived the boarding schools. And if I were a statistician, I would probably say that 50 percent of them did not.

We are now in a new time and a new place. The world has grown much smaller thanks to the Internet. Even on remote schools far out on Indian reservations the children now have access to computers. Instead of just learning from books and newspapers, the children of today have all of the vast resources of Google and Microsoft at their command.

And this is the time of the year when they don their caps and gowns and march to the podiums to receive their high school diplomas or their college degrees. If I spoke at a graduation ceremony this year of 2006, I would have this to say to those Native American high school graduates:

"To those of you seated before me wearing your colors of graduation, I am very proud of you. You have stuck with something to its conclusion. Although many of you have lived in poverty, oftentimes never knowing if there would be breakfast on the table or clean clothes to wear, and although many of you have tried to help your parents overcome their addictions and have had to conquer your own fears in the process, the fact that you are about to receive a diploma after 12 years of discipline, commitment, and oftentimes uncertainty, it tells me more about you as a person than about the award you are about to receive.

During these 12 years of trials and tribulations, you have seen many of your closest friends walk through those doors never to return. You have learned that 50 percent of the children that started out with you 12 years ago never stuck around to finish school. You have seen these friends working at menial jobs, driving their own cars, and even snickering at you for your commitment to getting that diploma.

As John Reynor wrote this week in the Indian Education Today Magazine, many Indian schools have joined the ranks of the "Dropout Nation." The fact that you stood your ground against all odds and are seated here today to receive that diploma speaks volumes about your courage and determination.

Some of you will go on to colleges off of the reservation and other will take advantage of the fantastic opportunities afforded them through the 36 Indian owned and operated colleges on the many Indian reservations in this country. Colleges like Oglala Lakota College, Dine' College, Sinte Gleska University, and Sitting Bull College are now at your very doorstep and these great colleges are probably America's best kept secret.

Right here in Indian country you will find great educators and college presidents like Tom Short Bull of Oglala Lakota College and one of my idols of all time, Lionel Bordeaux of Sinte Gleska University. These are Lakota leaders that have paved the way for you to be able to get a college degree on your own reservation.

The "Dropout Nation" can no longer tempt you or claim you. You have reached that first rung of the ladder that will lead you to a better life. There are still several rungs left to climb, but you have survived the hardest of times, the worst of times, and the most difficult of times to earn that diploma you soon will hold in your hands.

But as you reach for the next rung on the ladder, never ever forget who you are and where you came from. You are Lakota and you will always be Lakota and you will always live in the light of Crazy Horse, Red Cloud, Sitting Bull, Spotted Tail and all of the other great chiefs and warriors who made it possible for you to be seated here today. They gave their lives so that you could live."

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METH.

One hit, one death: family of Chantel Wilson promotes awareness

Task force proposes stronger drug laws, including dis-enrollment

BY ANDY HARVEY
KELO Land News
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PINE RIDGE - She had just started high school and looked to have a promising future, but Chantel Wilson never finished her freshmen year. She died after trying meth just once, on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. Over the years, methamphetamine has taken ahold of communities across the reservation.

Whether learning how to fish, having fun in front of the camera, or hanging out with friends...Chantel Smith was always full of energy.

Mother Connie Wilson said, "She was active in basketball and volleyball."

Older Sister Alicia Wilson said, "I have a daughter and she's her auntie. She just did everything for her. She was a good auntie."

But on November 18th, 2005, this vivacious daughter, sister and aunt faced a dangerous situation. She was home alone when a familiar visitor stopped by.

Connie Wilson said, "She was driving by and had no where to go to do her meth and I was not home so she pulled in to my house."

What the woman did next changed the family forever.

Connie Wilson said, "Smoked it on a tin foil with my daughter. My daughter had taken one hit of meth."

It was Chantel's first time. But instead of getting a high-Alicia Wilson said, "She said my head hurts. My head hurts. I'm going to go outside and get some fresh air."


Chantel Wilson.

Older sister Alicia Wilson was down the street when relatives came knocking on her door.

Alicia Wilson said, "She was on her trampoline when I got there."

Chantel had collapsed.

Connie Wilson said, "She had a brain aneurism. She died within seconds after she took a hit of meth. My daughter was 15, just turned 15."

Her family is still trying to understand why she tried meth that day.

Connie Wilson said, "You know my daughter was a teenager and they're curious and they are going to try things for the first time."

While they may never know why, the family is using Chantel's story to warn others about the dangers of Meth.

Connie Wilson said, "I would like to spread it and share it with others. I'm a hurting mother right now and I wouldn't like anyone else to feel the way I feel."

Alicia Wilson said, "People are just in awe. I've even seen a couple people start crying. Hearing it from her sister probably hits home than more than just another speaker."

They aren't alone in their efforts. Georgine Looks Twice started the Oglala Lakota Methamphetamine Prevention Task Force more than a year ago; she was concerned the meth problem on the reservation was being overlooked.

Looks Twice said, "A lot of it had to do with not understanding. We don't understand what this is. We don't understand what the problem is. We don't know what meth is."

The task force conducts community surveys to figure out just how many people are using meth. They've already learned that the reservation is a meth dealer's paradise.

Looks Twice said, "Well the greater concentration is here in Pine Ridge village. The eastern part of the reservation is suffering a lot more."

Some are even starting to use as young as eight.

Looks Twice said, "We are more susceptible because we are Native Americans, because there is a lot of addiction rate here, a high alcoholism rate on the Pine Ridge reservation. We are a lot more susceptible to these kinds of drugs."

Currently, tribal laws dealing with drugs are not very strong and don't address meth specifically, so the task force is trying to create tougher laws.

Under the proposed law, first time offenders would go to jail and get treatment. Second time offenders would also serve time in jail and face a temporary banishment from the reservation. Third time offenders would be banished for life and dis-enrolled from the tribe.

Looks Twice said, "I don't want my grandchildren to be impacted by methamphetamine. And I look at all the little ones and somebody's got to do it."

But the lack of funds could slow the efforts...which is why Looks Twice is glad people who've been affected by meth are sharing their stories.

Connie Wilson said, "My daughter took one hit and it killed her. She was a child. She never had a future. Her future is gone now."

But by talking about what happened to her daughter, Wilson hopes to make the future better for others on the reservation.The reservation task force is working on applying for a $350,000.00 grant. The tribe has set aside a day in November to honor Chantel Wilson and remind people about the war on methamphetamine.

Canadian cabinet approves $1.9 billion package for boarding school abuse victims

SASKATCHENWAN -- The federal cabinet has approved a $1.9-billion deal to compensate former students at native residential schools, many of whom suffered physical and sexual abuse.

"This government recognizes the sad legacy of residential schools," Indian Affairs Minister Jim Prentice said last Wednesday in the Commons.

"We hope that today's announcement will bring closure to former students and their descendants. The settlement is just and honourable."

The deal offers any former student a lump sum of $10,000 each, plus $3,000 for each year spent in the schools. It is estimated there are 80,000 people alive today who attended Indian residential schools, according to Statistics Canada.

Those who were age 65 or older as of May 30, 2005, are immediately eligible for an $8,000 advance payment. Descendants of those who died after that date can also apply for compensation.

The average age of the former students is 60, but many are sick and living in poverty. Native leaders and the opposition are pressuring the government to fast-track cheques to the sick and elderly.

Former students who say they were sexually or physically abused can file separate claims to seek additional compensation.

It must still be approved by courts in several provinces.

For decades, natives had been fighting to have the government recognize the abuses they suffered in the school system that Ottawa supported financially between the 1870s and 1970s.

Tens of thousands of First Nations young people were taken from their families for months at a time and deprived of their culture and many were sexually or physically abused by school staff.

In 1998, Ottawa acknowledged that there was widespread abuse at the schools and offered an apology to the victims.

Thousands of former students have already filed claims.This final deal builds on the agreement in principle reached last November when the Liberals were in power.

Court upholds Wicahpe Milk's murder conviction

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) - A federal appeals court has upheld the second-degree murder conviction and sentence imposed on a Wanblee man for a killing on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Wicahpe Milk's appeal in federal court alleged insufficient evidence, evidentiary errors and prosecutorial misconduct. He also said his prison sentence of 111/4 years was unreasonable.

A three-judge panel of the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals rejected all parts of his appeal.

Milk was convicted by a jury of killing Arlen Bissonette, 20, of Pine Ridge in an October 2004 fight.

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Our department would like to remind the Oyate of the Pine Ridge Reservation that we are entering our 5th year of drought conditions and every drop of water is precious. Here are some crucial water conservation measures:

- - Be Water-Wise Outdoors - -

- Try watering lawns in the early morning or late afternoon to prevent evaporation and scorching of the grass during mid-day sun.
- Try not to water on windy days
- Try using drip irrigation for your lawns. Saves 75% more water than s prinklers by limiting evaporation.
- Over-watering can cause fungus to form brown patches on lawns.
- Water lawns and shrubs once every five days to promote longer stronger roots.
- When mowing try keeping grass 3 inches long to help in moisture absorption.
- Keep swimming pools covered to stop debris and to help prevent evaporation.
- Try backwashing your swimming pool's filter weekly to help keep the water clean.
- Clean feet before entering pool.
- Make sure all livestock watering devices have an adequate float system that does not leak.
- Report all yard hydrant and thermo-line leaks to proper authorities.

- - Be Water-Wise Indoors - -

- Report all leaking bathroom and kitchen fixtures.
- When washing clothes use the right water setting for the load.
- Listen for toilet constantly running or filling when not in use (a leaky toilet can account for up to 1400 gallons of water lost per day, while the average household uses only 350 gallons per day.)
- A leaking toilet can cause your septic system to back up because of over saturation.
- Try using low flow toilets (1.5 to 2 gallons per flush), old toilets use up to 5 gallons per flush.
- Don't use your toilet as a garbage disposal.
- Turn off water while brushing teeth, shaving and washing dishes.
- Take fast showers instead of baths.
- Use low flow fixtures in baths and kitchens.
- An Ultra low flow showerhead uses 1.5 gallons per minute, while conventional showerheads can use up to 5 gallons per minute.

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Brave Heart receives Hazelden Foundation award for work in addiction recovery

RAPID CITY, (AP) - A Pine Ridge man has been honored for his work in addiction recovery from the Hazelden Foundation, one of the leading centers for addiction recovery in the world.

Basil Brave Heart, a retired educator and longtime addiction recovery counselor, received the C.A.R.E. Award from the Hazelden Foundation in a ceremony May 6 during the foundation's Annual Alive and Free Workshop at Center City, Minn.

Hazelden gives the C.A.R.E (Consistent Activity in Recovery in Education) award to one individual each year for extraordinary service to the Hazelden recovery community.

Brave Heart received the award for his service and commitment to helping those in recovery, according to a Hazelden news release.

He accepted the award on behalf of the Lakota Nation, saying, ``This recognition goes out to all the recovering Native Americans and is a result of the grace offered me by our creator. Sobriety is a gift I have been given by the creator and I'm just giving it back."

Brave Heart, 73, a native of Pine Ridge, completed counselor training at Hazelden in 1973.

Since then, he has worked for school systems in Montana, Wyoming and South Dakota as an administrator and has helped institute chemical dependency programs in schools and on American Indian reservations.

Hazelden officials said Brave Heart has referred roughly 100 people for treatment at Hazelden and has sent approximately 150 educators and other professionals to Hazelden for training in addiction recovery.

He helped start the Hope Lodge halfway house and a chemical dependency program at Loneman School at Oglala. He also directed the employee assistance program and treatment program at Little Wound School at Kyle.

Also during those years, Brave Heart initiated the Circle of Hope program, which gathered reservation school administrators and counselors to share information and resources to combat alcoholism and drug addiction in the schools and the community.

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Picky eaters: limited choices means limited health

BY NATASHA D. BORDEAUX
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Picky eaters are a tough bunch to please.

No onions, tomatoes, only beef (well-done), no chicken-on-the-bone, nothing with garlic, no green stuff, definitely no bison meat, no sea-bugs (shrimp), "I hate fish," "I won't eat Chinese (or any other foreign food)," no frozen vegetables, nothing too crunchy, nothing too mushy, only green bananas, nothing too spicy …

Sheeesh!

We all know someone like that. In fact, on the rez, most people are like that. If it ain't commods or McDonald's it probably won't fly.

Picky eaters take pride in their selectivity. Picky eaters envision themselves as connoisseurs of "only the finest" meals.

I have a niece, who is one of those types of "connoisseurs." She eats macaroni and cheese, ramen noodles, Cheetos and apple juice and not much of anything else. She found what she likes and doesn't care to try anything else.

Picky eaters are the same everywhere. They eat a lot of carbs in the form of breads and pastas, they eat a lot of fat through fried foods and cheeses, they consume a lot of sugar in sweets and sauces like ketchup and the protein they consume usually comes in the form of fatty red meat. The vegetables they eat are few and far between, fitting in wherever their standards can allow, if ever. And their fruit is usually found in the form of juice.

In short, the diet of most picky eaters is poor. They lack the vitamins and minerals that ensure proper brain and body function. They overload their bodies on those nutrients that damage their bodies -- like fat and sugars.

Picky eaters are mostly averted to foods that are "new" or "different" in taste, texture, or smell. But having never tried anything outside their comfort zone, everything is new or different.

I feel sorry for picky eaters. I get so much joy and satisfaction of trying new foods with new textures and new spices. I can't imagine ever eating as simply as some people limit themselves. The world is so much more enticing and pleasant when you see it through the abundance of smells, textures and tastes the world has to offer.

I especially feel sorry for those picky eaters that have found themselves a little or a lot overweight and need to change their diet. They have left themselves so little room to adopt change.

To help those, my first suggestion is to take a multi-vitamin and calcium supplement every day.

Next I would recommend looking at the portion sizes of the foods they do eat and try to see if they can't gradually reduce those sizes to come as close to the recommended serving sizes of each food.

Meat should be the size of a deck of cards, mac and cheese and other pastas should be the size of half a baseball.

Suggestions for healthy change are often to eat more whole grain foods like 100 percent whole grain bread, whole grain cereals, and whole wheat flour; eat low fat dairy products like skim milk, low fat yogurt, and an occasional low-fat cheese; add more lean meats like fish, turkey and chicken breast; add fresh vegetables like green salad, carrots, celery, cucumbers, tomatoes, asparagus, avocados, peppers, eggplant, squash, sweet potatoes, fresh green beans, snap peas, radishes and so on; also add more fresh fruit like grapes, oranges, grapefruit, apples, bananas, star fruit, pomegranates, papaya, strawberries, blackberries, and so on.



All these usual changes recommended toward a healthy diet probably leave the picky eater saying "YUCK!"

So what can they do?

Lean meats are easy to find in the deli. Smoked turkey breast, lean roast beef, lean ham or chicken breast make the beginnings of healthy sandwiches or wraps. Canned tuna, fresh shrimp, tilapia, salmon and many other white fish are also healthy options when baked or steamed.

Another suggestion is to use half the hamburger you usually use in a recipe but make sure you place it in a colander after it is cooked and rinse it with hot water for at least 30 seconds or longer until all the grease is rinsed clear. Then mix the hamburger with ground turkey breast or ground chicken breast that has been browned and broken up.

That will help lighten up some recipes. But remember, adding a ton of cheese on top of lean meat will only add unnecessary fat and calories.

If you must add cheese on a sandwich or on top of pasta use one thin slice or imagine the cheese as three dice and use no more. And familiarize yourself with low-fat cheese as it tastes the same as regular cheese with less fat.

Picky eaters are hard to please. But eating healthy is still possible with a little more work and effort. You have to try more things in different ways and stick with what works.

And parents, just a tip toward ensuring your child's health – you are not being mean by insisting your child eats healthily.

Make sure that you serve a wide variety of fruits and vegetables and insist your child tries (not finishes) everything on his or her plate. That means a full bite -- chewed and swallowed.

This one act could be the deciding factor in your child's lifelong eating habits, and the deciding factor in his or her health.

My recommendation is to experiment. Buy three fruits or vegetables each week that you have never liked or tried.

Prepare them in a healthy way and try them again. I mean really try them – not just one teeny tiny bite that you promptly spit out. I mean actually take a full bite, chew it, taste it and swallow it. If you still don't like it then put it aside for awhile.

After a week or so, try it again. In fact, don't give up on any food until you have prepared it and tried at least five times. If nothing else, you are setting a good example for the children in your life.

Make sure that no matter what you eat at each meal you include a fresh or frozen (not canned) vegetable.

I find that roasting or grilling a vegetable makes them hard to resist. I usually add a little olive oil, cracked pepper and kosher salt.

Most fruit is quite good with a little dip of low-fat yogurt mixed with a touch of honey.

Four-Person Best Ball Fundraiser Golf tournaments May 27

ROSEBUD - South Dakota Native American Indigenous Games Golf Team 2006 will be hosting Four-Person Best Ball Fundraiser Golf Tournaments on May 27 at Spotted Tail Golf Course in Rosebud and on June 10 at Prarie Hills Golf Course in Mission. Shot Gun start at 10 a.m. Entry is $100 per team, $5 mulligans, $10 string. Chipping contest, putting contest, 50/50 raffles and lunch will be available.

Please support the 2006 NAIG Golf Team who will be representing south Dakota at the NAIG tournamaent Held July 5-8, 2006.

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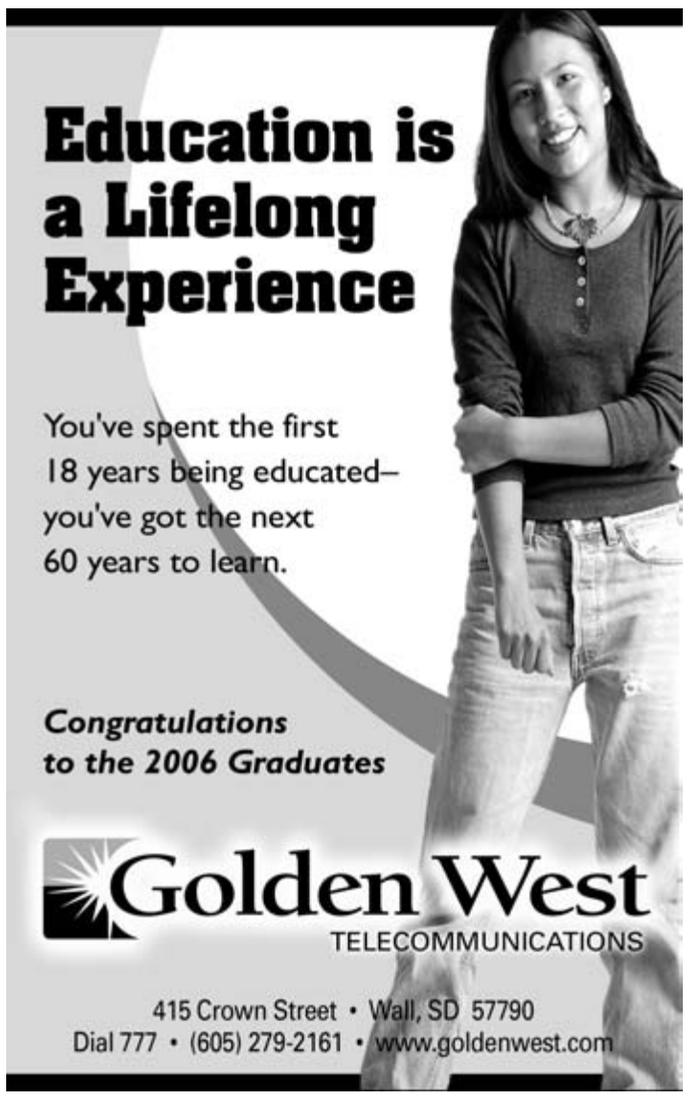
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KYLE - The Little Wound Rodeo School will be held on May 19 and 20 at the Little Wound School. Registration will be held at 9:00 a.m. at the LWS auditorium.

On May 20, the rodeo will begin on 1:00 p.m. The entry fee will be $100.00 per school or $5.00 per student day of rodeo.

The categories will be Sr. bulls, Jr. bulls, Jr. jr. bulls, Sr. saddle bronc riding, Jr. & Sr. bareback, Junior junior, Jr. & Sr. pole bending, Jr. flag racing, Jr. & Sr. goat tying, Junior, junior ribbon roping, Sr. & Jr. (boys & girls) break away, Sr. team roping, Sr. calf roping, Junior junior dummy roping and barrel racing.

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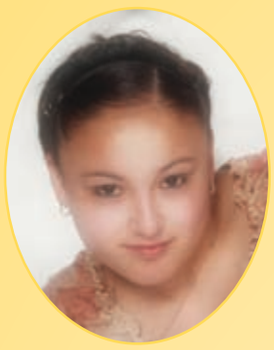
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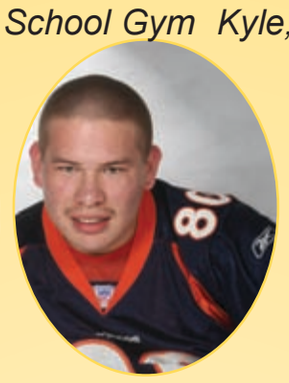
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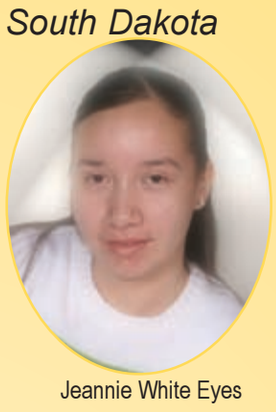
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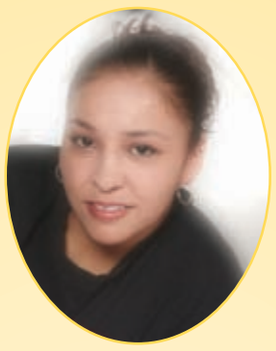

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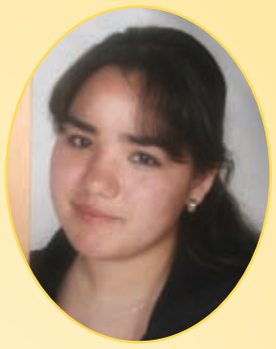

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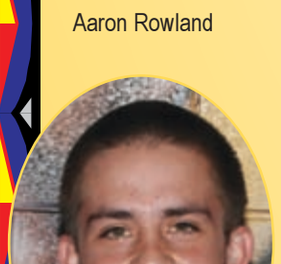

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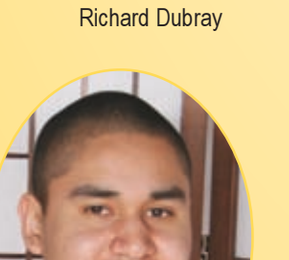

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Sicangu Elderly Concerns to hold 20th annual elder games

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ST. FRANCIS - The Sicangu Elderly Concerns is sponsoring its 20th annual Elder Games at the old track on the campus of St. Francis Indian School.

The event will be held on Saturday, May 20 and will feature four age categories. Elders age 50-59, 60-69, 70-79 and 80 years and over will be competing for prizes in each category with both men and women's categories.

Sicangu medicine man, Roy Stone, will deliver the opening prayer in Lakota, while Richard Standing Bear, President of the Sicangu Elderly Concerns will give an opening address. Guest speakers will include Genevieve White Wing, Sam High Crane, and Phoebe Little Thunder.

Volunteers are needed for this event, which is supported entirely by donations from local businesses and volunteers, according to a press release from the Sicangu Elderly Concerns. The group does not solicit or receive public funds. The event is being announced on KINI FM radio and promises to be an enjoyable event for the Sicangu elders.

Registration will begin at 12:00 noon and the events are scheduled to begin at 1:30 p.m. The events that participants will compete in include a 50 yard walk, 100 yard walk, quarter mile walk 50 yard run, 100 yard run, and a quarter mile run. Horseshoes, softball throw, three legged races, and sack races are scheduled. A traditional Lakota "Shinney" game will be held after the track and field events.

All people over the age of 50 are invited to participate in the elder games; volunteers are also needed for this event and they are to report to the registration table at 12:00 noon. The Sicangu Elderly Concerns makes note of the fact that the age category of 70-79 appear to be the most active and this is indicative of the fact that many elders are not only living longer, but are becoming more healthy and leading a more active lifestyle.

Awards will be presented at the end of the days events. All ages are invited to attend and honor the Sicangu elders. The sponsors are not responsible for accidents or loss and no alcohol and drugs will be allowed at the event.

The elder games have been an annual event that has seen the participation of many Sicangu elders over the years.

It is a fun time as the younger Lakota people are able to witness their parents and grandparents having a fun outing while socializing with others whom they may have not seen in a while.

For more information call Chris Horvath, event coordinator at 856-2547 or Genevieve White Wing at 747-2657.



Tom Daschle at Pine Ridge during the 2004 election.

Daschle to keynote Indian journalism fundraiser

RAPID CITY - As the fundraiser for the Native American Journalists Foundation, Inc. draws near former U. S. Senator Tom Daschle is looking forward to his visit to Rapid City.

He said, "I am really looking forward to this event. First, because it is such an important cause. And second, because Tim Giago has been a remarkable force in Native American Journalism. This is one way for all of us to recognize his historic contribution."

Daschle will be the keynote speaker at the event to be held on June 6 at the Prairie Edge Trading Post in downtown Rapid City.

The date chosen for the even happens to coincide with the elections to be held that day. It will take place from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.

The fundraiser hopes to bring in the money to provide journalism scholarships and summer internships to Native American students interested in pursuing a career in the media.

The president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, Cecelia Fire Thunder will speak at the event and nationally famous hoop dancer, Jackie Bird, will perform.

The young drummers and singers from the Wildcats of the Todd County Schools will also perfom.

Christy Tibbitts, the Executive Director of the Native American Journalists Foundation, Inc., said, "Mr. Giago has given the last 35 years of his life to opening doors for Native Americans to get involved in the media. He built the largest Indian owned newspaper in America right here in Rapid City and after he sold it and resigned he decided to use his free time to create job opportunities for Native Americans in the media."

She continued, "This fundraiser will help our foundation provide scholarships for Indian students and to give some of the lucky ones a chance to actually work for several weeks in the summer at a local newspaper or at a television or radio station.

"There are not only opportunities for young Indian journalists in the mainstream media, but also at Indian newspapers and radio stations all over the west.

'All most of the students need is the opportunity to get through the door that has been closed to them for so long."

Prue, Lantz and Mack receive Combat Action Badge
Ceremony held at National Guard Armory

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

WINNER - Sicangu tribal members SGT Claude Prue, and SSG Charles Mack were awarded the "Combat Action Badge" which was authorized by the Secretary of the Army a year ago. Brian Lanz of St. Francis was also awarded the badge. Prue is from Okreek and Mack is from Mission. The three were with Detachment 1; Company A, 153 rd Battalion of the South Dakota National Guard based in Winner.

Their unit served in Iraq from February 2004-2005 and were attached to the 10th Mountain Light Infantry Brigade and hunted for roadside bombs in armored vehicles.

They found over 55 roadside bombs and more than 122 rounds which they destroyed.

Mack's 1st platoon was attacked by a group of 30 Iraqui insurgents on April 12, 2004 and were able to successfully repel the enemy which fired mortars, rocket propelled grenades, small arms fire and roadside bombs.

Specialist Lanz was in the same ambush with the 2d platoon and heard the 1st platoon's call for assistance. The four vehicle convoy was acted as a Quick Reaction Force and was able to help repel the enemy.

SGT Prue was taking part in a route clearance mission and acting as a security element for the 1st platoon.

A roadside bomb or IED (improved explosive device) exploded and disabled the truck Prue was riding in. It was the same attack in which Sgt. Dennis Morgan of Valentine, NE was killed.

The award ceremony was held at the Winner National Guard armory on May 6. Prue also received the Meritorious Service Medal for serving in the SD National Guard for over 20 years.

The Combat Action Badge is one which is awarded to any soldier and the criteria is that the, "Soldier must be performing assigned duties in an area where hostile fire pay or imminent danger pay is authorized. Soldiers must be personally present and actively engaging or being engaged by the enemy, and performing satisfactorily in accordance with the prescribed rules of engagement."

The Combat Action Badge is a silver badge that is two inches in width with a bayonet and a grenade.

Until a year ago, other U.S. Army personnel with certain military occupational specialties in the medical or infantry area could earn either the Combat Infantry Badge or the Combat Medical Badge, but neither one was deemed appropriate for those with other specialties, e.g. combat engineers and was not awarded to them.

The Combat Action Badge may be earned by U.S. Armed Forces personnel and foreign soldiers assigned to a U.S. Army unit, however, the unit assigned to must be not be one that would qualify a soldier for a CIB or CMB.

Captain Gregory Darlow, the Company A commander, emceed the award ceremony. He said, "In keep with the spirit of the Warrior Ethos, the Combat Action Badge provides special recognition to soldiers who personally engage the enemy." Major General Gorman concluded the ceremony by noting, "I cannot say enough how much you make me proud of this job and this country, thanks you."





Left: Claude Prue of Okreek and (left) Charles Mack at the National Guard Armory in Winner. Major General Micheal Gorman stands to the right.

Reconciliation center funding at issue

FORT PIERRE, S.D. (AP) - The state's congressional delegation is trying to secure more federal money for an American Indian reconciliation center being built near Fort Pierre, said Sen. Tim Johnson, D-S.D.

The project had been getting about $2 million a year in federal funds, but there is no money for it in the latest presidential budget.

Reconciliation center officials have requested the final $10.5 million for the project, which has been authorized by Congress but not provided.

The building will display tribal history, art and culture. It also will house an economic development center and possibly a Sioux Nation Supreme Court.

Meade County commission decision may be challenged

STURGIS, S.D. (AP) - The attorney for a group challenging a beer license for a campground biker bar near Bear Butte says the Meade County Commission's decision to reject petitions calling for a public vote on the issue will not stand up in court.

The South Dakota Supreme Court has struck down similar moves by county commissioners in the past, said Bruce Ellison.

American Indians and some rural neighbors of Bear Butte circulated a petition last month to put the liquor license issue on the ballot. The Meade County Commission decided it was an administrative decision that is not subject to a public vote.

Groups have protested campgrounds, bars and other commercial operations that are being located two to three miles from Bear Butte during the Sturgis motorcycle rally. They say the noise and activity interferes with their religious activities at the Butte.

OST Veterans Pow wow set for June 8 to 11

PINE RIDGE- June 8-11 will be the dates of the "2006 All Veterans Pow-wow." There will be a contest in all categories with a royalty contest and honoring of committee members. There will be flag raising each day with specials held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily with the dance contests to be held in the afternoons and evenings.

All soldiers pictures and flags are welcome to be included in a special roll call and honoring of all active military and recent veterans.

Day money will be paid and an evening warm up session will be held on June 8 with a parade on June 10 at 11 a.m.

For more information call Joe Brown Eyes at 605-867-2522, Bryan Brewer at 867-5344, Iva Good Voice Flute or Lillian Tobacco at 867-1380. Concession space is available with showers and camping also available. For the royalty contest call Ben Lenard at 867-5151 ext. 13 (daytime.)

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OST special session scheduled for May 18

PINE RIDGE - There will be a Special Session of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council on Thursday, May 18 at the council chambers.

The agenda includes interview and selection of three vacant prosecutors positions.

An amendment to OST Resolution 96-638 contracting the BIA criminal Investigations Department policies.

Approving the the OST Department of Public Safety Criminal Investigations department policies.

Appoving the OST DPS organizational chart. For more information contact Rhonda Two Eagle, secretary at 867-5821, ext. 268 or fax 867-2609.

Red Shirt School nearly complete

RED SHIRT (AP) - A twin-domed school being built at Red Shirt, on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, is nearly finished.

The building will replace four mobile units that have been used for some 30 years.

The old Red Shirt School now has about 50 children, but the new school was built to accommodate 120 students in kindergarten through eighth grade.

Officials say more students can attend in the fall because daily bus routes are being extended.

The school also is considering the addition of ninth grade.

Rosebud Sioux Tribe Education Department

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- *Truancy Intervention Services (Pre-K-12 Schools & Families)*
- *Technology Education Centers (St. Francis/Parmelee/Antelope/White River area)*
- *Higher Education Scholarship Program*

Supreme Court rejects tribal land case

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Supreme Court refused Monday to consider whether the state of New York owed an Indian tribe about $250 million in a dispute over the seizure of tribal land.

Justices had been asked to consider a decision by the New York-based 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals that dismissed the Cayuga Nation's 26-year-old land claim for several reasons, including the passage of time and the tribe's long delay in seeking relief.

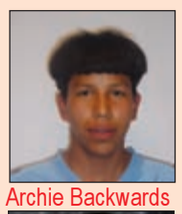
A federal judge ruled in 1994 that New York state illegally acquired 64,015 acres of tribal land in Seneca and Cayuga counties in the late 1700s and early 1800s by entering into invalid treaties with the Cayugas.

A jury awarded the two tribes $37 million in damages in 2000 for the land's current worth and the loss of two centuries of fair market rental value. The judge added $211 million in interest.

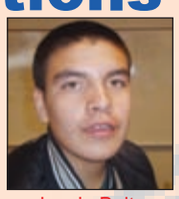
Solicitor General Paul Clement told justices that if the appeals court decision is not thrown out, ``it will leave the United States and the affected tribes without any remedy for violations of law that, while `ancient,' were indisputably `grave.'"

New York lawyers had urged justices to reject separate appeals from the Bush administration and the tribe, saying it is 200 years too late for the claims.

Congratulations Pine Ridge Kindergarten & Middle School


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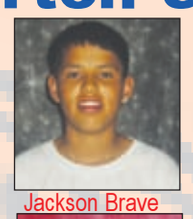

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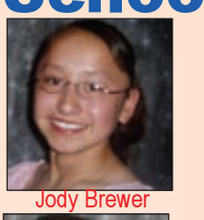

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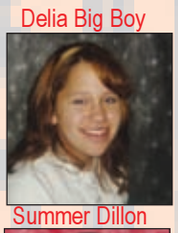

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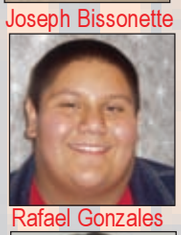

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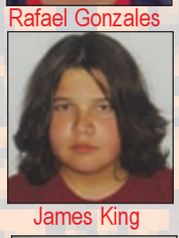

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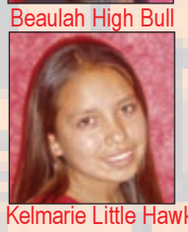

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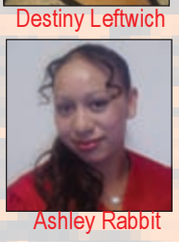

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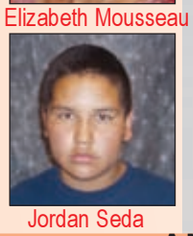

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Trayton O'John

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Gia Apple, Denisha Red Cloud, Lessanes Goings, Roger Bettelyoun, Teresa Colhoff
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Tianna Akers, Brianna Goings, Tiara Mesteth, Krystal Bear Robe, Allan Smith, Larrel Black Elk, Jymie Behan, Croc Lopez
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Not pictured:
Christopher Brown, Esther Red Nest, Tommi Red Feather

Counting up what Indians are owed

BY JOHN HEILPRIN
Associated Press Writer

LENEXA, Kan. — Seventy feet beneath the prairie, the government is filling limestone caverns — protected by guards and a bomb-sniffing dog — with truckloads of American Indians' financial and cultural records.

What is ground zero for an accounting that will take seven years and cost $335 million owes its existence to a bitter class-action lawsuit brought against the Interior Department a decade ago. Still, it's only a short version of the historical accounting that Indians demanded but no longer want, because they do not think it can be done properly.

The Indians say the government mismanaged a trust in their names for 120 years and now owes them tens of billions of dollars.

The dispute dates to 1887, when Congress made the Interior Department the trustee for 145 million acres of Indian lands. Indians were supposed to benefit, but the government gave most of the land to white settlers.

Today, the department manages 10 million acres of trust land for individual Indians and 46 million acres for tribes. In 1996, the Indians sued to reconcile their historical accounts. The Indians, and Congress, demanded an audit. The Indians may be owed a century's worth of grazing rents, oil and gas royalties and timber sales from the land, plus interest.

Both the Indians and the Interior Department agree $13 billion was collected between 1909 and 2001.

The Indians had claimed the unpaid interest could be more than $150 billion, but have offered to drop the whole thing if the government coughs up $27.5 billion. They would spread the money among individual Indian accountholders, about one-fifth of the 2.5 million Indians now living in the U.S., mainly in the West.

No way, the Bush administration replied, saying the government all along has forwarded most of the rents and royalties to tribes and individual Indians."It could be just $30 million that's owed to the Indians," said Ross Swimmer, the department's special trustee for Indians. He also is a member of Oklahoma's Cherokee Nation.

During a tour of the Kansas cave, Swimmer and other department officials were eager to show that many more Indian records exist than people realize. They also wanted to demonstrate their ability to check the accuracy of financial transactions with Indians.

"They're finally going to get their accounting," Swimmer said. "For once we've gotten something right for the Indians."

In an irony befitting an "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland" legal war, the government is relying on the Indian-demanded accounting — actually, it's a statistical sampling — to come up with figures that Indians claim low-ball what they are owed.

"It's a number in the m's, not the b's," said Fritz Scheuren, who oversees the department's sampling. Scheuren was president of the American Statistical Association last year.

The Indians who sued say now that too many records have been destroyed to come up with an accurate figure. Before 1990, the Treasury Department routinely destroyed the Indian trust's canceled checks, and court documents attest to numerous destroyed records.

"The documents that the government has preserved are a fraction of those that have been lost and destroyed," said Dennis Gingold, a lawyer for the Indians. "Massive hard copy and electronic destruction ... make the accounting legally and factually impossible."

The Indians' biggest ally is U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth, a former Reagan administration official whose strongly worded rulings condemn the Interior Department.

After nine years presiding over the case, Lamberth concluded last July that the agency is a "pathetic outpost" that has bungled its fiduciary duty.

"For those harboring hope that the stories of murder, dispossession, forced marches, assimilationist policy programs, and other incidents of cultural genocide against the Indians are merely the echoes of a horrible, bigoted government-past that has been sanitized by the good deeds of more recent history, this case serves as an appalling reminder of the evils that result when large numbers of the politically powerless are placed at the mercy of institutions engendered and controlled by a politically powerful few," the judge wrote.

Not surprisingly, the department wants Lamberth removed from the case and a different judge assigned.

Down the rabbit hole, tractor trailers disappear into an obscure grassy knoll just off the Prairie Star Parkway. The cave, in an industrial park a half hour southwest of Kansas City, offers few indications it houses a semi-secretive government facility.

After several minutes of driving through the dark, a faint dankness and dust fill the nostrils. Pocked walls climb into shadow. Painters have brightened them, like gardeners painting red roses white.

In dimly lit parking spaces, trucks disgorge box after box of documents to be catalogued, computerized and stashed away.

Two years and $120 million into the accounting, the archive has amassed 140,000 boxes with 300 million pages of old leases, bills, ledgers, account statements, school records, maps, letters and black-and-white photographs.

In a space the size of Kansas City's 79,451-seat Arrowhead Stadium, boxes extend close to the ceiling and down aisles so long they fade into the caverns — reminiscent of the fate met by Indiana Jones' recovered ark.

"People come in and ask, 'Where is the Lost Ark?'" said Jeffrey Zippin, deputy director of the Interior Department's Office of Historical Trust Accounting.

The shelves are coated with an electrostatically charged powder to resist corrosion or chemical action. The air in the painted cavern walls is kept at 60 degrees and 40 percent humidity. High-efficiency air filters catch 99 percent of all microscopic particles.

The facility is leased for $900,000 a month from Minneapolis-based Meritex Enterprises Inc. Its security and climate controls are matched only by the National Archives in Washington, D.C., and an annex in College Park, Md.

The cavern teems with a small army of federal contractors — five accounting firms and 15 other businesses — assisting about a dozen Interior and National Archives employees. Thirty students at Haskell Indian Nations University, in nearby Lawrence, use the documents for training.

It is closed to all but federal workers, contractors, Indian tribal representatives and researchers; privacy laws protect the names of living accountholders.

The boxes come from about 100 of the department's Bureau of Indian Affairs offices and from National Archives' record centers. At a nondescript warehouse nearby, 100 workers sort through the boxes and log their contents into computers.

The records are an eclectic mix: 1943 photographs of Navajo women cooking; a handwritten appeal from a Great Plains Indian for compensation because some of his cattle died; and a 16-page list of Sioux Indians killed and wounded — Black Moon, Sore Eyes Woman and Afraid of Left Hand, among them — on Dec. 29, 1890 at Wounded Knee, S.D.

Some boxes are tattered, faded or water-damaged. A few were decontaminated because of animal droppings.

Concerns about the how the trust accounts are managed are almost as old as the trust itself.

In 1915, the Joint Commission of Congress on Indian Funds warned of "fraud, corruption and institutional incompetence almost beyond the possibility of comprehension." In 1928, the Interior Department found Indian trust data unreliable and almost useless. Dozens of other scathing reports followed.

Finally, in 1994, Congress demanded that the department fulfill an obligation to account for money received and disbursed. A year later when account statements still had not been reconciled, Elouise Cobell of the Blackfeet Indian tribe in Montana joined with the Boulder, Colo.-based Native American Rights Fund and others in suing.



A worker enters the American Indian Records Repository in Lenexa, Kan., Friday, Feb. 24, 2006. Seventy feet beneath the prairie, the government is filling limestone caverns protected by guards and a bomb-sniffing dog with American Indian memory by the truckload. What is ground zero for an accounting that will take seven years and cost $335 million before it's through owes its existence to a bitter class-action lawsuit brought against the Interior Department a decade ago. (AP Photo/Orlin Wagner)

"Fractionalization" of accounts is a major obstacle in managing the trust. As ownership of the 160-acre and smaller land parcels transferred from generation to generation, proceeds from the trust accounts had to be divided among more and more descendants. Department officials say 90 percent of the transactions are for less than $100.

"In every category it has cost us more to find the errors than the total amount of the errors we found," said departing Interior Secretary Gale Norton. "When you consider that we have millions of transactions under $1, you're spending $3,500 to find out if we handled $1 correctly."

Norton's plan for the accounting includes checking half the 57 million transactions and one-quarter of the $5 billion at stake between 1985 and 2000.

"We don't have every single record of every single transaction that has occurred since the 1800s. We certainly do have enough records to do a complete accounting," she said.

Accountants are examining nearly all financial transactions over $100,000 in the 1985-2000 window. That represents $276 million — or about 5 percent of the money at stake from those years. Also being checked is nearly every payment an Indian tribe made to its members or resulted from a suit or settlements. They total $784 million — or about 16 percent of the transactions.

An additional 4 percent of the money — 19 million transactions, most for less than $1 — is considered interest. That represents about $177 million. All those transactions are checked, too.

For the other half of the transactions — three-quarters of the $5 billion at stake — the department uses statistical sampling to the check the accuracy. It's a method the Indians and Lamberth rejected, but a federal appeals court approved for use as a tool. The courts must sign off on any final accounting.

After 10 years of battling in court, no one knows how much was collected or paid out to the Indians.

"The previous administration as well as ourselves tried in good faith to tackle this problem. It was a much larger undertaking than anyone imagined," Norton said. Early in her tenure, Norton half-joked about how she divided her time. "Indian trust, Indian trust and Indian trust," she told The Associated Press.

Geoffrey Rempel, an accountant working for the Indian plaintiffs, said the evidence is undisputed that trust records were destroyed over the past century, so there is no way officials can claim to have enough of them for a proper accounting.

"All they're doing is matching bad documents to bad documents, showing you what they want you to see," he said. "People would be thrown in jail if they audited banks like this. This is completely unacceptable — unless it's for the Indians."

Most people agree the only acceptable solution will come from Congress.

Senate Indian Affairs Committee Chairman John McCain, R-Ariz., and House Resources Committee Chairman Richard Pombo, R-Calif., oversaw a recent hearing to find the quickest and fairest way to end the dispute.

Experts urged them to study the legal arguments — then arbitrarily pick a settlement figure.

Stuart Eizenstat, a former deputy Treasury secretary in the Clinton administration, believes Congress should create a settlement commission to process claims, similar to the reparations made after World War II.

"It would be a disaster to go back to court. It would just resign the Indians to another decade of fruitless litigation," he told the AP. "This cries out for an administrative, rough justice solution."

Eizenstat negotiated the historic agreement with Switzerland's two largest banks to pay Holocaust survivors $1.25 billion. He said Congress should pick a figure that errs on the side of overpaying to handle both accounting claims and anticipated claims from Indians challenging how the government actually managed the lands.

"You presume that if the records weren't there, it's because of mismanagement," he said. "If they themselves as trustees mishandled records, then they have to handle the burden."

Even Swimmer, who wants Congress to give the department some "clear direction on its responsibilities," agrees with the concept of a big, somewhat arbitrary payout.

"Just pick a number," he told the AP. "It's reparations, not repayment."

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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

Good Afternoon, you might remember me we talked a few times. I just have a few questions, the first question is my marriage in trouble? How long will this last? What do you see in my future? Is it gonna get better? I am worried about my son will he get out of the situation that he is in?

I am having a hard time dealing with a lot of things in my life and I just needed some guidance from someone and I thought of you. Please give me something to look forward to. Does my life get any better?

Worried and confused in Kyle

Dear Worried and Confused:

Yes, bless your heart, things are getting better. Right now on the earth we have entered into a new "vibration" or a merging of realities that is creating a time of immediate manifestation. Simply put: we are now in a time when things manifest in our lives very quickly. That includes the good, the bad and the ugly.

Whatever our strongest belief is will determine what we "draw" towards us. Problems that have been issues before will advance rapidly into our lives until we finally lay them down - or just plain let them go. Your marriage is not in trouble - per se.It has its moments of vast frustration as the two of you don't always speak the same language and your husband is preoccupied and crabby relating to his work. He feels that nobody is listening to him, his constructive approaches and his understandings. He carries that home with him where he also has decided that nobody really cares about what he thinks - just what they think.

You are reflecting similar behavior right back at him. Neither of you feels listened to or considered. This lays the ground work for battle. Let him be crabby for awhile, give an even effort to listening to what he isn't saying, and don't take his unhappiness so personally. Your marriage will survive and be okay - unless you get so angry (watch hormones) that you decide that he has a personal mission to destroy you and make your life miserable (which he doesn't). He loves you, he's just out of "sorts"...and unfortunately nobody knows which store sells those to people who are out.

Your son - well yes, he will eventually be out of his mess. It will take a while, and he has to "face the music." So, he has kind of a hard time in front of him, but in the long run it may have a positive impact upon him. He too is manifesting just exactly what he has the most faith in: distrust, dishonor and sour motives. Currently he doesn't even trust you. Let him be, pray for him, he will be fine and when everything is said and done, he really is a good man and will live a good life.

Look forward to a trip with two family members. The three of you (and maybe one or two children) will be heading southwest for a journey of fun and sun. Visit the Anasazi, visit the high plains and take a walk in Canyon DeChey. I also see a phone call that brings you between $350 and $500 dollars.

Good phone call. I also see some time with horses, new shoes, a new recliner and a repair on the front of your house. Life will get easier.

Dear Anna,

I am just wondering if my cousin likes my boyfriend and if he likes her? I'm really concerned because of the way she flirts and flaunts herself when we are around.

Maybe I'm a little jealous but I know that she was with my sister's man intimately but my sister doesn't know. Should I trust my man and does he love me enough not to do the same thing? I thank you for all your help.

Troubled in Love

Dear Troubled in Love:

You are nobody's fool - and your boyfriend does love you but he is not made of concrete. It takes a strong willed and disciplined man not to follow a woman who throws herself at him. Your boyfriend does not want to hurt you or ruin your relationship but he is young and might I add, stupid enough to believe that he can maybe get away with it. He is not planning to "go after" her in anyway, but she has her eyes on him.

For her, it is a low self-esteem driven issue. She doesn't really "want" your man as a life mate, she just wants to know that she has just as much power as you seem to have over him, she wants to seduce him, and then have that "secret" with him. It is about power over you. You can warn your boyfriend - and sometimes that works, but generally it doesn't. Don't encourage too much time with your cousin - instead introduce her to somebody who is very hard to get and very good looking.

It might turn her head for awhile, but she is very wiley, and off balance emotionally. Love and conquest are not the same thing, and just because a woman can get a man to bed doesn't mean he even likes her. If your cousin were writing me I would advise her to seek counseling, for she is headed down a path that will label her the "destroyer" and she won't have a friend in the world, for no one will trust her.

You should trust your man right now because he loves you, but also pray for him. He doesn't want to bring any harm to you or your relationship, he has decided that he really does love you. But, here comes the but, he is a man, and he is young, and a naked woman is a hard choice, and the wrong choice. Tell your cousin you don't care what she tells you, you know what she's doing and you don't like it.

You can tell her she can have any man she wants, but yours is off limits, and that if she takes a real honest look at her behavior she'll have to call it what it is: flirting in a dangerous way. Women that behave differently around women than they do men are flirting. Simple, direct and truthful. Let her bare the burden for her own work. Blessings to you.

Dear Anna,

I had a question concerning my girlfriend. She seems to be overly possessive and I'm not going to lie, I can be that way too, but it just doesn't seem like we'll be together in the long run.

We seem to fight a lot and I think it will be our end if this keeps happening. Another thing, I don't want it to end badly, is there someone for her, who she would be better with, also, is there someone for me? Lately I've been having difficulty getting my priorities straight, with college and everything, do you see anything bright in my future?

Concerned for girlfriend

Dear Concerned:

I'm gonna write a song, and it's gonna go like this:

If there's trouble in her (his) eyes
The heart becomes insane
Jealousy is not your love
It shows no fairness only pain.

Jeasousy becomes your reason
The kin unto your soul's desire
It springs from darkness evil traitor
And fuels only destructive fire

Jealousy is a pattern of thinking similiar to addiction. A little insecurity goes a long way in this world, and it is a destoyer. It is a reflection of the inability to control another in every waking moment, and the lack of trust that if someone is not under your control they are not trustworthy. I would never want to marry someone that I could not trust with my life.

You are correct, you will break up. It may be okay for you but you can't fix her, and she believes in suffering, and that every relationship that doesn't work out is in fact a tragedy. The truth is very much simpler: things don't work out because they are not supposed to.

Your future is bright. I see law or the legal side of things. I see rules, regulations and working within that realm. You are a good person, strong morally and vibrant spiritually.

Your life will be good. You are pretty young to have all of your life figured out right now, so be a little more patient with yourself and stretch your imagination some. If you knew exactly what you were going to be for the rest of your life right now, what would you do with the rest of your life? We learn as we go and grow.

Dear Anna,

I read your articles every Friday and I see how you help people. Well let me tell you a little something about what's going on with me; I've been seeing this guy for a couple months now and neither of our families like each other and they don't want us together . My family's been telling me things that this guy I'm seeing is saying bad things about me and seeing someone else behind my back. Is it true?

He says he wants me to be with him and have his baby. He has a baby from someone else and he says they're just friends but they are together all the time and it makes me feel mad, I think they are back together and everyone tells me they are.

Could they be back together? I have feelings for him its just that people are telling me things back and I don't know what to do. Do you think it is going to work out between us? Should I just stay away and move on?

Confused
Dear Confused:

You got it honey, move on. Almost every young man on and off the rez seems to tell his girl-friend that he wants her to have his baby. It is an epidemic of stupidity. They really don't want to be fathers with all that entails: supporting the mother and the baby, being there, no partying, working to improve your life and the life and future of your child, taking care of a baby by changing diapers, feeding, walking, taking to the doctor...responsibility, responsibility, responsibility. What they do want, it seems, is to leave their permanent mark. Hickies, a temporary mark, at least go away after a few days - but a baby doesn't.

The proper order is: friends, lovers, time time time time time, marriage, baby. It used to be marriage and then lovers but I am more realisitc than that. He is back with his ex, now and then anyway. She has his baby and believe me it hasn't improved her life any except for the love of the child.

Children are sacred, and they are forever, and they shouldn't be bartering material in a territorial war. They also should not be used as pawns to hold onto or create a relationship. Children should not be byproducts of a territorial claim, they do not prove that you love somebody, and anyone that ever asks you to "prove" your love isn't worth your love. Having a baby is something that a couple should do together, not the woman alone begging her lover to show up now and then. Don't get me started.

You will find another boyfriend. Do yourself a favor, and don't go out with men that would not be a good husband, or quit looking at every man as though he might be your future husband. Relax, have fun and don't commit for awhile. The real love is coming, but it takes about three years.

Blessings to you.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication.

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Lakota Crossword Puzzle

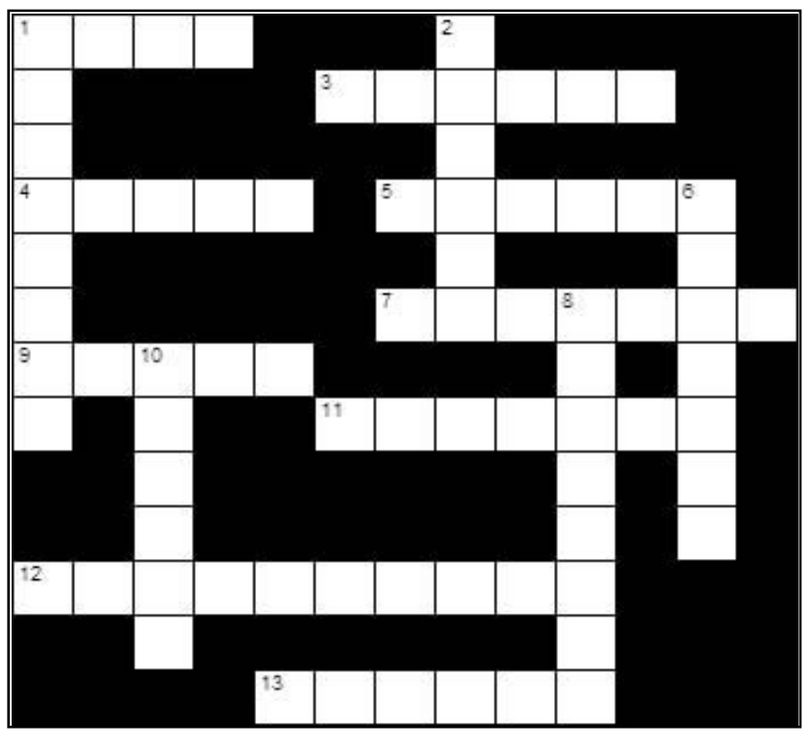
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

1. cold
3. crawling
4. in a strong way
5. shuffling along
7. done
9. mucus in the nose
11. birthplace
12. new shirt
13. he is strong

Down

1. caught
2. when
6. school
8. I know
10. bells
9. out



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Rudy E. Lawrence, 4 months .....Pine Ridge
Vincent L. Ground Spider, 78.....Oglala
Charlotte Lakota-Two Bull, 68 ..... Pine Ridge
Collins Blindman, 58.....Oglala
Cory Wallace Holy, 18.....Bridger

Rudy E. Lawrence

PINE RIDGE - Rudy E. Lawrence, 4 month old infant, died May 13 at the Pine Ridge Hospital from an auto accident.

Survivors include Courtney Lawrence of Pine Ridge; maternal grandparents Valerie Brewer, Pine Ridge; Fred "Bud" Lawrence, Sioux Falls; paternal great grandparents Sidney and Maryanne Witt, Pine Ridge; maternal great grandparents Christine Wheeler, Pine Ridge; Kenneth Pairie of Rapid City.

A wake service starts 3 p.m. Wednesday, May 17 at the

Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Pine Ridge.

Funeral services are 10 a.m. Thursday, May 18 at Sacred Heart Church

Officiating will be Rev. Steve Sanford with burial at the Holy Rosary Catholic Cemetery, Pine Ridge.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Vincent L. Ground Spider

OGLALA - Vincent L. Ground Spider, 78, Oglala, died Saturday, May 13, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Survivors include one brother, Joseph Ground Spider, Sturgis; and three sisters, Mary Warrior, Oglala, Christine Red Cloud and Joyce Fisherman, both of Pine Ridge. Wake services begin at 1 p.m. Thursday, May 18, at Wakpamni CAP Office in Wakpamni. Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, May 19, at Wakpamni CAP Office, with the Rev. Rhoda Mesteth officiating. Burial will be at Holy Cross Episcopal Cemetery in Pine Ridge. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.

Charlotte Lakota-Two Bull

PINE RIDGE - Charlotte Lakota-Two Bull, 68, No. Four Community, Pine Ridge, died Monday, May 15, 2006, at her home. Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge.

Collins Blindman

OGLALA - Collins W. Blindman, 58, Oglala, died Monday, May 8, , in Oglala. He served in the U.S. Army. Survivors include one son, Isaac Running Shield, Oglala; five daughters, Kathryn Blindman, Georgette Blindman, Rose Blindman and Tina Merdanian, all of Oglala, and Wydene High Pine, Pine Ridge; one brother, Wayne Romero, Billings, Mont.; two sisters, Loretta Romero and Bernice Romero, both of Billings, Mont.; and eight grandchildren. A two-night wake services was May 11, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall in Oglala. Funeral services were Saturday, May 13, at the hall, with the Rev. Peter Klink officiating and traditional Lakota services by Charles Spotted Thunder and Richard Broken Nose. Burial was at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Cemetery in Oglala. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Corey Wallace Holy

BRIDGER - Corey Wallace Holy, 18, Bridger, died Tuesday, May 9, at IHS Hospital in Eagle Butte from injuries received in an automobile accident. Wake services were Sunday, May 14, at Takini School in Howes. Funeral services were Monday, May 15, at the school. Burial was Monday at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge is in charge of arrangements.

In memory of Velma Rose Janis

Happy Memorial
Mothers Day

Mom, just want you to know I am thinking of you and miss you, I wish you were still here.

Love forever, your daughter Alyce

Happy Memorial Day to our grandma in heaven.

Grandma we miss you and wish you were still here with us, There will never be another grandma like, you were the best.

In memory of Rebecca Cottier-Apple

Happy Memorial
Mothers Day

I thought of you so much this past week during the Mother's Day festivities, your strength and your love.

I admired your strength so much in how you were such a wonderful mother.

You were a good mother and taught your daughters how to be strong and in turn I tried to teach my daughters that too.

Now my sons need me and I need to teach my sons that strength you gave us, when I think of you, I know I can do it because I have you in me.

You will always be in my heart.

Your daughter, Amanda Rose

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REMOVAL AND PREVENTION OF BLACK MOLD

EFFECTS OF BLACK MOLD:

Here is the answer to keeping "Black Mold" under control, because Black Mold has been around a long time. If left untreated, dampness in a home or basement can rot wood, peel paint and promote rust and mildew.

FIND THE SOURCE:

Here is a simple test to determine if dampness is caused by seepage or excessive humidity in the home. Cut several 12-inch squares of aluminum foil, tape them in various spots on the floor and walls and seal the edges lightly. If moisture collects between the foil and the surface even after several days, waterproof the interior walls.

PREVENTING FURTHER DAMAGE:

If moisture forms on the surface of the foil, take the following steps to further prevent damage to structure. To alleviate excessive humidity, close windows on humid days. If structure is poorly ventilated, install an exhaust fan. Vent clothes dryer to outside to emit moisture. Another alternative is using a dehumidifier, especially during summer months when humidity is high. Treat wall with epoxy-based water proofing paint or masonry sealer (Properly clean walls with mildew cleaner before application.)

MAKE YOUR OWN TREATMENT:

You can make your own mildew treatment by mixing 1 quart of chlorine bleach, 1 tablespoon of laundry detergent with 3 quarts of warm water. Scrub the Black Mold stained surface with the solution and allow it to work until the discoloration vanishes, rinse thoroughly and allow surface to dry.

SAFETY MEASURES:

As a precautionary measure, put the solution in a spray bottle and label it accordingly for that specific purpose. Be sure to wear goggles, rubber gloves and protective clothing when using mold and mildew solution.

VENTILATION

Never allow solution to come in contact with carpet or fabrics and clean the shoes you wear before walking across carpet surface. Apply solution in a well-ventilated area and make sure that your exhaust fan works in your bathroom. When bathing or cooking, make sure ventilation fans are in place to prevent excessive moisture and keep interior environment dry at all times.

PREVENTTIVE MAINTENANCE:

Don't block fresh air vents in your house. Structures need fresh air to keep the air circulation in your house clean and dry. When weather is warm and dry, open any windows near trouble spots to allow dampness that may be in your house to dry.

SEASONAL CHANGES:

In the winter months keep the thermostat set on 70 degrees Fahrenheit, as dampness is related to higher temperatures. Make sure all water pipes in the basement and crawl spaces are properly insulated to prevent moisture build up. Another measure is to make sure double-paned windows are properly installed to prevent cold moist air from structures.

REVIEW

By determining the source of moisture buildup and addressing areas of dampness, homeowners can Black Mold by taking a few simple precautionary steps. Identifying trouble spots and adjusting to seasonal changes can improve your living conditions and lessen the chance of mold and mildew buildup. The answer to keeping your home free of mold and mildew is to maintain a dry and well-ventilated environment to prevent to growth and spread of Black Mold.

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Happy Mother's Day to all the Mothers in Manderson, Wounded Knee, and through out the Rez. A special Mother's Day to my adopted Mom 'Liz' (Camo Queen) Chase Alone from you know who out here in Manderson. Thank You.

I would like to say Happy Mother's Day to a special person in my life, Maxine June Mesteth. I'll always love & care for you a lot. Hope Everything in our life works out as we planned. "I love you always." Coming from you know who, baby Camo Queen.

I would like to wish my mother Cleone Ice a Happy Mother's Day. With love, Dave Rowland, Sr.

Happy Mother's Day Mom. We love you so much. Rena, Emily & David

To: DelphineMuch love to my Mom. Stay strong. From: Sunni D.

Happy 3d Birthday to DeAnthony Joseph DeSersa on May 3d. Hope you have fun. You're getting big. Love, Mom.

Happy Birthday to my little big bro. David Joseph Rowland. Keep your head up and keep reaching for the stars. Gussto

I want to say Happy Birthday to Quentin Emery on May 2. From your wife Bernice Emery and Kids, Janis, Steph, Jonathan. We love you.

I would like to wish a Happy Mother's Day out to my home girls, Autumn H-W, Brianne BB, Erika A.H. Jolita M, Genola R, Jennifer R, Mabel C, Rochelle C, Kim J, Latoya CA,Charity J, and whomever I forgot. Much love, Emily R.

Happy Mother's Day to our mom Alyce. Mom you're the best and coolest mom around. Thanks for putting up with us. Your bratz, Shanay, Shantay and your baby boy Jordan.

I would like to say Happy Mother's Day to my autie, Dorothy Sun Bear, Vikki Left Hand, Anita Rowland, Cheryl Chase, Wendy Chase, Diane Chase, Joyce Jack, Bonnie White Butterfly, Karen White Butterfly, Ethel American Horse. Hugs and Kisses. Rena Marie.

I would like to say Happy Mother's Day to all my girls. Cousins, Jennifer Rowland, Rochelle Cheyenne, Mabel Cheynenne, Sherry Rowland, Jolene Rowland, Gaylene

Happy Mother's Day to my niece. Lauretta "Kizzy" Two Hearts. Take care of that crazy little man of yours. Remember I'll always be there for you. Your auntie, Alyce.

A cCngratulations to first-time proud parents Nathan and Candace Kaume on the arrival of their baby girl Phalysia Nataliee Aliek Kaume (Sugar Baby) who weighed in at 6lbs. 11 oz. and was 19 inches long. She arrived at 10:40 pm on May 10, 2006. We love you and welcome you to the world.! Always, Grandma Phyllis, Grandpa Denny, Grandpa Louie,Aunti Racine & cousins- Taytum, Myk, Joseph, Reese, Lainee Rose & Baby J.

Belated Happy Birthday for Christina Eagle Hawk, April 3, and Rydell Eagle Hawk Sr. April 3. We love you both. From: Kathy, Jeannette, Delphine, Romay, Kordell, Albert and Grover.

Happy belated Birthday to my 1 and only Lil sister, Laura Marie Clifford on 4/16/06. Glad you had a good one! Love, your Big sis Sissy

Happy Birthday to our Grandma & Grandpa, Pamela & Howard Little Dog on April 21st. Happy B-day & many more, Have Fun!!We all love you, your grandsons TJ, BJ, RJ, ET & Sean.

Congratulations to Micheala "Kayla" Hart for completing Kindergarten. From Mom,Grandma, Grandpa, Chynz, Ray, Babes, Rose, Tim and Baby.

I would like to wish Ashley a Happy B. Lots of Love, Mom

Happy B-day to my youngest son, Francis Shott, he is going to be 7 yrs. Old on 4-30-06. This is coming from his Mom with love, Misty Shott

Happy birthday to Jo Starr. Hope you have fun. From: Marion, Tim and baby t!

Happy Belated Birthday to Sherry Twiss and Patricia Looks Twice.

I would like to say Happy Mother's Day to my mother, Ramona American Horse. I love you so much. Your the best mother I will ever have. Hugs and Kisses. Rena Marie.

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Happy 3rd Birthday. To DeAnthony DeSersa on May 3rd. Hope you have fun on your special day. Love, Aunti Jo, Uncle Em.

I would like to wish a Belated Birthday to Valaria Apple on 4/26/06. Just want you to know I Love You. Samantha Touche

I would like to send a Happy Belated Birthday to my grandma Valaria Apple on 4/26/06 from Loretta & the Crew.

Happy Mother's Day wishes to Melanie Janis, Lauretta Two Hearts, Joylunn Long Soldier, Cheryl Whistler, And to all the aunties. From your hero, Alyce.

NOTICES

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Rosebud Sioux Tribe

Rosebud Sioux Tribe is requesting proposals from qualified Indian as well as Non-Indian companies for FDIC Banking and Investment Services.

Documents for submitting proposals may be picked up at the Procurement Office or can be mailed to you upon request. To request a set of documents please call Ms. Cheryl Jones at (605)747-2381, ext. 268. due to large amounts of pages, proposal documents will not be faxed out.

Proposals will be accepted until 12:00 p.m. May 24, 2006 at the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Building, Attention: James D. Wike, RST Treasurer, P.O. Box 430, Rosebud, S.D. 57570. Facsimile proposals will not be accepted. Proposals will be received and accepted for consideration. Proposals received after this time will not be accepted.

James D. Wike,
Treasurer
Rosebud Sioux Tribe
P.O. Box 430
Rosebud, South Dakota 57570

BUFFALO FOR SALE

Oglala Lakota College is selling to Oglala Sioux Tribal members buffalo starter/expansion herds. Each starter herd will contain approximately 10 females and 2 males. Selling price for starter herd will contain approximately 10 females and 2 males. Selling price for starter herds will be $2,000.

The sale will be held on Wednesday, June 14, 2006 at 10 a.m. at Oglala Lakota College administrative building conference room, six miles SW of Kyle, SD. A management report must be submitted one week before the sale or by June 7, 2006. The management report must include but not limited to a plan for raising the herd, such as the amount of pasture land, the type of fencing you have or will install, water, etc. It has been estimated that you will need 2 acres of land per head per month with supplemental feed in the winter. Buyer must demonstrate an ability to be successful operator and verify enrollment as an OST member by June 9, 2006.

A 20% down payment must be in cash, cashiors check, or money order by June 14, 2006. The balance will be due one week before the round-up. The roundup will be held mid-September. Down payments must be made payable to Oglala Lakota College, PO Box 490, Kyle, S.D. 57752.

For full additional information please contact Arlene Quist @605-455-6011 or Duane J. Lammers @E. Bison Co. 605-390-7778.

Payments will be accepted at the auction, June 14, 2006 at the Business office of Oglala Lakota College, Kyle, S.D.

Oglala Lakota College reserves the right to reject any and all offers.

Happy Belated Birthday to April Hussman on April 5, 2006. From your Cuzin, Sis Cliff.

Happy Birthday to a crazy cousin in Evergreen, Brian Ollie Lone Elk on 5/1. I know you had fun because you always do. Don't a stranger, call me sometimes. Your cousin in Kyle. Alyce.

Happy belated Birthday to Brian Lone Elk. I heard about you! Josh, Hope you had a blast. Take care. A friend always, Alyce.

To: Moon. I love you very much. Much love. Sunni

To: Tamara Roe One Feather. I love you baby. Always and forever yours. Autie Carl Fast Eagle.

I would like to say Happy Mother's Day to all my home girls, Autumn, Brianne, Jessie, Jolita, Amber, Ericka. I will always have much love and respect for all you girls. Coming from you home girl, Rena Rowland.

Manuel,
We really appreciate you working so hard to fix up our home. There should be grass any day now.Love,
Connie, Brandon & Roseanna

**Erin,
Thank you for the Baby Shower, it was fun. I'll never look at melted candybars quite the same again! Your friend,
Jenni**

Special words..... for special people..... Look In Our Happy Ads!



Congratulations Jenni Giovannetti on your graduation from High School. We love you, Mom, Manuel,Roseanna, Brandon & April.

Shannon County School District 65-1

Dr. Margo Helmert, Superintendent
Madonna Petersen, Business Manager
Maurice Twiss, Federal Programs/Special Services

Ph.# (605) 288-1921 Fax# (605) 288-1814
PO Box 109, Batesland, South Dakota 57716
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Angie Eagle Bull, Board President
LaNida Desory, Board Vice-President
Ruth Cummings, Melvin Cummings, Todd O'Bryan, Board Members

The Shannon County School District 65-1 is accepting applications for the following certified positions. All positions require a K-8 South Dakota Certification. Special Education /Counselor/ Computer / Pathologist / Physical Education and Preschool require appropriate endorsements.

Rockyford School

Preschool Teacher
Preschool Special Education Teacher
1st grade Teacher
Permanent Substitute Teacher
Computer Technician
6th-8th Grade Special Education Inclusion Teacher

Batesland School

Physical Education Teacher
5th Grade Teacher

Wolf Creek School

Preschool Teachers (2 positions)
3rd grade Teacher
5th grade Teacher
Physical Education Teacher
7-8th Grade Science Teacher
Counselor or Social Worker
2nd-3rd Grade Special Education Inclusion Teacher
4th-5th Grade Special Education Inclusion Teacher

District Wide

Speech Pathologist

ALL POSITIONS OPEN UNTIL FILLED
Base Pay $31,500

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
Ann Red Owl - Personnel
Box 109
Batesland, SD 57716
Phone: 605-288-1921
Fax: 605-288-1814



Little Wound School

Kyle, South Dakota

JOB VACANCIES (04-04-06)

The Little Wound School Board is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2006-2007 school term:

High School Dept.

SPED Transition Specialist
Computer Teacher
Lakota language Teacher
Science Teacher
Math Teacher
English Teacher
Geography (Sophomore)
Principal
Counselor
Custodian (Closing 5/19/06)

Middle School Dept.

Counselor
Math Teacher (2)
Science Teacher
Language Arts Teacher (2)
Social Studies Teacher (2)
Lakota Language Teacher

Elementary Dept.

SPED Teacher
Teacher (2) 4th Grade
Counselor
Custodian (closing 5/19/06)

$1,000 Sign On Bonus to all new certified teachers!

OTHER DEPARTMENTS

(73) Extra-duty positions Open until filled

High School: 1)Boys Bball Coach 2)Boys JV BbCoach 3)Freshmen boys Bball Coach 4)Boys Bball Cheerleading 5)Girls Bball Coach 6)Girls JV Bball Coach 7)Freshmen Girls Bball Coach 8)Girls Bball Cheerleading 9)Football Coach 10)Football Asst. 11)Football Asst. 12) Football Cheerleading 13)Cross-Country Coach 14)Cross-Country Asst. 15) Boys Head Golf Coach 16)Boys Golf Asst. 17)Girls Head Golf Coach 18)Head Track Coach 19)Track Asst. 20)Head Wrestling Coach 21)Wrestling Asst. 22)Volleyball Head Coach 23) Volleyball Asst. 24)National Honor Society 25)Student Council 26)Student Council 27)Oral Intrepretation Sponsor 28)Co-Oral Interp. 29)Senior Class Sponsor 30)Senior Class Sponsor 31)Junior Class Sponsor 32)Junior Class Sponsor 33)Sophomore Class Sponsor 34)Freshmen Class Sponsor 35)Handgame Sponsor 36)Yearbook Sponsor 37)Yearbook Sponsor 38)Rodeo Club Sponsor

Middle School: 39)Head Football Coach 40)Football Asst, 41)Football Asst. 42)Football Cheerleading 43)Boys Bball Coach 44)Boys Bball Asst. 45)Boys Bball co-asst. 46)Girls Bball Coach 47)Girl Bball Asst. 48) Girls Bball Asst. 49)Head Track Coach 50)Track Asst. 51)Boys Bball Cheerleading sponsor 52)Girls Bball Cheerleading sponsor 53)Wrestling Coach 54)Softball Coach 55)Softball Asst. 56)Head Volleyball Coach 57)Volleyball Asst. 58)Head Cross Country 59)Cross Country Asst. 60)Student Council 61)K-12 Indian Dance Club Sponsor 62)K-8 Rodeo Club Sponsor 63)Hand game Sponsor 64)8th Grade Sponsor

Elementary: 65)K-12 Indian Dance Club Sponsor 66)Indian Dance Club Sponsor 67)Rodeo Club Sponsor 68)Wrestling Coach 69)Wrestling Asst. 70)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 71)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 72)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 73)Handgame Sponsor.

HOW TO APPLY: Submit a completed LWS employment application to: Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD-214 to claim Veteran's preference, official college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials. For more information, call: (605) 455-6179 or 455-6178. www.lws.k12.sd.us

>>> NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS <<<

It is the policy of the Little Wound School to provide an alcohol and drug-free workplace. All appointments for employment are contingent upon receipt of a verified negative drug test through pre-employment drug testing, receipt of a favorable background investigation and the availability of federal funds. The legal policy of Indian preference will be followed to qualified applicants. Veteran's preference shall be applied to qualified Veteran applicants. **www.lws.k12.sd.us**

PINE RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

WEDNESDAY MAY 17, 2006 10:00 A.M.

Pine Ridge High School Gymnasium

Tia Akers


Charlee Bad Wound


Lacianna Bettelyoun


Deanna Big Crow

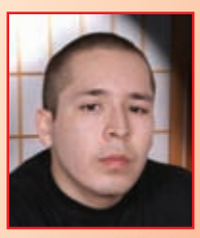
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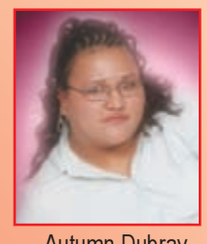

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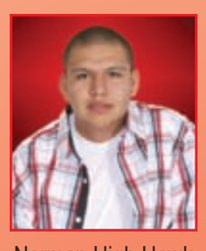

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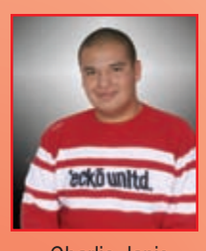

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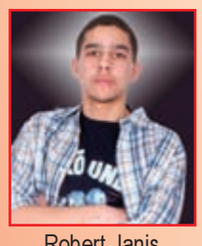
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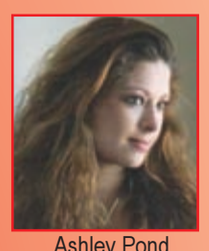


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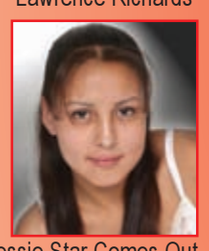
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Gwendolyn Valandra

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Alycia Wilson-Briere

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As our final year comes to an end
we pause to reflect upon the many memories which
have brought us tears and joy
We came to this place together
to learn, to grow, to share
Time and space may separate us but
where ever our pathways take us we will always be the
Class of 2006 from Pine Ridge High

Flower:
Red Rose with Silvertip

Class Colors:
Red, White, and Black

Happy Ads

Happy Ads are FREE
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HAPPY 10TH Birthday "Savannah Nicole Burnette" Love, Lisa and Sage Fast Dog, baby Sage. Kisses from your Soldier Creek family and your best friend, Donna Brandis-Peahl. Also, from your new puppy, Luna Nicole.

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY TO:

AQUALYNNE GARNETTE, MYREEN IRON CLOUD, & DAWN IRON CLOUD! ! ! Ijust want to say thanks for all you've done for me and I hope you all continue to be great mothers to all your children.

Have a good day!!
Love Always, Trevor Lee Iron Cloud

Congrats to our son and bro Alan Clements for receiving your B.S. degree in Computer Science at the University of Findlay, Ohio. A job well done.
From Dad, Mom and Bro George, Agnes and

Happy Mothers Day to the following people: Aqualynne Garnette, Myreen Iron Cloud, Jean Trujillo, Audie Conroy, Monique Janis, Jodie Janis, Tiny DeCory, Doni DeCory, Dawn Iron Cloud, Susie May, Mert Garnette, Charlene Janis, Serena King, Lenora Watters, Tiffiny Tibbitts, Lynne Pourier, Fern Red Owl, Steph Pourier, Lacey Pourier, Penny Janis, Jackie Gray, and too all the mama's out there in Lakota Country.
Have a HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!
FROM: TREVOR IRON CLOUD

A belated Happy Mother's Evelyn Gregg, thank youfor always being there for me mom- I Love you,Carmen

Happy Mother's Day to Mary Little Whiteman, Emmaline Ferguson, Joyce DuPont, Sally Apple, Kennita Little Whiteman, Colleen Provost, Amy Red Owl, Pebbles Long Soldier, Stephanie Apple, Shelly Ferguson, Valnita Sitting Bear and to Dora Apple, Anne Apple, Marie Whitewoman, Angie Apple, Carol Farmer..
love you all,
Carmen Apple



We want to say Happy Belated Mother's Day to our mom/grandma Cordelia White Elk, thank you for all that you do for us and we hope that you enjoyed your day... we love you A LOT!! love, your 2 babies Hannah Marie and TAWE and Takoja TYLIA PEARLANNE

Happy Belated Mother's Day to my two daughters Trisha Apple and Monique Top Bear I love you, Mom

Francine Louise Mousseau Congratulations to my step-daughter on becoming a doctor
Happy Birthday to my wonderful postman Oliver Paul Mousseau, love Terry

Happy Birthday to my beautiful twin daughters in Porcupine Sara Ellen Clifford Emma Leigh Clifford 4-30-06, Love your mom

To my son David (T.J) Little Dog, Keep your head up, stay strongand hang in there. Before you know it, you'llbe-home with us. I love you so much, my dear son. I think of you all the time and miss you everyday. Love your mom Will

Happy Birthday to my oldest son Pete Shott, 10 years old Love your, mom Misty Shott

WE WANT TO SAY HAPPY 1ST BIRTHDAY!!! to our niece MYRA LENAE HOPKINS Hey Ja-Ja, it's been one whole year since you've been born, we love you so much, and hope that you enjoy your BIG day my girl... love always, Auntie Hannah, sister/cousin Tylia, and Uncle Bryce

To Bob Martin Thank you for being there for our children 'DaBulls' Wounded Knee Warriors. You are very much appreciated and cared for, hang in there. You are doing a good job and good luck in the next tournaments too come. The Mander Crew

To our brother TJ Little Dog. We miss you everyday, stay strong and remember Tunkasila is with you all the time. Love, your bros BJ, RJ, ET and Sean

Happy 9th Birthday to the handsome little man in my life. DJ Kills Warrior. with hugs and kisses, love Mom Janet

Happy 13th Birthday to my beautiful twin sisters, Always, your big sister Jo-el Jade

I would like to wish my grandmas a Happy Mother's Day, Verlene Ice, Francis Ice and Cleone Ice. Love, Emily

Happy Birthday to Tasha, Love Chris and Baby Ciara

LOVE and KISSES to Amanda From - Archie B. Have a great Day and stay forever young and Always sweet!

Happy Mother's Day to Pearl Herman Hope you had a great day! Love, Robbie Joe and Babette and kids

Happy Birthday to my son Francis Shott. Coming from Richard Red Bear... love you

Happy 14th B-day to me Ashley on April 20th

Happy Birthday to my one and only son, Louis Angelo Clifford Love you, mom

Happy Birthday to my auntie and uncle Pamela and Howard Little Dog Wishing you many, many more. I love you both alot, love your niece Willene Kills Enemy

Happy Belated Birthday to Will Kills Enemy, wishing you many more. Love your sons, TJ, BJ, RJ, Ej and Sean

Happy Birthday to my loving grandmother Sharon Clifford, Ivoe, Elly and Emmy

To my grandpa Max Mesteth Dad you went through alot in the last couple months that I don't think any one could go through that now you only have my mom but you have all the grandkids to help you out because we love you just as much things only get better, love always all your grandkids and great grandkids out in Manderson



Congratulations to our baby son Daryl Middletent Jr. "DJ" on his achievements and accomplishments as he graduates from high school. You make us so proud. We couldn't ask for a better son. Mom and dad will always be here for you. Won't be the same without you and the "boys". They know they still have a place here always. Good luck to your future.
Love, Mom and Dad

Happy Belated Birthday to Tommy and Cheyenne Clifford Happy Birthday to my grandma Maxine, Love Mandie, Gabe and Baby Gabe

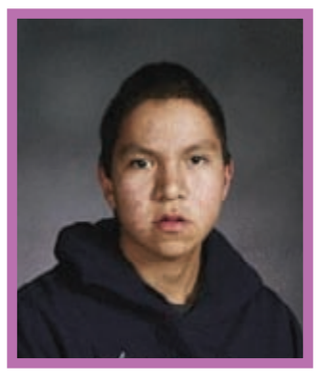
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From WKDS Staff, Parents, Community Members, and Students



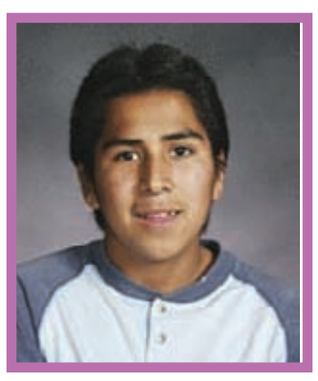
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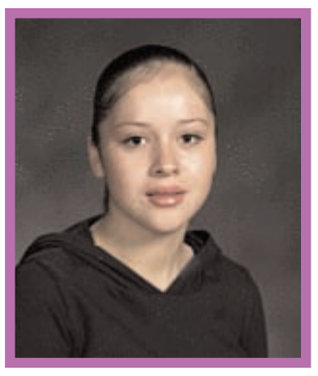
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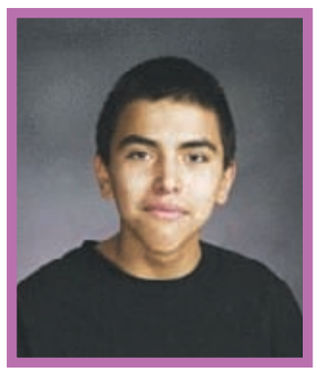
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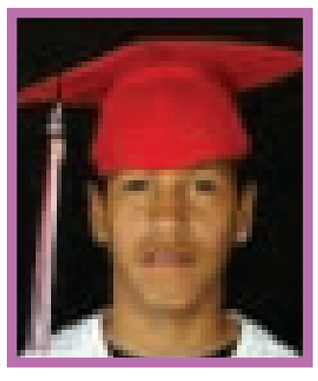
Summer Looks Twice

WARRIORS
WOUNDED KNEE DISTRICT SCHOOL

Not Pictured
Richard Clifford
LeeAnn Bissonette
Victorio Camp Jr.
Emerson Red Feather



Rico Iron Bear



William Yellow Boy

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QUICK HITS

New cafe near Kyle offers fine food and service

BY AMANDA TAKES WAR BONNETT
Times Editor

KYLE - There is a new eatery in town serving some delicious, fine food combined with good service.

The Lakota Prairie Ranch Resort Restaurant has been open for more than a month.

The restaurant is located within the motel and resort and offers customers a chance to enjoy their meal outside on the deck. The restaurant was built within the motel and is next to the trading post.

The restaurant is open every day from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. and serves soups, a fine chili, rib eye steak, hamburgers, chicken and appetizers; to name but a few of the items served from the delicious menu.

All burgers weigh in at ½ pound, said Shannon Puckett, restaurant manager.

The salad is fresh an crisp and generous.

Puckett manages the restaurant but hinted that her grandmother Vinnie Puckett is the top dog in the selection of menu items.

Aside from the fine food, the service at the restaurant is extraordinary with polite waitresses in professional looking uniforms.

The restaurant also offers take out and orders can be placed by calling 455-2555.

Another specialty is the coffee served… Dark Canyon Coffee. Dark Canyon Coffee is a robust tasting coffee, sold out of Rapid City. The coffee has exotic names such as

Please turn to New restaurant: A2

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TWO SECTIONS

Young deaths create shock and concern

Four recent fatalities overwhelm families, community

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

MISSION - Four young men have passed away in the Mission area in the last three weeks; Coleman Marshall, 18, died from alcohol poisoning on April 30, the night of the Todd County high school prom; Stoney Larvie, 17, took his own life two and half hours before the Todd County high school graduation on May 12; Michael Glynn, 18, wrecked his car east of White River on May 14 hours after White River graduation ceremonies, and died from his injuries on May 17 and Casey Hunger, 17, took his own life on Sunday May 21.

"We are in shock, the whole community is in shock," said Denise One Star, team leader for Team South Dakota for the upcoming North American Indigenous Games, "why is this happening, why now and what do we do?"

Monday night a meeting was held at the tribal council chambers in Rosebud and another meeting was scheduled for Sinte Gleska University in Mission on Tuesday. Concerned participants included parents, students, community members, tribal officials,

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Recent suicides at Rosebud prompt meeting

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
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ROSEBUD - The recent deaths and suicide of seven Sicangu males spanning this last year, prompted RST council representative Marion Young-One Star to call a meeting at the tribal council chambers on May 22 at 6 p.m. The figure is unofficial and was cited by a tribal member in attendance at the meeting.

An announcement went out on KINI FM radio around the Rosebud calling for therapists, the youth, and concerned tribal members about the recent rash of suicides and death. One Sicangu youngster had committed suicide the night before and it was clear that many at the meeting were grieving. Rosebud Law Enforcement Services police officer, Mark Kattell, confirmed that 18-year old Casey Young had died.

In recent testimony to the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs, William Martin of Juneau, AK said people never talk ill of the deceased at funerals and when young people observe that behavior they wonder if that is all it takes to gain respect from family and friends. He also said that the causes of Native American suicide are embedded in the community; and the tools for preventing suicide also reside with

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Brice Hornbeck, Daelan High Wolf, Johnny Crow, T.J. McCauley, and John Provost



Brittany Azure, Sunni Busch, Sadie In The Woods, Sammie Pervin and Lacey Weston

LCT and KILI Radio select best all around players for Indian Country All Stars

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

KYLE - Last year's Cinderella, Lower Brule, lost their coach, Doug White Bull to McLaughlin and the LNI MVP to Pierre and several players to graduation while Little Wound and St. Francis battled again for Region 7A and the trip to the State A. St. Thomas More used their first Lakota Nation title as a springboard for a state championship and an undefeated season.

Pine Ridge beat Little Wound in overtime 47-44 at LNI, beat the Mustangs 47-45 at the Rosebud Shootout and held off Little Wound 54-50 in Pine Ridge then lost 72-43 in the District 14A championship game. Little Wound went on to down Platte for the second time this year for the regional title and took seventh in the State A. Red Cloud won their district for the first time since 2001, this time 15A, but ran

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Community Calendar

'Rez Happenings'

Porcupine School Graduation
Wednesday, May 24th at 10 a.m.

Little Wound School Baccalaureate Pow wow
Wednesday, May 24th at the main school gym in Kyle with grand entry set for 6 p.m .followed by welcome, honoring, keynote address and feather tying ceremonies

Little Wound High School Graduation
Thursday, May 25th at 11 a.m.

South Dakota State Track Meet
Friday and Saturday, May 26th and 27th, in Spearfish and Sturgis on Friday, the 26th and in Rapid City on Saturday, May 27th

Many Kites Press Gala
Saturday, May 27 at 1 p.m. at the Dahl Fine Arts Center in Rapid City featuring the release of "Wicoicage" a book of literary writings by Oglala Lakota College students, kites for kids, coloring contests, author signings and readings

Voter Registration Deadline
Monday, May 29th for the Shannon County District 65-1 School Board Election to be held on Tuesday, June 13, for information call the county auditor at 745-5130 or the county office at 288-1921

Special Session OST Council
Tuesday, May 30 at the Council Chambers in the Red Cloud building in Pine Ridge

Rockyford School Graduation
Friday, June 2 with Kindergarten at 10am and 8th grade at 1:30 p.m.

Batesland School Graduation
Friday, June 2 with Kindergarten at 10am and eighth grade at 1 p.m.

Wolf Creek School Graduation
Friday, June 2nd with Kindergarten at 10am and Eighth Grade at 1 p.m.

Crazy Horse Ride
Set for Sunday through Friday, June 4-9 in honor of all veterans, for information contact Bam Brewer at 867-1119 or 441-8810

Red Shirt Community School graduation
Tuesday, June 6th in Red Shirt at 11 a.m.

Primary, School and City Elections
Tuesday, June 6th with polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Vet's Pow wow
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 9-11 at the pow wow grounds in Pine Ridge

Shannon County School Board Election
Tuesday, June 13 with polls open from 7a.m. to 7 p.m.

Oglala Lakota College Graduation
and activities Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 23-25 at the Three Mile Creek pow wow grounds southwest of Kyle with graduation set for 10 a.m .Sunday, June 25.



Meeting coordinated to combat suicide

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the community.

A prayer was offered by Sherman Wright and a discussion about the purpose of the meeting ensued. The youth were invited to the meeting in case they had a difficult time coping with the recent suicide. Claudette Arcoren was present and spoke of the work she has done to protect and shelter her grandson who had a difficult time in school with other children.

Some forty people showed up and exchanged ideas, stories, and strategies for addressing the very pressing issue of suicide among the people. Many of those in attendance were police officers, nurses, lawyers, parents, grandparents, therapists and college instructors. Several students were also in attendance, but did not share in the dialogue.

A second day of the concerned tribal members was to be held at the SGU Human Services department at SGU at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, May 23. Young-One Star said that the Sicangu Elderly Concerns group would also be present to meet with any of the young people who attended.

Claude Two Elk and Darryl Marcus spoke to the group about what needs to be accomplished in order to prevent suicide. Marcus said, "We always speak of the youth. This is an awakening for the people. We need to ask the council for a grant to fund a task force." He also noted that the Rosebud Educational Society needs to do programming on suicide prevention over KINI. Two Elk said that there is no reason why a suicide prevention curriculum should not be implemented in the classroom.



Marion Young-One Star and Claudette Arcoren, both of Grass Mountain community, listen to professionals, police officers and community members voice their conccerns about recent suicides. Photo by Archie B. Beauvais.

Marion Young-One Star said, "Starting a task force needs to be in every community. There is no help from parents. Some things could be identified." Burdette Clifford of SGU further noted that, "We need to meet on a regular basis and talk about issues and bring more people. The issue of children has been neglected and gangs and suicide are the outcome of this. Kids have to survive so they take over the house."

Judge Janelle Sully from the RST courthouse was also present and noted, "We want this help to get the task force to help them. KINI should have elders go on air to help them." Sam High Crane of SFIS said, "Kids need talking to. Someone they can trust. I built a connection to them. Kids want to start something but there are always no funds. I wanted to set up an ROTC. We were working on a Lakota radio station. We were going to do talk shows and things in Lakota."

A sign-up sheet was passed around for those who wanted to help in some way. The next meeting will see the creation of a suicide task force, which will presumably assemble ideas and strategies much like were spoken of this evening.

Angel Wilson, Sicangu tribal member and Registered Nurse from the Rosebud I.H.S. hospital noted that, "At the I.H.S. we see suicide attempts every week. As a parent and an auntie, I'm here to help in any way I can."

Finally, Lloyd "Sonny" One Star arrived with his son and a friend toward the latter part of the meeting. He said, "The youth are getting impatient. They are a little 'nation.' Why not put out a survey to different schools and about different topics. You might find out that drugs are number one and suicide prevention, it can be prevented.., a lot of them do have these things on their mind. We can get to them. It is time to listen."



Left to right: Shannon Puckett, Michael Reitzel, Rhonda Cummings and Victoria Shoulders. Photo by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.

Restaurant

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Rattlesnake Brew, Rainforest Blend, the more traditional Dakota Roast breakfast blend and Genuine Black Hills Roasted Gold.

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police officers and educators.

"In looking back, I can't remember a time that was like this," said Darrell Marcus, past tribal council representative, "we have seen a number of attempts with pills and so forth and now this, we need to reach out to our youth."

Marcus related his own struggle about going through surgery at the Indian Health Service Hospital, about how it was messed up and he has had to go back for four more surgeries.

"Here I am 47 and since that surgery in 95, I have thought about suicide more than once," admitted Marcus, "more than anything it was the support of my family and friends, they talked to me and I came out of it; all of us need a strong support system, especially our youth."

Across Indian Country, alcohol or drugs or both are involved in an increasing number of suicides among young people. The number seems to go up at transition times in a young person's life, graduations especially, proms, a death in the family, a separation or divorce in the family.

"The Pine family awards a small scholarship each year at graduation to keep the memory alive of my sister, Cassandra, who committed suicide during her freshman year in high school," said Alex Wilson-Pine, Friday, as he presented the scholarship at the Red Cloud high school graduation, "we miss her very much and we want to remind everyone of the importance of staying connected and the need to work together to support and listen to our youth."

"He played on my baseball team for two years, Casey and his sister Lacey," said Marcus about Casey Hunger, "he played shortstop and outfield and his sister pitched for us and he was a really friendly young man - you have to ask as a coach could I have done more, should I have kept in touch with him?"

Stoney Larvie was a junior at Todd County high school, he was an athlete playing football and basketball and baseball and really involved.

"That's what I still ask questions about all the time," said Dale Pine, "my daughter Cassandra was really involved, she was a jingle dress dancer, she ran cross country and played volleyball and played basketball and she had brothers and sisters and her mom and dad yet she chose to leave us, I'm still asking questions and still trying to help other parents learn from her actions."

"We are all just reeling from this, yet we need to stop and listen and hear our youth and we need to provide a better support system for all of them," added One Star, "all of our young people are so valuable, we need to work together and figure this out."

Native leader says culture aids suicides

Children need more overt affection from parents

WASHINGTON (AP) - Alaska Native villages tend to suffer waves of suicide, with one tragedy triggering other similar deaths. William Martin, chairman of the state Suicide Prevention Council, told a U.S. Senate committee he thinks he knows why.

"I believe there is a copycat effect that is encouraged by how we talk about people after they kill themselves," said Martin, a Native leader from Juneau.

At their funerals, no one speaks ill of the deceased, he said. "But there may be a person listening in the audience, a young person, who might think to themselves, is this all I need to do to gain respect from my family and my friends and my elders? And so it starts a compounding effect," he said.

Martin was one of several witnesses who told the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs on Wednesday that while the causes of Native American suicide are deeply embedded in the community, the tools for preventing suicide are in the community too.

Suicide rates are alarmingly high in some American Indian and Alaska Native communities. Alaska's statewide suicide rate is second only to Nevada's. And, as Martin told the committee, Alaska Natives commit suicide at two to three times the rate of non-Natives.

"As an Alaska Native leader, I've become convinced that my people must go back to the study and lessons of our ancestors, who lived in a time before alcohol was introduced to our communities," he said. "Suicide then was an unheard-of event, except in rare cases where one had grievously shamed his family or has caused despicable hurt (to) others." And yet, he said, some aspects of the culture aren't helping. Traditional Native parents, he said, aren't given to overt, daily demonstrations of love for their children, he said.

"To change this culture, to change our ways, we need to find funds from outside our impoverished communities to support suicide prevent programs that assist our leaders and elders in changing the attitudes of our people," he said.

Dale Walker, who works on Native American suicide issues as a program director at the Oregon Health and Science University, said the problem is entwined with family violence, alcohol and drug use, and cultural disconnection. Community approaches are most effective when they tackle these broader issues, he said. Nearly all suicides involve alcohol or drug use, he said, and methamphetamine use is a growing problem. Meth, he said, causes psychosis and the loss of ability to reason, increasing the likelihood of suicides.

He and other experts praised a few of Alaska's new approaches to suicide prevention. The behavioral health aide program, patterned after Alaska's village health aide system, is an effective way to establish mental health services in distant communities, witnesses said.

U.S. Sen. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, said she was happy that Maniilaq, the Native health service provider in the Kotzebue region, got a $1.2 million grant for "an incredible program where literally the whole family is taken out (of their remote villages) to be treated, for substance and other issues."

She suggested that the government needs to be more flexible in its grant criteria. When she talks to rural youths about how to improve their lives, they say they're bored and need something to do. Creating a community meeting place might help, she said, but the grants are geared for providing services.

She also wondered about the middle and high school students who give disturbing answers on anonymous surveys asking them about risky behaviors. How are those results used, she asked. Do the schools where one in five students report that they've contemplated suicide receive any extra attention? . One of the government witnesses said he'd look into it.

"I think when we ask our kids how they're feeling, what they're thinking, we need to be in a position to then respond, and not respond eight (or) nine months after the fact in some generic way," Murkowski said.

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up against St. Thomas More in the Region 8A championship. Pierre moved Lower Brule transfer, McCauley, into the starting point guard position and rode his steady play to the State AA championship game, an overtime loss to Sioux Falls O'Gorman.

Just as he did last year, TJ McCauley leads the 2005-06 Indian Country Boy's All Star team as he traded his Lower Brule Sioux uniform for a Pierre Governors jersey. McCauley joined a veteran team with an almost seamless transition helping the Governors to a 16-3 regular season record and a number one ranking in the polls. The 6'1" junior's steady hand helped Pierre through a difficult Class AA regular season and to second place in the state tourney losing in overtime to O'Gorman. TJ averaged close to 12 points a game with five rebounds, five assists and four steals.

Daelan High Wolf earned a return to the all star first team averaging 27.5 points a game with 10 rebounds, 4.5 assists and four steals. A six foot point guard, High Wolf led the Cheyenne Eagle Butte Braves in scoring and this year had to step up his rebounding, leading the Braves in that category as well. High Wolf proved unstoppable this year and plans to take his game to the next level attending either Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kan. or Mount Marty College in Yankton.

Red Cloud's Johnny Crow led his team to a 16-6 record and the Region 8A championship game earning a first team all star nod after a second team choice last year. Crow played with a strong offensive versatility this year mixing an ability to drive the basket almost at will with a deadly three point shot. He averaged 20 points a game and six rebounds with four assists and three steals. Johnny is heading to McCook Community College in southern Nebraska for the next two years to play ball and get ready for a strong junior and senior year at a bigger school.

Brice Hornbeck, a 5'9" sophomore point guard was the strong steadying influence for the State tournament bound Mustangs this year and earns a first team selection to the all star team to go with his first team all state honor in 11A football as a wide receiver. When Hornbeck went down mid-season to tendonitis in his shoulder, Little Wound lost four straight games; when he returned the Mustangs won six straight on the way to the State A tourney. When Little Wound didn't need him to score, Hornbeck directed the team with assists and steals and was a leader on the defensive end. When the Mustangs needed a little extra scoring, Hornbeck was there driving to the hole or knocking down the jumper. He is just a sophomore.

Mr. Hustle, John Provost from Pine Ridge rounds out the first team and that just about sums it up. John provided the energy, he was the motor on the 2005-06 Thorpes as he did what was needed just about every game, scoring on a drive off the dribble or pulling up for a jumper, a three or getting a steal at the crucial point in a close game. John is a competitor and more than anything else hates to lose and gets totally frustrated when that happens. Provost is a gamer and as a junior will be back to lead the team next year.

Second team honors go to JJ Arcoren/St. Francis, Duran Eastman/Tiospa Zina, Dylan Wince/St. Thomas More, Ryan Pourier/Pine Ridge and Darrel Tuttle/Rapid City Central. JJ is only a junior, the rest are seniors.

Third team selections included Michael Apple and Devon LeBeau/Little Wound, Christian McGhee/Red Cloud, Kris Leroy/St. Francis and Gunner Krogman/Todd County.

Honorable mention qualities go to Rich Big Boy/Little Wound, Lester Gotheridge and David Giago/Red Cloud, Isaiah Kirlie/Crow Creek, Michael Jack and Brandon Brown/Pine Ridge, Travis Spotted Horse and Travis Spotted war Bonnett/St. Francis, Kyal and Kansas Middletent/Lower Brule, Eric Archambault/McLaughlin, Colton Douville/Chamberlain, Tali Fast Wolf/Tiospaye Topa, Lenny White/Tiospa Zina and Jordan Big Crow/Oelrichs.

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Daelan High Wolf/Chey-Eagle Butte
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TJ McCauley/Pierre Riggs
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Busch and In the Woods dominate girl's team

MARTIN - Custer won their first ever girl's Lakota Nation Invitational, Bennett County zipped by Todd County for Region 7A's ticket to State after upending Little Wound in the District 14A finals, while Eagle Butte's late season surge ended in the District 12A finals against Mobridge.

Pine Ridge started one senior, one junior, one sophomore and two freshman and used an eighth grader as the sixth man and despite losing to Little Wound four times and finishing 12-10 on the season are looking ahead to a bright future.

Todd County's senior all around, Sunni Busch, returns to head up the first team.

The 5'9" guard plays every position on the floor leading her team to an 18-5 record while averaging 20.7 points a game. Sunni had an ability to light up a game both on offense and defense and provided solid leadership on the floor. Busch has signed to play at Chadron State College this fall, we will miss her confident style of play.

Little Wound's outstanding senior, Sadie In The Woods, moved up this year to the first team with an outstanding season, leading her team in scoring and rebounding. Sadie worked very hard this year, did everything I asked of her and more and provided great leadership both on and off the floor, commented her coach, Mary Tobacco. Sadie had an ability to slice to the basket to score or grab a rebound and when needed she could bomb threes with the best of them.

In The Woods earned a Gates Scholarship award, valedictorian honors at Little wound and was accepted to Duke University in North Carolina. She will try to make to the women's basketball team. The Duke Lady Blue Devils played in the NCAA championship game losing to Maryland.

Brittany Azure, a 5'11" junior at Cheyenne Eagle Butte, also moved up to the first team this year after being a second team selection last year as a sophomore. Brittany anchored the team in scoring and rebounding this year for Arlyn Wohlleber's Lady Braves. Azure's steady play provided quiet leadership for the team on both ends of the floor.

Lacy Weston, a 5'10" freshman from Pine Ridge, made a big splash last year joining the Lady Thorpes as an eighth grader following her Big Foot Conference season; this year it turned into a steady flow as Lacy played the middle against older and more experienced girls all year. She not only held her own but excelled in the paint and low post. Lacy is only going to get better in the coming years. Now she is holding her own and anchoring a very young Lady Thorpe team and improving both scoring and rebounding in each and every game.

Sammie Parvin, a 5'11" guard at Winner rounds out the first team. Sammie became a dominant force for the Lady Warriors this year playing aggressively on both offense and defense, scoring when needed but most of all applying constant pressure to the opposing team's undersized guards all year long. Her tenacity gave her the ability to dominate a game and become a force.

Her lanky 5'11" frame helped her on defense and especially banging the boards from her guard position.

Those earning second team honors included TyAnn Pourier/Little Wound, Char Wilson/Todd County, Kali Jenkins/Todd County, Keely Krolikowski/Bennett County, and Ashley Ross/Crow Creek. Kali and Keely are sophomores and Ashley in a junior.

Third team honors go to Keisha Brewer and Christian Janis/Pine Ridge, Kari Two Lance/Todd County, Nichelle Red Owl/Little Wound and Kristin Weston/Red Cloud. Christian is an eighth grader while Keisha and Nichelle are sophomores.

Honorable mention goes to Tia McCloskey and Summer Folkers/Todd County, Marisa O'Bryan and Ida Clarke/Red Cloud, Carissa Brown Otter and Germaine Morrison/McLaughlin, Shavonne Steppe/Crow Creek, Mikayla Mitzel/Little Wound, Jordyn Brown/Cheyenne Eagle Butte and Robin Webber/Pine Ridge.

The choices were difficult; many thanks to the coaches and media representatives who helped put the all star teams together.

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Appeals court rules against White Plume's hemp growing

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - An American Indian treaty and United States law do not allow for the cultivation of industrial hemp on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, a federal appeals court ruled Wednesday.

Alex White Plume, vice president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, and members of his family planted hemp on their property but it was cut down and confiscated by federal agents.

Industrial hemp is related to marijuana and is used to make rope and other products. It has only a trace of the drug in marijuana, but it is illegal to grow hemp in the United States.

The 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said it empathized with the White Plumes but concluded their enterprise was illegal.

``We are not unmindful of the challenges faced by members of the Tribe to engage in sustainable farming on federal trust lands ... And we do not doubt that there are a countless number of beneficial products which utilize hemp in some fashion. Nor do we ignore the burdens imposed by a DEA (Drug Enforcement Agency) registration necessary to grow hemp legally,'' justices wrote.

``But these are policy arguments better suited for the congressional hearing room than the courtroom.''

During oral arguments in December in St. Louis, the White Plumes' lawyer asked the appeals court to return the matter to a lower court to consider the legality of their crop.

The family tried three times to grow industrial hemp on Pine Ridge reservation land from 2000 to 2002, only to have the federal government seize and destroy the plants.

A judge ordered the White Plumes to stop the plantings but they were never charged in criminal court.

The family could have applied to the DEA for permission to grow the crop, but without that authorization the crop could not be allowed, argued Assistant U.S. Attorney Mark Salter.

``The court should be commended for fulfilling its constitutional role by interpreting an ambiguous law of Congress,'' he said Wednesday.

The White Plumes' lawyer, Bruce Ellison of Rapid City, argued the family was not growing a drug so it didn't need to apply to the federal government for permission.

Ellison said he knew of no instance when the DEA granted a commercial hemp farming permit. And he said by treaty and tribal law, the White Plumes had the right to grow hemp without a DEA permit.

The appeals court disagreed, saying the Fort Laramie Treaty of 1868 set a number of provisions to encourage Indian farming but does not address hemp farming.

Ellison said the ruling is unfortunate because of the great economic potential of industrial hemp farming. He said he'll likely ask for a rehearing in front of the three-judge panel or a hearing in front of the full 8th Circuit.

``We will explore all legal options because of the importance of this issue to the White Plumes and all farmers across the country for whom industrial hemp could be a viable cash crop,'' Ellison said Thursday.

Yellow Eagle hired as assistant manager at Rosebud Casino

ROSEBUD - RST sergeant-at-arms, Glen Yellow Eagle, of Antelope Community was hired as the new assistant manager at the Rosebud Casino located at the South Dakota and Nebraska state line. Yellow Eagle is very active in Antelope Community and the RST Chairman's Association. He will assume his new duties on June 1.

Yellow Eagle was out of town at the Great Plains Indian Gaming conference and was unavailable for comment about his new position. Yellow Eagle has also been on the RST gaming commission for many years and will apparently bring the skills and insights he has gained through that experience to his new role.

During recent tribal council discussions it has been apparent that decreasing revenues over the last year have been impacted by rising gas prices, competition from other casinos and personnel issues that often come to the council floor.

Presently, the acting general manager of the casino is Trent Poignee.

Report critizes South Dakota voting rights

WASHINGTON (AP) - A report released by a civil rights group Wednesday criticized South Dakota's record on voting rights, saying jurisdictions in the state have shown ``persistent resistance'' to equal voting rights for American Indians.

According to the analysis, commissioned by Leadership Conference on Civil Rights Education Fund, 17 of the 66 lawsuits filed on Indian voting rights in the last 40 years were in South Dakota.

The report describes a hostile climate of voter intimidation, investigations of newly registered voters, discriminatory redistricting and a low number of reservation-based polling stations in the state.

``The combination of South Dakota's history of discrimination against Indians in voting, shifting demographics, and an environment of racial hostility make the state of South Dakota a prime candidate for future challenges under the Voting Rights Act,'' the report concludes.

The report was authored by Janine Pease, Director of Native American Studies at Rocky Mountain College in Montana, and includes an article by Laughlin McDonald, Director of the ACLU Voting Rights Project. It was one of 14 state reports commissioned by the fund.

South Dakota Secretary of State Chris Nelson took issue with the report, saying much of it was based on anecdotal evidence. He said it ignores positive trends in the state, such as a large boost in Indian turnout during the 2004 election and an easier process for voter registration.

``It is frustrating that we heard some of these anecdotal stories but we didn't hear any of the facts about what is really going on in South Dakota elections,'' he said.

Several provisions of the Voting Rights Act will expire if not renewed by Congress before next year. The law was originally crafted four decades ago to end racist practices such as poll taxes and literacy tests in Southern states by imposing tighter guidelines.

House Judiciary Committee Chairman James Sensenbrenner, R-Wis., the measure's sponsor in the House, said he wants to put a bill on President Bush's desk by the end of July.

Former South Dakota Sen. Tom Daschle, a Democrat, participated in a conference call on the report Wednesday.

``Unfortunately while the percentage of Native American voters is increasing, it's still below the national average,'' Daschle said. ``We have come a long way when it comes to the right to vote, but we have a long, long way to go.''

OPINION PAGE

Guest Editorial

The solution is in our tiwahe

People everywhere appear to be taking a stand against the ravages of methamphetamine use and abuse.

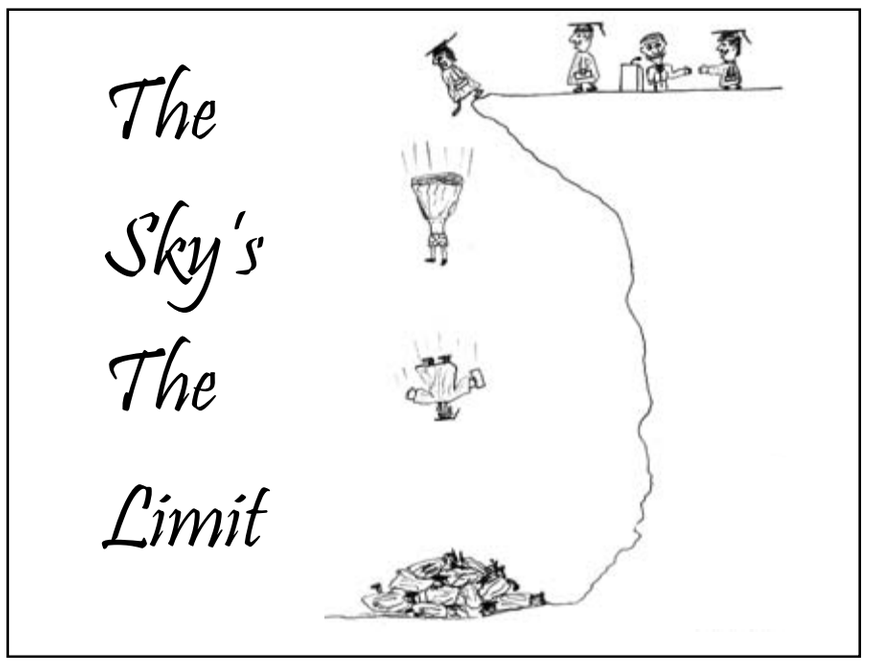
It occurs to us that the solution to meth abuse is looking inward,inside of the structure of our "tiwahe" where such abuse has taken seed. Traditionally, the "tiwahe" was led by one or two figures who came forward as unofficial spokespersons for the home. Home is where the heart is and it's where our children should feel the safest, protected and sheltered from the onslaught of the outside world with its negative influences.

Meth use is but one of the contemporary scourges of a society that is getting more complex as the economy is reeling and global warming and rising gases prices are adding to the mix that is frustration and disenchantment with a way of life that is inceasingly more gloomy for some.

In Montana, some are designing anti-drug messages that are putting an ugly face on drug abuse. They are using real pictures of people afflicted by meth use. The *Billings Gazette* is saying that the legislature is restricting the purchase of large quantities of ephedrine from stores in Montana, as it is a major ingredient. The state is seeing an effective media campaign as a recent survey revealed that 70 percent of Montana teens are seeing or hearing an anti-meth advertisement three times a week.

In Lakota society, we can support our legislators as they also enact legislation which targets meth use. We can work to create a safe "tiwahe" and let our children know that drug abuse is a dead end.

Harmony begins in the home and our children are very impressionable and they are crying out for structure, love, and family unity. It is high time for us to take our stand as the solutions for combatting meth abuse begin in our "tiwahe."



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Guest Column

On wasting away

BY NATASHA D. BORDEAUX
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I remember my poor brother sitting at the table for hours after we all had cleaned our plates and left the table. He hated eating – I guess. I mean he could never finish what was on his plate. It was such an ordeal at meal time.

My mom will argue today that he served himself and chose what he wanted to eat. But he must have always overestimated.

He was stubborn, but our mother was more so.

Eventually he managed to drop enough on the floor, hide it under his plate, or smear it under the table to be able to get up and leave the table. He had some good techniques. He could take a whole plate of peas and smash them up and spread them so thin across the plate that it looked almost like he ate the whole serving. My favorite was when he would carefully drop big bits of meatloaf into his Kool-aid so mom would think he actually ate them.

It seems his eyes were always bigger than his stomach.

My mother was adamant. Never waste. Always eat what you take. Be thankful for what you have.

I don't ever recall having a problem cleaning my plate. Maybe that's why my brother is still as skinny as he was as a kid and I, on the other hand, have (ahem) filled out quite well.

My mother always said, "When you grow up poor, you learn not to waste."

Our fridge was always filled with leftovers that could not be dumped. We couldn't even spill out sour milk because my mom could make buttermilk pancakes out of it.

I guess she grew up quite poor. Maybe she was always hungry as a child.

I, on the other hand, only went hungry when I was too lazy to open up a can or box of commodity surprise.

We were poor; a single mother raising seven kids plus a regular procession of strays. But I never went hungry. I suppose I have the USDA to thank for that.

"Clean your plate, there are starving children in Ethiopia that would love to have what you are wasting."

That's another one I heard as well.

But now we live in a different time. I have never met anyone that looked as though they didn't get enough to eat – with the exception of a few anorexic girls. Even the poorest of kids seem to have plenty to eat. In fact, studies show that the poorest of families in the U.S. often have a higher tendency to be overweight.

In my community there are several families that live from check to check, off EBT and commods. Most of those adults are on the rotund side, and their kids are often quite plump as well.

We live in a society of excess – where too much is better than too little. But that attitude is now becoming the death of us.

Have you ever seen an adult eat the food off their child's plate rather than scrape it into the trash? How many of us take home tubs and buckets of wateca home after a gathering or giveaway just to avoid throwing it away? And once we are home we feel obligated to eat as much of it as we can and to encourage the rest of the family to eat it before it goes bad?

While we live in a society of excess, we still operate in the feast or famine mentality.

It is that discrepancy that we must overcome if we want to recover our health and the health of our children.

We have to realize that eating food just to avoid "wasting it" isn't saving anyone from starvation. In fact, the excess weight caused by such overeating is actually doing more damage to a person's body than starvation would.

I tend to think that food that is converted to fat and just hangs out like a flat tire around your middle is a big "waste" (and a big waist).

Like most Lakota women I always cook for an army. I start out with the intention of cooking enough for myself and three kids, then I think, "what if my sister and her kids stop by", or "what if my dad and little brother and sisters stop by like they did last week?"

So in go a few more potatoes or a couple more scoops of rice and there you go -- a meal big enough to feed the whole tribe.

Then it comes time to eat and no one extra stops by. After encouraging my kids to try a little more, I am stuck with a whole batch of leftovers.

I still hear my mother's voice that won't let me throw out any leftovers. So there it goes, covered in aluminum foil and put in the fridge for later. Unfortunately, I am the only one in my house that eats leftovers.

I understand that it is a whole way of thinking, an attitude toward food that must change.

I know now that whether or not I finish my helping of tuna casserole, there is no way that it will help those starving children in Africa.

Instead, I try to set aside a few dollars to send to a charity that helps those in Africa. I try to give to people that are less fortunate in other ways.

I also have made a point to start serving myself and my children only what is recommended.

I still have a compelling desire to cook more than I need to. But I also am OK with throwing out what doesn't get eaten.

I am working on my attitude toward food. I hope that my positive attitude will help my children attain a positive attitude as well. And maybe, if we all adopt healthier attitudes toward food, our people might live longer, be happier and live a better quality of life.

Guest Editorial

The world beyond death's door

BY DOREEN YELLOW BIRD
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Tragic and untimely accidents, such as the head-on crash on Saturday that took the lives of three young people from Minnesota communities, can leave a wound in the heart that will reopen again and again. It's a chronic pain that never really goes away.

When I was a junior in high school many years ago, four young people from my class were in an accident not far from where I lived in Minot. Three were injured and one was killed.

It was the young man who was killed who became that wound that never healed. Before you think this refers to a romantic notion or crush, I'll correct that. It wasn't. Strangely, I didn't even know the boy well. I knew his sister and that he was a popular athlete. I also knew him enough to say "Hi," and I thought him to be a good person.

While I don't remember the names of some of my classmates that many years ago, and I don't remember the other students in the accident, I never forgot his name.

As I read about the weekend accident near Fosston, Minn., and remembered the other crash so many years ago, I wondered why the memory of that accident and the young man's name stayed with me after all this time.

For years, each time I passed that sharp curve in the road in Minot and saw the deep gouge in the telephone pole, I remembered the accident. Then, I'd wonder what had been going through his mind as his time drew upon him. He was only 15 or 16 years old, so he was at the doorway of his life.

After the accident, his sister graduated from high school and probably got married and moved away; I didn't keep track. For you see, it wasn't really the person that affected me so; it was my realization as a 15- or 16-year-old that I could die, too, like this young man.

It made me understand how tentative and fragile life can be.

Through my years, I've gone through those times when I think I can feel what must go through a person's mine when they're on the brink, just before they walk to the other side.

Death is the worst unknown we can grapple with. In my lifetime, I have seen it come - sometimes quietly, sometimes unjustly, sometimes too soon, but always with great power. There's no saying, "Just wait a minute" or "Give me five more minutes."

The recent deaths of my mother and aunt seemed different. My mother seemed to know it was her time. With her children around her and her life being in order, her illness and difficulty with her body made the transition seem easy for her.

My aunt, for her part, struggled and smiled and held us around her. When she finally left us, I could feel her around me as if she was just out of sight.

On the walk of the Red Road, the image of death is put there as something you must face. A spiritual leader I knew once told me he wasn't afraid to die, because he'd been to the other world and it was quiet pleasant. He predicted his death, and he recorded that prediction to be heard sometime later.

When that day came to listen to the recording, he was surprised. He had forgotten about the vision he had years ago.

When he played it for me, there was a look on his face - the past had came forward and was about to consume him ... and he knew it.

So, I'm sure and so sad that the sorrow of the young people - and the bereaved families, too, of course - will stay with them for a long time. Prom night, graduation and young love are supposed to be things that happen at the start of a life, not at an ending.

Guest Column

A dad's view from the sidelines

BY SEN. JOHN THUNE
Washington, D.C.

This month thousands of South Dakota high school seniors will don a cap and gown and walk across the stage in ceremonies all across our state, leaving behind a past they have known for a future yet unknown. I remember making that walk across Murdo's auditorium stage 27 years ago like it happened yesterday. My how time flies! This year I will be there again, this time looking on, as my little girl passes that same milestone in her life.

Like most parents, it's a bittersweet experience. I know that time eventually comes -- for me it just seems like it came too soon. I admit to not being ready to say goodbye to that little freckled, red-haired girl who has graced our lives these past many years.

Like many of you, I've sat at I don't know how many ballet recitals to get a two minute glimpse of her performance. Many people can probably relate to listening to hours and hours of practicing for piano lessons and recitals. I steadied her on her first successful bike ride without training wheels, and treaded water in the pool until she finally made her first dive. I watched her try playing basketball (mostly to satisfy me) and soccer before finding her real love -- track and cross country.

I've seen her limp across the finish line dead last at the state track meet due to a painful injury. When I stood hugging her after the race I asked her why she even ran that race if she was in so much pain. Through tears she said, "Dad, the only reason I ran is because I didn't want you to think I was a wimp."

I've seen her bounce back from that experience the following year to stand on the medal stand at the state meet. I've watched her highest hopes and expectations this year be dashed by not one, but two stress fractures, sidelining her for most of her senior season and turning even the shortest run into a

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Northern Perspectives

A 'tokala' society on the Rosebud



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

I finally had the opportunity to meet Archie Little whom I have heard on KINI FM radio several years ago. He was an active participant at the Sicangu elder games this past weekend and meeting him was notable as he said when he purchases the Lakota Country Times, he goes directly to the column that I write each week. It was worthwhile to hear that as I don't receive enough feedback on some of the stuff that I write. There are times when I wonder if anyone is reading my rambling thoughts at all.

I was pleased to know that Little is fluent in Lakota as I listened to him and others offer stories endlessly on the sidelines of the elder's games. The fact that they spoke only in Lakota was a real treat for me to listen to. I almost felt a sadness knowing that such Lakota storytelling should be transmitted directly to the next generation who are in the 30's or so and I am guessing that it probably is not.

I chuckled as Sam High Crane told of one Lakota man who saw something in the distance so he picked up a telescope or pair of binoculars. As he adjusted the lens, he appeared to see something. He made another adjustment and saw that it was a deer, I believe. He made, yet, another adjustment and it appeared even larger. On the last adjustment, as he put down the binoculars the deer was directly in front of him and he captured it.

The story was rather humorous in Lakota and seems to emphasize the fact that some stories do not appear as funny when re-told in English because Lakota doesn't lend itself to direct translation. Something gets lost in the "ueska" part of the process. "Ueska" is the translation process and the English version is mostly an approximation of what Lakota transmits.

When I find myself seated directly in the middle of such Lakota storytelling, I almost regret not tape recording the event as there is something special about that dynamic that will be one day lost. "Lakota weki omajulasni eyas" since I am very familiar with the language, I feel like I have a responsibility to bridge the gap between those who speak Lakota and those who do not. That is a huge responsibility and one that I couldn't hope to fulfill, however, knowing the language in an informal and formal sense is a gift for anyone.

I finally get a sense of the frustration and responsibility that language teachers have when they are charged with the responsibility of passing on Lakota. It's something that probably should not be left to the schools, but it is not occurring enough at home and someone needs to do it. I know it is difficult to be on the learning end of Lakota as it is a tremendously complex language and at the same time very beautiful. For me, it is almost a haunting experience to hear such wonderful Lakota speakers casually joking and teasing about some event and not realizing that one day the whole gift of language may be diminished.

Archie Little said I needed to write about the ancient "tokala" societies that were present in many Lakota nations and I agreed. He was kind enough to sing me a tokala song and once again, I didn't have my tape recorder with me. He said that on the Pine Ridge reservation their tokala okolakiciye was quite active and strong. The "tokala okolakiciye" in traditional Lakota society often looked for men who possessed desirable qualities and whose role was to help those in times of need. Once asked, they were obligated never to turn their back on those making the request. Little said that Oglala elders, Wilmer Mesteth and 'Chub' Thunder Hawk, were very active on the Pine Ridge and would often address the society about their roles and obligations. The bottom line was that tokala society members did not put themselves above the others, but rather shared equally in their responsibilities.

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Notes From Indian Country

Betting on an uncertain outcome



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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What is gambling in its purest sense? My old friend Webster has this to say about it: To play a game for money or property; to bet on an uncertain outcome; to stake something on a contingency; an act having the element of risk or something chancy.

All of these definitions came to mind when I visited my tribe's casino recently because nearly half of the people I saw doing "something chancy," were members of my own tribe. This brings to mind the question; is the Oglala Sioux Tribe earning 50 percent of its casino profits from its own people?

And if that is happening on the poorest Indian reservation in the United States, how many other tribally owned casinos are doing likewise? I recall visiting the casino on the Lac Courte Oreilles Reservation in Wisconsin where I spoke at the community college and once again was surprised to see so many Indian people seated at the gaming tables.

I suppose the number of Indians gambling in these reservation casinos is quite obvious because these are smaller casinos pretty far away from the metropolitan areas.

It would be a different story at a casino the size of the Foxwood Casino in Ledyard, Connecticut. A very wealthy tribe, the Mashentucket Peqot that is few in numbers, owns this casino. However, I am sure that many Pequot's are still placing stakes on games of chance.

It is no surprise to me that so many of the new, federally recognized tribes have jumped into building casinos. Petitions for federal recognition have doubled since the advent of Indian gaming. Rumors abound that some of the tribe's on the waiting list, and some that have already passed the bar, were supported financially by dubious business investors and speculators while researching their background in order to pass the federal investigation into their authenticity.

And even more sinister, there is also speculation that some influential members of the Bureau of Indian Affairs accepted cash bribes to rubber stamp the recognition of these new tribal entities.

Now that is where an investigation should begin and if conclusive evidence turns up that some BIA officials did support tribal recognition for monetary compensation, those individuals should be tried and prosecuted and those tribes that gained federal recognition illegally should have that federal status revoked.

I've said it many times in the past, but I will say it again; one of the criteria for federal recognition should be that a new tribe should be denied the opportunity to open a casino until 10 years from the date of recognition. A 10-year waiting period should be a standard part of the federal recognition process. Now how hard would it be to add this stipulation to the recognition process? It would certainly drive away many of the financiers and speculators looking to make a quick buck on the new tribe's casino operations.

And if a tribal group is honestly seeking federal recognition because of its historic connections as an Indian tribe with a recognized language, culture and traditions, its motives to reclaim this unique status should be pure and should far outweigh any prospects or desires of opening a casino. In other words, its actions should be honorable rather than based on greed.

It seems to me that the United States government, state governments, and Indian governments are seeking to raise revenues by playing to the worst instincts of human nature. Gambling is a game of chance. First of all one must place a bet in order to win. In order to place a bet one must first have the money to do so. Where does that money come from? From a paycheck, a social security check, or a welfare check?

There is no question that games of chance always favor the house. The odds of winning a large amount of money from gambling are slim and none. Therefore, the odds of not having enough money to pay the rent, or make that car payment or save enough money to send Jane or Johnny to college can be placed at slim or none.

I worked at Harrah's Casino in Reno, Nevada many years ago, years before there was ever a casino in Indian country. I started as a change boy in the slot department, became a section manager also in the slot department, and then moved on to dealing dice in the pit.

In training sessions we (the dealers) were told more than once that people come to gamble in the Reno casinos to lose money. If they bring $400 dollars to the game, they will stay there until that $400 is gone. We were also told that if people would come with the idea that they wanted to win $400 and then quit, more often than not, this would happen because most gamblers almost always win before they lose.

Needless to say, I saw a heck of a lot more losers than winners in my days in Reno.

What would happen to all of the revenues the government, the states and the tribes wanted to raise through gambling if one day every American simply said, "Starting today I will never gamble again."

I suppose there are too many people out there addicted to gambling for this to ever happen, but one should also keep in mind that addiction is also an illness. And as my friend Webster said, "Gambling is to bet on an uncertain outcome."

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pain-filled experience.

Through the ups and the downs, she's always been my little girl. Through adversity, she has learned humility and her faith in God has made her stronger. There is no greater satisfaction as a parent than watching your child experience hardship and failure, yet emerge with the heart of a champion.

There is a finality in knowing that my first born is about to leave my care and supervision and head out on her own. I'm excited that she will be starting a whole new chapter in life, but sad that this chapter that has so enriched our lives is coming to a close. Forgive me for wanting to do it all over again, but I do. My greatest joy and fulfillment in life has been having a courtside seat at every one of my daughters' formative experiences.

To all my fellow parents who may share a similar emotion this year or have had this experience already, thanks for being there for your children. And if you have the good fortune, like I do, of having a few years left with your other children, make the most of every moment. I've been called a lot of things in life, good and bad, but the sweetest sound to my ears will always be the word "dad".

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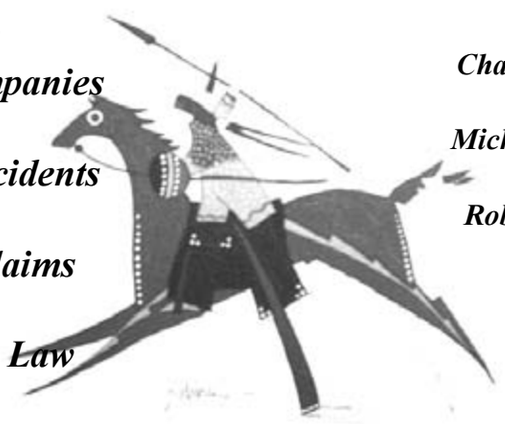
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O'Bryan qualifies in 100, 200, 400, Wohlleber wins two events on way to the state track meet

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

CUSTER/WINNER - Red Cloud qualified one athlete for the state track meet during Thursday's Region 8A competition in Custer but she did not slip in unnoticed as Marissa O'Bryan stood out with her shock of red hair and piston like strides that helped the senior run a career best 26.3 to win the 200, a career best 1:00.6 to take second in the 400 and a so so 13.3 to eek out a win in the 100.

Cheyenne Eagle Butte's Jordan Wohlleber, an eighth grader won both the 1600 and the 3200 in Region 6A and has the best time in the state in the 3200, at 11:46 and the third best time at 5:30.10 in the 1600.

William White Buffalo, a sophomore at Jones County, won the 1600 and 3200 and took second in the 800 at the Region 7B and will be competing in all three events at the State B meet. Kiko Mendoza, a freshman at Takini has the best time in Class B for the 3200 at 10:00.40 and the second best time in the 1600 at 4:39.10 and that will make for an interesting competition with White Buffalo and Lower Brule's Eltwin Grassrope who won the 3200 and took second in the region in the 1600.

Pine Ridge's Alex Wilson-Pine, a junior, won the 1600, took second in the 3200 to Little Wound's Vern Marshall and anchored the Thorpes second place finish in the sprint medley. Michael Jack, Dave Michaud and Juan Ramos joined Wilson-Pine on the awards stand for the silver medals.

Julie Bernie, a sophomore, won the 3200 race at the 7A Region in Winner and anchored Todd County's 4x800 second place finish helping Lorna Her Many Horses, Lisa Two Charge and Brittany Larvie qualify for state. Gunner Krogman, Todd County sophomore also qualified in three events as well taking second in the long jump while anchoring both the 4x100 to a first place along with Jaden Allen, Charlie Moe and Jesus Duran and the 1600 medley to a first place finish over Pine Ridge with Allen, Moe and Albert Her Many Horses.



Marissa O'Bryan, center, set the stage for regionals with an early season win in the 100 meters in a meet in Custer, site of the Region 8A meet last Thursday. O'Bryan ended up winning the 100 and 200 and took second in the 400, qualifying for all three for this week's state track meet in Spearfish and Rapid City. Photo courtesy of Steve McEnroe and the Rapid City Journal.

Competitors who finish first or second in a regional qualifying meet or who make the state standard in an event qualify for the state meet. Other qualifiers from Indian Country include from Region 6A: Gene Morrison from Chamberlain who won both the 1600 and the 3200, Brian Taken Alive/McLaughlin second in the 1600, Abbi LaPlante/CEB took second in the 200, Nadia Watt/CEB, an 8th grader look second in the 400 and from Region 7A: Wendy Schmaltz/TC was second in the 200 and Lisa Two Charge was second in the 800 while in Region 2A Rain Anderson, a senior at Flandreau won the 3200 and took second to teammate Josh Hale in the 1600.

In the Class B regions, Takini won the 1600 sprint medley in 8B with James West, Loren West and Sam and Kiko Mendoza and Derrick Locke, a sophomore at Tiospa Zina, took second in discus in 1B with a toss of 122-04.

"O'Bryan has made steady progress all year long and has a shot at the 100 state championship and should be really competitive in the 200," said Matt Rama, in his first year as head track coach at Red Cloud, "she is a racer and running against the top runners should bring out the best in this student athlete who proved to be equally adept in the classroom earning the valedictorian honor at Red Cloud this year and a Gates Millennium Scholarship."

Tyrone White/CEB will return to state trying to improve on his results from last year. White won the 1600 and took 4th in the 800; Morrison from Chamberlain was 6th in both the 1600 and the 3200, Wilson-Pine took second in the 3200, White Buffalo was 8th in the 3200, Pine Ridge's sprint medley team was 8th and Jordan Wohlleber took 6th in the 3200 as a 7th grader.

Preliminaries get underway at 10 a.m. on Friday with the B's in Rapid City, the A's in Spearfish and AA's in Sturgis with all of the finals set for Rapid City starting at 9:00 am for the field events and 9:30 am for the running.

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TCHS senior aspires to be a veterinarian

MISSION - Dakotah Dixon is embarking on her plans to be a veterinarian with a 2006 Buches scholarship in hand and with plans to enroll at SGU in the fall. As a member of the National Honor Society, Spirit Council at Todd County High School, and Upward Bound, Dakotah aspires to be a veterinarian with guidance from the GEAR UP program and the experience of having attended Girls State.

A former Girl Scout, she is an active member in the Christian Life Fellowship church and is the pride and joy of her mother, Josephine, Grandpa Jim, and brothers Terry, Brandon, and Nathan. Her auntie "Dawn" and her church family are also greatly supportive. Travis Hamilton wrote of Dakotah, "Not only is Dakotah an inspiration to me, she is an inspiration to a number of young people, minorities, and women. I believe that anywhere she goes and anything she does will have a positive impact on everyone around her."

An honoring was held for Dakotah at the Christian Life Fellowship church with a dinner prepared by Dawn Weeden, Faron McCloskey, and Francis Moore. A beautiful cake with Dakotah's picture on it was also served, while Nathan decorated the hall in preparation for the gathering.



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House passes bill, making it easier for vets to be homeowners

WASHINGTON - This week, the House passed the Veterans Housing Opportunity and Benefits Act. The package bill includes a measure sponsored by Rep. Stephanie Herseth to help Native American veterans become homeowners.

The Native American Veterans Housing Loan Program provides direct home loans to eligible Native American Veterans who wish to purchase, construct, or improve a home on Native American trust land. The bill will allow more veterans living on trust lands to take advantage of this important benefit, which is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2008.

Since the inception of the pilot program in 1992, the VA has made more than 440 direct loans to Native American veterans - including 20 from South Dakota. The direct loans are generally limited to either the cost of the home or $80,000, depending on which is less.

Herseth said, "This is an important and successful program that been proven to help Native American veterans in South Dakota and across the country in becoming home owners.

Native Americans are proud and patriotic Americans who serve their country in high numbers, and once they return from their service they should have every opportunity to purchase and own a home."

For a veteran to be able to participate in this program, the veteran's tribe must have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the VA. To date, the VA has entered into MOUs with a total of 70 Native American tribes and Native Groups throughout the country.

RST creates partnership to transport IHS patients quicker

Editor's NoteThe article below is in response to an article on this particular initiative in the May 17 edition of the Todd County Tribune, and is intended for clarification purposes***

BY MICHAEL LAPOINTE
Rosebud Sioux Tribe
Chief of Staff

ROSEBUD - On April 26, Rosebud Sioux Tribe President Rodney Bordeaux announced a partnership titled Cetan Air Ambulance with PASS Net, a private air-transport company based in Plymouth, MN, at the 8th Annual Great Plains Regional-Tribal Economic Development Summit in Sioux Falls, SD. The partnership was approved by both the RST Health Board & RST Council.

President Bordeaux stated, "This is an important venture that will help to save the lives of our people who need quick access to trauma care centers in Rapid City, Sioux Falls, or anywhere else in the region. This will cut down on access to emergency trauma care from an average of four hours to one hour. This will save lives for those who need to be flown out immediately."

Trauma experts refer to the sixty minutes following a traumatic event or medical emergency as the Golden Hour. This is a critical time for patients who need trauma care and can determine the difference between life and death. Current air ambulance flights now originate from Rapid City & Sioux Falls and can average four hours before getting a patient to either a Rapid City or Sioux Falls hospital from Rosebud Hospital.

As the President and CEO of PASS Net, John Warnock has an extensive history of working in the aviation industry. Mr. Warnock has had prior aviation work with United Parcel Service's radio-pharmaceutical initiative; check transportation contract work for the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis covering the states of North Dakota and South Dakota; Mail Services delivery work for Wells Fargo Bank in the states of North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, and western Wisconsin.

Warnock served as CEO of Integrated Commercial Solutions (ICS) until September of 2005, where ICS provides an integrated (air and ground) same-day logistics with operations in twelve states and air hubs in Blaine, Minnesota; Indianapolis, Indiana; and Addison, Texas. ICS clients include Wells Fargo, USBancorp, JPMorgan/Chase/BankOne; the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis; UPS; the U.S. Postal System; Cardinal Pharmaceutical; among many others.

President Bordeaux went on to state, "By having an air ambulance already based at our airport in Mission patients here won't have to wait for the air ambulance to first arrive at the Mission airport. Having this service will mean that our people get the emergency care that they deserve."

In conclusion, President Bordeaux stated, "This RST, as well as the OST, air ambulance projects were the results of our direct work with PASS Net. We didn't get this project started through any other groups following our lead (such as the Inter-Tribal Economic Alliance. In fact, ITEA followed RST & OST's lead in this endeavor. Our State Representative Paul Valandra, and the tribal councils of both RST and OST deserve the full credit for starting this important initiative."

The Oglala Sioux Tribe (OST) also endorsed a partnership with PASS Net to provide air ambulance flights for the people of OST as well.

Elder games a healthy 20 year tradition

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ST. FRANCIS - The temperature was a comfortable 75 degrees as the Sicangu elderly slowly arrived for the 20th annual Sicangu Elder Games held at the old St. Francis Indian School track. The previous two days had been a bit uncomfortable hitting temperatures in the high 80s and low 90s, however, the wind blew most of the day and it made for an almost perfect day.

Coordinator for the event, Chris Horvath, has been in charge of this yearly fun event since its inception and has had the steady and undying volunteer support of Meredith Kills In Water, Brenda Sitting Bear, and Wendell Big Crow.

Sicangu elder, Richard Standing Bear, of Norris and President of the Sicangu Elder Concerns, Inc. gave a welcome address along with Genevieve White Wing, Rosebud, and Sam High Crane representing St. Francis Indian School, while Roy Stone, Sr. offered a Lakota prayer. The 50 and 100 yard events started before too long and were concluded with a ¼ mile relay with men's and women's teams. In 2005 there were some 75 elders who took part in the games, according to Kills in Water.

Alice Four Horns of St. Francis was a prominent figure in the events as she could be seen stepping out rather briskly with her cane in the 50 and 100 yard walking events. The elders were seated on the west side of the old track behind a couple of tables. It was almost like they were presiding over the event, even though they were very active participants. It was a wonderful sight to see for the younger Sicangu youth, who just happened to be in the minority today.

"Unci" Alice also stood toward the end of the games and explained the significance of the Lakota "shinney" game that was about to be played. She explained in Lakota, "Wi Ehani hotinpi eyas lehan hecunpsni. Hehan wacekiyapi. Tapa wicokan askiyapi. Weweela wakpala nahan sapa oti eci skatapi. Duwe ohiye hantas ceja gluopi. Wakaliyapi nahan bapa ahipi. Lehan hecunpsni. Wangaha oblake."

Translated into English, Alice explained that when she was a young girl that she had witnessed the 'shinney' game and that the ball was considered sacred and a prayer was said before the game. St. Francis and Spring Creek communities played a game and when it was completed they would bring food in cans like coffee and dried meat. She concluded that such practices are not occurring today.

T-shirts, bottled water, sandwiches and other snacks were available for those in attendance. Horvath explained that the water and foods items were donated by macincela hehan le wanblake. Buches store of Mission, Lakota Water. Inc. of Rosebud,Mission Shopping Center,Frito-Lay, Coke and others and that the vendors had given very generously. Myrna Leader Charge of the RST tourism office also brought two large sheets of raisin pie that were baked sugar free just for the elders. She had baked them in memory of her mother and grandmother.

Leroy Hairy Shirt, a younger elder said that he did a lot of walking in preparation for the sun dance, and thus, it explained his finish at the front of the pack for his races.

Other events such as horse shoes, softball toss, and a three legged race were held. Even the children were able to take part in the races.

While the events were occurring in a rather relaxed and stress free setting, many of the elders could be heard telling stories in Lakota. Sam High Crane, Leroy Hairy Shirt, Archie Little and Sydney Points At Him told stories of shinney games, rodeos, hunting and even a joke or two almost non-stop. It was a scene that must have been reminiscent of the "old days" when Lakota men and women would probably have congregated separately and told such stories. Culturally speaking, such informal settings were likely also very important in transmitting culture and language as the language is rather informal and humorous.

On one occasion, an ambulance could heard screaming by in the background and Sydney said in Lakota, "Someone's heart must have stopped" and it was a reminder that there should have been an ambulance standing by the Elder Games, but one was noticeably absent. Despite that, fun was being held by these very respected Sicangu elders. The games were concluded with many expressions of, "See you next year."





(Above) The fifty and over Sicangu young elders prepare for a friendly race. (L-R) Roy Stone, Archie Little, Leroy Hairy Shirt, Christ Horvath, Sam High Crane (2 unidentified)

(left) Buddy Edwards competes in the softball throw as Dorothy Gunhammer assists. Photos courtesy of Shirley Iron Shell.

5k Road Run and 2-mile walk May 27

ROSEBUD - The RST Diabetes Prevention Program will sponsor a free 5k Road Run and 2-mile Walk in Rosebud on Saturday, May 27. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. at the Community Service Building (across from the court house) in Rosebud. The Run/Walk will begin promptly at 9 a.m. The first 100 registrants will recieve a t-shirt. For more information call Marc at RST Diabetes Prevention Program 747-4600.

RST Diabetes Prevention Youth Wellness Day Camp May 30

ROSEBUD - All RST DPP Youth Wellness Program participants are invited to attend a Day Camp on Tuesday, May 30. Participants should meet before 10 a.m. at the RST Diabetes Prevention Program Facility on Soldier Creek Road in Rosebud.

The camp will feature kickball games at the St. Francis track field.

All participants are encouraged to call Marc at 747-4600 to confirm activities the morning of each Day Camp.

Kyle man gets 10 years for stabbing death

SIOUX FALLS - A Kyle man who pleaded guilty in February to charges in a July 4 slaying on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation has been sentenced to 10 years in federal prison.

Wesley Rooks, 18, pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter in the stabbing death of Brian Two Crow, 31, also of Kyle.

The maximum penalty was 10 years in prison and a $250,000 fine.

Rooks was ordered to pay more than $4,500 in restitution.

Court documents indicated Rooks stabbed Two Crow with a butterfly knife during a fight in the Kyle housing area. An autopsy said Two Crow died of a stab wound to the heart.

Rooks originally was charged with second-degree murder.

One defendant pleads guilty in slaying of John Apple III

RUSHVILLE, Neb. (AP) - One of two defendants in the slaying of a South Dakota man whose body was found in a lake has pleaded guilty to manslaughter.

Leonard Rondeau, 21, of Manderson, S.D., faces up to 20 years in prison. He's set for sentencing next month in Sheridan County District Court.

Officials say Rondeau and Stanley Brown, 26, of Pine Ridge, S.D., killed John Apple III, 21, also of Manderson, on Aug. 4, 2005.

Brown's trial is scheduled for July 24.

Two anglers found Apple's body floating in the Nebraska side of Whiteclay Lake, which straddles the Nebraska-South Dakota border on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

Todd County Middle School holds staggered graduation exercises

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

MISSION - An estimated crowd of 200 people or so crowded into a not so fully packed house to celebrate the graduation of its eighth grade class at the TCMS gymnasium on Friday May 18. This year saw the continuation of staggered graduation ceremonies as had been initiated last year and entitled "2005-2006 Achievement Ceremonies" in order to discourage the possibility of any disturbance at the affair.

TCMS principal, Peggy Diekhoff, explained, "Starting last year, we began celebrating with the 8th grade students by their individual teams. Doing this created a safer environment because there were less people in the gym during the ceremony; it assisted in helping to prevent the issues of gangs and violence that happened in 2004."

During the 2 p.m. time slot, the Kruse Team, Heinert Team, Traversie Team, and the Stoecklin Team hosted the graduation of 49 eighth graders.

The TCMS middle school drum, "Igmu Watogala" sang a number of honor songs in observance of the event. The mentor for the group is teacher, Gilbert Stewart. Todd County school board member, Marlon Leneaugh, offered the invocation, while principal, Diekhoff, gave a brief welcome to the crowd of students, parents, and community members.

"Igmu Watogala" is scheduled to appear at the Prairie's Edge in Rapid City on June 6 for a fundraising event sponsored by the Native American Journalists Association. Foundation president Tim Giago will be hosting Senator Tom Daschle in a fund raising event that will see OST president Cecelia Fire Thunder speak, as well as performances by Jackie Bird and Igmu Watogala.

Diekhoff said, "Our students are extremely talented; they have unlimited potential and deserve to be recognized for their achievements. It is a stepping stone to their high school graduation. We are extremely proud of the accomplishments of our 8th graders; they are the high school graduating class of 2010."

An I-movie was presented for audience viewing and which was projected on the north wall. It apparently featured all of the eighth grade class who were graduating this day. Some were shots of students on a recent field trip and others were of students in various poses during the year, studying or simply hanging out. The crowd cheered when middle school teacher, Mrs. Stoecklin, was shown exiting a water slide. Later, she teased the students about the photograph.

Marlon Leneaugh once again spoke and delivered the commencement address, as he spoke of his younger years of having dropped out of high school during his junior year and having a good job in carpentry. He realized that the work was a bit strenuous and challenging and decided to attend college to pursue a college education. He spoke of his days at USD-Springfield and the tremendous impact of technology on learning and the influence it is having on students. His hope was that all of the graduating class of eighth graders would progress together and be at the 2010 high school commencement exercises intact.

Dr. Richard Bordeaux, Superintendent of the TCSD shared the stage along with TCMS principal Peggy Diekhoff, and members of the TCSD school board. TCMS teacher, Steve Heinert, presented his graduating class to those in attendance and gave thanks to parents and students for the privilege of working with them. He left a bit of an impression when he told the young people that if they ever found themselves in need of someone to talk to, to give him a call as his name was listed in the phonebook.

One graduating eighth grader, Charisse Tunstall, was cited as having perfect attendance over the course of three years. Her mother noted after the ceremony that she had taken ill a couple of times, but after she felt better, off to school she went in pursuit of that perfect attendance. Her mother insisted that one had to be encouraged as such in order to learn.

The achievement ceremony was a "bitter sweet" time for Jacinda "J.C" Hesse. A lot of her family were assembled to witness her graduation; however, her mother was absent. She had lost her mother due to a motorcycle pedestrian accident on August 7, 2003 at the Piedmont exit during the annual motorcycle rally in Sturgis. Despite that fact, J.C. was the focus of amateur photographers and one professional photographer. Her maternal grandmother, Dee Starboy, and also her paternal grandfather, Marshall Stands, were in attendance to witness her special day.



2006 Graduating Class of Todd County Middle School
Members of the TCMS Kruse Team;
(Back Row) Melissa Guerue, Tia Barraza, James Two Charger, Eric Red Feather, Alyssa Sleeping Bear, Daniel Bear Shield, Kyle Horse Looking
(Front Row) Advisor - Rhonda Stoecklin, Chanice Larvie, Jacinda "J.C" Hesse, Tyler Red Eagle, Julian Stands, Michelle Olson, Melissa Little Dog, Crystal McCloskey.

Bordeaux speaks at He Dog graduation

HE DOG - On May 15, Rosebud Sioux Tribe President Rodney Bordeaux attended the He Dog School Kindergarten & 8th Grade Graduation. There were twenty-six total kindergarten graduates and eleven 8th grade graduates.

President Bordeaux stated to the graduates, "You are our future leaders. It is important that you take advantage of the education that you are learning today. We are going to count on you to help make life better here for our people as you become adults."

Procession was performed by the He Dog Drum Group; Invocation was given by RST Council Rep. Russell Eagle Bear; Presentation of Certificates given by Debra Boyd, Principal, and Kindergarten Instructors Brianne Stuard & Sarah Veskrna.

THUNDERHAWK -JEALOUS OF HIM TIOSPAYE REUNION

To be held July 1 and July 2, 2006, at the Tiospaye arber in Porcupine, South Dakota, one mile north of Porcupine Butte. This notice is for those who may have lineal ties or connection to Charles Albert thunder Hawk son of Martin Thunder Hawk and Fannie Twiss and Susanna Rose Jealous of Him the daughter of William Jealous of Him and Louisa Two Hearts. We are open for verification or information exchanges. Please call us we would like to hear from you. Contact numbers are:

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308-862-0097 (H)

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Kyle, SD 57752
605-455-1198 (H)
605-455-6065 (w)

Anthony Gay
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June 5th	CPR & 1st Aid Training	10:00-3:00	S. Danner/Joan Nelson
June 6th	st Aid & CPR Recertification	10:00-3:00	Irv Cottier Danner/Nelson
June 7th	Tanning a Buffalo Hide and Ledger Bk Art-Red Cloud's Journey	10:00-3:00	G. Yellow Hair
June 8th	Setting Up a Tipi & History	10:00-3:00	G. Yellow Hair
June 12th	Dyeing & Preparing Quillwork	10:00-3:00	Verola Spider
June 13th	Traditional Dress Making	10:00-3:00	Verola Spider
June 14th	Basic Computer for Beginners	10:00-3:00	Anne Briggs
June 15th	Computers for Skilled Users	10:00-3:00	Anne Briggs

EAGLE NEST COLLEGE CENTER
Director: Georgia Rooks
Phone: 462-6243

May 18th	Beading/Quilling	1:00-4:00	Louis Shaw
May 19th	Beading/Quilling	1:00-4:00	Louis Shaw
May 23rd	Basic Computer Training	9:00-12:00/1:00-3:00	S. White Thunder
May 24th	Basic Computer Training	9:00-12:00/1:00-3:00	S. White Thunder
June 12th	Traditional Doll Making	9:00-3:00	Louis Shaw
June 13th	Traditional Doll Making	9:00-3:00	Louis Shaw
June 12th	Role of the Lakota Man	10:00-12:00/1:00-3:00	C. Eagle Hawk
June 13th	Role of the Lakota Man	10:00-12:00/1:00-3:00	C. Eagle Hawk
June 19th	Bustle Making	10:00-12:00/1:00-3:00	Elroy Cross
June 20th	Bustle Making	10:00-12:00/1:00-3:00	Elroy Cross

PAHIN SINTE COLLEGE CENTER
Director: Janice Richards
Phone: 867-5404

May 18th	Computer Skills Training	9:00-4:00	William Elliott
May 23rd	Setting up a Tipi & the Teachings	10:00-4:00	Rick Two Dogs
May 25th	Dying & Preparing Porcupine Quills	10:00-4:00	Verola Spider
May 31st	Learning the Art of Making a Headroach	1:00-4:00	Dale Red Eagle

PINE RIDGE COLLEGE CENTER
Director: Shirley Brewer
Phone: 867-5893

May 25th	Computer Basics	9:00-12:00/1:00-4:00	William Elliott
May 26th	Computer Basics	9:00-12:00/1:00-4:00	William Elliott
May 30th	Lakota Woman Roles/Society	9:00-12:00/1:00-4:00	Mona Grey Bear
May 31st	Buffalo Box	9:30-12:00/1:00-3:00	M. Burnette
June 5th	Cekpa Ognaka Workshop	9:00-12:00/1:00-4:00	P. Cross

PEJUTA HAKA COLLEGE CENTER
Director: Leslie Mesteth
Phone: 455-2450

May 24th	Computer Literacy Training	1:00-8:00	Steven Potter
May 26th	Creative Writing	9:00-4:30	Jamie Lee
June 2nd	Tanning Buffalo & Deer Hides	9:00-4:00	C. Comes Killing
June 5th	Healthcare/Diabetes check	10:00-2:00	Beth/Roz
June 5th	Traditional Food/Diet	10:00-2:00	Kibbi Conti
June 7th	Role of the Lakota Man	10:00-2:00	Steven Dubray
June 9th	Lakota Music & Drum	10:00-2:00	George Apple
June 13th	Resume Writing	10:00-2:00	Angie Sam
June 16th	Lakota Star Knowledge	10:00-2:00	Leola One Feather

WOUNDED KNEE COLLEGE CENTER
Director: Karen White Butterfly
Phone: 867-5352

May 23rd	Computer Literacy: Internet Use	9:00-12:00	Steven Potter
	Computer Literacy: Word Processing	1:00-4:00	Steven Potter
May 26th	Moccasin Making	9:00-12:00	Frances Ice
	Leggings Making	1:00-4:00	Frances Ice
June 2nd	Demonstrate Pattern Making/Cutting	9:00-12:00	Frances Ice
	Sewing Demonstration	1:00-4:00	Frances Ice
June 8th	Drum Making: Preparation	9:00-12:00	C. Comes Killing
	Drum Making: Demonstration	1:00-4:00	C. Comes Killing
June 9th	Pesa (Headroach) Making: Preparation	9:00-12:00	EugeneWhite Hawk
	Pesa (Headroach Making: Demonstration	1:00-4:00	E. White Hawk
June 15th	Quillwork: Preparation	9:00-12:00	Eldena Red Eyes
	Quillwork: Demonstration	1:00-4:00	Eldena Red Eyes
June 16th	Tipi Set-up: Oral Presentation	9:00-12:00	Gerald Ice
	Tipi Set-up: Demonstration	1:00-4:00	Gerald Ice

HE SAPA COLLEGE CENTER
Director: Shirley Lewis
Phone: 342-1513

May 25th	Lakota Storytelling	9:00-3:00	Mona Grey Bear
May 26th	Lakota Woman Societies	9:00-12:00	Mona Grey Bear
	Lakota Woman Song	1:00-4:00	Mona Grey Bear
May 30th	Buffalo Box Presentation	9:30-4:00	Marshall Burnette
May 31st	Traditional Foods, Plants & Herbs	8:30-5:00	Selena Wolfback
June 1st	Basic Internet Browsing	9:00-12:00	Lila Parks
	Web based Search Engines	1:00-4:00	Lila Parks
June 2nd	Basic Word Processing	9:00-12:00	Lila Parks
	Email & Netiquette	1:00-4:00	Lila Parks
June 5th	Creative Writing Workshop	10:00-4:00	Jamie Lee
June 6th	Lak. Culture & Traditional Lakota Ways	9:30-3:30	Elaine Delores

LACREEK COLLEGE CENTER
Director: Pearl Cottier
Phone: 685-6407

May 18th	Quickbooks Seminar	1:00-4:00	Julie Johnson
May 19th	Basic Computer Skills	9:00-3:00	S. White Thunder
May 23rd	CPR	5:00-9:00	Tiny DeCory
May 24th	Health & First Aid	5:00-9:00	Tiny DeCory
May 25th	Wasna Making	10:00-3:00	D. Lone Wolf
May 30th	Reading Labs	10:00-3:00	Tony Fresquez
May 31st	Writing Labs	10:00-3:00	Tony Fresquez

PASS CREEK COLLEGE CENTER
Director: Lenora Hudson (Acting)
Phone: 455-2757

May 22nd	Tipi Assembly	10:00-12:00	Janice Sitting Bear
May 23rd	Traditional Storytelling & Songs	9:00-12/1:00-4:00	Tokala Clifford
May 24th	Beadwork (turtles & lizards)	9:00-12/1:00-4:00	F. Witt-Dubray
May 25th	Basic Computer Training	9:00-12:00/1:00-4:00	S. White Thunder
May 26th	Basic Computer Training	9:00-12:00/1:00-4:00	S. White Thunder
May 31st	Diabetes Prevention & Screening (content)	9:00-12:00/1:00-4:00	OST Diabetes Prog.
June 1st	Quillworking	9:00-12:00/1:00-4:00	Mary Jo Red Bear
June 7th	Diabetes Prevention & Screening (content)	9:00-12:00/1:00-4:00	OST Diabetes Prog.

OGLALA COLLEGE CENTER
Director: Donna Red Ear Horse
Phone: 867-5780

May 22nd	Basic Computer Skills	9:00-12:00/1:00-4:00	William Elliott
May 23rd	Beading Lizards & Turtles*	9:00-12:00	Muriel Lakota
	Cutting and Beading Baby Moccasins*	1:00-4:00	Muriel Lakota
May 30th	History of Beading (demonstrating different kinds of stitch work)	9:00-3:00	T. Yellow Cloud
May 31st	Lakota Horsemanship	9:00-3:00	B. Scabby Face
June 2nd	CPR & Basic 1st Aid	9:00-3:00	TBA
June 13th	Making Men's Traditional Bustles*	9:00-12:00	Patrick Randelle
	Making Men's Head Roaches*	1:00-4:00	Patrick Randelle
June 14th	Traditional Dress Making*	5:00-9:00	Muriel Lakot

*denotes: All participants must bring their own material.

Goodlow and Ferguson, Gates scholars





Tanisha Goodlow and Christine Ferguson

KYLE - Tanisha Goodlow and Christine Ferguson, both seniors at Little Wound High School received Gates Millenium Scholarships and will be attending the University of North Dakota and studying in the medical field.

Ferguson, the daughter of Faith Pourier and Boyd Ferguson, said there is a strong need for more nurses on the reservation and that is what prompted her desire in the medical field. She said Dr. Sarah Jumping Eagle has been her role mode,l and her encouragement has came from her grandma Genvieve Richards. She credited Deanna Wagner, a high school science teacher, for helping her to enjoy science. "She made it fun to learn and taught me a lot about science."

Goodlow is the daughter of Rochelle Middletent and Craig Goodlow Sr. She has four siblings Tilisha, Craig Jr., Terri Lee and Logan. Goodlow attended middle and high school at Little Wound. Her favorite academic mentors were Stacey Phelps and Michelle Means and of course her mom and her friends have been her encouragement. "I want to come back to my community and help my people," she said.

Both will be graduating on May 25, and both said they appreciated the financial help they will be getting and are looking forward to attending the university. "It's scary but exciting," said Goodlow. They will participate in a summer program at the university that will help them with their transition.





Tasha Sanding Soldier and Little Wound Midde School graduates. (Photos by Amanda Takes War Bonnett)

Standing Soldier: 'If I can do it, anyone of you can do it'

KYLE - On May 17, the Little Wound Middle School held their continuation ceremony for their outgoing eighth grade class.

Amelia Blackbear, middle school principal for five years, awarded 57 eighth grade students a continuation certificate to go on to high school.

Scott Means, a middle school counselor, emceed the event and introduced two outstanding students Kristen Clifford, valedictorian, and Lacey Roy who was salutatorian, each gave a speech.

Special guest speaker was former Little Wound School student Tasha Standing Soldier. Standing Soldier graduated from South Dakota State University with her doctorate in pharmacy this spring. She plans to continue her career through the Air Force.

Standing Soldier told the students, she was like them, she sat in the chairs as they were now and was asked, 'what will you be in ten years?" and she made that choice to do what she did with her academic life.

She told the students she grew up as they had. She didn't grow up with alot of money and came from a single parent home. She set her goals in increments of what she planned to do to graduate. She attributed her success to her faith in her Lord. "You will have plenty of obstacles coming your way, set your goals. God will help you anytime we can't handle something," she told the students. She spoke of going to Brookings with her two year old son and attending the university, as being one of her biggest obstacles.

"If I can do it, anyone of you sitting here can do it," she said.



C-EB high school graduates 67 seniors

EAGLE BUTTE - On Sunday, May 21, the Cheyenne Eagle Butte High School graduated 67 seniors in a packed auditorium. The highlight of the graduation ceremony was not only the presentation of the diplomas but a slide show that profiled each of the graduates.

Every year, this profile of the students through a slide show, is a special part of the commencement. The slide show this year was compiled by Amanda Fischer, a senior.

The invocation was by Emanuel Red Bear and the flag song was by the group Hohwoju Hotain. Presentation of the seniors was by high school principal Cynthia McCrea. Other guests on the platform were Dr. Cherie Farlee, line officer; Gerald Stapert, superintendent; Carla Veaux, board chairwoman; Harold Frazier, tribal chairman and Dr. Vicki Birkeland, EAGLE center principal.



Above: The Cheyenne Eagle Butte High School seniors presented. Below: Daelen High Wolf receives his diploma. (Photos by Amanda Takes War Bonnett)

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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I am a very smart outspoken girl and I love to sing, play basketball and play guitar, but I'm still very sad. I have eczema, severe asthma, and I just had surgery on my foot.

When I make a friend people always get in the way and I end up losing them as friends, they got to that point because of me. I want to play varsity basketball, but I'm scared that I might not make it because of my asthma.

I want to go to college, and play basketball, people say I am pretty, I think so to but, I am not happy and I want my dreams to come true please help me, I want to keep on singing but there is a little competition, that try to be better than me. I really want to do this. I have been singing since I could talk, please help me. I want to be a star, I want to sing, I have struggled through health problems, my family , my parents are separated, I go to church every Sunday, I have done nothing wrong to anyone,

Scared and Unhappy

Dear Scared and unhappy:

I know how you feel. It is so hard to be less than physically perfect during certain ages. It is also hard to have asthma. I know, because I have asthma. You can play basketball. I am going to introduce to you a way to help you expand your breathing ability. It is Yoga.

There are two Yogic breath control methods that can move you into asthma control. Asthma is triggered by a lot of things, and antagonized by emotional stress. With your parents separating and your skin being contrary, and friends not in your life you are a target of an asthma attack.

These breathing techniques reduce the amount of albuterol that I ingest by about 90 percent. The first step is to breath in deeply through your nose. Inhale a long hard breath, and while you are inhaling you are puffing your stomach out.

You want to fill up your lungs even more than you can think they can hold - forcing to even fill up your stomach area (the diaphragm) and as you breath in you say in silence to yourself SAT. It is pronounced like it was spelled "sought". Hold that breath and repeat four times, SAT - A - Nam (pronounced like Viet Nam) - A. Sat-A-Nam-A. It comes from the language of the Sik (pronounced shiek). I believe it may be Sanskrit. After saying Sat-A-Nam-A four times, release the breath slowly while squeezing all the air out of your stomach and pulling your stomach muscles towards your tail-bone. Sat Nam means calling on the Divine Truth, or in other terms the Truth of God. Do this Sat Nam breath work starting out with at least four times several times a day.

You want to do it for about three minutes at a time, but you may have to work up to that. When you start to feel the restricted muscle or tenseness that happens at the beginning of an asthma attack, stop yourself and breath Sat Nam four times. It will help you calm down your body and build lung strength. The next exercise is Breath of Fire. Sit on the floor cross legged - or as comfortably close to that as you can.

Place your hands on your knees, palms up, and touch your middle finger to your thumbs. Breath in four Sat Nam breaths, then begin to bring up the tempo, each breath faster and faster through your nose: inhale and exhale while moving your stomach with the intake out, and with the release in. The rhythm is very fast, while saying Sat Nam, Sat Nam, (Sat in, and Nam out).

Build up to doing this for three minutes. These techniques will help you build up endurance. will re-oxygenate your blood. You may also want to check with a doctor about AVATAR (I think that is the prescription name). Many people find that it is effective, but it is very expensive. Like all drugs it can have side effects (like Thrush), so I do not use it. When you feel an asthma attack, take your inhaler and have a couple of hits, do Sat Nam breathing, make a decision that the Asthma is going to go away and that you are fine. These things help.

As to your skin and eczema - first, avoid eggs and grapefruit and other high citrus fruits, keep your hands off from your face, and fourthly, always use a fresh wash cloth, and be careful of the soaps you use.

Take vitamin A, C, D and E. Try and find at the local health food store (in Rapid, Staple and Spice, the Bread Root, or Main Street Market) Super Blue Green Algae. Put a tablespoon in something, mix it up, and drink it (if it is flakes), or follow the instructions if it is in capsules. I know that there are laser treatments available too, but I don't know if they work or not.

On friends: I know this sounds like a bag of bull, but first, be one. People have their own lives, they are self-involved. They will think of themselves first, so don't be insulted when they do. Let go of everything as a personal insult. Read the book *The Four Agreements* by Don Miguel Ruiz. Believe that book, it will serve you all of your life.

Have some patience for yourself. Life does not end or only revolve around high school. As you become more comfortable with yourself, others will become more comfortable with you. I see two good girl-friends and one guy that is your friend. That seems pretty good to me, if you can have three people in your life that help you to have a better day then you are truly blessed. Love people first, love their strangeness, their differences, their humor, their hearts...and you know what, they will love you too.

Being pretty is an advantage. Thank God you are pretty and that He gave that gift to you. Bless your appearance, and work at being grateful. It will make you prettier. One of your other gifts, your voice, should also be Blessed by thanking the Creator. Sing at every opportunity. Sing for your friends weddings, at ceremonies, at school, and find some others that make music and begin to amuse yourself. That is how groups get together and make it, they begin.

I see you taking more music in college, and learning more about vocal skills and development. Singing is also a very good control mechanism for asthma. Sing from your diaphram.

You will be a success. You can play college basketball, but I think that you will decide to maybe follow your music and play basketball for fun and in local leagues. I see you deciding to "play" with music primarily, and sports, secondarily. You will meet many people that are famous. You will teach others and use your skills to help enhance your life and others lives. Take your journey a little bit more slowly. Take charge of what you want to create and begin every day to do something to make that dream closer to happening. You are truly blessed in this life, understand what you are, what you have, be thankful, know you are okay, and have a good life. It's easy to have a good life if you really understand that you are having one. Good Luck.

Dear Anna,

Recently my significant other got into some trouble and he is going to be released soon so what I want to know is are things going to change and will I finally get to expect a child?

Sincerely wondering

Dear Sincerely:

I do see a baby, probably a boy. Your significant other needs some adjustment time - time to go to school, find employment and stay sober. Please don't pressure him into giving up his life for a dream that you can wait for. Let him develop himself into someone other than an ex-con before you strap him into a cycle of poorness that he can't break. Please learn to take care of yourself financially first. You can have your dream, but if you don't relax your dream will be a nightmare of poverty, drugs and alcohol, and struggle.

Be kind and gentle with yourself, your time, and your expectations. Let your significant other sort his life out; first stand behind him (your waiting), then with him. He has some growing to do, and if you want him to be who you want him to be, then give him time to get there.

Dear Anna,

I read your articles every Friday and I see how you help people. Well let me tell you a little something about what's going on with me; me and this guy have been together for 4 years, we don't have kids together but he has two kids with another woman?

He tells me he loves me, he wants to be with me but the problem is he also has two kids with this other woman; he doesn't want to be with his kids' mom because she drinks and smokes too much and that he would rather be with me? My relatives tell me things that they see him and his kids mom together when I am working during the evenings.

My relatives don't want us together because of the way he is treating me by going back and forth between me and this other woman? When I question him about it, he denies it and says that it is not true. I've got three kids of my own and he accepts them as his own, he spends time with me and my kids before I leave for work.

But afterwards, is he with his kids mom more? He wants to get married but he wants to wait until August, should I trust my man and does he love me enough not to lie to me? I thank you for your help.

Troubled in Love

Dear Troubled in Love:

Well, I just have to ask you, is it okay in your mind for him to be with his kids and their mother? It is a personal decision. You are the one that it has to be okay with it in order for your relationship to work. He does spend a lot of time with his ex, and I would say he does still consider her his friend, and she probably has more feelings for him than you would be comfortable with. If you are going to marry a man, take the time to get to know his children and his ex. They will be in your life for a long time. You have to find neutral ground, where you don't feel threatened. I don't think it matters, in comparison, if he spends more time with his kids than yours. I certainly, as a mother and a human, would rather spend more time with my own children than with someone elses children - but then, that's just me, so I understand that. However, I don't ever want my husband to spend more time with his ex than with me. So a new solution has to be reached, otherwise it won't work.

You must resolve the jealousy issue. He has no reason to lie to you if he really wants to marry you, unless you trigger him into lying by being jealous. Is he being unfaithful? Well the situation is stacked so that if he isn't, someday he may be. Neutral ground girl, he needs neutral ground. Remember he doesn't want to marry her but he has to deal with her and he does want to marry you.

What else that I see, however, is that he does not speak to you with respect. You two have developed a competitive end of complaints about each other. You both have to work on behaving better with and to each other. He needs to demonstrate more respect for you, and you need to demonstrate more maturity.

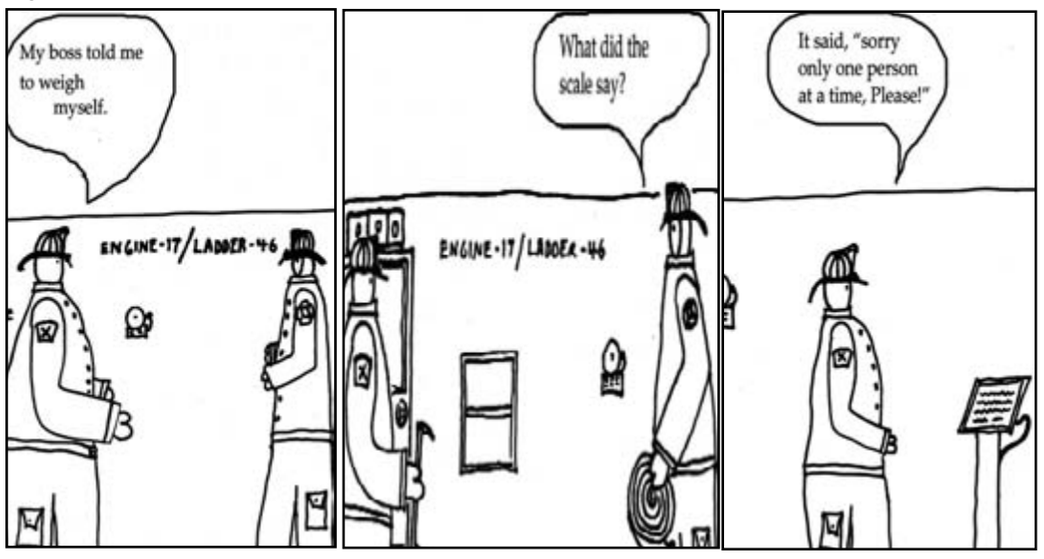
What I see happening is you will delay the wedding for awhile (so you both can grow up more), and give both of you time to work out these issues. I do see it you getting married; but there is a lot of discussion, promises, actions, and resolutions first. Slow down, it will all work out, eventually - good luck. If you rush it before these differences are resolved it will be a very short marriage. Please consider your goals and outcome. Please don't make marriage a target - instead, make love and compassion, passion and a good life your goal. *Good Luck.*

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication.

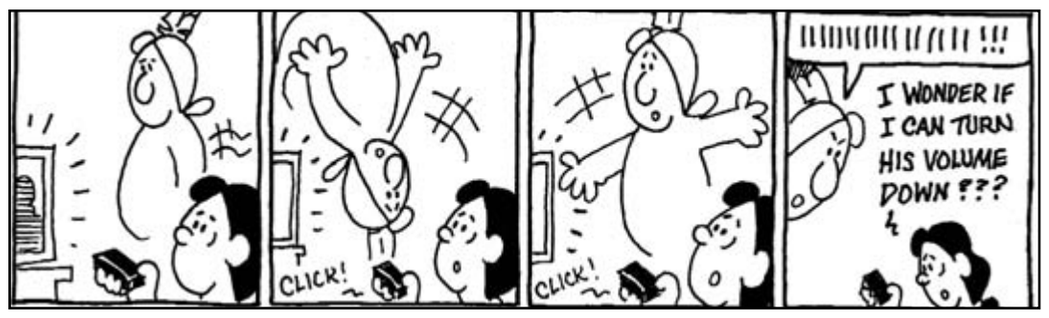
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Lakota Crossword Puzzle

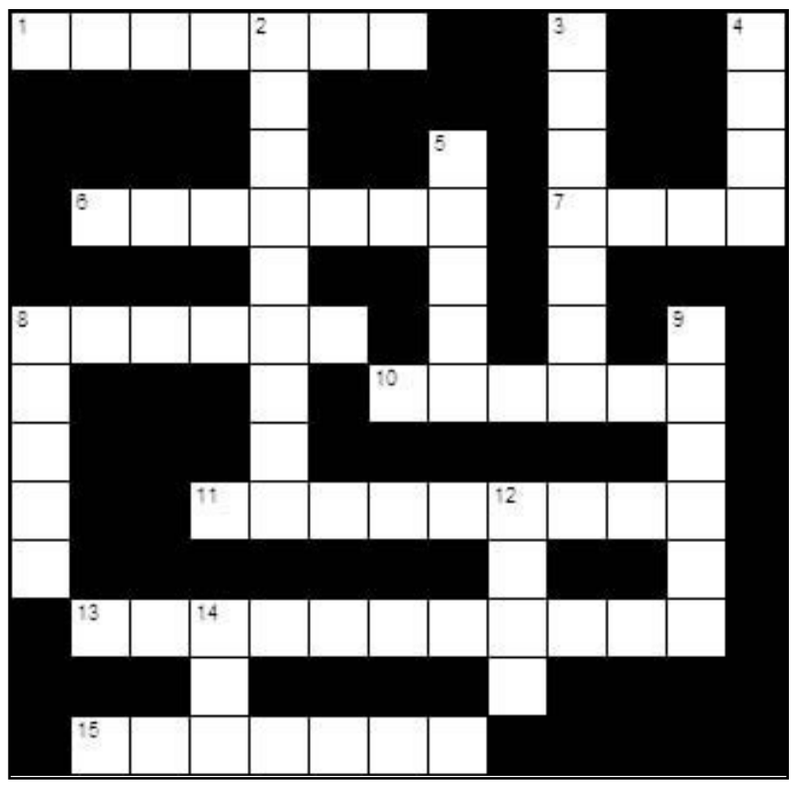
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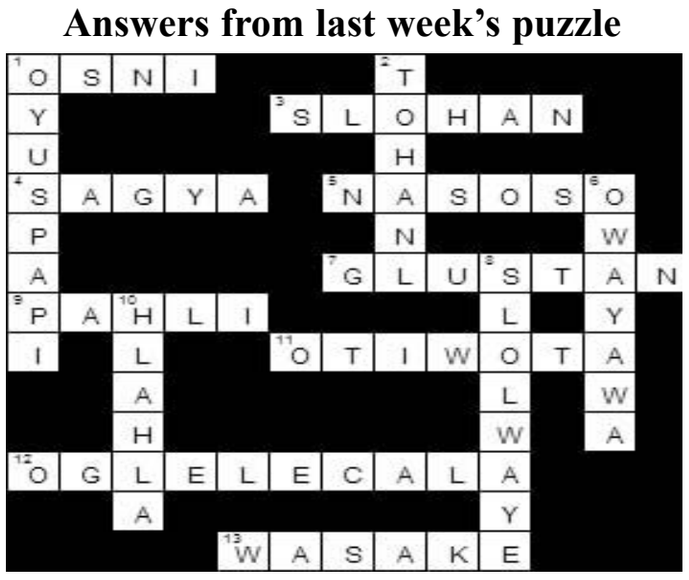
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6. star
7. blanket
8. quilt
10. leaves
11. moon
13. fork
15. flower

Down

2. sky
3. dishes
4. dirt
5. door
8. stove
9. fire place
12. fire
14. tree



Answers from last week's puzzle



Delores Between Lodges, 45 .....Pine Ridge
Alfreda Thompson, 74.....Eagle Butte
Charlotte Lakota-Two Bull, 58 ..... Pine Ridge
Ampo Wicaphi, infant.....Allen
Shirley Red Elk.....Manderson

Delores Between Lodges

PINE RIDGE - Delores Between Lodges, 45, died May 18 at St. John's Hospice, Lakewood, Colo. of natural causes.

Survivors include sons Somerset "Chico" Between Lodges, Canyon City, Colo.;

Dakota Between Lodge, Fla.; brothers Dale Morrison, Pine Ridge; Michael Morrison, Potato Creek; sisters Julia Morrison, Denver, Colo.; Annabelle Between Lodges, Karen Between Lodge and Iris Between Lodge all of Oglala and Noreen Between Lodge, Detroit, Mich.

A one night wake was May 23 at St. Henry's Church Hall, Potato Creek. Funeral services were Wednesday, May 24 at St. Henry's Church Hall. Officiating if the Rev. Cordelia Red Owl.

Interment was at St. Timothy's Episcopal Cemetery, Potato Creek, SD

Funeral arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Alfreda Thompson

EAGLE BUTTE - Alfreda Thompson, 74, Eagle Butte, died Friday, May 19, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Wake services were Wednesday at the church. Funeral services were Thursday, May 25, at the church, with the Rev. Jeffry Barnes officiating.

Burial was Thursday at the Episcopal Cemetery in LaPlant. Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Shirley Red Elk

MANDERSON - Shirley D. Red Elk, 56, Manderson, died Tuesday, May 16, 2006, in Scottsbluff, Neb. Survivors include five sons, James Black Tail Deer, Albuquerque, N.M., and Martin Black Tail Deer Jr. and Steven Black Tail Deer, both of Scottsbluff and Joe Sluery and John Sluery of Fort Thompson; two daughters, Crystal Wright, Scottsbluff, and Martina Roscon, Arrian, Iowa; one brother, Vern Red Elk, Manderson; three sisters, Agnes Red Elk, Pine Ridge, Ruth Red Elk, Manderson, and Dolly Red Shirt, Rapid City; and 12 grandchildren. Wake services were Saturday, May 20, at St. Agnes Catholic Hall in Manderson. Funeral services were Monday, May 22, at St. Agnes Catholic Hall, with Roberta Spencer officiating. Burial was at Black Tail Deer Family Cemetery, White Horse Creek, Manderson. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Ampo Wicahpi-Morning Star Tallman

ALLEN - Baby Ampo Wicahpi-Morning Star Tallman, infant, Allen, was stillborn Tuesday, May 2, at Pine Ridge Hospital. Survivors include mother, Joann Tallman, Allen; father, Nathan Clifford, Kyle; one brother, Shilo Tallman, Allen; one sister, Cheyenne Tallman, Allen; maternal grandparents, Charles and Wilma Shot With Arrow, Allen; and paternal grandmother, Ruby Clifford, Kyle. Graveside services were Saturday, May 20, at Inestimable Gift Episcopal Cemetery in Allen, with the Rev. Cordelia Red Owl officiating. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Charlotte Lakota Two Bulls

PINE RIDGE - Charlotte C. Lakota-Two Bulls, 58, Pine Ridge, died Monday, May 15, at her home. Survivors include her husband, Archie Tobacco, Chadron, Neb.; five sons, Derrick Elk Head and Bernard Two Bulls, both of Rapid City, Lawrence Two Bulls Jr. and Galen Two Bulls, both of Oglala, and Warren Clown Horse, No. Four Community; two daughters, Kolleen Elk Head, Rapid City, and April Cortier, No. Four Community; seven adopted sons, Sonny Wilson, Harold Two Bulls, Pat Two Bulls and Leo Two Bulls, all of No. Four Community, Dennis White Face and Floyd Running Hawk, both of Pine Ridge, and Pat Henry, Calico; two adopted daughters, Lisa Two Bulls, No. Four Community, and Patti He Crow, Oglala; 26 grandchildren; and 26 great-grandchildren. Wake services were May 18 at the Charlotte Lakota-Two Bulls' home, No. Four Community. Funeral services were Friday, May 19, at her home, with the Rev. Abraham Tobacco officiating. Burial was at the Advent Chapel Episcopal Cemetery in Calico. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Memorials and photos are free
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Memorial Dinner and Giveaway

Walter Martinez on May 29 at St. Stephan's Hall in Kyle. All friends and relatives are invited. Breakfast at 7 to 10 a.m.; lunch at 12 noon to 2 p.m. and an evening activity at the old homesite. Call Molbay and Mary at 455-2666 or 441-6204 for more information.

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SHANNON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 65-1

A School District Election will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2006, in all the voting precincts in School District No. 65-1, Batesland, South Dakota. If the polls cannot be opened because of bad weather, the election may be postponed one week.

The election polls will be open from seven a.m. to seven p.m. mountain time on the day of the election.

Office to be voted on: Two 3-year positions for Board Members Candidates who have filed:

Tom Vaughn
Chuck Conroy
Gerlad Big Crow
Angie Eagle Bull
Sharon Martin
William L. Lone Hill
Joe Morrisette

The polling place in each precinct of this district are as follows:

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Manderson Precinct	**Wounded Knee CAP Office**
Oglala Precinct	**Brother Denny Hall**
Pine Ridge Precincts #1,2,3	**Sacred Heart Catholic Church**
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Congratulations! to Paul W. Mousseau Jr "SONNY" who graduated 8th grade from LWMS on May 17, 2006
We are so proud of you, we love you and we hope you enjoyed your dinner
Love, Mom,Rod, Ben, Jonnette, Tisha, Jesse, Woni, Lil'Jun,Punky, Karlin and Christopher.

Congratulations! to Jiame No Neck, Justin Spencer, Sonny Mousseau, Enoch Yellow Hawk, Eric Rojas on their 8th grade graduation at LWMS. Good Luck to all of you. Remember we will always be here for you guys.
Love Your family on the hill at No Flesh

Congrats to Kevin Fraser 8th grade grad and to Catlin Fraser 12th grade grad from Little Wound School
Good Luck and we are proud of you.
Love Carmelita Mesteth & Family

I would like to say Happy 2nd Birthday to my little bro Wakiyan Drapeaux
love you, Brittany Rose and also from Baby J, mom and dad.

Just a short note to my son Ben High Horse and to his girl Jonnette
I am so happy, everything seems so different, I expected this someday and now that day is here I am still shocked but very HAPPY I love you both anyway congrats. Remember I will always be here for all of you
Love you
Love Mom (Carmelita)

I would like to wish a happy birthday to my handsome DAKOTA GARNIER Happy Birthday papi your 20 and soon to be a daddy i'll be thinking of you on your special day i just wish i could give you so much more than words on this paper but you'll get what you want when you get home love you your sweetie, Lahnee

I would like to say what's up to my papi DAKOTA GARNIER
hey cutie i miss you even more than words can say waiting patiently day by day for you to come home to me i've givin you my everything and i'll give alot more you deserve the best so i'll give it to you.I'll always have your back stick by you through thick and thin, you brought me so much joy I've been blessed with happiness that you gave me. my heart beats for you cause my world revolves around you words can't describe this love I have for you and althought I can't be with you on your good and bad days I'll still be there beside you and try my best to bring your frown upside down I love you more that you can imagine! Thank you for bringing me our handsome son You'll always be in my thoughts and prayers I love you!
Your sweetness, Lahnee Bobtail Bear

Happy Belated Mother's Day to Carleen L.B.
From Johnny and Katie

To Jeremy T.W.B., love you lots, miss you and you look good!! It was so good to see you and visit you. You out read me on the books!! You give me strength son!
Love you much, your mom

Happy Birthday to my best friend Katie Janis, I love you lots from Lexx, Charnelle on May 20

A shout out to my lil' Bettelyoun angels Kyras, Kaylor and Carter Bettelyoun, from mommy and daddy

Congratulations to my three grandchildren for graduating high school
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The sale will be held on Wednesday, June 14, 2006 at 10 a.m. at Oglala Lakota College administrative building conference room, six miles SW of Kyle, SD. A management report must be submitted one week before the sale or by June 7, 2006. The management report must include but not limited to a plan for raising the herd, such as the amount of pasture land, the type of fencing you have or will install, water, etc. It has been estimated that you will need 2 acres of land per head per month with supplemental feed in the winter. Buyer must demonstrate an ability to be successful operator and verify enrollment as an OST member by June 9, 2006.

A 20% down payment must be in cash, cashiors check, or money order by June 14, 2006. The balance will be due one week before the round-up. The roundup will be held mid-September. Down payments must be made payable to Oglala Lakota College, PO Box 490, Kyle, S.D. 57752.

For full additional information please contact Arlene Quist @605-455-6011 or Duane J. Lammers @E. Bison Co. 605-390-7778.

Payments will be accepted at the auction, June 14, 2006 at the Business office of Oglala Lakota College, Kyle, S.D.

Oglala Lakota College reserves the right to reject any and all offers.



Happy Birthday
Kanyen Rose
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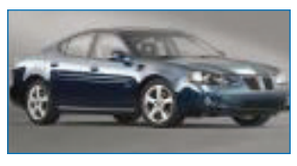
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- Science Teacher
- Math Teacher
- English Teacher
- Geography (Sophomore)
- Principal
- Counselor
- Custodian (Closing 5/19/06)

Middle School Dept.
- Counselor
- Math Teacher (2)
- Science Teacher
- Language Arts Teacher (2)
- Social Studies Teacher (2)
- Lakota Language Teacher

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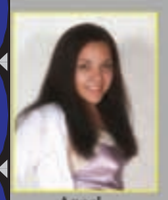

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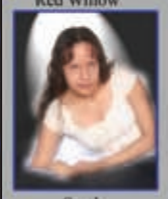

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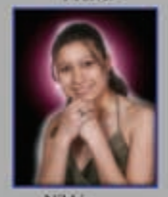

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Injunction filed by Lakota tribes against BIA reorganization

SIOUX FALLS - Jim Cason, the associate Interior deputy director, told the Senate Indian Affairs Committee last week that over two-thirds of Indian students are failing to meet adequate yearly progress (AYP) under the No Child Left Behind law.

However, the Bush administration has reorganized the Bureau of Indian Affairs and said that the move will help to improve student achievement. Without putting more money into the 184 BIA schools, the government is adding more high level managers, closing six reservation offices and replacing them with three administrative line offices in Pierre, Minot, N.D. and Rapid City.

Last Wednesday, several Lakota tribes files a suit in order to get a restraining order and an injunction in U.S. District court in Sioux Falls to require that the Office of Indian Education Programs and the BIA to consult with tribal governments affected by the reorganization.

Plaintiffs in the lawsuit include, the Yankton Sioux, Flandreau Santee Sioux, Cheyenne River Sioux, the Oglala Sioux, the Standing Rock Sioux, the Turtle Mountain Chippewa, Lower Brule Sioux, Marty Indian School, Loneman School, Porcupine School, and the Wounded Knee School district.

Oglala Sioux Tribal president, Cecilia Fire Thunder said in response to this issue, "In consultation

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Fire Thunder suspended for 20 days, council passes motion to ban abortion clinic

PINE RIDGE - The Oglala Sioux Tribal Council met in session on Tuesday, May 30 at the Billy Mills hall. Before the council meeting, there was a protest rally by a group of people who walked to the council meeting. They have have been protesting the recent actions of Cecelia Fire Thunder, president of the tribe in regards to her recent statements on developing an abortion clinic on the Pine Ridge reservation.

After much discussion, several motions were made in regards to the abortion clinic issue. One of the discussions were how funds were solicited for the Sacred Choices Wellness Center. A motion was made Garfield Steele, council representative for Wounded Knee district to suspend Cecelia Fire Thunder, president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, without pay for 20 days for soliciting funds without tribal council approval, with a hearing to be held after the 20 days. The motion was seconded by Lyle Jack and Will Peters. The motion passed by 14 for and two not voting. This motion was passed by the council after a motion by Steele failed to suspend Fire Thunder indefinitely.

The tribal council then moved to pass a motion to prohibit any health care facility from performing any abortions within the Pine Ridge reservation boundaries, it was passed unanimously. Also with the motion was to send back any donations for the clinic. The council meeting will conclude on Wednesday at Martin.



Cecelia Montegomery and Cecelia Fire Thunder at the inaugration.

Still on the agenda is a proposal to ban any persons convicted of rape or incest will be banished from the Pine Ridge Reservation. .

Sobriety walk brings awareness of alcoholism and suicide

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

KILGORE, Neb. - The sight of a small crowd of Sicangu Lakota people in the wee hours of the morning in front of the Kilgore bar has to be an eye opening event by any stretch of the imagination. Mike Valandra of the Ici Mani Waste recovery center based on the campus of St. Francis Mission had announced the annual walk several times over KINI FM radio along side Homer White Lance. The event was the annual Kilgore to St. Francis sobriety walk which has been held since 1989 to draw attention to the many deaths that have been attributed to drunk driving.

Valandra was somewhat disappointed at the turnout, but did say, "It was one of the greatest things I have done in my sobriety." The 18 mile walk began at 5:30 a.m. when a bus from the St. Francis Indian School was used to pickup walkers for the ride to Kilgore just over the South Dakota state line.

Twelve people began the walk which began at 6:30 a.m. with Lakota prayers and the four direction song by Homer White Lance who also smudged the walkers to purify them and give them strength for the journey. The walk had been marked out in intervals of four miles where the walkers would stop and pray and words of encouragement were voiced. During the first four mile interval, the youngest walker carried the eagle feather staff

The annual walk has as its objective, to bring awareness of the many Sicangu people who have lost their lives on the way or the return trip from Kilgore. Valandra estimated that over the years, 20 or more people have lost their lives and almost everyone was to an automobile accident.

Songs by Mike Cross and Lawrence "Bear" Cross of Kyle were played as the group walked up the hill and out of the Kilgore area. The narrow road proceeds a couple of miles or more north and then winds around to the east and makes a large half circle before straightening out and pointing north to the Rosebud.

Many a Sicangu traveler has traversed this quiet and less traveled route to Nebraska. Sicangu people will often travel it during the day as a cut across to shop in



Sicangu elder, Dorothy Fish, along with grandson, Lakota, participated in the annual Kilgore to St. Francis soberiety walk to create awareness of the recent suicides and the tremendous loss due to drunk drivers that have resulted in many deaths over the years.

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Community Calendar

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Grief Support Group
Meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888.

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841.

Rockyford School Graduation
Friday, June 2 with Kindergarten at 10 a.m. and 8th grade at 1:30 p.m.

Batesland School Graduation
Friday, June 2 with Kindergarten at 10 a.m. and eighth grade at 1 p.m.

Wolf Creek School Graduation
Friday, June 2 with Kindergarten at 10 a.m. and Eighth Grade at 1 p.m.

Flea Market
Friday, June 2, Pine Ridge Village College Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with tables at $10 and for info call 867-5893

Crazy Horse Ride
Set for Sunday through Friday, June 4-9 in honor of all veterans, for information contact Bam Brewer at 867-1119 or 441-8810

Red Shirt Community School graduation
Tuesday, June 6 in Red Shirt at 11 a.m.

Fiduciary Trust Model Presentation
Tuesday, Wednesday, June 6 and 7 at Porcupine School from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day covering CFR revisions, probate changes, etc for info call 867-5305.

Primary, School and City Elections
Tuesday, June 6 with polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Free Business Seminar
Thursday and Friday, June 8 and 9 at Oglala Lakota College's Piya Wiconi, main office southwest of Kyle from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day and for info call 455-6080 or 455-6076.

2006 All Veteran's Pow wow
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 8-11 at the pow wow grounds in Pine Ridge; parade at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 10.

Shannon County School Board Election
Tuesday, June 13 with polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

OLC Baccalaureate Banquet
Thursday, June 22 at Little Wound School in Kyle at 6 p.m.

OLC GED Graduation
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meetings, the tribes have consistently told the BIA we didn't want this. When you put more money into administration to meet the mandates of NCLB rather than giving the tribe more money to meet AYP and to provide for learning of our students, the BIA put more money into their administration.., As a nation we need to talk about this in a realistic manner, look at it reservation by reservation. Knowing basic fundamentals of reading, and math, education is the answer to eradicating poverty. To the BIA, we are tired of being told what to do and we need the dollars to provide for our schools."

In a Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe press release dated May 24, Yankton Sioux tribal Chairman, Robert Cournoyer was quoted as saying, "The only region in the Nation losing Education Line Offices is the Great Plains, yet the Great Plains included forty-four percent of high school students attending BIA operated schools. The Great Plains also includes the second highest concentration of total students in OIEP funded schools in the nation behind the Navajo nation.., the decision to close the Education Line Offices located next to tribal schools would be like moving the superintendent of the Rapid City schools to Pierre and expecting better performance. It does not make sense."

Walk brings awareness to alcoholism

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Valentine, Neb. There is even a dirt road that one can utilize that winds around to the east in front of a number of farm houses. The trick is not to get lost. The road is often neglected by the road department on either side of the state line and despite that fact, wildlife, deer and even an occasional elk might be seen rushing to get out of the way. The trick is not to drive the road at night as there is little opportunity for assistance and somehow seems scarier.

At one point in the walk a couple of horses came up to the fence as the music was playing. It was seen as a way that the horse nation was honoring the walkers. At every four mile stop, other people joined the walk and the number of walkers numbered close to forty.

Valandra noted that the walk was also meant to bring awareness to the recent suicides of young people on the Rosebud as it is an issue that has been troubling the whole community. A couple of RST council representatives were on the walk and it was appreciated. RST council representatives, Marion Young-One Star and Patsy Valandra took part in the walk that saw everyone complete the 18 miles.

Richard Iyotte, station manager at KINI FM radio also interviewed Valandra and participants on three different occasions, as the last segment from the Spring Creek turnoff to St. Francis saw the largest number of people join the walk. Valandra could be heard appealing to RST president and vice-president and council members to come on out for the last leg of the journey. Only a couple of cars passed by the walkers and that was also noted, as Valandra said in a couple of years they might even be in the walk. The 18 mile walk concluded with a u-turn at the community center and back to the recovery center where fifty some people took part in a meal. The event was made possible by donations by several entities including, RST Finance Office, Frito-Lay, Valandra's II, Paul Mart, the Rosebud Casino, and the St. Francis A.A. group.

Valandra said he would be going on KINI FM radio to do a post-sobriety talk, public service announcement to talk about the success of the event during which saw more walkers than last year due to the nice weather.

Soderlin SBA minority small business of year for South Dakota

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent



Kenny Soderlin, of Sod's Mechanical, Minority Small Business of the Year for South Dakota.

MARTIN - Ken Soderlin, the owner of Sod's Mechanical Contracting, Inc. exudes a certain unmistakable enthusiasm when speaking about his work over the years. He attributes much of his success to mentors he has had. He said, "A lot of people have helped me along the way, also my own district representatives. Glen Barber was also a great mentor."

As an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, Soderlin is well aware of the tremendous unemployment rate that prevails on the Rosebud and Pine Reservations. When he first got into the construction business, his first contract bid upon was for 40 houses and he was thrilled to have secured that contract. As a minority-owned contractor, Soderlin has employed many Native Americans over the course of his work and says that his work force at any one time might be as high as 90 percent Native American.

He was cited as the Minority Small Business of the Year in South Dakota for 2005. The award was presented to Soderlin on May 12 at the Rushmore Civic center during a meeting of the Black Hills Chamber of Commerce. When speaking of his mentors, Soderlin also said, "Bob Clausen helped me to get started in business. I started with only tools and a pickup truck and one employee."

Joan Walker of the Veterans Administration in Hot Springs nominated Soderlin for the SBA award which draws attention to the tremendous contribution that minority-owned businesses provide in this country. He said, "I still meet people who congratulate me on the award." It is an honor to receive such a prestigious award given the number of small business in South Dakota and Soderlin says that fact will be noted in their portfolio when describing their business.

Currently, Sod's Mechanical Contracting, Inc. employs 11 construction workers and two office personnel. On this day, his workers were in St. Francis, Martin and on the Pine Ridge reservation. He is hoping to expand into other areas of construction, but has not decided which areas those will be.

Sod's Mechanical Contracting, Inc. was started in 1989 and has participated in the Small Business Administration's minority programs for several years now. He also notes that many of his employees have been brothers, sisters, and cousins. The company specializes in plumbing and heating primarily and Soderlin says he now works out of his home office supervising employees and inspecting the work of his employees.

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Local golfers get valuable state tournament experience

HOT SPRINGS - Lexi Keckler, a senior at Cheyenne Eagle Butte, was the top Indian Country finisher with a 217 two day total at last week's State A golf championship at the Southern Hills golf course in Hot Springs for a 48th place finish. Tara Hofer of Lead-Deadwood was the individual medalist at 157 and her team won their third straight team championship.

Little Wound freshman, Alyssa Whirlwind Horse, tied for 52nd with a 219. Todd County qualified three golfers and sophomore Shawndai Prue and junior Shauna Gentry tied at 223 and senior Kristin Herman finished at 239.

Freshman Shelby Ross led a three player contingent from Red Cloud with a 226 while sophomore Jacqui White who qualified for her second straight state golf meet come in at 229 and Bobbi White a freshman finished at 242.

"We are working at developing some new talent at Red Cloud," said Wendell Gehman, Red Cloud golf coach, "they did a great job, they are young and they really love the game, we need to find a few more golfers so we are able to field a full team - all of us struggle with the challenge of dealing with the nearest golf courses being 30, 41 and 51 miles away, that makes it difficult to get regular practice in."

Flandreau Indian's Stephanie Grassrope, a junior finished at 234.

The State B golf tourney was held in Sioux Falls at the Prairie Green golf course and included golfers from Takini and Tiospa Zina. Takini's Sam Mendoza finished with a 177 and Josh Reindl had a 199 while Tiospa Zina's Joel Max turned in a 181. Brian Bye of Gayville-Volin ws the medallist at 154 and Sioux Falls Christian won the team title for the B boys. The AA and A boys state golf meets are held in the fall.

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Fire Thunder: Issues concerning the tribe

BY AMANDA TAKES WAR BONNETT
Times Editor

PINE RIDGE - On Monday, May 29, Cecelia Fire Thunder, president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe gave an update on various issues with the tribe.

This included her response to the abortion issue, budget shortfalls, Indian Health Service and the grazing ordinance.

"My response to the ban on abortions by rape and incest, is a women's choice issue. I took a strong position as a woman, I also realize there will be repercussions, being the president of the tribe and by saying that, it will create the illusion that this is something OST supports.

"However, that is not the choice. As a president of OST, I do get more airtime and I do not weigh my beliefs, and pull back on what I believe because that is being untrue to yourself. Too often, we think about the political implications and consequently we don't stand by what we believe in. I stand by what I believe in. As president, regardless, I will be criticized and I can't be afraid of that," she said.

"This issue is about women's choice. In the last month, this discussion has gone in many different directions. The bottom line is women of child bearing age, should have access to quality information on contraception's. Second, is to provide information to women to make good choices. We can not mandate sexual activity, if you live a high risk lifestyle, you will be vulnerable to being victimized, in a state of intoxication people will take advantage of you. If you live that high risk lifestyle, you should have the information you need to be able to cope in that lifestyle. "Too many women don't have that information they need to cope in that lifestyle."

"How many young and adult women have been impregnated under the influence of alcohol and the real discussion here is not abortion but how men and women start to respect each other, at a deeper level. How do we bring back that respect we have for each as men and women and ability to be appropriate. People need to sit and talk to each about how we were very mindful, long time ago, it was a hard life, we lived off the land, but at the same time, we built into our culture how we behaved to each other. Even the act of sex was done in a meaningful manner."

"These are the things we need to think about before we do the termination of pregnancy.

A woman should never be forced or coerced or by the use of a firearm to have sex. Rape is the highest report crime, not only Pine Ridge but on every reservation in the state of South Dakota, coupled with high alcohol use by individuals and families. High rates of alcohol abuse leads to inappropriate behaviors and one of those behaviors we know that happens time and time again is sexual behaviors, that is inappropriate."

"In the past two weeks, many people have called me and talked to about these continuing things, including sexual abuse of boys and girls. About being vulnerable in a house where there is drinking and partying and somebody in that home would violate them. You don't need scientific research to connect the dots that alcohol and drugs result in sexual assaults and which, in more times than not, equals unplanned pregnancy."

"Take a look at Indian Health Service and I would say about 80 percent of their budget is providing direct health service to acute needs, which leaves very little money for education, awareness and prevention. Access to contraception is available, however we know in this day and age that Pine Ridge is a large reservation and not everybody can get into clinic. We need to try to get more information out to men and women about the availability of what there is and ways to prevent pregnancy."

"Fire Thunder said a group of women are working to develop a planned wellness center Sacred Choices Wellness Center, and will begin to pull resources together to meet the needs of the women on Pine Ridge. Sacred Choices Women's Clinic is an organization formed by a group of women in response to Fire Thunder's stand that women needed comprehensive medical services and reproductive choice options on the reservation. Culturally specific information will be offered to the women and children along with therapeutic services for women who have been sexually assaulted at any point of their life - children, teens, women and elderly.

She said these services have been denied for too long for our women. Healing and therapeutic recovery can be as recent as five days ago to 50 years ago, women need healing services, she said."

"Support has been coming in from all over the country to donate to this effort and donations that have been contributed to the Oglala Sioux Tribe and have been given to the treasurers office. All contributions collected are being held until a board of directors is in place," she said.

The center will offer contraceptives, planning for parents, therapy, and until the final decision of HB 1215 (abortion law) is made by the state, referrals will be available for termination of pregnancies resulting from acts of violence.

"Women should not be ashamed to talk about our bodies and problems with our bodies. This seems to be a taboo subject. Colonization has taught us to be fear based and avoid these very important discussions among women," she said.

"Choosing to use contraceptives is a good choice. But in a sexually rampant society with a high rate of alcoholism and drug use, there is responsibility that goes along with this. Women should be able to control their own bodies and I.H.S. does not have enough money, and information should be readily available for our women."

Women who are battered will be raped either before, during or after he beats her up he will rape her. "We sometimes don't realize this is rape, this takes from the core of the soul and a woman goes through immense pain and suffering," Fire Thunder said.

The challenge is for the role of men to discuss and to have a great role in the creation of children and need to be talking about this in a sacred way, to be able to make this commitment and being long-term proactive fathers by providing a life with food, a sacred home, and taking care of our children. This is a very important issue, and to bring the focus of respect to our minds and bodies of children and women she emphasized.

"We are in a crisis on this reservation in the terms of number of children who are being made in an unhealthy way. We need to take a look around our communities and see that our young children are having children, and statistics show that many of our children under 16 years of age are being impregnated by men of 25 years old."

"After being on the road for two weeks, I came home and not one person ever contacted me or my office staff to discuss questions or concerns regarding the Sacred Choices Wellness Center. I am therefore asking the people involved in this protest to contact the office to set up a time to discuss this important issue."

Pine Ridge Indian Health Service expansion and law enforcement

The Pine Ridge Indian Health Service will be expanding in terms of adding additional space. There was an issue with I.H.S. Expansion is a go, she said. On May 4, she attended a meeting with IHS officials who presented to Tony Peterson, from the regional office, to have a better understanding on the need for the expansion.

The tribe supported it and the IHS does have the resources to do this.

"Another issue important to the tribe is pandemic planning. Government has given the state lots of funding to do this and there will be discuss ion with the state to bringmore resources to the reservation."

"Another issue involving health is to begin to have dialogue on problem solving on how our people are treated at Regional Hospital, creating a way to provide culturally sensitive training to nursing and hospital staff to treat our people better," she said.

The National native law enforcement has been in existence for 14 years. They finished a comprehensive study on tribal "homeland security" comp survey on six issues: detention, emergency response / disaster, six section instrumental survey, data collected, this is scientifically based and was tested twice, compiled data for 40 tribes. This was reveiewed, and a bill is being put together to be introduced in 2007 February. Research will be done on 160 other tribes who receive BIA Law Enforcement services

Data collected will support the need for additional law enforcement, detention and courts and probation

In tribal talks with NCAI, it was agreed that it is time to do this and move forward

Between now andt hen at the national budget advisory meeting, passed a resolution from tribal leaders to request bureau to fund this effort

All we need is the money and Fort Lewis College, of Durango, Colo will work to provide the college based research.

She said the data from scientific study in regards emergency responses and services, crime rate can translate into addtional services being funded.

Data will leverage resources for other issues in community re:

Tribal leaders want to have a conference pulling together the tribal, state agencies etc. bring them all together so we can have a clearer picture and a collaborative effort in doing a better job of prosecuting offenders to hold people accountable.

"We are going to be asking for consultation with the Bureau of Investigation for federal crimes in Indian country, FBI needs to investigate, we need to make sure there is enough money there to have resources to provide services to the Indian tribes in getting a handle on crimes in Indian country.

She said their has been findings and best practices regarding meth issues in Indian country on a national level.

With the Oglala Sioux Tribe, a task force has been working on developing stronger drug laws and creating

She said an exciting endeavor that has been happening is the move to work with PassNet, to put fixed wing planes on several reservations in South Dakota to speed up the emergency air flights from the reservations to nearby Rapid City or Sioux Falls.

She said this is to save lives. "Many of our people need immediate attention. The time that it takes for the helicopter to get here from Rapid City."

"We would have an airplane readily available and we want to ensure our people who need services will recive the best care to save lives and limbs, etc.," she said.

We want to be able to ue these airplaines to bring in specialists, to provide better care (cardiologists, etc. provide these services to the people vs. making them go other places)

Gaming impacts

She said the casino is on track and moving right along with construction.

"South Dakota tribes in our last two meetings have agreed to form our own South Dakota Gaming Association, because our relationship with the Governor is different than others in the Region who belong to the gaming association. In constant communication wth the governor on the Class III machines, we are at an impass with this dialogue. Tribal leaders have been discussing with their lawyers regarding a meeting on this impass."

"Gov. Rounds has stated he will meet with tribal leaders on any other issues except gaming," she said.

The video lottery terminals generate a lot of money for the State of South Dakota and the revenue supports state operations, if revenue is not there, they will have to tax the people.

The impact of casinos on Indian reservations benefits the counties and surrounding communities

Vendors who provide products and services to the casinos, food, cleaning, office products, etc. benefit and eventually the casino impacts economy in the long run.

The more employees there are at a casino, they will turn and buy products off the reservation, etc. and the economy is then impacted as a whole.

She said out of $200 million that comes to the Pine Ridge reservation, $180 million leaves and goes towards Rapid City or Chadron or other surrounding towns. Tribal members go off reservation to meet shopping needs, going out to eat, to movies, etc.

"Very little money remains on the reservation," she said.

Outside communities need to acknowledge this and began bridge building and other strategies to come up with is keeping the money on reservation or in communities.

Finances

She said the financial situation is based on resolving all these years of bad audits, etc. The tribe has been putting financial records in order "so we were able to answer the questions, for example, regarding disallowed costs."

In 1999 and 2000, several things like the tornado and the Red Cloud building take over put a monkey wrench in everything, right now we are in a negotiating process to get this closed out.

"We are ready to resolve this. In 2000, alternative dispute resolution, entered into an MOA with Indian Health Service.

"There is a process to work through all these questioned costs and come to a common goal. Approximately one million dollars has been negotiated out. We are now moving into an ADR wth the BIA for 2000 and 2003 audit findings," she said.

"We do have internal changes going on. A lot of energy and effort has been made to get these fixed. The past two years have been focused on getting things put together.

"In getting the finances situated we are then able to move into planning for the future.

1. Finding more dollars for law enforcement

2. Comprehensive disaster plans for each community - how ready are we to respond to disaster.

We cannot control mother nature. Natural disasters have been destroying peoples homes, etc. The worworst is tornadoes.

3. We need to finish up accountabily piece and gain financial footing.

Moving towards community based economic development. Getting each community to sit down and determine what they want for the future.

"We have 50 percent of our tribal members who are dependent on the tribe for a homesite.

"Each district needs to create a plan for housing and development. Every district was given a map to determine community center and outward, tribal land and fee land.

She emphasized the infrastructure and she reminds tribal members, of how the water sewer systems are very old, in planning for our future we need to ensure that our community and infrastructure is ready to accomadate for growth and creating more facilities for economic development.

"We as the tribal government want to capture everyones good ideas and protect our investors and help our communities grow,"she said.

"Secretary election, involving the business council and four year staggering terms and now they have to do the recall and the code of ethics. We are going to fast track those into a secretarial election," she added.

"The nursing home on the Nebraska side, we are looking at building a nursing home on the Nebraska side. The EDA and HHS, are looking at what it will take to build that. It is an important component, we will bring our elders back. We are looking at including hospice in the facility.

"The other issue we are looking at, is increasing funding for our senior citizens program in each district.

"Our elderly population we need to expand it in each district, looking at providing more resources for them and the only way we can do that is to ask for more money.

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Our view

The heat of the summer brings reminders of safety

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We are seeing the effects of the sometimes devastating summer weather already.

On Sunday night, the National Weather Service broadcast the thunder storm around Gordon that was headed northeast and spoke of 'flat-line' winds up to 70-80 miles per hour. The term 'flat-line' sounds scary enough let alone having to ponder where the closest tornado shelter might be.

With the summer heat creeping in and the resulting upper air disturbances that occur, Mother Nature is setting us up for another round of being on our toes. Weather spotters, were out and thankfully they were probably doing us a good service by monitoring local conditions.

This is a time when communities and districts should be making sure they have a disaster plan developed. Families have a responsibility to be especially on guard this summer as the bad weather seems to have occurred earlier than last year with a vengeance that most people have thankfully avoided.

We all know that the elements are something we absolutely cannot do something about as earthly humans, therefore, the best we can do is be forever vigilante and educated on how to prepare our tiwahe or family units in the event of drastic weather.

People, who live in mobile homes or in a house with no basement, have to know that they are probably at the greatest risk for damage when a storm comes.

That being the case, they should always have a backup plan as to where they might want to evacuate to.

Many churches and some schools will open their doors for such shelter needs.

We never really think that Mother Nature would go so far as to make us homeless, but we certainly should think of the supplies, medicines and foods items that our families might need if we were temporarily displaced.

In the early days on the northern plains, Lakota people must have been very mobile in order to escape bad hail storms and rain.

It is important to keep our families safe during natural disasters and disaster plans are important for our communities and for our own families.

Guest Editorial

Judge Fuller a good choice for Indian Country

BY CHARLES ABOUREZK

Abourezk is a Rapid City attorney and retired Justice of the Oglala Sioux Nation Supreme Court, and is a current Justice of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe's Appellate Court.

This coming Tuesday, June 5, the voters of Shannon County and the other counties of the Seventh Judicial Circuit will finally have a choice, Judge Peter Fuller, who they can vote for with confidence that he will be fair, honest, and sensitive to the people and the issues facing them in Shannon County.

Judge Pete Fuller has, in the past, shown great respect for the rights of the Lakota people of Shannon County.

In one trial in the past few years, he ruled to move the entire jury trial from Hot Springs, where it is usually held, to the Court House on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

This is unusual in the courthouses of South Dakota to find the kind of respect for and inclusiveness of tribal members exhibited by Judge Fuller, tribal members who also happen to be voting citizens of the Seventh Judicial Circuit.

Judge Fuller, who is the current, and most experienced judge up for election on June 5th, is running against two prosecutors.

One is Lance Russell, the current Fall River County States Attorney.

He is the individual who, after police chased tribal member Nick Cummings onto the reservation, challenged the tribal jurisdiction of the Oglala Sioux Tribe in the South Dakota Supreme Court and later the United States Supreme Court.

This case was defended by our law firm, and particularly by our staff attorney Rena Atchison.

Mr. Cummings, a tribal member, won his case in front of the South Dakota Supreme Court and the US Supreme Court refused to hear it, so the Tribe's jurisdiction was preserved.

This is the primary, but I would strongly urge citizens of Shannon County to cast just one vote for the three way race for the Judge of the Seventh Judicial Circuit - Judge Pete Fuller.

He is a wonderful father, a great attorney, and a fair and compassionate judge who has always done the right thing for the state and the people, regardless of race, wealth, or cultural background.

The people of Shannon County can do no better than to vote for Pete Fuller in the upcoming election on June 6th.

Don't forget to vote and take a friend or family member with you to vote.

The Lakota people have shown their power in the recent elections, and this election will turn on how many people get out to vote.

If Shannon County turns out for Judge Fuller, he can win!

Thank you for your support of Judge Peter Fuller on Tuesday, June 6th!

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Things to empower yourself

The circle of life and it's many revolutions



By Patty Pourier

The circle of life. The circle made a revolution this week in my life. As I reflect back the revolution was made at many different levels. On Tuesday my Uncle died and on Wednesday, our son and his wife had their fourth child. As we were driving into Martin for the funeral I reflected on the way time is changing stable things that have been here my whole life. I also learned Central Grade School, the country elementary school I attended for all eight years had just graduated its last class of students and was to be closed because of budget constraints.

Central Grade School was to have a final celebration of the close of the school Saturday night. A final celebration for a community that was bonded together by their children attending the same school.

The school opened in the early 1960's. The Civil Rights Movement had not yet happened and schools were still segregated. The school bus would pick up white children from Allen and bus them to the prominently white Central Grade School. There was one family of Native Americans that attended Central, as I remember. The ethnic background of most students was from German and Czech origins who grandparents had homesteaded the area during the Dawes Act. This Act opened up the Pine Ridge Indian reservation in Bennett County for homesteading land that had previously been set aside by the U.S. Government for future generations of Lakota people.

When I attended 1st grade at Central-(there was no kindergarten) Mrs. Jacquot, my 1st grade teacher, was in charge of the pep club as well. We were taught, as 1st graders, to have good sportsmanship-never to boo-to sit and follow the cheerleaders, to be quiet during a free throw, and take a bathroom break only during half time. We said the Pledge of Allegiance, and used the name of God in it, and no one even considered questioning the use of the word. Mrs. Jacobs would use her ruler for more than measuring in the third and fourth grade room.

Mr. Cooper caught us smoking behind the school. I lied and did not receive the swats my sister and friends got. I felt bad about that for years.

But the teacher I most remember and still respect was Mr. Auch. He was my 7th and 8th grade teacher. His discipline was extreme and academic expectations were thought to be too much for the students by our parents. However, when attending college, it was not my high school teachers, but my junior high teacher, Mr. Auch, who taught me the study habits I needed to pass college level courses. His high work ethic and expectations have helped me to achieve accomplishments for the past 4 decades.

I also recall the midget tournament that was played in the old legion in Martin. Teams from around the area attended. The boys prepared for weeks in our gym at Central with Mr. Jacquot, as their coach. Title 9 was not on the books yet, so girls had no sports other than cheerleading at the time. I remember the Interior players that had their numbers hand sewn on their t-shirts AKA jerseys. I learned years later that it was Verna Heathershaw that saw to it the players had numbered jerseys. The tournament was huge and many times the gym was filled to capacity to watch the third grade up to eighth grade players give their all on the court. It was fun as a "real" tournament, with trophies, all tourney players and everything.

Few children, besides Central Grade School attendees, will know the treat it was to have a morning snack of homemade cinnamon rolls, warm out of the oven, and a cold carton of milk at 10 a.m. everyday. Meada Roth, our school cook, prepared them for "her" Central kids.

As mentioned, there was no kindergarten. Neither was their pre school or headstart in those days. I guess people expected mainly moms to prepare their children for the first in the home. I can see where this would be hard today with both parents working to make ends meet, having so many channels on TV and access to a computer that is connected to the world over the internet. Getting interaction between a preschool child's mom on a consistent basis has a lot more competition than it did when I was growing up.

I understand the Rodney and Corey Rayhills, the Kirk Piels and a couple of other Central families prepared food and decorated the gym, for Saturday nights final farewell to an institution that thrived with over a 100 baby boomer students in it's hay day. I am sure there was heartfelt disappointment to them, after thoughtful preparation, that so few attended. I realized how lucky, and how I took for granted, the stability I enjoyed as a child through a sense of community, a neighborhood

This was a confirmation to me. Because, as I gave my uncle's eulogy that morning, I looked up to see the families and friends that made our Central School a community when I grew up. There were fewer and much older neighbors than I remembered. With the lack of attendance at the school farewell, and the aging neighbors I looked upon from the pulpit, I realized, again, that change is happening more rapid then realized and the sense of community I grew up with exists vividly in my memory.

But that it is the only place it still exists, in my memory.

Did you have a neighborhood and sense of community where you grew up? Do you want to recreate that feeling of belonging to your community again where you live now? I want to create the circle of life in my community for my *takojas*.

Other Views

Mining company has no more authority to sell stolen land than a thief has to sell his stolen goods

BY CHARMAINE WHITE FACE

Teton Sioux Nation Treaty Council and Coordinator for Defenders of the Black Hills

It is always interesting to me whenever anyone in western South Dakota "sells" their land since the correct English term for "selling" stolen property is "fencing." However, when the state of South Dakota (also an illegal entity) and the federal authorities condone such illegal activities, then what would these otherwise criminal actions properly be called? And who will enforce their prosecution?

Homestake Mining Company's most recent agreement to "sell" land to the state of South Dakota reminds many of us of the historic, illegal trespass into western South Dakota by the gold miners and Homestake Mining Company.

This illegal trespass was a direct violation of the US Constitution, Article VI, and the Congressionally ratified Fort Laramie Treaty of 1868 which was made between the United States and the Great Sioux Nation.

In that Treaty, all of western South Dakota and parts of Nebraska, Wyoming, Montana, and North Dakota were to be for the exclusive use and occupation of the Great Sioux Nation.

The 'Wrongs' were started at the time when President Ulysses S. Grant secretly ordered the US Army not to stop any gold miners from coming into the Treaty territory.

He should have been impeached then and there for violating the Constitution. But greed always has a way of making some people turn a blind eye to atrocities.

Adding the word 'progress' also has a nice ring so immoral and illegal actions are condoned by those that don't care to be called 'greedy.'

The 'Wrongs' continued in the destruction of the economic base of the Great Sioux Nation, the buffalo, and the deliberate spread of smallpox filled blankets, and rotten food. The "sell or starve" treaties that some Sioux leaders were forced into signing in 1877 were still illegal as there was still not the three-fourths adult male signatures as required to change the 1868 Treaty.

Those leaders knew that only a few signatures were not enough to change the Treaty.

The US government also knew that public opinion would not condone the total genocide of the Great Sioux Nation so they created Prisoner-of-War Camps, now commonly known as the Indian Reservations.

Children were taken away to "have

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Northern Perspectives

Memorial Day to a Lakota



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

Originally, Memorial Day was set aside to recognize military veterans who died in the Civil War, however, that was changed to honor all veterans of all American wars. In 1971 it was declared an official holiday by Congress and was to be observed on the last Monday in May.

It also carried the name "Decoration Day" in the beginning and I can remember my grandmother, Charlotte Hawkins-Beauvais, referring to a time when families would decorate the graves of their loved ones. She also called it Decoration Day. As a youngster, I don't believe we had any veterans in our family who had passed on, but in the Lakota community the day is marked with a special remembrance by families who put plates of food on graves containing fruit, candies, and cookies.

I have minimal knowledge of the Lakota significance of this so I am not going to minimize its importance by talking about it. What I will say, is that family members will seek someone out to go over and take the plate home and share the food with their family. It is an honor to be asked to do that and have seen this at the cemetery in St. Francis where my son's grandfather, Lloyd B. One Star, Sr. is buried. He was engaged in 14 battles while in the Navy.

My father and my uncle spent time in Germany and France during WWII and they didn't share a whole lot about their experience, but it was a time that when the conflict ended the troops came home with great honor and fanfare.

Most of us probably have seen pictures of ticker tape parades down Fifth Avenue in New York City. It was memorable, as my dad and uncle were able to see each other on one occasion in Germany when they were there.

I can also remember my grandmother saying that she had gone to a *uwipi* ceremony to ask the spirits if her two sons would be coming home safely.

They told her they would be and when they returned they both went on to enjoy a fairly typical lifespan.

Lakota people honor our great chiefs and warriors that have gone before us on a continuing basis, while Memorial Day finds us honoring all veterans who have gone before. Lakota people have always fought honorably for the sovereignty of our lands and as we joined America in defending our shores, many Native American veterans also gave their lives for that cause.

During the Vietnam War, we all know the shameful story of soldiers returning from Vietnam with little honor and recognition. I never attended any military funerals at that time as I had just returned home from Pleiku, S. Vietnam myself and was trying to make sense of the war; not an easy task for a young 19 year old in a combat zone.

One night I was in what they called a "hooch" in Vietnam, and the next I was quickly streaming home to be with my family. I can imagine that making such a quick transition may have been a bit much for many combat veterans with little chance to debrief. I remember my brother, Eddie, telling me that he took a Greyhound bus in Oakland, CA so that he could take his time getting home to the Rosebud after coming home from Vietnam, also. It was interesting as him and I also spent a year in the same general location, but at different times.

On this day, I pay tribute to my father, Benjamin F. Beauvais and my uncle, Irvin, for serving as role models for my own service so that I could help to protect our Sicangu nation.

Dr. Archie Beauvais (Sicangu Lakota) is a decorated Vietnam Veteran. He received a 2006 Harvard AOCC Alumni Award and is the proud father of Beaux, Yvonne, and Anthony. He resides on the Rosebud reservation.

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Thoughts that come from the heart

Analogy of a bad tooth ache



By Amanda Takes War Bonnett

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Recently I had an experience that brought to mind an analogy of a toothache in comparison to addiction.

I am nearing that middle age mark and when that time comes, we start to feel the weight of having to take better care of our bodies and our mental attitude. For example, our teeth, it's about this time it's important to take care of them, so they can last us into elderhood.

It was one of those things in life, where we know we have to do it, the old prevention measure, but somehow we don't get around to it until it gets us right where it counts. What I am talking about is getting a toothache. I knew it was coming time to get my fillings redone but I kept putting it off until the day came that it really hurt. It happened on a weekend and in using the Indian Health Service, we have to wait until a week day and use the emergency clinic hours. I had to wait until we got the paper done and by then it was *dona* days.

So I pacified my toothache pain by using pain killers until I could get to the dentist. What a relief it was to finally get into that dentist chair and know I will have that pain relieved. Or so I thought. By the time the numbness wore off that evening, I realized I had more than one toothache or maybe I just pinpointed the wrong tooth. But then it was the weekend again and so I took pain pills, frozen hot dogs, Oraljel or whatever else I could use to numb the ache. When I ran out of my Ibeprofen and Tylenol wasn't doing the job, I sought out my older sisters for some of their drug stash, whom I knew must have something because I often heard them complaining of aches and pains and what they had to do to relieve it. (of course I say this is jest..)

It was a humbling experience to have the need to kill the ache by using pain pills and whatever else I could find to relieve that pain. I am not a drinker and it was an experience to realize this is how alcoholics and people with drug addictions must feel when they have that need to pacify themselves with something to dull out that need. I saw what alcohol did to my family and I vowed I would not let alcohol affect me that way. Not only to know that feeling but experience the effects of using and how that affects us in our lives.

In taking those pain killers, not only did I dull out my aching toothache pain but the effects it had on me by not being able to be completely focused in daily activities with a clear mind that I took for granted. And the urgent feeling I had in not wanting to deal with that aching throb, so I would make sure I took them within a scheduled time so the pain wouldn't come back.

That is how the cycle of addiction starts off, when a person has an uncomfortable thought, feeling or experience that we are unable to deal with. Sometimes this addiction starts with other substances and activities in childhood and early adulthood before a person decides to try drugs or alcohol. If this uncomfortable feeling cannot be fixed through healthier means that have been used in the past, or if a person does not have any good coping skills, or awareness or prevention methods on how to deal with it, then drugs and alcohol become an easy out. It becomes easy to get started out by taking something to numb that feeling and before we know it, we're stuck in that rut and really don't realize we are doing something that we thought could never happen to us.

Denial happens and it keeps people from realizing they have a problem early on. We turn to these addictive behaviors and believe they are solving our problems and if we don't confront it and get past that denial, then chances are, we will continue these habits as a way to solve our problems.

Sometimes people pacify themselves into an addiction as a result of a traumatizing experiences or crises in their life. Then they turn to drugs or alcohol to cope and soon realize they cannot stop once they started.

If a person believes that drugs and alcohol are solving their problems, then chances are they will continue to use them as a way to solve their problems. Not all people who "use" to cope with that uncomfortable feeling or pain they have in their lives become addicts, but these uncomfortable feelings added to chemical use just adds strength to the cycle of addiction.

Once a person is hooked on drugs or alcohol, they may find that they are unable to control the way that they use the substances. That is how I felt, I knew that what I was loading in my body to numb my aching toothache was probably doing some minimal damage to my liver and it was affecting my ability to keep my mind totally clear and focused.

When we aren't in focus and have that balance, we begin to lose interest in activities, family and relationships that were once important to us, in order to put more effort and focus into using. For some people this can happen overnight or like with me, the dullness I began to feel was for a short period but for others, it can take a long time for the progression to mature as an addiction.

I could have avoided all this, if I just used my common sense or prevention methods by taking care of my problem before it got to the point it did.

My relief to this experience was to just back to the dentist chair and get it done right. Once the culprit was pinpointed and taken care of, I came out of there feeling like a new woman with power because I dumped that pain. It was an experience I don't want to go through again, so I will get to my checkups and take care of my teeth.

When we get to that point in our life when we have uncomfortable feelings or pain in our lives that we can't handle on our own, find what it is that is causing us that pain and find the resources to manage it. Maybe it is easier said than done but it is something to think about.

Notes From Indian Country

Building a business on shifting sands



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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There are those reading my weekly columns that assume I am anti-gambling and that is true to a certain extent.

I find it appalling that so many Native Americans are losing money they can ill afford to lose in the casinos built on their reservations intended to improve economic opportunities for all members of the tribe. If a tribal member is employed at the casino and is addicted to gambling that employee will inevitably put every paycheck back into the coffers of the casino. That may improve the bottom line of the casino but it is hardly beneficial to those employees.

It is also disturbing to me when tribal members that have lived in peace and harmony, side-by-side for generations, suddenly find themselves at odds over tribal membership. In some areas of California tribal members thought to be questionable by their elected governments are simply removed from the tribal rolls.

In a recent case involving the Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians of California that went all of the way to the U. S. Supreme Court, those members expelled from the tribe appear to have permanently lost their status as tribal members. The Supreme Court merely went with a lower court ruling that upheld the tribal government's actions.

I believe that none of this would have happened if it had not been for the success of the tribe's casino. The smaller the tribe the larger the per capita checks awarded each month. I don't know if this was the case with the Pechanga Band, but there must have been some mitigating circumstances that caused them to remove certain tribal members from their rolls.

Before it ever reached financial independence the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe of eastern South Dakota began awarding per capita payments to tribal members. Soon the warehouse that distributed United States Department of Agriculture commodities was closed because tribal members no longer needed it. And the Tribe began to hire more and more non-Indians to fill the job vacancies at their casino.

But whenever the tribe wants to improve its economic base by bringing other business ventures to the reservation it still goes to its cousin-tribe, the Shakopee in Minnesota, a very wealthy tribe, to plead for monetary grants.

The Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe is located between two communities that can be considered large by South Dakota standards. To the south is Sioux Falls, the fastest growing city in the state, and to the north is Brookings, the seat of South Dakota State University.

During the summer and fall months the casino is packed with gamblers. And yet the tribe appears to be on shaky financial grounds most of the time. Are the ill-conceived per capita payments standing in the way of progress or is there a case of poor management involved or both?

The FSST is now negotiating with South Dakota Governor Mike Rounds in hopes of rewriting the gaming compact to allow for more slot machines. This has been an ongoing process that has dragged on for several years.

They were one of the first tribes in South Dakota to sign a gambling compact with the state and readily accepted the limit of 250 slot machines at that time. Unfortunately, in their haste, the compact they signed set the standard for the compacts about to be negotiated by all of the other tribes in the state and although the Santee Sioux Tribe is very small, the 250 limit on slot machines was applied, not so judiciously, to all of the other tribes in the state.

The much larger tribes such as the Oglala Lakota with more than 25,000 members living on the Pine Ridge Reservation are still limited to the 250 slot machines. The FSST moved forward with its compact without consulting the leadership or considering the vital interests of the other tribes in the state.

The compact they came up with is hardly equitable, but once a precedent is set, it is hard to amend it. We can only hope that in their latest negotiations with the state they are now consulting with the other larger tribes in the state. No tribe is an island.

I believe that per capita payments to every tribal member can also set a dangerous trend. For one, if the tribe is not financially secure yet, it will never reach that point if it starts disbursing funds to every tribal member whether they work or not. In too many cases those tribal members with full time jobs think they no longer have to work once that monthly check starts to arrive.

Tribes that put all of their eggs in one basket are facing an uncertain future at best. In my mind a profitable casino is still a business built on shifting sands.

Every tribe should be looking at alternative business ventures outside of gambling. If the plug were pulled on legalized gambling the tribes would then have something to fall back on.

For the most part legalized gambling has carried mixed blessings for the Indian nations of America. It has given some tribal governments financial independence. It has allowed the Indian nations to become more involved in the political process and has made them a powerful lobby, but not always with great success (reads Jack Abramoff).

But gambling will always be a shaky enterprise based on the whims of the gamblers and the state of the economy. So you see, I can never be 100 percent pro-gaming because it is adrift with too many uncertainties and it often brings out the worst in people and tribes. Money plus greed can play strange tricks on the minds of the once downtrodden.

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Thief

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the Indian taken out of them."

If there was no one left who remembered the Treaty, then who could remind anyone that this was a gross violation of the very principles that created the Constitution of the United States in the first place.

How many of the grandparents of the trespassers had come to North America because of the oppression in their own homelands? How could they have forgotten so quickly?

Thankfully, for the sake of the people of the United States, and for the survival of the Lakota people, the information of the Treaties continued to be passed on from generation to generation of Lakota people. My grandmother told me and her grandmother told her.

The list of the 'Wrongs' is miles long. But the greatest 'Wrong' is the lie that the federal government told to the non-Indian American people by allowing them to believe that they could homestead in this region.

That lie continues to this day.

Homestake Mining Company has no more authority to sell stolen land than a thief has to sell his stolen goods.

The state, the federal government, or any private individual who continues to participate in these illegal activities is just as guilty as a common criminal convicted of fencing stolen wares.

The state, the federal government, and every individual who becomes aware of this has a responsibility to correct these 'Wrongs.'

The Fort Laramie Treaty of 1868 is still a legal document. The Constitution of the United States is also a legal document.

Both of these were made to insure the survival of their peoples with the ability to live in freedom.

Violating the Treaty by the Federal government was not easy and tens of thousands

Six Red Cloud school students recieve Gates scholarships

PINE RIDGE - In 1999 there was one. By 2004 the number had grown to three. At the 2006 Red Cloud High School Graduation ceremony the announcement that six of the 35 graduating Red Cloud High School seniors were awarded Gates Millennium Scholarships received loud applause. These nationwide scholarships are named after their founders, Bill and Melinda Gates, and originate from the foundation established in their name.

Fr. Paul Coelho S.J., high school principal, said the scholarships cover all unmet need related to attending college and can also be extended to graduate level work as well. Red Cloud has one of the highest per capita number of Gates scholars in the country. The recipients and their college plans are Rianna Albers (University of Minnesota), Jordan Herman (Creighton University), Larissa Little Moon (Chadron State College), Dallas Nelson (University of South Dakota), Marissa O'Bryan (University of South Dakota) and Brandi Shortman (Creighton University). The 2006 recipients bring to 18 the total number of Red Cloud graduates who have earned this distinction since the first Red Cloud Gates Scholar in 1999.

The process for selection to become a Gates scholar begins early in the Junior year when potentially qualified students are identified by the counseling department.

Besides financial need, which qualifies most students at Red Cloud, the four main criteria for selection to become a Gates scholar are a cumulative grade point average of 3.3 or higher, a demonstrated record of community service and leadership, and an extensive record in co-curricular activities. Also, but less quantifiable, judges are looking for evidence of the likelihood that an applicant will succeed in higher education.

This is ascertained through interviews and the quality of the nine essays that students are required to submit. "We are blessed that the tradition of educational excellence is continuing at Red Cloud through the hard work of the teachers and students.

Not only is it a great accomplishment to have six of the seniors being named Gates Scholars but also to know that 100 percent of our graduates have their plans in place to further their education next fall," said Fr. Peter Klink, S.J., president.

Landowners and leasers should attend June 6 meeting

PORCUPINE - The Office of Special Trustee will be holding a "Fiduciary Trust Model" presentation on June 6 and 7 at the Porcupine Day School from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Dakota Plains Legal Services will be present to take applications for writing wills.

The new June 6 probate changes will be discussed and the public is encouraged to voice their opinions for the well-being of their families. The new laws will have an impact on all families.

The CFR revisions, probate code, grazing regulations and leasing regulations will also be addressed as the BIA is in the process of revising the regulations. Landowners, leasers, the tribal council, land office staff, fifth member office and any interested in learning about the new CFR regulations is invited to attend. This event is sponsored in conjunction with the BIA and the Oglala Sioux Tribal president's office. For more information contact the OST land office at 867-5305.

Severe storms leave damage

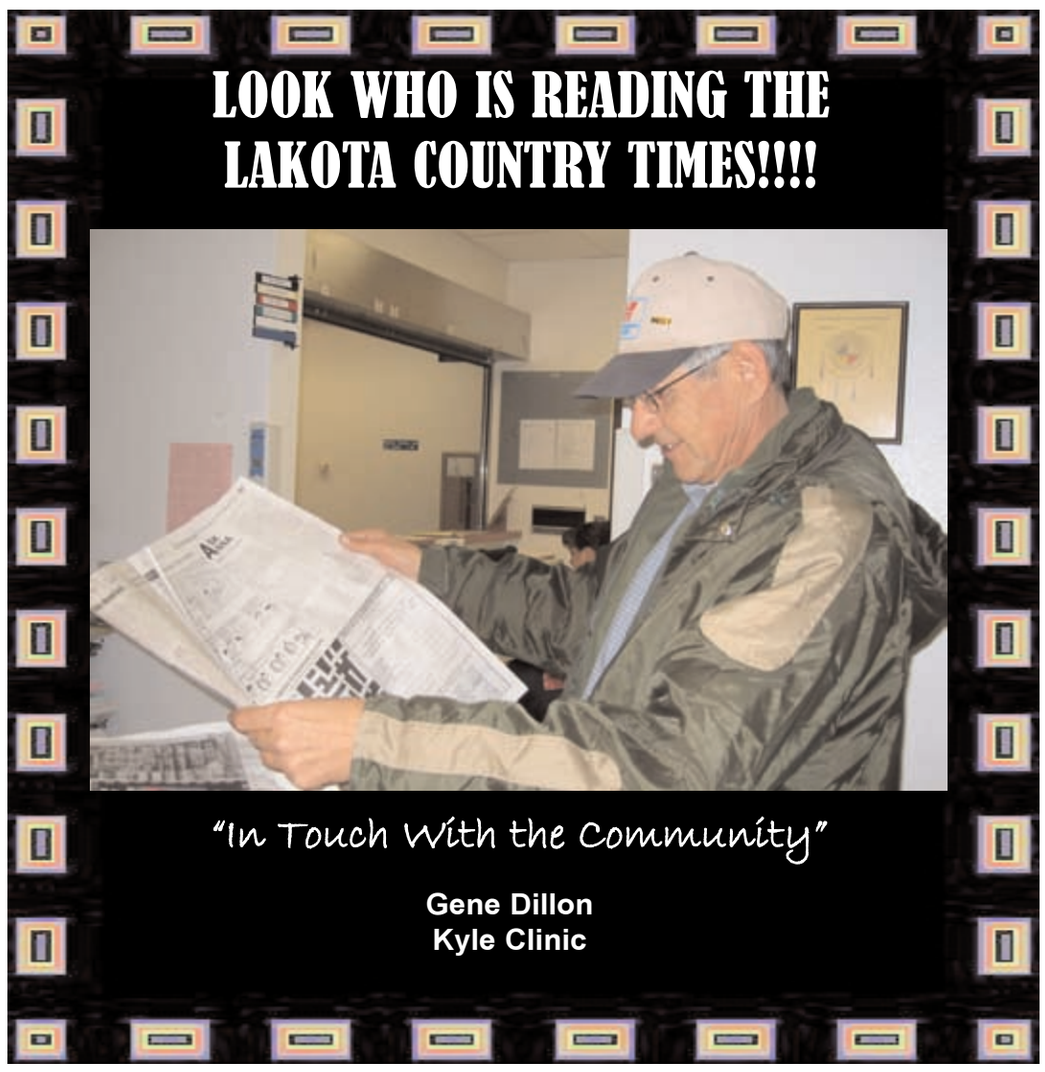
PINE RIDGE (AP) - Severe thunderstorms in western South Dakota knocked down tree branches, blew off roofs of sheds and flattened some mobile homes Sunday night.

Most affected by the severe storms were Fall River, Shannon, Bennett, Jackson and Jones counties.

Metal roofs were blown off sheds in Martin and two mobile homes were flattened two miles south of Rockyford in Shannon County, officials said. There were no reported injuries. Hail measuring 1 1/4-inches in diameter was reported in Mellette County and Shannon County near Oglala. Wind gusts topped 70 mph in some areas.

A severe thunderstorm in the Pierre area produced golf-ball to quarter-size hail, high winds and heavy rains. Sirens were sounded in Hughes, Stanley and Sully counties but there were no confirmed tornado touchdowns.

Some spotted funnel clouds in an area near Draper, and Kevin Meyers' reported the loss of four outbuildings on his place about five miles north of Draper.



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These positions are funded 100% by the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs under Public Law 100-297 or U.S. Dept. of Education. All individuals selected are subject to the Drug Free Workplace Policy of the Sicangu Oyate Ho., Inc. which includes preemployment drug testing. All tentative selectees are subject to a favorable background investigation.

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- - Water Conservation Methods - -

Our department would like to remind the Oyate of the Pine Ridge Reservation that we are entering our 5th year of drought conditions and every drop of water is precious. Here are some crucial water conservation measures:

- - Be Water-Wise Outdoors - -

- Try watering lawns in the early morning or late afternoon to prevent evaporation and scorching of the grass during mid-day sun.
- Try not to water on windy days
- Try using drip irrigation for your lawns. Saves 75% more water than s prinklers by limiting evaporation.
- Over-watering can cause fungus to form brown patches on lawns.
- Water lawns and shrubs once every five days to promote longer stronger roots.
- When mowing try keeping grass 3 inches long to help in moisture absorption.
- Keep swimming pools covered to stop debris and to help prevent evaporation.
- Try backwashing your swimming pool's filter weekly to help keep the water clean.
- Clean feet before entering pool.
- Make sure all livestock watering devices have an adequate float system that does not leak.
- Report all yard hydrant and thermo-line leaks to proper authorities.

- - Be Water-Wise Indoors - -

- Report all leaking bathroom and kitchen fixtures.
- When washing clothes use the right water setting for the load.
- Listen for toilet constantly running or filling when not in use (a leaky toilet can account for up to 1400 gallons of water lost per day, while the average household uses only 350 gallons per day.)
- A leaking toilet can cause your septic system to back up because of over saturation.
- Try using low flow toilets (1.5 to 2 gallons per flush), old toilets use up to 5 gallons per flush.
- Don't use your toilet as a garbage disposal.
- Turn off water while brushing teeth, shaving and washing dishes.
- Take fast showers instead of baths.
- Use low flow fixtures in baths and kitchens.
- An Ultra low flow showerhead uses 1.5 gallons per minute, while conventional showerheads can use up to 5 gallons per minute.

OST Department of Water Maintenance and Conservation

For questions or concerns please call
our Pine Ridge office at 867-1999
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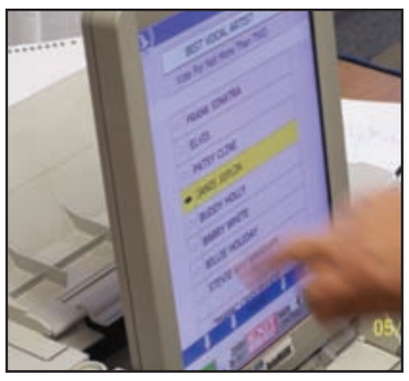
Two Sections

New voting machines make debut on reservation

ROSEBUD - On May 16, Rosebud Sioux Tribal President Rodney Bordeaux welcomed South Dakota Secretary of State Chris Nelson at the regularly scheduled May 16 RST Council meeting. The purpose was to present the new voting machines for the upcoming June and November elections.

Because of the provisions of the Help America Vote Act passed after the contentious Florida election results in 2000, Congress required that by 2006, every polling place in America needed to have at least one touch-screen voting machine available. The machines need to be able to accommodate voters with physical handicaps such as blindness and deafness. For example, those who are blind will wear headphones in order to hear their candidate choices.

RST President Bordeaux stated, "I wanted to make sure that Secretary of State Nelson had the opportunity to come before our council and show us these new voting machines. The people of the Rosebud need to be aware of this option when voting in the upcoming state-wide elections." Each voter can choose whether or not they want to use the new machine to cast their ballot.





Above: New voting machine in action! Secretary of State Chris Nelson, RST Representative's Cyril "Whitey" Scott, Scott Herman, and Stephanie Sully test the machine. The machines will be equipped with Lakota words, printed and recorded. Photo by Micheal LaPointe.

Currently, according to Sec. of State Nelson, the immediate challenge is taking Lakota phrases and placing them into the machines for the written Lakota portion. Nelson is working with Dr. Wayne Evans of the University of South Dakota to make sure that problem is accurately addressed. In addition, if a voter chooses to use the audio portion of the voting process they can choose to hear the candidate choices in Lakota when they choose their candidates.

OST advertising to establish an election board, three vacancies open

PINE RIDGE - Under OST tribal ordinance 04-06 the tribe is advertising for an election board. Three vacancies will be filled with two alternates and the board chairperson will be selected by the OST tribal council. Applications begin on May 11 and end on June 15 at 4:30 p.m.

Qualifications include a letter of interest, proof of age and tribal membership. Also, applicant cannot be an OST council representative, the applicant cannot be a candidate for OST elected office, a current employee of OST and nominees shall consent to a criminal background check prior to assuming office. The background check must be paid for by the nominee and include two checks for $15 and one for $2. Also, the applicants must have no felony convictions and be 18 years old.

For more information contact the OST secretary Rhonda Two Eagles or Jake Little at 867-5821.

Indian radio group gets $1.5 million grant to enhance tribal stations

SIOUX FALLS - American Indian radio stations have a new partner helping them broadcast an eclectic mix of community programming to reservations throughout the country.

The Center for Native American Radio offers 33 radio stations that serve Indians with programming, accounting, engineering and fundraising, which is a big challenge for most of the noncommercial operations.

A $1.5 million grant from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting established the center, which is overseen by the National Federation of Community Broadcasters in Oakland, Calif.

America's 4.2 million Indians often live on reservations far from each other, increasing the sense of isolation for some of the nation's poorest, most vulnerable groups. Radio stations that cater to their interests could help increase morale, provide networking opportunities and give them a sense that they aren't alone, proponents say.

"We're now this unified group. Before, the stations were sort of on their own, and a lot of them felt isolated," Peggy Berryhill, director of services and planning, said.

"So, now they're beginning to see their collective strengths and share their assets and issues and begin moving forward."

The center doesn't provide funding, but it connects stations with people and groups who know how to find money that's available, she said.

In South Dakota, KILI-FM on Pine Ridge Indian Reservation has been off the air since an April 15 lightning strike. CNAPR referred the station to a consultant who knows how to write grant proposals, said Tom Casey, business manager and development director.

The station requested a $201,000 emergency grant from the Public Telecommunications Facilities Program at the Department of Commerce in Washington, which could help KILI replace the antenna, transmission line and transmitter, and install a grounding system.

The station has six months to raise $40,000 to $50,000 in matching money and is halfway to its goal, Casey said. He said the station has raised more than $23,000.

He hopes to hear back on the grant within weeks.

Honoring our wisdom keepers

BY NATAHSA D. BORDEAUX
For Reclaiming Futures

HE DOG - On Sunday, May 21 members of the Sicangu Oyate gathered at the community building in He Dog to honor and listen to the elders of the nation.

With about ten elders in attendance and about 50 or so community members gathered to hear their stories, event coordinator and He Dog Community member, Fred Little Bald Eagle was pleased with the turnout.

"It went good. People came out of respect, to honor our elders. We fed them wasna and water, and we prayed," said Little Bald Eagle.

The point was to highlight those elders that are a valuable part of our communities.

"They are like a walking history book. They have a lot to give but nobody asks," said Little Bald Eagle.

"I think elders need to be acknowledged. We need to let them know somebody cares … They are out there. But nobody notices. They are out there but nobody listens."

Little Bald Eagle and He Dog Community Chair Sammy Waln worked together with volunteers from the community to set up an honoring dinner and venue in which the elders could tell their stories. Royce Yellow Hawk provided a drum and singers to honor the elders.

"Everyone came out to help. Everyone did their part," said Little Bald Eagle.

The honoring included a traditional feed of soup, wojapi and frybread.

Much of the community pooled resources to make it happen including Wellness Court, Buches, Mission Shopping Center, Tom Fredricks, the Waln family, Loretta Jordan, and many cooks and helpers.



Sinte Gleska University Archivist Don Moccasin shared memories of his life and relatives with elders and the public at the Honoring Our Wisdom Keepers event in He Dog on May 21.

At the honoring some of the elders in attendance were Mary Quigley, Rose Little Thunder, Ollie Pretty Bird, Alice Four

Please turn to Wisdom: B2

Rosebud Law Enforcement cruiser crashes while responding to call

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

MISSION - It was approximately 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 17 when a police siren could be heard approaching from the west into city limits.

It is a somewhat routine occurrence in most municipalities, especially in Mission, where the Rosebud police have jurisdiction over Sicangu people.

Also, tribal police regularly respond to requests for assistance from tribal citizens on the east side of town in Antelope community or even further at the White Horse housing unit or points south.

Almost immediately, a loud crash and a silencing of the police cruiser could be heard as curious onlookers rushed to the scene.

First responders were quickly on scene as the cruiser had crashed into a pickup pulling a small trailer pulling out of a side road.

The Mission Volunteer Fire Department is located less than a block away and quickly had the street blocked off and local traffic was directed around Moran's gas station and by north elementary and east to main street or by the fire station.

Apparently, Rosebud Law Enforcement Service police officer, Waylon Black Crow, had crashed into the pickup with such impact that it spun his dark blue cruiser around and it came to rest facing west from the direction from where he had come.

Onlookers reported that the front end was severely smashed in and the officer was pinned behind the wheel and had to be freed by the "jaws of life" extrication tool.

A call to the Rosebud Police Department on Tuesday verified the officer's identity as well as the fact that he is currently recovering from the accident at Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls.

The Rosebud ambulance service was also on scene and a medical evacuation airplane had been ordered and could be seen flying southeast into the Mission airport at approximately 10:30 p.m.

By that time, fluorescent cones and emergency vehicles were still evident as the Todd County sheriff's vehicle, the Rosebud police department; the Mission fire department and the South Dakota Highway Patrol could be seen taking measurements by the light of two huge lights presumably set up by the fire department.

An examination of the accident site revealed the fluorescent markings made by the state Highway Patrol as they reconstructed the accident and marked off the point of impact and the location of the vehicle where it came to rest after the impact.

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Horns, Seth Big Crow, Don Moccasin, Lorraine Iron Shell, Vickey At the Straight, Genevieve Moore and Lorraine Walking Bull.

Three of the elders got up to address the attendees. They talked of their birth places, relatives, and how it is now.

They compared how things are to how they used to be.

One elder shared a story about a bull that was stuck in the mud and even though it was in trouble and needed help it wouldn't let anyone near.

Even after they pulled him out of the mud he was still mean.

He used the story to illustrate the situation we find some of our people in today - how they have a hard time but still are angry at those who want to help.

The event was ended with a honoring.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Shannon County School District #65-1, Batesland, SD, will receive sealed bids on the following service until 4:30 p.m. June 15, 2006, in the administrative office at Batesland, SD.
COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL
OF SOLID WASTE FROM THE HOUSING AND SCHOOL
AT THE WOLF CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE
Bidders must specify the size of garbage containers they will be providing and the number of days per week the garbage will be collected. Duration of the contract will be from July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.
Bids must be sealed and marked "Wolf Creek Garbage Bid" in the lower lefthand corner of the envelope and addressed to Myron Pourier, Director of Facilities & Maintenance, Shannon County School District, P.O. Box 109, Batesland, SD, 57716.
Bids will be made public at the June 26, 2006 regular Shannon County School Board meeting at Batesland, SD, beginning at 5:00 p.m.
For questions or additional information, please contact Myron Pourier at (605) 288-1921 or (605) 685-8905 during business hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. week-days.
The school board reserves the right to reject any or all bids or waive any irregularities therein.

Two of South Dakota's three Indian stations off the air

PINE RIDGE (AP) - Up until a few years ago, South Dakota had four radio stations that served mostly American Indians, but just one of them is currently on the air because of licensing or technical problems:

KSWS-FM at Sisseton lost its FCC license and no longer exists. A Web site has been set up to communicate with members of the Sisseton-Wahpeton tribe.

KILI-FM at Porcupine is awaiting a federal grant to replace and upgrade its equipment. It was knocked off the air April 15 when lightning hit near the station. It serves much of western South Dakota, including the Pine Ridge and Rosebud Indian Reservations.

KLND-FM at McLaughlin has been silent since April 10 because of equipment trouble that it's trying to repair. ``Our converter is pretty much on the blink,'' said Jana Shields-Gipp, board of directors chairman. Engineers tried to go back on the air with limited programming on Wednesday but couldn't because of the technical problems, she said. The station serves mostly the Standing Rock and Cheyenne River reservations.

KINI-FM at St. Francis, which is broadcasting, receives funding from the Catholic church and somehow manages to bring in enough donations to maintain equipment and cover other costs, said Richard Iyotte, general manager.

Its funding sources are limited because of its location, but also because it can't receive public money due to its affiliation with the church, he said. ``We're kind of caught in the middle.''

It serves the Rosebud and Pine Ridge reservations.

The station is owned and managed by the St. Francis Mission.

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Rain Anderson won the 3200 in the A in 9:55.39.

Wohlleber, White, Mendoza, Andersen win gold at South Dakota State track meet

Youth movement makes mark at state meet

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

SPEARFISH/RAPIDCITY - It used to be the norm that it took experience and maturity to win the longer distances in track, not this year as eighth grader Jordan Wohlleber from Cheyenne Eagle Butte won the 3200 meter run at the State A track meet this past weekend with a time of 11:59.02; Kiko Mendoza of Takini, a freshman, won the State B 3200 in 10:01.36.

The older guys did alright too, Rain Andersen, a senior at Flandreau Indian, won the 3200 in the A in 9:55.39 and was third in the 1600 while Tyrone White a senior at Cheyenne Eagle Butte won the 800 in 2:00.67 and finished just short of a medal in 9th in the 1600.

Wohlleber, who finished third this year in the state cross country meet, also finished 7th in the 1600. Mendoza won the State B cross country title last fall and added a second in the 1600 in the state track meet.

Red Cloud's Marissa O'Bryan finished off her high school career by taking third in the 100 and fourth in the 200 on Saturday in Rapid City and just out of the medals with a 10th place in the 400.

"Marissa really stepped up this year," said Matt Rama, Red Cloud coach, "she did everything we asked of her and more and after qualifying and taking last in both of these events last year, she made the finals and finished high in both events, hard work and a steady focus pays off."

Alex Wilson-Pine from Pine Ridge took third in the 3200 and 5th in the 1600 after winning the State A cross country title this past fall, he is a junior and plans to be back stronger than ever for his senior year. William White Buffalo, a sophomore at Jones County will be back also after taking fifth in the 1600 and 8th in the 3200.

Additional finishers included Gene Morrison/Chamberlain 6th in the 3200 and 8th in the 1600, Frankie Waln/White River was 7th in the 1600, Quddus Defender/McLaughlin was 7th in the 800, Vern Marshall/Little wound was 15th in the 3200, Eltwin Grass Rope/Lower Brule was 12th in the 3200 and 16th in the 1600, Derrick Locke/Tiospa Zina was 13th in the discus, Gunner Krogman/Todd County was 8th in the long jump, James West/Takini was 9th in the long jump while in the 1600 sprint medley Todd County was 22nd and Pine Ridge was 26th.

Additional finishers on the girl's side included: Lisa Two Charge/Todd County was 9th in the 800, Jordyn Cook, a junior at Eagle Butte was 10th in the 3200 and 17th in the 1600, Julie Bernie/Todd County was 21st in the 3200 while Todd County's 4x800 relay team was 10th.

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NOTICE OF SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION
SHANNON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 65-1

A School District Election will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2006, in all the voting precincts in School District No. 65-1, Batesland, South Dakota. If the polls cannot be opened because of bad weather, the election may be postponed one week.

The election polls will be open from seven a.m. to seven p.m. mountain time on the day of the election.

Office to be voted on: Two 3-year positions for Board Members Candidates who have filed:

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Joe Morrisette

The polling place in each precinct of this district are as follows:

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Voters with disabilities may contact the business manager for information and special assistance in absentee voting or polling place accessibility.

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Dear Anna,

I am not "in love" with him, but I live with him.

He is a good guy, and he mostly works hard, and isn't really mean to me, but he gets his shots in. I don't think I want to be here anymore, but I love his family and they are really good to me and my two kids. I want more from my life than what I have right now. I don't know what to do, what do you see for me?

Frustrated

Dear Frustrated:

I see you where you are right now, it looks like for almost another year or so. I see you finally "bursting" out of the relationship, mostly from bad behavior on your part.

That is not a criticism, it is you way of ending what is not really happening for you. To help you with your guilt, sometimes relationships are not meant to last forever, sometimes they are for many reasons and all of them are growth steps.

He deserves, as you do, to be with someone that will love him with all of their heart.

It is not fair to either one of you to continue in a relationship where there is not a common bond of love, just convenience. Try to see if you can find it within yourself to end this relationship, when you are ready, without the chaos that I see in your future.

There might be a more graceful way out. I do see you with another man in a few years, that is more suited to you and your way of thinking. I also see a slim chance that you and your current live-in can reconcile enough to be free from the burden of hating each other.

Dear Anna,

I have been married a long time. I don't drink, I go to ceremonies, and I live my life in a different way than my husband does. To be honest, when we were first married I partied right along with him, but after my kids were born I had to find a different way to live.

I am tired of his late night home arrivals, drunk and obscene. He works and supports me and my kids, and I can count on him for security, but I am so tired of the noise, confusion, and bad-mouthing of me that I could scream.

I don't mind working, and I keep searching for a good job so that I won't need him at all. We have lived in the same house for a long time and I am worried that I will have to leave him, that he will never leave me, and that I will have a tough time finding decent housing. What do you see?

So Tired in Pine Ridge

Dear So Tired:

At least you are practical. I do see immense health problems for your husband in the future. I see him in the hospital with an ultimatum of quitting drinking or choosing a short path to the Spirit World. I do see him quitting, but I also see that even though you are filled with compassion for him, you will feel more of a burden by taking care of him.

I do see you taking care of him, however, and being strong with that burden. If I could change your life, I would tell you to either find him in your heart right now or get out. You are a gracious and loving woman, you are a good mother, and you are a funny person. Your sense of humor and your prayers will keep you in as much balance as any human being could be given the circumstances.

Dear Anna,

The good news is that I won about $1,000 at bingo. The bad news is that I live at home with my mother and I didn't tell her that I won because I wanted to use the money for things for myself and my boyfriend.

The worse news is that people that were at Bingo told my mother that I won, and then I lied to her and told her they were lying. Now I am in a mess, and I don't know what I should do. What do you see?

It's all Gone

Dear All Gone:

Do I look like a band aid to you? (forgive my sarcastic humor). I see that you will tell your mother the truth, that she will understand, even though she doesn't like it, and that life goes on. Next time, please find it in your heart to share your good luck with your mother, she deserves some help with the bills and some recognition for her sacrifices.

You wouldn't have had to give it all to her, but at least a couple of hundred sure would have helped. Oh yeah, I see your mother now requiring you to pay some rent and some money on the utilities.

Your good luck continues as you learn a sense of honoring of your home and automatically offer help to your mother. The good news is that you do feel guilty, and the better news is that you will be given another chance to do right by winning again, sometime in November.

Dear Anna,

I am a man who is very unhappy at home.

I feel angry with the years that I have struggled with this woman. I have found another relationship that I want to pursue, but I don't know how to tell my wife that I want out. What do you see?

Wants out

Dear Wants Out:

I see you getting out. It isn't pretty, but amazingly you and your wife will both survive it. I see that she is also weary of the fighting to keep you because she feels you slipping away.

The best way is to tell her, but I don't see you doing that. Instead of that way, I see you having an affair, getting caught, and all the mess that goes with it.

Get your checkbook out, for you have to pay for this. If you wish to change the future a little, suggest counseling for you and your wife, and allow the destination of separation to be arrived to without the messy affair.

If you are really in love with this other woman, it will survive the wait. Let me add that another woman is not a good reason to end a relationship, but unhappiness and irreconcilable differences may be.

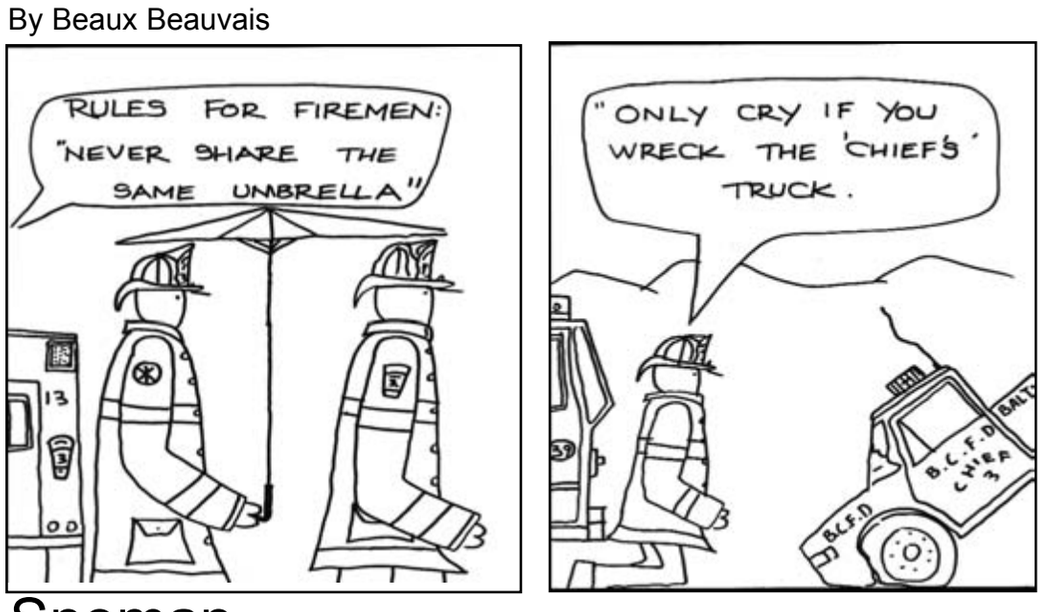
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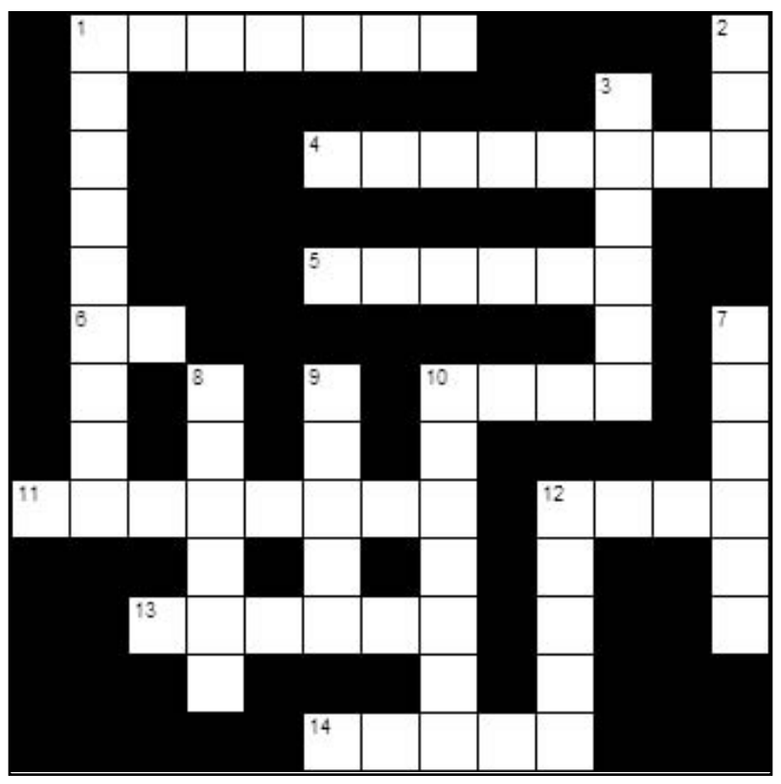
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4. sending my voice out
5. medicine
6. dripping of liquid
10. burning inside something
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12. I asked for something
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Margaret Chief Eagle, 32 .....Pine Ridge
Esther Moves Camp, 88.....Wanblee
Dennis D. Palmier, 65 ..... Pine Ridge
Weldon Arthur Rolfe Jr.....Martin

Margaret Chief Eagle

PINE RIDGE - Margaret Chief Eagle, 32, Pine Ridge, died Saturday, May 27, 2006, in Omaha, Neb. Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge.

Esther Moves Camp

WANBLEE - Esther Moves Camp, 88, Wanblee, died Sunday, May 28, at her home. Wake services will begin Thursday afternoon at 1 p.m. at Moves Camp cermonial house and at the Crazy School on Friday.

Funeral services at 10 a.m. Saturday at the school with burial at the Moves Camp cemetery.

Holmes Funeral Home of Valentine is in charge of the arrangements.

Dennis D. Palmier

PINE RIDGE - Dennis D. Palmier, 65, Pine Ridge, died Thursday, May 25, in Pine Ridge. He served in the U.S. Navy. Survivors include his wife, Dr. Barbara Beery-Palmier, Pine Ridge; two sons, Bill Palmier, Kyle, and David Palmier, Wounded Knee; four daughters: Timber Coster, Sioux Falls, Sandra Yellow Boy, Allen, Cindy Palmier, Denby, and Beverly Caserio, Deadwood; one brother, Robert Palmier, Kyle; and three sisters, Verine Hunter and Renee Janis, both of Kyle, and Joan Palmier, Rapid City.

A one-night wake was Monday, May 29, at St. Stephen's Catholic Church Hall in Kyle. Funeral services were Tuesday, May 30, at the church hall, with John Around Him officiating. Burial was at St. Stephen's Catholic Cemetery in Kyle. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Weldon Arthur Rolfe Jr.

MARTIN - Weldon Arthur Rolfe Jr., 64, died Saturday, May 27 at his residence outside of Martin.

He was born Nov. 16, 1941 in Pine Ridge to Weldon Sr. and Lucille Lebeaux Rolfe. He attended LaCreek Grade School and Bennett County High School. He attended Northern State University in Flagstaff for two years.

On Jan. 7, 1968 he married Penny K. Jones. Survivors include his wife Penny of Martin, two sons, Shown Rolfe of Stafford, Va. and Scott Rolfe of Lakewood, Colo.; two daughters, Stephanie Bautista of Great Falls, Mont and Shannon Ticho of Oak Creek, Wis. and three grandsons; an aunt Myrle Sumrall of Littlefield, Texas and two cousins Ed Rolfe of Idaho and Teresa Rolfe of Martin.

He is also survived by neices and a brother in law in addition to several extended family members.

Visitation will be May 31 at the Bennett County Funeral Service.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Thursday, June 1 at the new American Legion with Father Bryan Sorensen and John Around Him officiating. A memorial has been established to the Bennett County Ambulance and Bennett County Community Hospital. Bennett County Funeral Service of Martin is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial dinner of Ken Goings May 28

The family of Ken "Lard" Goings will be having a memorial dinner and give away on May 28 at the Billy Mills Hall. A walk and ride will begin at 11 a.m. from the west direction. Signs will be posted and the unveiling of the headstone will be at 1 p.m. at the Holy Cross Cemetery.

A dinner and giveaway will follow.

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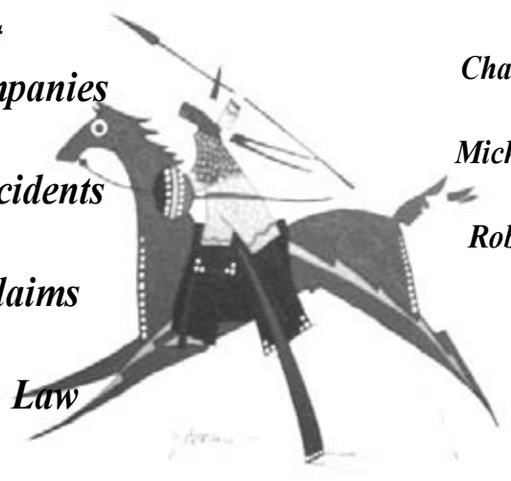
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Happy Belated Mothers Day to Marie D.L., Delores TWB, Mildred BR, Belnita BR, Janice M, Ann BB, Trudie F, Loretta TWB, Realynn TWB, Jessica M, Tameram, Deborah M, Betty & Nancy WF, Joyce LWM, Alvon LWM, Carrie Red Owl, Amy RO, Lisa RO,
From: Trinah BR

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Happy Birthday to My Sister In Law - Lisa Marie Tobacco on May 21 Enjoy Your Day since you say everyday is your B-Day. Wishing you the "THE BEST" From: Violet Waters.

Happy 17th Birthday to Our Daughter Jessica. We love you lots. Mom and Dad

Happy Belated Memorial Mothers Day to Delphine Pawnee Leggins. We love you and miss you very much. Love Trina, Lashae, Sherae, Elvira, Aaron, Elwin, Jr. & Elwood.

**Special Happy Birthday wishes to the following special people: My loving Mother, whom I love dearly and adore. To Sharon Two Crow on June 1st. To my brother who I look to for strength and encouragement. To Delane Has No Horse on May 27th. To my new found love, Dave. Thank you for coming into my life. I love you and I too believe this is a wonderful relationship. You're terrific. To Dave Big Crow on May 31. Hope you all have a glorious day and thanks for being a part of my life. Love your daughter, sister and soon to be
Gina Has No Horse.**

Congratulations to my nephew Dustin Zimiga for his 12th grade graduation from Little Wound High School, this is only the beginning for you. I am very proud of you for all your accomplishments. Keep reaching for the stars, love your auntie, Alyce

Congratulations to Lindsey Little Moon, Larissa Little Moon, Red Cloud class of 2006, Dustin Zimiga, LWS class of 2006, Raymond Brave Bird, LWS class of 2006, Julie Boyce, LWS class of 2006, We are proud of you, Shanay, Shantay and Jordan Rashawn Janis.

Hi to My Kids and Wife. The children are: Jovon Spotted Elk, Darren Spotted Elk, Shawna Thornton. Wife, Melinda Spotted Elk. From you Dad and husband, Darrell Spotted Elk.

Happy Birthday to my daughter Shanay Janis on June 12. You're gonna be 15 years old, how time flies. It was only yesterday that you were that cute little baby now look at you all grown up into a beautiful young lady. I'm proud of you for making it through your 9th grade at Little Wound. I want to say thank you for helping watch your little brother and sister. You're the only sisgter they have and are lucky. My girl,remember to always be yourself and don't try to be someone you're not. Stay the nice girl you are and you will go far in life. Grandma is smiling down at you from heaven, so remember to keep making us proud. Happy Birthday.
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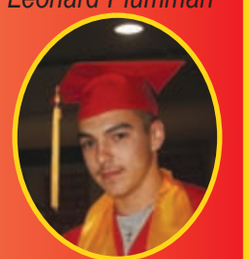
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White Clay road blocks to start June 28

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - A number of organizers, including Nebraskans for Peace, Strong Hearts Civil Rights Movement, and supporters from the Cherokee Nation, are planning to set up a blockade on the South Dakota side of the state line to stop people who buy beer and transport it back to the Pine Ridge reservation.

June 28 is the target date when activists will set up the blockade with hopes to quell the purchase of an estimated 12,000 cans of beer a day in Whiteclay.

The plan is to continue the blockade through the summer and into the fall.

Organizers would have their members posted in Whiteclay at any one of the four liquor establishments and would inform those at the blockade as to who was purchasing beer. The activists would then stop the car at the state line and proceed to confiscate their liquor purchases which are illegal on the Pine Ridge reservation.

Duane Martin, Sr. of the Strong Hearts Civil Rights movement is a fluent Lakota speaker and is at the forefront of the activism that seeks to make a

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KILI Radio to be back on air on low power

PORCUPINE - A tower crew and an engineer rolled up the side of Porcupine Butte Monday to hang a one bay antenna about two thirds the way up KILI Radio's 300 foot tower.

"We are working out a way for KILI to get back on the air on a low power basis," said Tracy Krsnak, station engineer, "the company where KILI is going to purchase their new antenna has sent us a one bay loaner, we are hooking it up to the exciter and will get a five or 10 mile radius of coverage - we are looking for an amplifier, 250 to 1,000 watt, which will allow us to broadcast to about a 25-30 mile radius."

"We are excited about getting back on the air, even if it is low power," said Melanie Janis, station manger, "when we get the amp we should be able to cover Pine Ridge, Wounded Knee, Manderson, Porcupine, Sharps, Kyle, Allen and Batesland."

"Every day we are out in the public, everyone wants to know when we will be back on the air," said Tom Casey, "we tell everyone, we will be back, we will be better than ever with a good deal of new equipment, we just can not pin point a date."

The large $201,000 proposal has been submitted to the Public Telecommunications Facilities Program and the station now waits for word on whether it will

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Melanie Janis, KILI Radio station manager, outside the station near the antenna.

QUICK HITS

Veteran's Pow wow starts June 8

PINE RIDGE - On Thursday, June, 8, there will be a spectacular sight when the Crazy Horse riders will ride into Pine Ridge from the south.

This is the ninth year, the Crazy Horse ride from Ft. Robinson is being held, with the amount of riders increasing each year. This year there will be close to 200 riders who will ride in to Pine Ridge in conjunction with the annual Veteran's Pow wow held on June 8 to 11.

The ride is to honor veterans to remember Crazy Horse, who rode into Ft. Robinson but never rode out of there. The ride is open to everyone and there will be many who will wear their war bonnett as they ride into Pine Ridge on Thursday.

On June 8-11 "2006 All Veterans Pow-wow" will be held at the Pine Ridge pow wow grounds. There will be a contest in all categories with a royalty contest and honoring of committee members. There will be flag raising each day with specials held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily with the dance contests to be held in the afternoons and evenings.

All soldier's pictures and flags are welcome to be included in a special roll call and honoring of all active military and recent veterans. Day money will be paid and an evening warm up session will be held on June 8 with a parade on June 10 at 11 a.m.

For more information call

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TWO SECTIONS

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

WINNER - Mary Bordeaux-Hunger (Wi Wasteca Win) celebrated her 100th birthday among friends, relatives, and health care workers on Friday, June 2 at the Winner Regional Healthcare Center. The birthday party for Mary was held from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. included many cards from well wishers, and a birthday cake.

President George Bush and wife, Laura, sent a letter of congratulations, as well as the reading of an Executive Proclamation from Governor Mike Rounds proclaiming the day as Mary Bordeaux-Hunger day in South Dakota. Rosebud Sioux Tribal President, Rodney M. Bordeaux, also sent representatives with an RST Executive Proclamation, while Bishop Blasé J. Cupich of the Rapid City Diocese sent a letter of congratulations.

Mary lived at the corner of Adam and Todd streets in Mission since 1940 up until 3 ½ years ago when she moved to the Winner Healthcare Center, according to grand daughter, Monica Hunber-Larvie, who is employed at the Sicangu Wicoti Awayankape Corporation as the Development Officer. She had many friends over the years, including Nellie Menard, Alice Fast Dog, Anna Rose LaPointe, and Victoria Beauvais, a neighbor. She was active in the St. Thomas Catholic parish and often quilted with many of her friends, including the late Nancy White Horse.

Monica said that Mary was rather modest about the public announcement of all her honors, which included an honorary doctorate from SGU, and that she is able to speak normally. At one point, she even joked that the cake might make her fat.

In addition to healthcare staff, Julia Peneaux and Linda Marshall of the RST President's office were

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Left to right: Charles Mack, Mary Bordeaux-Hunger, Monica Hunger-Larvie and Chance Larvie at 100 birthday celebration held at the Winner Regional Health Care Center.

Community Calendar

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AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Grief Support Group
Meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30pm at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841

Life after death class
Developing a better understanding of the journey of the soul, Fridays at 7 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Village College Center

Weight watchers class
Large conference room at the Indian Health Service Hospital in Pine Ridge, weigh in at 5pm and meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Crazy Horse Ride
Set for Sunday through Friday, June 4-9 in honor of all veterans, for information contact Bam Brewer at 867-1119 or 441-8810

Pine Ridge School Summer Food Program
Through June 30 with meals for children from 3-18 years of age with breakfast from 7:30-8:30 a.m. and lunch from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. daily

Little Wound Summer Food Service
Daily for children 3-18 with breakfast 8:30-9 a.m. and lunch from 12:30-1 p.m.

Fiduciary Trust Model Presentation
Tuesday, Wednesday, June 6 and 7 at Porcupine School from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day covering CFR revisions, probate changes, etc for info call 867-5305

Free Business Seminar
Thursday and Friday, June 8 and 9 at Oglala Lakota College's Piya Wiconi, main office southwest of Kyle from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day and for info call 455-6080 or 455-6076

2006 All Veteran's Pow wow
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 8-11 at the pow wow grounds in Pine Ridge; parade at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 10

Vacation Bible School
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Oglala Lakota College celebrates 33rd graduation with 168 graduates

Herseth set to keynote June 25th ceremony

THREE MILE CREEK - Oglala Lakota College has set their 33rd graduation ceremonies for 10 a.m. Sunday, June 25 at the Three Mile Creek Pow wow grounds at Piya Wiconi with 168 degrees and awards to be presented to students from across Pine Ridge Reservation and beyond.

"We are very excited about having Congresswoman Stephanie Herseth give the keynote address on that special day," said Tom Shortbull, college president, "Stephanie has been very supportive of education in Indian Country and especially supportive of what we are doing here at OLC."

In addition to honoring the many outstanding graduates with masters, baccalaureate and associate degrees, the college announced earlier this spring that it will build dormitories for students in Pine Ridge and Kyle and a restructuring of the college's basic introductory classes in math and reading to prepare incoming students in a better manner for successful completion of their college studies.



Rep. Stephanie Herseth

Herseth serves as South Dakota's at large member of Congress, currently she is completing her first full term as the state's only member of the House of Representatives after being elected in a special election to serve out the term of William Janklow who resigned his seat. Stephanie serves on the Agriculture, Veteran's Affairs and Resources committees, co-chairs the Rural Working Group and is a member of the Blue Dog Coalition, a group of moderate democrats who work for fiscal discipline and strong national security.

Raised on a farm near Houghton, Herseth graduated from Groton high school and earned an undergraduate degree from Georgetown University and followed it up with a law degree, also from Georgetown.

The Herseth family has a long history in state government with Steph's grandfather Ralph serving as governor, her grandmother, Lorna srving as secretary of state and her father, Lars, serving 20 years in the state legislature.

No stranger to Indian Country, Stephanie has been a regular visitor to celebrations, pow wows and special events throughout Indian Country in South Dakota.

Graduation activities begin with the baccalaureate banquet on Thursday, June 22 at 6 p.m. in Kyle at Little Wound school.

The GED graduation is set fort 1 p.m. Friday at Piya Wiconi, the graduation pow wow opening Friday evening at 7 p.m. with grand entries also on Saturday at 1 and 7 p.m. and Sunday after the ceremonies and the graduation set for 10 a..m Sunday.

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change in the tremendous impact that alcohol is continuing to inflict on the social and health conditions of the Pine Ridge reservation. He said, "The elders came to me and asked. I and Russell Means took the fight to the Nebraska Liquor Commission. Frank LaMere and Mark Vasina also helped. They said we were bluffing. I presented the complaint to a couple of liquor stores and only one took me seriously, because I know him. This avenue will bring about change. Pine Ridge has the highest rate of involvement and activism. Senator John Thune called right before you did. The treaties are intact and give us a right to take a stand."

The March13 decision by the Sheridan County Board of Commissioners to automatically grant liquor license renewals in Whiteclay and a March 31 by the Nebraska Supreme Court to allow a liquor license to the Arrowhead Inn prompted the decision to undertake the blockade, according to the Lincoln Start Journal. The Journal also included a "viewer comment" in which one reader wrote, "What about Native Americans in South Dakota who are also getting wealthy from selling packaged liquor to people from the reservation such as those who own bars in Oelrichs and Martin?" Another reader, Jon, wrote, "Well, good luck with that. The problem is free enterprise versus the disease of alcoholism. You can't really say that it's a moral issue because anyone who's willing to sell alcohol so close to the reservation doesn't have any."



Furthermore, Martin, Sr. said, "If we don't take a stand today, there won't be a stand tomorrow."

Mark Vasina, the President of Nebraskans for Peace is equally as committed to seeing the blockade succeed. His organization is relying on the Strong Hearts Civil Rights group as they seek to interpret treaty law as it applies to such questions as the legality of confiscating beer purchases and whether or not those in the blockade need to be deputized in order to stop vehicles at the border.

Vasina said, "The need to be deputized is a question for the Indians to resolve. We support what they are doing. We, of course, don't want to see violence. We hope the tribal police will support the blockade. Knowing responsible law enforcement, they have to be there." Furthermore, Vasina said, "People are going to be stopping an illegal action.., my hope is that no other commercial traffic is impeded. People will not be detained or arrested, but simply to prevent alcohol from going in, which is unlawful."

Finally, Vasina said that Nebraskans for Peace support the blockade and are raising money which will be needed to feed people and provide other amenities, while a camp will most likely be erected. He said that his organization is also arranging for celebrities, politicians, and candidates to be at the blockade on June 28. Vasina, himself, will be at the blockade at least two weeks out of each month that it is in effect.

Alex White Plume, Acting President of the Oglala Sioux Tribe said, "This is a grass roots movement at Whiteclay. There will no more alcohol on the reservation. The Oglala Sioux Tribal council passed a tribal resolution declaring Whiteclay a public nuisance. Under the IRA, there is a 12 mile buffer zone to keep bootleggers and alcohol sales from the reservation. I am thinking of deputizing everyone on the blockade. We are inviting everyone from Rosebud and Pine Ridge."

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"My food sales have gone down since KILI went down," said Betty Kelly of Betty's Kitchen, "KILI is our lifeline to the community and to each other."

On April 15, the antenna was hit by lightening and has been silence since.

Melanie Janis, station manager, said they have requested enough money to replace the antenna, transmission line and a new grounding system.

People wanting to donate can call the radio station at 867-5002 or go to their online site at www.kiliradio.org.

Shannon County looks to elect two new board members

BATESLAND - Shannon County School District announces a school board election on Tuesday, June 13 to fill two board vacancies. The three year board terms are up for Doni Decory and Angie Eagle Bull.

After two straight three year terms, DeCory decided not to run for another term while Eagle Bull is running another three year term after serving the last six years.

Past board members, Gerald Jump Big Crow and Chuck Conroy are joined on the ballot by Tom Vaughn, Sharon Martin, William Lone Hill and Joe Morrisette.

Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. on the 13. Polling places include Batesland School gym, Red Shirt lunchroom for Cuny Table, Medicine Root CAP in Kyle, Wounded Knee District CAP in Manderson, Brother Denny Hall in Oglala, Sacred Heart Catholic Hall in Pine Ridge, Our Lady of Lourdes Title I trailer in Porcupine and Rockyford School Library for Sharps Corner.

Shannon County just held their Kindergarten and eighth grade graduations in Batesland, Wolf Creek, Rockyford and Red Shirt this past week. Shannon County provides services to close to 1200 students across the reservation in their four schools and are currently looking forward to the dedication of their new Red Shirt Community School before the new school year gets underway.

Current board members include Melvin and Ruth Cummings, Todd O'Bryan, Eagle Bull and DeCory.

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Focus on pregnancy risks

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) - A $375,000 federal grant to the Yankton Sioux Tribe will be used to assess and monitor American Indian women for pregnancy risks.

Infant mortality in the Indian population in South Dakota is nearly twice the rate among whites.

In January, the state Department of Health said infant mortality increased to 8.2 deaths per 1,000 live births in 2004 _ the highest rate since 1999. The mortality rate for Native American infants is 13.3 per 1,000, compared with 6.9 per 1,000 for white infants.

The goal of the South Dakota Tribal Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System is to better understand the experiences of Indian mothers before, during and after pregnancy to link their experiences with birth outcomes. The project will include mothers of all Indian infants born in South Dakota.

Women who have recently given birth will be given the opportunity to fill out a survey. Eligible women will begin to receive surveys in the spring of 2007.

Council takes no action on Grazing Ordinance, terminates chief of police

Hearing on Crazy Horse School Board set for June 19 in Wanblee

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

MARTIN - After a protest march and some passionate discussion around the abortion issue on Tuesday which resulted in the suspension of Cecelia Fire Thunder, OST president and a unanimous ordinance banning any abortion for any reason on Pine Ridge reservation, the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council met in Martin on Wednesday to finish the agenda.

A number of ranchers and landowners were in attendance to listen first hand to the discussion on a proposed new grazing ordinance for Pine Ridge Reservation. After meeting in a number of districts, Ruth Brown, chair of the land committee brought a new grazing ordinance back to the council floor, it had been tabled at the council meeting last month in Manderson.

"I worked hard at getting input from many people across the reservation, we need a new and improved grazing ordinance," said Brown as she presented the ordinance once again."

After a good deal of discussion a motion to approve the new grazing ordinance made by Brown failed to get a passing vote as eight voted in favor and 10 voted against; with the defeat of the new ordinance, the old ordinance will remain in place.

Wednesday's meeting was attended by nine OST Department of Public Safety employees who had been terminated by the Chief of Police, Ron Duke. The council voted to suspend the employees with pay pending the results of an investigation into the matter.

Stating that a resolution of the tribal council requesting the advertisement of the chief of police position had been reaffirmed during the April meeting of the council with still no results, a motion was made to terminate Ron Duke as chief of police and to put James Twiss in for 30 days while the position is being advertised. Citing insubordination, the council approved the action.

A special tribal council meeting has been set for Monday, June 12 at the CAP office in Porcupine with the OST Department of Public Safety as the only agenda.

The council interrupted their interviews for tribal prosecutors on Tuesday to deal with the abortion issues and no date has been set for their completion. The council did reaffirm their desire to contract the criminal investigation division from the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

"We are ready to release the findings of an investigation of the Crazy Horse School board," said Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge and chair of the education committee, "this took a lot longer than I thought it would, we have had a good interim board in there to monitor the progress of the school"

In the fall of 2004, the tribal council suspended the school board and replaced them with an interim board. The council has set Monday, June 19 for a special council meeting to hold a hearing on the Crazy Horse school board, it will be held in the commons area of Crazy Horse School in Wanblee.

March for Justice
Saturday, June 10 starting at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge at 12 noon and marching to Whiteclay with a meal at Camp Justice at 3 p.m. for info call 462-6662 or 685-5448

Shannon County School Board Election
Tuesday, June 13 with polls open from 7a.m. to 7 p.m. across the county

OLC Baccalaureate Banquet
Thursday, June 22nd at Little Wound School in Kyle at 6pm

OLC GED Graduation
Friday, June 23 at Piya Wiconi

OLC Graduation Walk and Run
Saturday, June 24 at Piya Wiconi at 6pm, for info call Billie Hornbeck at 455-6000.

Oglala Lakota College Graduation and activities
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 23-25 at the Three Mile Creek pow wow grounds southwest of Kyle with graduation set for 10am Sunday, June 25

North American Indigenous Games
July 2-9 in Denver, Colo. With Team South Dakota competing in basketball, volleyball, wrestling, track and field and cross country, archery, baseball, boxing, golf and Tae Kwan Do.

2006 Beauty and the Beast Challenge
Tuesday, July4th at the Three Mile Creek rodeo arena outside of Kyle with competition in barrel racing and bull riding for info call 455-2177 or 455-2797

Gathering of Nations
To defend Bear Butte, Tuesday, July 4 at Bear Butte, northeast of Sturgis with workshops, seminars and meetings, fun, music and games for info call 455-2155, 455-2508 or 964-4642.

Katana Jackson accepted to University of Minnesota

MANDERSON - Katana Jackson, a graduate of Gordon High School, Gordon, Neb. of the class of 2001 has been accepted for graduate school to the University of Minnesota in Duluth,Minn, beginning in the fall of 2006. Katana graduated from the University of Minnesota in Morris, Minn in the spring of 2005. She has spent the past year working at the Wounded Knee District School, in Manderson as a social worker, gaining field experience in her area of study.


Katana Jackson

In addition to her acceptance in graduate school, Katana has received the prestigious award of a Fellowship for the 2006-2007 academic year on behalf of the Center for Regional and Tribal Child Welfare Studies and the Department of Social Work at the University of Minnesota, Duluth.

She is the daughter of Linda Firethunder and the late Ralph Jackson. Her paternal grandmother is Marie Jackson of Rapid City. Her maternal grandparents are Floyd and Anna Firethunder of Manderson.

Summer camps offered for youth

KYLE - This summer, there will be opportunity for young people to participate in summer camps on art, writing and traditional art. For more information call Tilda Long Soldier-St. Pierre at 455-2972.

On June 16-20 will be Lakota Contemporary Art, featuring Three Dimensional Drawing taught by Jesse Thunder Hawk (Creighton Fine Arts Major), Lakota Expressive Painting taught by Richard Red Owl, beloved Lakota Artist and a session. A third class is still being firmed up. This session will be open to 8 young men and women age 14 -18. Each student will have three 2 hour classes a day, and will participate in cooking, clean up and all aspects of daily schedule. Schedule will also include time for recreation and working on projects. Each day will culminate with a campfire and discussion. All supplies will be provided by the camp so that each participant will leave with the basics Student must submit three samples of their art with the application.

On July 10-14 will be Cloud Horse Writers Camp. Potential students 16-20 years of age must submit three pieces of writing. This Camp will Feature: Playing with Emotion: Important aspects of successful character and story development to be taught by Mark St. Pierre (Madonna Swan, Of Uncommon Birth, Walking In The Sacred Manner). JoEllen Koerner RN.MA. , author of Mother, Heal Myself, will teach a class called "Effective Tools for Telling Your Own Story". David Melmer, Senior Reporter for Indian Country Today, will lead Journalism and News Writing There will be three two hour classes a day plus time for recreation, sharing readings, critique and meals. All students will help cook and participate in all aspects of the camp curriculum and are expected to share a story at the evening campfires. Outcome will be judged on writing during the camp with best pieces being published in local newspapers.

On Aug. 6-11th will be a Traditional Lakota Arts Camp for Women age 13-18. The Camp will be called Traditional Lakota Art: Making and Using Raw Materials. Classes will include Hide Tanning, preparation and the preparation and use of Takan (Sinew thread), Rawhide preparation and Parfleche (WiziPa) Design and Painting. This camp will be taught by Tilda Long Soldier-St. Pierre (Master Artisan) and Gus Yellow Hair (Master Artisan). All potential students must be recommended to the school by Indian Club Advisor, Grandparent, Aunt Etc. and must have shown strong prior interest and put energy into at least one form of traditional Lakota Art. Small projects in each area will be chosen that can be completed in the week such as a small parfleche, and a sinew beaded, brain tanned pouch.

Range Survey on the Pine Ridge Reservation

Ecosystem Research Group (ERG), a Montana-based consulting company, will be continuing the range survey of the Pine Ridge Reservation for the Oglala Sioux Tribe during the months of May, June, and July 2006. ERG's field office is based in Kadoka, SD, and field crews will be sampling vegetation and conducting similarity index surveys on grazing allotments across the eastern portion of the reservation. The majority of the western portion of the reservation was previously surveyed in 2004 and 2005.

Field technicians will be using a combination of pickup trucks, ATV, and foot travel to access the allotments, and any travel recommendations and requests from permittees are welcome and very helpful. ERG vehicles include late model white Ford F150s, a green Dodge Dakota pickup, and a white Toyota Tundra. All vehicles will be marked with the company logo, and all employees will carry a letter of verification.

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We are working on the match right now, local dances, food sales and jars and cans around the reservation," said Janis, "and we have put in requests to a variety of foundations, groups and organizations, the National Indian Gaming Association and Shakopee."

"We miss KILI," said tribal vice president Alex White Plume, "all of us miss the station, the grandmas up and down the creek, families and groups and organizations trying to get the word out about their events and activities."

"My food sales have gone down since KILI went down," said Betty Kelly of Betty's Kitchen, "KILI is our lifeline to the community and to each other."

On April 15, the antenna was hit by lightening and has been silence since.

Melanie Janis, station manager, said they have requested enough money to replace the antenna, transmission line and a new grounding system.

People wanting to donate can call the radio station at 867-5002 or go to their online site at www.kiliradio.org.

Oglala Lakota College celebrates 33rd graduation with 168 graduates

Herseth set to keynote June 25th ceremony

THREE MILE CREEK - Oglala Lakota College has set their 33rd graduation ceremonies for 10 a.m. Sunday, June 25 at the Three Mile Creek Pow wow grounds at Piya Wiconi with 168 degrees and awards to be presented to students from across Pine Ridge Reservation and beyond.

"We are very excited about having Congresswoman Stephanie Herseth give the keynote address on that special day," said Tom Shortbull, college president, "Stephanie has been very supportive of education in Indian Country and especially supportive of what we are doing here at OLC."



Rep. Stephanie Herseth

In addition to honoring the many outstanding graduates with masters, baccalaureate and associate degrees, the college announced earlier this spring that it will build dormitories for students in Pine Ridge and Kyle and a restructuring of the college's basic introductory classes in math and reading to prepare incoming students in a better manner for successful completion of their college studies.

Herseth serves as South Dakota's at large member of Congress, currently she is completing her first full term as the state's only member of the House of Representatives after being elected in a special election to serve out the term of William Janklow who resigned his seat. Stephanie serves on the Agriculture, Veteran's Affairs and Resources committees, co-chairs the Rural Working Group and is a member of the Blue Dog Coalition, a group of moderate democrats who work for fiscal discipline and strong national security.

Raised on a farm near Houghton, Herseth graduated from Groton high school and earned an undergraduate degree from Georgetown University and followed it up with a law degree, also from Georgetown.

The Herseth family has a long history in state government with Steph's grandfather Ralph serving as governor, her grandmother, Lorna srving as secretary of state and her father, Lars, serving 20 years in the state legislature.

No stranger to Indian Country, Stephanie has been a regular visitor to celebrations, pow wows and special events throughout Indian Country in South Dakota.

Graduation activities begin with the baccalaureate banquet on Thursday, June 22 at 6 p.m. in Kyle at Little Wound school.

The GED graduation is set fort 1 p.m. Friday at Piya Wiconi, the graduation pow wow opening Friday evening at 7 p.m. with grand entries also on Saturday at 1 and 7 p.m. and Sunday after the ceremonies and the graduation set for 10 a..m Sunday.

Shannon County looks to elect two new board members

BATESLAND - Shannon County School District announces a school board election on Tuesday, June 13 to fill two board vacancies. The three year board terms are up for Doni Decory and Angie Eagle Bull.

After two straight three year terms, DeCory decided not to run for another term while Eagle Bull is running another three year term after serving the last six years.

Past board members, Gerald Jump Big Crow and Chuck Conroy are joined on the ballot by Tom Vaughn, Sharon Martin, William Lone Hill and Joe Morrisette.

Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. on the 13. Polling places include Batesland School gym, Red Shirt lunchroom for Cuny Table, Medicine Root CAP in Kyle, Wounded Knee District CAP in Manderson, Brother Denny Hall in Oglala, Sacred Heart Catholic Hall in Pine Ridge, Our Lady of Lourdes Title I trailer in Porcupine and Rockyford School Library for Sharps Corner.

Shannon County just held their Kindergarten and eighth grade graduations in Batesland, Wolf Creek, Rockyford and Red Shirt this past week. Shannon County provides services to close to 1200 students across the reservation in their four schools and are currently looking forward to the dedication of their new Red Shirt Community School before the new school year gets underway.

Current board members include Melvin and Ruth Cummings, Todd O'Bryan, Eagle Bull and DeCory.

White Clay roadblocks

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change in the tremendous impact that alcohol is continuing to inflict on the social and health conditions of the Pine Ridge reservation. He said, "The elders came to me and asked. I and Russell Means took the fight to the Nebraska Liquor Commission. Frank LaMere and Mark Vasina also helped. They said we were bluffing. I presented the complaint to a couple of liquor stores and only one took me seriously, because I know him. This avenue will bring about change. Pine Ridge has the highest rate of involvement and activism. Senator John Thune called right before you did. The treaties are intact and give us a right to take a stand."

The March13 decision by the Sheridan County Board of Commissioners to automatically grant liquor license renewals in Whiteclay and a March 31 by the Nebraska Supreme Court to allow a liquor license to the Arrowhead Inn prompted the decision to undertake the blockade, according to the Lincoln Start Journal. The Journal also included a "viewer comment" in which one reader wrote, "What about Native Americans in South Dakota who are also getting wealthy from selling packaged liquor to people from the reservation such as those who own bars in Oelrichs and Martin?" Another reader, Jon, wrote, "Well, good luck with that. The problem is free enterprise versus the disease of alcoholism. You can't really say that it's a moral issue because anyone who's willing to sell alcohol so close to the reservation doesn't have any."



Furthermore, Martin, Sr. said, "If we don't take a stand today, there won't be a stand tomorrow."

Mark Vasina, the President of Nebraskans for Peace is equally as committed to seeing the blockade succeed. His organization is relying on the Strong Hearts Civil Rights group as they seek to interpret treaty law as it applies to such questions as the legality of confiscating beer purchases and whether or not those in the blockade need to be deputized in order to stop vehicles at the border.

Vasina said, "The need to be deputized is a question for the Indians to resolve. We support what they are doing. We, of course, don't want to see violence. We hope the tribal police will support the blockade. Knowing responsible law enforcement, they have to be there." Furthermore, Vasina said, "People are going to be stopping an illegal action.., my hope is that no other commercial traffic is impeded. People will not be detained or arrested, but simply to prevent alcohol from going in, which is unlawful."

Finally, Vasina said that Nebraskans for Peace support the blockade and are raising money which will be needed to feed people and provide other amenities, while a camp will most likely be erected. He said that his organization is also arranging for celebrities, politicians, and candidates to be at the blockade on June 28. Vasina, himself, will be at the blockade at least two weeks out of each month that it is in effect.

Alex White Plume, Acting President of the Oglala Sioux Tribe said, "This is a grass roots movement at Whiteclay. There will no more alcohol on the reservation. The Oglala Sioux Tribal council passed a tribal resolution declaring Whiteclay a public nuisance. Under the IRA, there is a 12 mile buffer zone to keep bootleggers and alcohol sales from the reservation. I am thinking of deputizing everyone on the blockade. We are inviting everyone from Rosebud and Pine Ridge."

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Focus on pregnancy risks

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) - A $375,000 federal grant to the Yankton Sioux Tribe will be used to assess and monitor American Indian women for pregnancy risks.

Infant mortality in the Indian population in South Dakota is nearly twice the rate among whites.

In January, the state Department of Health said infant mortality increased to 8.2 deaths per 1,000 live births in 2004 _ the highest rate since 1999. The mortality rate for Native American infants is 13.3 per 1,000, compared with 6.9 per 1,000 for white infants.

The goal of the South Dakota Tribal Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System is to better understand the experiences of Indian mothers before, during and after pregnancy to link their experiences with birth outcomes. The project will include mothers of all Indian infants born in South Dakota.

Women who have recently given birth will be given the opportunity to fill out a survey. Eligible women will begin to receive surveys in the spring of 2007.

Council takes no action on Grazing Ordinance, terminates chief of police

Hearing on Crazy Horse School Board set for June 19 in Wanblee

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

MARTIN - After a protest march and some passionate discussion around the abortion issue on Tuesday which resulted in the suspension of Cecelia Fire Thunder, OST president and a unanimous ordinance banning any abortion for any reason on Pine Ridge reservation, the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council met in Martin on Wednesday to finish the agenda.

A number of ranchers and landowners were in attendance to listen first hand to the discussion on a proposed new grazing ordinance for Pine Ridge Reservation. After meeting in a number of districts, Ruth Brown, chair of the land committee brought a new grazing ordinance back to the council floor, it had been tabled at the council meeting last month in Manderson.

"I worked hard at getting input from many people across the reservation, we need a new and improved grazing ordinance," said Brown as she presented the ordinance once again."

After a good deal of discussion a motion to approve the new grazing ordinance made by Brown failed to get a passing vote as eight voted in favor and 10 voted against; with the defeat of the new ordinance, the old ordinance will remain in place.

Wednesday's meeting was attended by nine OST Department of Public Safety employees who had been terminated by the Chief of Police, Ron Duke. The council voted to suspend the employees with pay pending the results of an investigation into the matter.

Stating that a resolution of the tribal council requesting the advertisement of the chief of police position had been reaffirmed during the April meeting of the council with still no results, a motion was made to terminate Ron Duke as chief of police and to put James Twiss in for 30 days while the position is being advertised. Citing insubordination, the council approved the action.

A special tribal council meeting has been set for Monday, June 12 at the CAP office in Porcupine with the OST Department of Public Safety as the only agenda.

The council interrupted their interviews for tribal prosecutors on Tuesday to deal with the abortion issues and no date has been set for their completion. The council did reaffirm their desire to contract the criminal investigation division from the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

"We are ready to release the findings of an investigation of the Crazy Horse School board," said Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge and chair of the education committee, "this took a lot longer than I thought it would, we have had a good interim board in there to monitor the progress of the school"

In the fall of 2004, the tribal council suspended the school board and replaced them with an interim board. The council has set Monday, June 19 for a special council meeting to hold a hearing on the Crazy Horse school board, it will be held in the commons area of Crazy Horse School in Wanblee.

March for Justice
Saturday, June 10 starting at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge at 12 noon and marching to Whiteclay with a meal at Camp Justice at 3 p.m. for info call 462-6662 or 685-5448

Shannon County School Board Election
Tuesday, June 13 with polls open from 7a.m. to 7 p.m. across the county

OLC Baccalaureate Banquet
Thursday, June 22nd at Little Wound School in Kyle at 6pm

OLC GED Graduation
Friday, June 23 at Piya Wiconi

OLC Graduation Walk and Run
Saturday, June 24 at Piya Wiconi at 6pm, for info call Billie Hornbeck at 455-6000.

Oglala Lakota College Graduation and activities
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 23-25 at the Three Mile Creek pow wow grounds southwest of Kyle with graduation set for 10am Sunday, June 25

North American Indigenous Games
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2006 Beauty and the Beast Challenge
Tuesday, July4th at the Three Mile Creek rodeo arena outside of Kyle with competition in barrel racing and bull riding for info call 455-2177 or 455-2797

Gathering of Nations
To defend Bear Butte, Tuesday, July 4 at Bear Butte, northeast of Sturgis with workshops, seminars and meetings, fun, music and games for info call 455-2155, 455-2508 or 964-4642.

Katana Jackson accepted to University of Minnesota

MANDERSON - Katana Jackson, a graduate of Gordon High School, Gordon, Neb. of the class of 2001 has been accepted for graduate school to the University of Minnesota in Duluth,Minn, beginning in the fall of 2006. Katana graduated from the University of Minnesota in Morris, Minn in the spring of 2005. She has spent the past year working at the Wounded Knee District School, in Manderson as a social worker, gaining field experience in her area of study.


Katana Jackson

In addition to her acceptance in graduate school, Katana has received the prestigious award of a Fellowship for the 2006-2007 academic year on behalf of the Center for Regional and Tribal Child Welfare Studies and the Department of Social Work at the University of Minnesota, Duluth.

She is the daughter of Linda Firethunder and the late Ralph Jackson. Her paternal grandmother is Marie Jackson of Rapid City. Her maternal grandparents are Floyd and Anna Firethunder of Manderson.

Summer camps offered for youth

KYLE - This summer, there will be opportunity for young people to participate in summer camps on art, writing and traditional art. For more information call Tilda Long Soldier-St. Pierre at 455-2972.

On June 16-20 will be Lakota Contemporary Art, featuring Three Dimensional Drawing taught by Jesse Thunder Hawk (Creighton Fine Arts Major), Lakota Expressive Painting taught by Richard Red Owl, beloved Lakota Artist and a session. A third class is still being firmed up. This session will be open to 8 young men and women age 14 -18. Each student will have three 2 hour classes a day, and will participate in cooking, clean up and all aspects of daily schedule. Schedule will also include time for recreation and working on projects. Each day will culminate with a campfire and discussion. All supplies will be provided by the camp so that each participant will leave with the basics Student must submit three samples of their art with the application.

On July 10-14 will be Cloud Horse Writers Camp. Potential students 16-20 years of age must submit three pieces of writing. This Camp will Feature: Playing with Emotion: Important aspects of successful character and story development to be taught by Mark St. Pierre (Madonna Swan, Of Uncommon Birth, Walking In The Sacred Manner). JoEllen Koerner RN.MA. , author of Mother, Heal Myself, will teach a class called "Effective Tools for Telling Your Own Story". David Melmer, Senior Reporter for Indian Country Today, will lead Journalism and News Writing There will be three two hour classes a day plus time for recreation, sharing readings, critique and meals. All students will help cook and participate in all aspects of the camp curriculum and are expected to share a story at the evening campfires. Outcome will be judged on writing during the camp with best pieces being published in local newspapers.

On Aug. 6-11th will be a Traditional Lakota Arts Camp for Women age 13-18. The Camp will be called Traditional Lakota Art: Making and Using Raw Materials. Classes will include Hide Tanning, preparation and the preparation and use of Takan (Sinew thread), Rawhide preparation and Parfleche (WiziPa) Design and Painting. This camp will be taught by Tilda Long Soldier-St. Pierre (Master Artisan) and Gus Yellow Hair (Master Artisan). All potential students must be recommended to the school by Indian Club Advisor, Grandparent, Aunt Etc. and must have shown strong prior interest and put energy into at least one form of traditional Lakota Art. Small projects in each area will be chosen that can be completed in the week such as a small parfleche, and a sinew beaded, brain tanned pouch.

Range Survey on the Pine Ridge Reservation

Ecosystem Research Group (ERG), a Montana-based consulting company, will be continuing the range survey of the Pine Ridge Reservation for the Oglala Sioux Tribe during the months of May, June, and July 2006. ERG's field office is based in Kadoka, SD, and field crews will be sampling vegetation and conducting similarity index surverys on grazing allotments across the eastern portion of the reservation. The majority of the western portion of the reservation was previously surveyed in 2004 and 2005.

Field technicians will be using a combination of pickup trucks, ATV, and foot travel to access the allotments, and any travel recommendations and requests from permittees are welcome and very helpful. ERG vehicles include late model white Ford F150s, a green Dodge Dakota pickup, and a white Toyota Tundra. All vehicles will be marked with the company logo, and all employees will carry a letter of verification.

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OPINION PAGE

Guest Editorial

Road blocks between White Clay and Pine Ridge

More than 10 years ago the original Lakota Times' editor Tim Giago wrote an editorial asking the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council to set up road blocks at all off-reservation entrances for two reasons:

One - to check incoming vehicles for alcohol and drugs and - Two: to set a toll fee for all non-residents entering the reservation. Tolls are used on major bridges and tollways across America to collect revenues for states, counties and cities. They are an effective tool that can bring in thousands of dollars. And they can be used effectively as road blocks to check autos for alcohol, drugs and other contraband.

But there are still back doors used by bootleggers and distributors of drugs that appear to be wide-open. It would be fruitless for a road block to be set up strictly between Pine Ridge Village and White Clay to stop the flow of liquor when there are so many other corridors open. Setting up road blocks at the entrance of every road leading on to the reservation and using these road blocks as toll collectors would help to defray the costs of the road blocks. Security police and can be hired to man the road blocks and can be paid from the revenues collected as tolls.

This is a process than can be easily and immediately implemented and the road blocks would become effective tools of law enforcement for stopping the flow of drugs, booze and other contraband to the reservation.

But an effort must also be exerted to halt the influx of all illegal drugs and booze to the distributors and bootleggers on the reservation itself.

Here we go again!

We hope that when the next election rolls around on the Pine Ridge Reservation that all registered voters take a close look at the record of those council men and women now holding office. It seems that they did not learn a single lesson from the suspension of President Cecelia Fire Thunder the first time around. Instead they wasted the meager financial resources of the tribe by tying up the operation of the tribal government for 66 days. And now they want to suspend her again for 20 days.

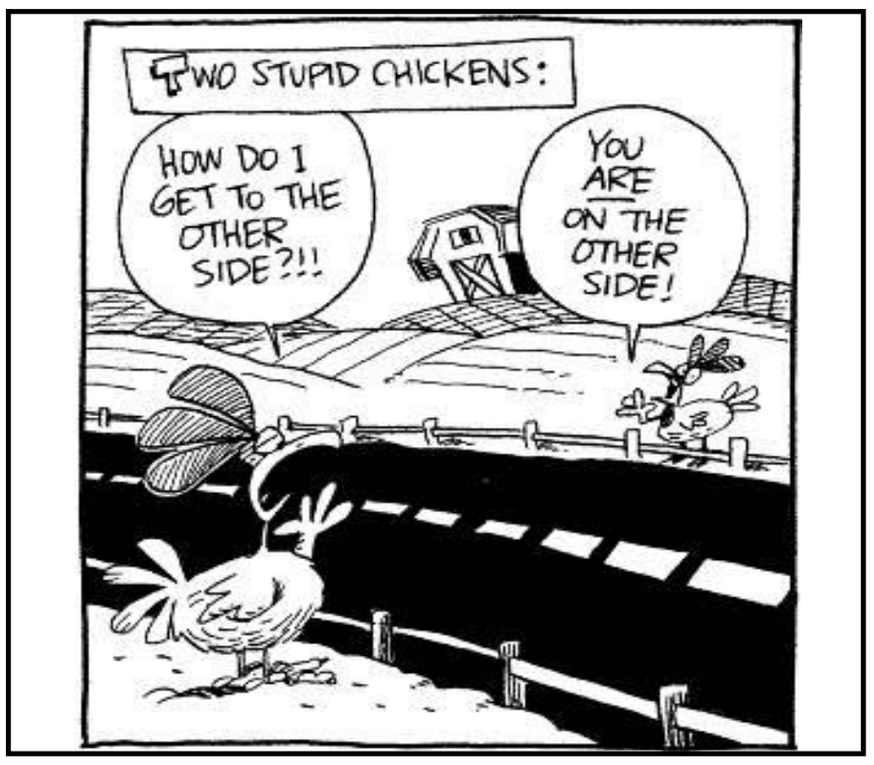
It was the way they went about it that is so disheartening. They did not have the courage to wait until Cecelia was present to defend herself but instead ambushed her while she was out of town for medical reasons. I have been told it is a cowardly way for any council to act and not only that, but looks unethical as can be.

And for the OST Council to fall in lockstep with the all white South Dakota state legislator extremists goes against everything that is Lakota. Cecelia did not solicit money for an abortion clinic. When the article about her idea to build a Planned Parenthood Clinic on the reservation was printed, people from all around America sent contributions. Not one dime of those contributions has been spent.

OST Council, listen carefully: Planned Parenthood Clinics are not about abortion alone. They are about working with and solving the many problems faced by women. Abortion is a very small part of the purpose of Planned Parenthood. This includes preventing pregnancy and administrating to the needs of victims of rape and incest. One of the not-so-secret crimes that is far out of proportion on the Pine Ridge Reservation is its violent incidences of rape and incest. It is a vicious cycle that must be addressed and solved and when this Tribal Council allowed itself to be swayed and led around by the nose by the nearly all white state legislative body of South Dakota it severely damages any semblence of sovereignty.

The white folks through their churches and their laws have been eroding the sovereign and traditional rights of the Lakota people for more than 100 years.

-T.G.



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Guest Column

Healthy living: one change at a time

BY NATASHA D. BORDEAUX
Rosebud Sioux Tribe
Diabetes Prevention Program

We all take on too much. Whether it is at work or at home we can sometimes overwhelm ourselves with things we need to do.

Experts say the key to overcoming this is to break down chores in to small manageable tasks.

The same goes for making healthy changes in our life.

Sometimes we set our sights on losing 20 pounds with a new diet and a new exercise routine. We start off eating next to nothing of foods we don't particularly like.

We exercise everyday for a couple weeks. But when the newness wears off we realize we miss eating pizza and French fries and since we only lost a couple pounds, it's not really worth it to exercise religiously … and there goes the new healthy routine.

The key to starting on the road to good health is to start small.

A daily walk during lunch hour or in the evening before supper is one way to start exercising.

It is better to start out walking than to start out jogging if you have not exercised for a while.

If your walk is well established and it is getting too easy then start walking a little faster.

Or find a new route with some steeper hills. Walk a little longer. Add on a little at a time.

The moment you go overboard and start to dread your exercise routine because it is too hard is when it is no longer effective. So take it easy and go slow.

It's the same with changing your diet. The best way to start a healthy diet is to simply drink more water.

It may sound simple, but adding eight or more glasses of water a day will do several things.

It will help quell your appetite, it will give you the feeling of being full, it can help get rid of headaches, and it replaces calorie-laden drinks like sugar-coffee, pop, and sports drinks.

Water also helps your body clean itself.

Since most people are constantly dehydrated, adding more water to your diet is the first and best step toward a healthy lifestyle. After two weeks of keeping yourself hydrated you will feel the improvement. In addition, you may even lose a pound or two!

When it comes to other changes to your diet start by learning to eat less of what you already eat.

Most people start by switching to vegetables, lean meats and whole grains when they have never eaten these things and don't like them. Since you have spent your whole life learning to like the taste of salt and fat, it may take a while to re-learn to like healthy foods.

It is better to start out slowly by simply reducing the amount you eat of the foods you normally eat.

After a month or two when you are satisfied that your body has adjusted to eating less, then it is time to start making other changes.

Start with one thing at a time. If you want to start adding vegetables, do so with just three new veggies at a time - like sweet potatoes, broccoli and lettuce.

Look for a few different recipes. Serve at least one of them at every meal and make sure you have a whole bite or two each time.

When eating those three becomes easy (usually in a month or two), move on to another three vegetables.

Once you have six or so vegetables you like to eat regularly it is easy to make sure you get your daily dose of five or more servings a day.

Once you add more vegetables to your diet it may be easier to start cutting out the bad aspects of your diet - mainly salt, fat and sweets. Remember, you don't have to go cold turkey.

Just cut out a little at a time and make changes slowly.

And if you would like some French fries or ice cream go ahead and have some! Just watch those portion sizes.

Remember, you are more likely to make lifestyle changes that last a lifetime when you take them on one at a time.

Good luck and good health!

Wiyukcan Wica Cante Ogna Heyu

Thoughts that come from the heart

KILI Radio needs your support!



By Amanda Takes War Bonnett
EDITOR AND PUBLISHER
LAKOTA COUNTRY TIMES

On April 15, a thunderstorm went through the Porcupine area and struck the KILI Radio's antenna. It was old and needed to be replaced, just as the building does.

Regardless, the antenna had been there for the past 23 years and over those years had impacted so many lives, created change and most of all kept us informed.

The radio station has been off the air for close to two months now and hopefully in this next coming week, the KILI Radio airwaves will once again sail the air, maybe not as powerful but enough.

The company that will be building the new antenna has loaned a low level antenna to the radio station.

We were used to the station always being there. The staff and volunteer deejays over the years kept the oyate informed during emergencies, school closings or late starts, it kept us informed of local happenings that are important to our daily lives.

Basketball is a big thing on the rez and alot of us can't afford to go to high school sports, so KILI Radio brought those important games to us. When those students played, they knew they weren't only playing for the audience but they were playing before many listeners.

When we lost loved ones, the memorial songs played let people know of that spiritual journey and of the honor we had of them. When someone died, their family playsed-memorial songs and that helps to get the word out.

For many years, KILI Radio has been broadcasting the tribal council meetings, it not only kept us informed of the decisions our governing body makes but it helped us understand why certain decisions are made.

One of the things of KILI Radio that made it unique, besides being steeped with the Lakota langage and culture, is the fact that the philosophy of the stations allows for both sides of issues.

It allows for Christianity and Lakota spirituality, it allows for tribal government and anti-tribal government.

The radio station has become an important part of our lives.

What the station needs to get back on the air in full power is to replace the antenna, the transmission line, and a new grounding system.

To get this, KILI Radio needs $206,000 and has to come up with one fourth of that amount to qualify for the funding.

A young urban Indian girl from Cleveland, Ohio read about KILI Radio's plight on the Internet and she sent $4 to the station saying, "Your nation is blessed to have such a great radio station like KILI. I am an urban Indian and there is no such thing as native radio here. If I was living in Cleveland and could get KILI Radio, I would turn it on and then rip the knob off! May the Creator bless you with a with a thunderstorm proof transmitter and maybe even a way bigger signal..... who knows it may get to Cleveland."

Her $4 helps and so can yours. It's hard to figure how important we think of KILI radio and yet many of us can't squeeze even a buck out of our pocket to help.

There is supposedly 25,000 residents on Pine Ridge, ff we all just gave even $2, we would have our radio station back on air in full force.

Dig into your pocket and give to KILI radio and help them get back on air.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Shannon County School District #65-1, Batesland, SD, will receive sealed bids on the following service until 4:30 p.m. June 15, 2006, in the administrative office at Batesland, SD.

COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE FROM THE HOUSING AND SCHOOL AT THE WOLF CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE

Bidders must specify the size of garbage containers they will be providing and the number of days per week the garbage will be collected. Duration of the contract will be from July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

Bids must be sealed and marked "Wolf Creek Garbage Bid" in the lower lefthand corner of the envelope and addressed to Myron Pourier, Director of Facilities & Maintenance, Shannon County School District, P.O. Box 109, Batesland, SD, 57716.

Bids will be made public at the June 26, 2006 regular Shannon County School Board meeting at Batesland, SD, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

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Northern Perspectives

Putting a fresh face on politics which impact Lakota people



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

The new slate of candidates in the South Dakota state congressional races is putting a new face on politics in the state. The Native candidates running for state office are a mixture of Lakota men and women and most are Democrat. On last count 11 of 13 Native candidates running are Democrat. That seems to fit with the traditional philosophy of the party. Most Lakota people have registered as Democrats in a state that is considered a 'red' state or Republican state on election night and most other nights.

The Democrats are usually associated with the color coded "blue" on election night mapping schemes.

Despite being overwhelming Republican, South Dakota has in the past been able to vote into office some rather high profile Democrats in George McGovern and Senator Tom Daschle on the national scene. Democrats Stephanie Herseth and Tim Johnson also fit into that mold by keeping the Democratic Party entrenched in the state.

In the state legislature, the last session saw Theresa Two Bulls (D-Pine Ridge) leading the way for Lakota women and in this election there will be several other Lakota women also running.

In District 27, Two Bulls is running again, as is Maxine Broken Nose who is a Republican. Paula Long Fox of Rapid City, a Democrat, is running for office in District 33.

I believe I read somewhere that Faith Spotted Eagle is running for office from the Lake Andes area. An old colleague of mine, my feeling is that she would be a great state Senator were she to be elected. When I think of many other Lakota men and women, I wonder why many more have not run for office and been elected. There are so many Lakota people who are so very talented and intelligent that they would make excellent legislators. My old student and friend, Jim Bradford, from Pine Ridge is always sharing and communicative when I call him to give me a run down on some latest legislative action. I hope that kind of interaction will continue with the newest Lakota candidates who may be elected into office.

When I think of the 105 elected seats in the South Dakota legislator, it seems rather overwhelming to think that Lakota people can make a difference. However, there was one major example that opened my eyes this past year. There was a measure by some legislators who wanted to take away the Governor's power to negotiate with Lakota tribes who wished to enter into gaming compacts and it was defeated. The bottom line appeared to be that there was some political maneuvering behind the scenes, as they say, and the measure was unanimously defeated. I don't recall if the opposition was a mixture of both parties, but it turned out as good news for Lakota tribes.

I suspect that the defeated measure may have been good for Deadwood also, as the legislator may have had to look at their gaming enterprise as well if it passed.

Gaming in Deadwood and video lottery has been a significant economic benefit for the state and its presence ultimately effects gaming on all of the Lakota reservations. It seems to be one of those hot button issues that will be forever contested by either side.

Good luck to the increasing number of Lakota candidates who are running for a state legislative office.

The grunt work you are doing has great implications for generations to come as that kind of work takes dedication, homework, and a commitment to everything that is Lakota. *Blihiciyapi, Lakota ki waciniyapi ca waste icunpo. Doksa tunkasila ki cante tinsiya nahan wowacintanka nicu ktelo."*

Dr. Archie Beauvais (Sicangu Lakota) is a decorated Vietnam Veteran. He received a 2006 Harvard AOCC Alumni Award and is the proud father of Beaux, Yvonne, and Anthony. He resides on the Rosebud reservation.

Notes From Indian Country

Gonzaga honors an editor who called for genocide of the Lakota



By Tim Giago

(Nanwica Kciji)

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I am often confounded by the antics of mainstream newspapers located in cities with large Indian populations that are so prompt in picking up Indian related news articles from newspapers as far away as California without checking them for facts or by not including the concerns of local Indians in the news releases.

Last Saturday the local daily in Rapid City, published an article from the *LA Times* concerning an exhibit to honor the 150th birthday of L. Frank Baum, the infamous (at least in Indian country) author of the Wizard of Oz.

The Foley Center Library at Gonzaga University opened the exhibit in the eastern Washington city of Spokane called, "Oz and Beyond: Highlights from the L. Frank Baum Collection of Currie Corbin."

Of course, every American knows about the characters in the book from the movie with Judy Garland that featured the Tin Man, The Cowardly Lion, The Scare Crow and the Wicked Witch of the West. The song "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" by Garland that was almost cut from the film has become an American standard.

On the occasion of Baum's 150th birthday anniversary I would like to point out a few little known facts that I hope will take some of the glitter from this exhibit.

Most Americans know about one horrible day, at least horrible to Native Americans, that occurred on December 29, 1890. It was the day when the officers and enlisted men of the 7th Cavalry, General George Armstrong Custer's old outfit, turned their Hotchkiss guns, their rifles and pistols on the nearly 300 Lakota men, women and children at a creek called Wounded Knee on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota and slaughtered them in an orgy of bloodletting that was dreadful to behold.

My grandmother, Sophie, was a teenage student at Holy Rosary Indian Mission, a school about 10 miles from Wounded Knee, on that day of the bloody massacre. She recounted how soldiers rode on to the grounds of the mission school visibly excited by their actions and talking loudly about their wonderful victory. The Jesuit priests at the mission school made the children bring water and hay to feed the hungry horses of the troopers.

Grandmother Sophie said she could still see blood on the gloves and uniforms of the soldiers.

But, of course, no one told the Indian children at the school of the events of that day even though some of them had relatives that were among the slaughtered.

Six days after the massacre, while the frozen bodies of the Lakota men, women and children were being dumped into a mass grave, L. Frank Baum, the editor of a weekly newspaper in Aberdeen, wrote an editorial calling for the annihilation of any Lakota still alive.

His editorial read in part, "Having wronged them once perhaps we should wrong them again and wipe these untamed and untamable creatures from the face of the earth."

Perhaps it was a sign of the times that the white settlers wanted to see all of the indigenous people destroyed but if any editor had called for genocide against any race of people other than Indians there would have been a huge public outcry.

In an ironic way it reminds me of the millions who remained silent while Jews were herded into concentration camps in Poland and shoved into the gas chambers. The life of an Indian meant as little to the white settlers as the lives of the Jews meant to the Germans.

Perhaps it is prophetic and ironic that L. Frank Baum is honored by Gonzaga University because it is also a Catholic run school as was the Indian mission attended by my grandmother.

There certainly was no outcry by the Catholic missionaries at Holy Rosary Mission following the horrific slaughter of the innocent Lakota men, women and children at Wounded Knee.

For chasing, running down, and slaughtering old men and women, and for firing point blank into pregnant mothers with children in their arms, 21 men of the 7th Cavalry were awarded Medals of Honor, America's highest military award.

The awarding of medals for these acts of bestiality is a blight on the integrity of America and is one mistake made at the height of impassioned and imagined patriotism that should never be allowed to stand.

It is the equivalent of handing out Medals of Honor to the soldiers who murdered the innocent men, women and children at Mai Lai in Vietnam.

L. Frank Baum believed these actions to be honorable and glorious. Not only did he publicly and proudly condone them, he went one step further and in his now infamous editorial called for the slaughter of the remaining Lakota people. Why should I care after more than 100 years?

I care deeply because many of the Lakota people Baum wished to eliminate were my relatives. My grandmother and her parents (my great grandparents) and all of her brothers and sisters made Baum's genocidal list.

L. Frank Baum's call for the slaughter of the Lakota people was no better than Adolph Hitler's call for the elimination of the Jewish people and yet Baum is honored on his 150th birthday. Are any newspapers in the state of Washington protesting this outrage?

I am aghast that our local daily newspaper would run such an article in the land of the Lakota and never, not once, mention the genocidal editorial of L. Frank Baum. The frontier mentality of most white editors often blinds them to the truth.

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Red Cloud High School lists honor roll for second semester

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Sophomores:

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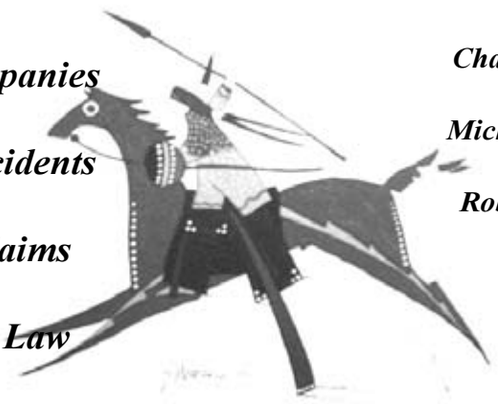
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Little Thunder residence; a renewable energy pilot project

RST utilities commission is committed to renewable energy

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

UPPER CUT MEAT - The RST Tribal Utilities Commission, the Council of Energy Resource Tribes, the Department of Energy, and the National Renewable Energy Labs were allowed time during Sicangu Wicoti Awanyakape's 9th Annual Corporate meeting at the SGU multipurpose building on May 31 to present a mini-workshop on the Little Thunder Clean Energy Education Partnership.

The RST Tribal Utilities Commission, headed by Executive Director Tony Rogers has made a commitment to renewable energy resources and activities and the Little Thunder pilot project appears to be only the beginning of such commitment.

TUC commissioner Ronald L. Neiss explained that the purpose of the Clean Energy Education Partnership was to create a pilot project on clean energy at the residence of Sicangu elders, Cecil and Rose Little Thunder, or Upper Cut Meat. The three bedroom home is located in a very windy location and is cold in the winter time, thus the focus on energy retrofits that will aid in cutting down on costs.

The Little Thunders are an elderly couple whose electricity bills have been relatively high and an energy audit of the house revealed a number of energy deficiencies and heat loss which prompted the Clean Energy Education Partnership to target their house for a number of technological innovations. These new advances in technology to be installed will require monitoring of the equipment by trained workers and a commitment by the family to a project that will be somewhat time consuming.

A geothermal closed loop heat pump, solar panels and small wind turbine are being planned for installation at the residence which has been occupied in January 2005 and is in excellent condition, despite the energy audit.

The energy audit revealed that the crawl space needs insulation on the interior, while the energy efficient compact fluorescent bulbs were recommended.

The partnership that also includes the Intertribal Council on Utility Policy, held an "Action Planning Session" on May 24, and May 25, 2005 in which the Little Thunder pilot project was discussed.

A goal also established at that time is to form a tribal utility business and to examine its viability. Also, the single family project was viewed as a community project that would increase tribal capacity and be able to pass such innovation onto the younger generation of Lakota people.

During the planning session, Ronald L. Neiss spoke of the need to respect Unci Maka, while Ken Haukaas said it was important to involve SGU in developing a curriculum for renewable energy.

The estimated cost in 2005 of the Little Thunder was approximately $3,000 to $4,000 for the heat pump and $4,000 to $10,000 dollars for the wind turbine. Also, the use of a wood stove was also seen as contributing to decreased energy cost and as an expression of increased tribal sovereignty by being able to stay off the power grid of LaCreek Electric, Inc.

During the SWA meeting, Tony Rogers spoke about the role of TUC, while Tweedie Doe of CERT and Roger Taylor of the National Renewable Energy Lab spoke about energy audits, a comparative look at nationwide costs of energy use, and they presented some interesting visual materials for corporate members of SWA.

Sicangu elder Cecil Little Thunder, Sr. celebrates 88 birthday

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

UPPER CUT MEAT - Sicangu elder Cecil Little Thunder proudly sat for a photograph with his World War II veteran's cap which was adorned with appropriate fabric medals.

His wife, Rose, pointed to a picture of Cecil on the wall in which he was outfitted in his brown dress U.S. Army uniform that was typically worn by soldiers during the war. Cecil was stationed in Hawaii when Pearl Harbor was attacked and he later toured the pacific theatre on other assignments.

On this day, his house was relatively crowded with friends, family and visitors from Denver and the occasion was a brief ceremony in which his house had been chosen by the RST utilities commission to serve as a pilot project for energy efficiency using a single family wind turbine. Sicangu medicine man, Roy Stone, Sr. had offered a Lakota prayer to serve as an offering and respect for Unci Maka to initiate the project.



Rose and Cecil Little Thunder have lived at Upper Cut Meat since 1967. Photo by Archie Beauvais.

Rose spoke Lakota and noted that it was Cecil's birthday.

She was not quoted verbatim or word for word, but in Lakota one might say about Cecil's special day, Lakota *eya ki, 'ta anpetu' hecunse heyapi. Anpetu wicemna saglogan ake saglogan wahehan hihuni."*

Despite the many people moving about, Rose was very hospitable and explained that they had lived in the same area of Upper Cut Meat since 1967. Originally, they lived in a log cabin and one of their previously occupied houses sits nearby. The couple had been married in St. Francis and moved to the area where they raised their children and grandchildren. Lakota life back then even during the 1950 and 60s was much simpler as people gathered loosely in tiospayes. Respect, socializing, and support for each other was likely the manner in which families practiced their interaction and survival.

Cecil apparently has led a fairly active lifestyle, having been seen walking from Upper Cut Meat to Parmelee on many occasions over the years.

He enjoyed playing sports as a youngster and also participated in all the activities that boys typically engage in. That would certainly explain his longevity.

Cecil and Rose's children are, Matthew, Cecil Jr., Stanley, Ernie, Edna, Eva, Milton, Randall and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The Little Thunder's live off of Highway 18 in a beautiful isolated location, while other members of the tiospaye live just over the hill in the direction of wiohiyanpatakiya.

Son, Matthew explained that a mountain lion had been spotted just south of the house the night before and had gone into a gully lined with trees off to the southeast. With the many mountain lion sightings on the Rosebud in recent weeks, it was not surprising to hear such a revelation. *"Igmu tanka maniyetu watonhansna wanblakapi."*

Bear Butte petition drive comes up short

STURGIS (AP) - A group trying to stop a business owner near Bear Butte from getting a liquor license for the Sturgis motorcycle rally fell short in its effort to put the matter to a vote in Meade County.

Bear Butte International Alliance acknowledged it didn't have enough petition signatures by Tuesday's 5 p.m. filing deadline.

American Indian groups and others have been trying to stop beer and liquor licenses for new businesses near Bear Butte that cater to motorcyclists. Indians consider the Butte sacred and say all the rally related activity disturbs their religious practices.

The fire season is unofficially off and running

ST. FRANCIS - The fire season is unofficially off and running as early morning lightening strikes in the canyons northwest of St. Francis smoldered all day until they caused several fires that were visible as far away as Mission. The fire departments from Mission, Rosebud, and White River were on the scene after sirens could be heard around 4 p.m. and could be seen maneuvering in and out of the canyons checking for hot spots. Rosebud Law Enforcement Services officers were also conducting spot checks of the area. Officer Mark Kettell noted that more than one fire was burning in the area.

Markus Provencial, a Two Strike resident apparently resides in a house about 500 yards from the canyons and confirmed the fact that the fires had been slowly burning all morning. Local emergency scanners could be heard broadcasting as many as four fires simultaneously. By early evening the fires were apparently contained as the billowing white smoke earlier in the afternoon had subsided. (Photo by Beaux Beauvais)





Police say woman found dead in Twin Cities has ties to Pine Ridge

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) - A body found in the trunk of a car has been identified as that of a St. Paul, Minn., mother of five who hadn't been seen by her neighbors for several days.

Police said last Friday the death of Darlene Darling, 47, has been ruled a homicide. Authorities were still investigating.

Darling was an American Indian and has family ties on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota.

Her decomposing body was found Thursday in the trunk of a 1988 Buick sedan on the 600 block of Fuller Avenue in St. Paul.

A cause of death was not immediately determined. Police Officer Pete Crum said authorities do not believe her death was random.

RST Diabetes Prevention Day Camp, June 8 and 13

The RST DPP Youth Wellness Program invites all youth to attend a day camp on Tuesday, June 8 and 13.

Campers should meet at the RST DPP Facility on Soldier Creek Road in Rosebud at 10 a.m. the morning of the camp. Physical activities and a healthy lunch will be provided. Preference will be given to Youth Wellness Program participants.

Please call Marc to confirm the activities each morning before coming, 747-4600.

Antelope Community 5k Road Run and 2-mile Walk June 10

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe Diabetes Prevention Program is sponsoring a 5k road run and 2-mile walk in Antelope on Saturday, June 10.

Registration is at the pow-wow grounds at 8:30 a.m. and the walk and run begins at 9 a.m. Registration is free. T-shirts will be given to the first 100 participants to register. For more information call 747-4600.

Army secretary recommends Medal of Honor for 'Chief'

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) - The secretary of the Army is recommending the nation's highest military honor for the late Woodrow Wilson Keeble, a man known as Chief who is credited with saving his fellow soldiers' lives during the Korean War.

Keeble would be the first Sioux Indian to receive the Medal of Honor if it is approved.

Secretary of the Army Francis Harvey said in a letter to Sen. Tim Johnson, D-S.D., on Wednesday that he will recommend the medal be awarded to Keeble, a member of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe who died in 1982.

Keeble, who was born in Waubay, S.D., was a veteran of World War II and the Korean War, with more than 30 citations, including four Purple Hearts and the Army's second-highest commendation, the Distinguished Service Cross.

Fellow soldiers, family members and others have been urging Congress for years to award Keeble the Medal of Honor. They say he deserves the nation's highest military honor for his actions in Korea in 1951, when he saved his fellow soldiers' lives by taking out more than a dozen of their enemies on a steep hill, even though he himself was wounded.

``After giving this request my careful and personal consideration, it is my recommendation that the award of the Medal of Honor is the appropriate award to recognize Master Sergeant Woodrow W. Keeble's gallant acts,'' Harvey said in the letter Wednesday. ``This brave soldier clearly distinguished himself though his courageous actions.''

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld and President Bush still must approve the medal.

William Nichols, of Waynesboro, Va., who was a lieutenant and the leader of Keeble's platoon, said Keeble was ``the best combat soldier that I ever saw.''

Nichols said Harvey's recommendation is pleasing for ``all of us who were involved in those days in October of 1951.''

Harvey's letter came the same day military officials held a ceremony in Wahpeton to present Keeble's widow, Blossom Hawkins-Keeble, with a set of medals to replace those that had been lost or had deteriorated through the years.

Johnson said men in Keeble's company in Korea in 1951 twice submitted recommendations that he receive the Medal of Honor, but both recommendations were lost. In a statement, Johnson called Harvey's recommendation ``a major step'' and promised to see it through.

The Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe in 2002 asked Johnson to help obtain the medal for Keeble.

The National Congress of American Indians passed a resolution in 2005 supporting the medal for Keeble, as did the South Dakota Legislature earlier this year.

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TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2006

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- ☐ Sharon Cuny Martin

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The Little Wound School Board is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2006-2007 school term:

High School Dept.
Lakota Language Teacher
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Math Teacher
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Athletic Director
SPED Student Assistant-Closing Date 6/9/06)
SPED Teacher-Independent Living Center

Middle School Dept.
Counselor
Math Teacher (2)
Science Teacher
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Lakota Language Teacher

Elementary Dept.
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Jake John Brewer, infant .....Kyle
Esther Moves Camp, 86.....Wanblee
Sandra Little Moon, 38 .....Wounded Knee
George C. Allen Jr., 39.....Rapid City
Margaret Chief Eagle, 32.....Pine Ridge
Miranda Rocky Mountain, 43,..... Scottsbluff
Waverly Chief Jr. 21,..... Parmelee

Jake John Brewer

KYLE - Jake John Brewer, infant, was stillborn on May 29 at the Pine Ridge Hospital.

Survivors include parents Leon Brewer and Jessica Heart both of Kyle, a sister Myra Hopkins; maternal grandparents Narcisse Heart and Cindy Hornbeck, Kyle; paternal grandparents Dean Brewer and Rhonda Herman, of Pine Ridge.

Graveside services were Monday, June 5, at the St. Stephen's Catholic Cemetery in Kyle.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Esther Moves Camp

WANBLEE - Esther Mary Moves Camp, 86, died early Sunday morning on May 28 at her home. She was born Oct. 10, 1919 in Rosebud, to Joshua and Fannie (Moccasin Face) Standing Elk.

Wake services were at the Moves Camp Property west of Wanblee on Thursday, June 1, and at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee on Friday, June 2. Funeral services were Saturday, June 3, at Crazy Horse School and burial followed at the Moves Camp Family Cemetery west of Wanblee. Holmes Funeral Home of Valentine was entrusted with the arrangements.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Bernard Moves Camp, Sr.; two daughters Elsie Torres and Evelyn Blue Legs; and great granddaughter Annalyce LaDeaux.

She is survived by her son Richard Moves Camp of Wanblee; 'adopted children' Viginia Milonvich of Palm Springs, Calif., Tim Taggert of Hinkley, Minn., Ray Montelongo of Lapui, Idaho and Melvin Bad Hand of Wanblee; six grandchildren: Martina, Dawn, Sylvia, Faith, Loretta and Bernard (III) Moves Camp; and two great grandchildren Alisse Janis and Hyden LaDeaux; brothers Darrell Standing Elk of Davis, Calif. and Velmer Standing Elk of White River; sisters Vivian Standing Elk of Flandreau and Violet Medicine Bear and Alvina Standing Elk, both of White River; and all her many hunka children.

Sandra A. Little Moon

WOUNDED KNEE - Sandra A. Little Moon, 38, Wounded Knee, died Wednesday, May 31, in Denver. Survivors include two sons, Brian Hill Jr., Pierre, and Caleb Little Moon, Wounded Knee; one daughter, Larissa Little Moon, Wounded Knee; her mother, Cecelia Spotted Bear, Wounded Knee; six brothers, Joseph Little Moon, Thomas Little Moon, Ted Little Moon and Joseph Spotted Bear, all of Wounded Knee, Leon Little Moon, Gordon, Neb., and Eddie Spotted Bear, Albuquerque, N.M.; and one sister, Marie Little Moon, Denver. A one-night wake was June 5, at Lakota Memorial Chapel of the Nazarene in Wounded Knee. Funeral services were Tuesday, June 6 at the chapel, with the Rev. Norman Cash officiating. Burial was at Fast Horse Creek Community Cemetery in Wounded Knee. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

George C. Allen Jr.

RAPID CITY - George C. Allen, Jr., 39, of Rapid City passed into the spirit world on Friday, May 26. George is survived by his Ina, Marie Allen of Rapid City; his father, George Allen Sr., of Idaho; his sisters, Jackie (Allen) Branch, Shirley Schultz, both of Rapid City, Wanda Quick Bear of Denver, Colo.; his brothers, Walter Quick Bear Jr. of Rapid City, Richard Quick Bear of Denver, Colo., and Tony Quick Bear of South Carolina. George is also survived by his four daughters, Shaynah Blackburn of Oklahoma, Tawna Ghost of Hot Springs, Tehya and Shantee Rhodes of Kansas and one granddaughter, as well as numerous nieces, nephews and friends. Rosary was Thursday, June 1, followed by an all night wake at The Mother Butler Center. Funeral services will be Friday, June 2, at St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church, in Rapid City. Friends may offer online condolences at www.kirkfuneralhome.com.

Margaret A. Chief Eagle

PINE RIDGE - Margaret A. Chief Eagle, 32, Pine Ridge, died Saturday, May 27, in Omaha, Neb. Survivors include three sons, Robert Weitzel, Curran Weitzel and Trenton Weitzel, all of Scottsbluff, Neb.; one daughter, Peyton Weitzel, Scottsbluff; her father, Clare Not Help Him, Oglala; her mother, Mary Two Eagles, Pine Ridge; three brothers, Timothy Chief Eagle and Chance Chief Eagle, both of Pine Ridge, and Jacob Not Help Him, Oglala; and five sisters, Bianca Jack and Kehala Thomas, both of Rapid City, Clarissa Not Help Him and Sally Not Help Him, both of Oglala, and Peggy Janis, Kyle.

A two-night wake will begin at 2 p.m. Thursday, June 1, at the Chief Eagle home in Slim Buttes.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 3, at the Chief Eagle home, with Pat Janis officiating. Burial will be at Chief Eagle Family Cemetery in Slim Buttes. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.

Miranda Rocky Mountain

SCOTTSBLUFF, Neb. - Miranda Rocky Mountain, 43, Scottsbluff, died Friday, May 26, in Denver. Survivors include two sons, Roger Rocky Mountain and Deandre Rocky Mountain, both of Scottsbluff; one daughter, Rebekah Rocky Mountain, Scottsbluff; her father, Steven Rocky Mountain, Minneapolis; her mother, Rebecca Rocky Mountain, Scottsbluff; one brother, Gregory White Dress, Scottsbluff; and three sisters, Kim Gonzalez, Norfolk, and Alana Cervantes and Leah White Dress, both of Omaha.

A one-night wake was Thursday, June 1, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall in Oglala.

Funeral services were Friday, June 2, at the hall, with Madeline Terry officiating. Burial was at Makasan Presbyterian Cemetery in Oglala. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Waverly Chief, Jr.

PARMELEE - Waverly David Chief, Jr., 21, died May 26 near Parmelee. He was born in Pine Ridge, on Feb.13, 1985 to Waverly Chief, Sr. and Mary M. Eagle Feather.

Wake services May and funeral services were Saturday, June 3, at St. Agnes Hall in Parmelee.

Burial followed at St. Agnes Catholic Cemetery, Parmelee. Holmes Funeral Home of Valentine was entrusted with the funeral arrangements.

'Jr.' was survived by his parents: Mary (Doug) Moran of Parmelee, Waverly Chief, Sr. of Porcupine; three sisters: Rita Eagle Feather, Megan Chief and Ellen Rose Moran, all of Parmelee; three nephews: Ryan and Daniel Eagle Feather and Abel Moran, Jr. and one niece Jordana Eagle Feather.

In memory of Duane C. Two Bulls

I thought I felt your touch today, in the breeze that rustled by, and then I heard the Angel say "the spirit never dies"

I thought I saw my broken heart in the crescent of the moon and then I heard the Angel say "the Lord is coming soon"

I thought that you had left for the stars, so far above, and then I heard the Angel say, "He left you with his love"

I thought I would miss you so, and never find out my way, and then I heard the Angel say, "He is with you every day, the sun, the wind, the moon, the stars, will be forever around, reminding us of the love we shared... and the peace, he finally found.

The family of Duane would like to thank all those who helped with the flowers, cakes, food, and your support, prayers and kindness during our time of loss. We will forever be grateful.

The family and his children Dan, Eileana, and Duane, we will forever miss his sense of humor, his laughter, his gentleness and his wondering ways, we will miss him but we also find comfort in knowing he is safe and he is home now.

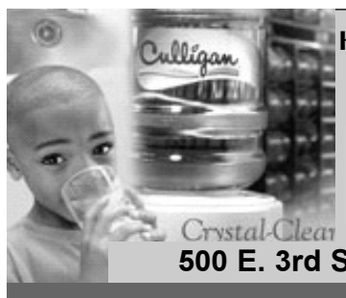
In loving memory of our brother Donald C. Longman

It's been 29 long months since you left us so tragically,
so many memories that you left are all that remain, they must keep us going until we meet again.

Brother you are gone but not forgotten.

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Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

It seems like I've been in a bad slump financially for the last four months and I have been trying to make a decision about moving to another area because of employment opportunities.

Do you think this will be a good move for me and if so, will things start looking up for me and my family?

Thank you, Undecided

Dear Undecided:

I do see you moving - It looks like a big city, maybe Denver or Pierre? (I see a capital building). It looks like a good decision that will put you back in the positive credit report arena. After working there for awhile you can finally return home where something will open up for you allowing you to live the way you desire.

This move will open you up to new ways of thinking and give you a better understanding of how bigger universities and businesses are run.

Seek employment at a university or college. Many blessings are with you in your seeking of a better and easier life.

Dear Anna,

I read your column and I also have questions to ask. I am currently living with my youngest child's father and our relationship has been off and on for the past four years.

He is currently still married and has just recently had a baby with one of his ex girlfriends from the past. He denies the fact that he is the father of this child. I hear differently from others about the situation with the ex.

It seems that no matter who he is with at the time he always ends up with the ex. It stays on my mind and leaves me with a sad feeling of being troubled but I am no better because I too have a blast from the past that I am currently involved with.

They both tell me how much they love me, yet I am still troubled because I want to settle down. I want to be confident in a relationship so that I can at last find peace and happiness.

I am very insecure and I am afraid to be alone and so I struggle with the troubles in my life.

I would like to know if I will continue living with pain and sorrow or will I settle down with my love from the past.

I can talk with my first love about anything and it feels so comforting to know after all the years that have passed we still have feelings for each other.

Still, I continue with my son's father because I feel sad because he tells me that he loves my son and me and he wouldn't be able to be without us - yet I cannot deal with all the exes from his past who I know he still contacts. I am so confused and hurt constantly.

I need to have peace in my heart. Please don't use my name.

No Name

Dear No Name:

I do see you in the future - not with either one of these men. The current relationship is founded on a parenting responsibility and not much more.

It is hard enough in today's world to have a successful conscious adult relationship with a mate with the basic understanding that the two of you are planning to spend a lifetime together - with common goals and a similar life outlook - let alone for two people that only have a child in common to build a successful relationship. It is not healthy for a child to be subjected to two adults that really do not understand each other, who continually argue and disagree, and who pout all the time about the injuries the other one causes.

Your current man belongs somewhere else. He has another love and has a problem with staying loyal in any relationship. I see him leaving you in a few months, hopefully you won't pull an emotional "crazy" scene at that time and will just let him go because you know in your heart that is the right thing. The "past" man does care for you.

Part of your attraction, however, is that you are "forbidden" fruit. His interest is held in part because you are officially not available - and neither is he. I do see you going back together with him, but because of both of your insecurities and your jealousies, the relationship is bound to fail. For you, a healing of the heart and self-esteem are really necessary for you to create your dream of a peaceful and harmonious relationship.

Please seek counseling and help for codependency and its destructive relationship effects. The characteristics that seem to follow codependent behavior include, but are not limited to: unfounded jealousy, irrational anger at imagined wrongs, rescuing others from their own self-made problems, an inability to be alone (neediness), big time control issues (of others and situations) and constant participation in verbal war (justification and defense mechanisms.)

Conscious relationships are successful relationships. In a conscious relationship, both participants treat each other with respect and are not threatened by outside influences, because both parties want to be together. I do see a man in your future, he is older by about ten years, is sober, has been through treatment, has worked on his own recovery for a while, has a strong spiritual understanding, a good relationship with his mother (I think his father has passed), has two almost grown children, works in construction (building houses is what I see).

Quit worrying about being alone. It will cause you desperate action and cause you to always end up that way. No man is better than the wrong man. Learn about your own power, your own strength and then you won't consume a man with being needy. If you are desperate to be with someone, because you are afraid of being alone, then that energy will perpetuate a lop-sided relationship where you will put up with abusive behavior.

Please work on yourself, so you will be ready for the right man, sometime in the next two years. Life is much longer than just up until 30. The seeds you plant in your behavior can either flower into a happy life or a disastrous one. Good Luck.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication.

Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only. The Lakota Country Times owners and employees have no liability regarding the answers provided.

The Rez Firefighter (Peta Usniyapi)

By Beaux Beauvais



Snoman By Thom Little Moon



Frybread By Thom Little Moon



Lakota Crossword Puzzle

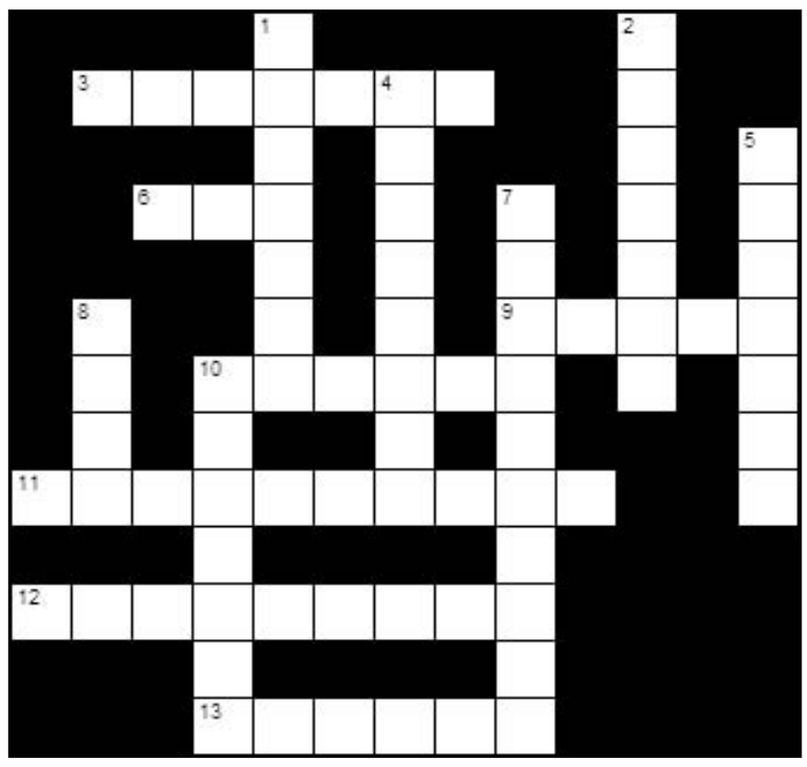
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

3. I am slow
6. a lot
9. road
10. jealous
11. I cut wood
12. be strong
13. brain

Down

1. money
2. earn
4. muddy
5. arrived
7. in sight, judgement
8. red
10. I hear



Answers from last week's puzzle



In loving memory of Laddimer P. Price

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3. Elementary Teacher K-8
4. Special Ed Teacher
5. Accountant

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NOTICES

Shannon County School Board Meeting Minutes May 22, 2006

The Shannon County School Board held the regular monthly meeting on Monday, May 22, 2006 at the Red Shirt School. President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Board Members present: Angie Eagle Bull, Todd O'Bryan, Ruth Cummings, Melvin Cummings.

Member absent: Laticia DeCory.

Others present: Dr. Margo Heinert, Superintendent, Maurice Twiss, Special Services Coordinator, MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager, Loretta Giago, Wolf Creek Prinicipal, Don Wince, Wolf Creek Asst. Prinicipal, Darrell Eagle Bull, Wolf Creek Dean of Students, Bob Hall, Rockyford Principal, Monica Whirlwind Horse, Rockyford Asst. Principal, Wayne Goff, Batesland Principal, Marlene Stout, Red Shirt Prinicipal, Robert Two Crow, Technology Director, Vickie Grant, Assessment Coordinator, Myron Pourier, Transportation & Facilities Director, Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary.

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

6202 Approval of Agenda: Motion by M. Cummings to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

6203 Approval of Minutes: Motion by R. Cummings to approve minutes of the 4/27/06 regular meeting. Motion carried.

6304 Addition to Agenda: Motion by O'Bryan to add Wolf Creek garbage collection to agenda. Motion carried.

6305 Transportation Needs: Motion by O'Bryan to approve purchase of school buses from Foreman Sales, as per bid specifications, in accordance with Lyman County School District's bid, as follows: 1-23 passenger school bus $35,850.00, 2-27 passenger school buses $77,288.00. Motion carried.

6306 Executive Session: Motion by O'Bryan to go into executive session at 5:35 p.m. to discuss personnel issues. Motion carried.

President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 6:46 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

6307 Personnel: Motion by M. Cummings to approve all personnel recommendations, as listed. Further, to require all positions paying more than $100.00 to be advertised through the office of human resources and to table one employee termination until further information is available. Motion carried.

6308 Personnel Clerk Job Title Change: Motion by R. Cummings to authorize the change of job title of Personnel Clerk to Human Resources Facilitator and include a 15% pay raise, effective July 1, 2006, due to increase in duties. Motion carried, three voted yes, O'Bryan opposed.

6309 Amendment E: Motion by M. Cummings to not support Amendment E. Motion carried.

6310 Preliminary Budget: Motion by M. Cummings to accept receipt of the 2006-07 preliminary budget and to hold a special meeting at a later date for review and discussion, prior to the regular June meeting. Motion carried.

6311 Financials: Motion by R. Cummings to approve the financial report, disbursements and payroll expense, as listed. Motion carried.

6312 Student Request: Motion by R. Cummings to authorize a $250.00 contribution toward expenses for a former Shannon County student to attend the Bridge to College Program at ETSU. Motion carried.

6313 Position on Ballot: The Business Manager drew for positions of candidates' names on the ballot for the June 13, 2006 school board election, with results at follows: Chuck Conroy, Gerald 'Jump' Big Crow, Joe Morrisette, Tom Vaughn, Angie Eagle Bull, William L. Lone Hill, Sharon Cuny Martin. Motion by O'Bryan to approve position of candidates on the ballot. Motion carried.

6314 Establish Polling Places: Motion by R. Cummings to establish polling places for the June 13, 2006 school board election, as follows: Batesland Precint, Batesland School Gym; Cuny Table Precinct, Red Shirt School Lunchroom; Kyle Precinct, Medicine Root/Kyle CAP Office; Manderson Precinct, Wounded Knee CAP Office; Oglala Precinct, Brother Denny Hall; Pine Ridge Precincts #1,2,3, Sacred Heart Catholic Church; Porcupine Precinct, O.L.L. Title I Trailer; Sharps Corner Precinct, Rockyford School Library. Motion carried.

6315 Workmens Comp: Motion by O'Bryan to approve payment for Workmens Compensation Insurance for 2006-07. Motion carried.

6316 Property & Liability Insurance: Motion by O'Bryan to approve payment for Property & Liability Insurance for 2006-07. Motion carried.

6317 Summer School: Motion by M. Cummings to authorize administration to employ 17 year-olds to work during the summer school program and maintenance projects, provided there will e adult supervision at the workplace. Motion carried.

6318 Employee Confidentiality Statement: Motion by R. Cummings to adopt the Student Confidentiality for Employees form and include it in employee personnel files. Motion carried.

6319 Advertise for Bids: Motion by M. Cummings to advertise for bids for Wolf Creek School solid waste pick up, to be received in the administrative office by 4:30 p.m., June15, 2006. Motion carried.

6320 Out-Of-State Student Enrollment: Discussion was held in regard to out-of-state students attending Shannon County Schools. The board requested the superintendent t obtain additional information.

6321 Red Shirt Fitness Center:

The board received a request from a member of the Red Shirt community in regard to school district buildings which will be vacated. The board requested the superintendent to notify the interested party that the school board is not yet prepared to allocate the buildings.

6322 June Board Meeting: The June Board Meeting will be held on Monday, June 26, 2006 at Batesland, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

6323 Principal Reports: Principals updated the board on year-end activities, graduation dates and plans for summer school.

6324 Adjournment: Motion by M. Cummings to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Signed by MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager.

General Fund

At&t long distance $966.43, Abold Appliance repair $375.25, $350.00, Vendor total $725.25, Abourezk & Zephier PC attoney fees $633.33, Advanced Business & Computing website programming $2,730.00, Alco Store #204 supplies $169.56, All Season Sports t-shirts $12.30, ALSCO supplies-$502.49 $463.85 $1,295.64 $971.09 $56.55, Vendor total $3,289.62, American Library Preview supplies $134-.00, Anderson's ITS Elementary supplies $417.50, Angies Burrito's meals $52.81, Apple Computer, INC tech license $6,682.50 $20,236.50 $269.10 $56.55, Vendor Total $27,517.65, Armstrong Extinquisher-fire inspects $1,289.00 $1,053.00 $201.00, Vendor total $2,543-.00, Bennett County School District-2nd semester tuition $15,000.00, BH-SHRM-membership $40.00, Black Hills Electric-utilities $579.36, Border INC. supplies $557.18, BP gasoline $385.54, Chemsearch supplies $431.24, $269.90, $379.83, Vendor total $1,080.97, Chris Supply Co, Inc-tech repairs $169.00, $194.43 $439.00, $525.92, $356.92, $182.44, $109.00, $324.91, $356.92, Vendor total $2,658-.54, Christensen Da-na travel $243.60, Cole Pest Control$110.00 $214.00 $138.00, $303.00, Vendor total $765.00, Community Playthings Rifton LLC supplies $ 410.00, $316.00, Vendor total $726.00, Computer Village-tech repairs $39.00, $95.00, $79.-95, Vendor total $213.-95, Culligan Water Conditioning-water $1,036.70, Cummings Melvin-mileage $74.88, Custer School District-tuition $9,000.00, D & R Inc-repairs $556.95, Data-computer Products-tech supplies $490.01, $490.01 $490.01, Vendor total $1,470.03, Debbies Cakes & floral-supplies $176.00, Division of Criminal Investigation-finger print $195.00, Donovan Mark-travel $70.-40, Drunk Busters of America-supplies $108.00, Eagle Bull Andrea-mileage $16.64, Eddies Truck Sales INC-rf parts $48.41, $43.00, $21.83, Vendor total $113.24, ETS Educational testing-para tests $40.00 $40.00, Vendor total $80.00, Evergreen Office-supplies $290.20 $82.48 $45.04 $347.95, Vendor total $765.67, Family Thrift Center-supplies $33.99, Fochtman Trucking-gravel $1,107.01, Foltz-Hall Candace-travel $64.00, Forman Sales and Service-parts $105.20, Fribley John-Early Read Consult $4,838.43, Gibbons Terri JO -travel $197.68, Girl Scouts of Black Hills-supplies $290.55, Goff Wayne-reimbursement $293.20, Golden Coral Family Steakhouse-field trip $265.80, $18.81, $28.57, Vendor total $313.18, Golden West Technologies-phones $485.10 $485.01 $485-.10, $485.10, Vendor total $1940.31, Golden West Telephone Co $1188.31, $42.30, Vendor total $1230.61, Grant Vickie-travel $371.40, Great Plains Communication-telephone $672.84, Great Western Tire Company-parts $229.95, $222.50, Vendor total $452.45, Hardee's Hot Spring-field trip $158.-49, Harvey's Lock Shop-supplies $38.10, Hauff Mid America sports-supplies $52.85, $32.00 $51.45, Vendor total $136.30, Hay Springs Public Schools-tuition $30.-000.00, HillYard-supplies $530.00 $1,-208.59, $1,253.96, $1,244.85, $135.00, Vendor total $4.372.-40, Homestead Building-supplies $227.44, Husker Auto Part-parts $534.51 $835.48, Vendor total $1369.99, IELE-mathmathics $2,250.00, Ideal supermarket-supplies $137.61, Indian Education Today-graduation $437.50, Industrial Electric & Supply $187.40, International Laser Group -tech supplies $267.00 $517.00 $2307.65 $529.43 $672.00, Vendor total $4293.08, Iron Cloud Jason- services $100.00, Jefco Glass -repairs $176.00, Johnson Machine -parts $338.89, Jostens -supplies $105.45, Kaplan Early Learning Co -suplies $52.78 $380.23 $380.23 $420.42 $402.02 $637.65 $534.15 $380.23 $40.19 $40.19 $40.19 $40.19 $40.19 $40.19 $40.19, Vendor total $369.04, King Pin Lanes -field trip $417.44, Kmart-supplies $48.70, Krotz Carol -supplies $19.50, LaCreek Electric - utilities $13,218.37, Laker Team Chemical supplies $30.00 $1534.25 $278.81, Vendor total $1843.06, Lakeshore Learning Materials - supplies $152.15 $192.27 $137.82 $192.27 $137.82 $1542.37 $192.27, $137.82, Vendor total $2684.69, Lakota Country Times -April mtg $346.24 job vac $200.00, Vendor total $546.24, Laughing Water Restaurant-supplies $806.00, Lebeau Connie -mileage $30.72, Little Wound School - rodeo program $100.00, Lonberger Dawn -travel $137.36, Luers High School -tuition $893.-00, Martin Floral $570.00, McDonalds - Batesland field trip $275.00, McDonalds Store #00280-field trip $220.00 $170.87, Vendor total $390.87, Mckie Buick Pontiac - repairs $304.38, Menards-supplies $148.88, $117.92 $183.26, Vendor total $450.06, Mikes Heating & Air - supplies $92.85, Mills Roger -services $200.-00, Minveras RC - mtg rooms $161.58, Mt Rushmore Telephone $158.25, $190.57, Vendor total $348.82, Muddy Creek Oil & Gas -diesel $9,294.98, National Institute Bus Mgnt- subscription $97.00, National Laboratories supplies $1,088.74 $986.52 $557.14 $1398.27, Vendor total $4,030.-67, Nicks Saws & parts -repairs $49.43 $67.91, Vendor total $117.34, Norm's Carquest-parts $319.42, North Central supply $635.00, OST Water & sewer-utilities $100.00, O'Bryan Todd - mileage $68.48, OST Solid Waste Management-batesland $2,158.32, Redshirt $548.62, Rockyford $4,800.00, wolf Creek $6,468.84, Vendor total $13,967.59, Party America supplies $140.23 $56.12, Vendor total $196.35, Pearson Education Inc-supplies $24.17 $32.73 $32.73, Vendor total $89.63, Peterson Madonna - travel $647.64, SDN Communications-phones $1870.22, Shannon County School Imprest $846.91, Shannon County School Lunch $1872.89, $252.09, $2853.64, $1122.13, $2385.51, $2114.63, Vendor total $10,610.89, Shedeed Nancy-travel $122.40, Sheraton Sioux Falls-travels $2846.25, Sign & Trophy Westex-supplies $964.75, Sioux Nation Shopping Center-supplies $227.74, Six Flags Elitch Gardens $900.00, Software Unlimited $2865.00, Speed Ryan-travel $243.60, Sterkel Patricia-supplies $35.76, $33.02, Vendor total $68.78, Stern Oil Co-propane $12,465.00, $12,318.19, $12,868.04, Vendor Total $37,651.23, TIE - membership $775.00, $62,000.00, Vendor total $62,775.00, Tatonka Capital Corporation-copy lease $275.20, $565.00, Thompson Publishing Group $379.00, $312.50, Vendor total $691.50, Tieszen law Office-attorney fee $175.00, Town of Batesland-utilities $500.00, True Value-supplies $205.81, Trueblood Jesse-services $300.00, Twiss Lloyd-program develop $100.00, Twiss Maurice-travel $84.40, Vanway Trophy & awards-supplies $39.20, $961.80, $16.50, Vendor total $1,017.50, Wechsler Brian -travel $243.60, West River International-parts $32.76, WEstco-propane $9,796.74, White Robert-services $4,400.00, Woods Country Greenhouse-supplies $110.55, Youth & Family services-field trip $147.00, Fund Total $432,740.86.

Outlay Fund

Best Business Products-copier lease $506.69, $160.60, Vendor total $667.29, NJL Associates-books $89.82, Pearson Education-textbooks $822.47, $299.73 $216.09 $69.25 $193.87, Vendor total $1601.41, SD Federal Property Agency $14,900.00, Tatonka Capital Corporation-copy lease $4,186.00, Fund Total $21,444.52

Special Education Fund

Bennett County Hospital-services $2170.00, $3010.00, Vendor total $5,180.00, Black Hills Special Services-tuition $3,007.50, Brimark Inn-travel $150.00, Childrens Care & Rehab Development-services $4,410.00, Childrens Care Hospital & school-tuition $5023.20, $5692.65, Vendor total $10,795.85, Childrens Home Society-tuition $1276.20, Donovan Mark-travel $70.40, Jenn's Floral Design-flowers $30.00, Meds PDN-regist $205.00, $205.00, Vendor total $410.00, New Hill Services-subsr $174.00, Petty Cash Rockyford School $10.00, Petty Cash Wolf Creek $81.09, Wolf Creek School-travel $200.76, Ramada Inn-Travel $21l.95, Ross Dana-service $1,112.64, SASD-memberships $515.00, Shannon County School Imprest $573.44, Sioux Falls School District -tuition $230.09, Sioux Nation Shopping Center-supplies $39.81, Travel $220.80, Wellspring Inc-tuition $94.80, Travel $222.72, Fund Total $29,017.05.

Food Service Fund

Food Service of America- service $1185.96 $1347.26 $1349.36 $2250.12, Vendor total $6132.70, Harkers's-service $160.30, $1409.23 $896.96 $1735.81, Vendor Total $4202.30, HillYard - supplies $182.48 $125.80 $314.56 $83.48, Vendor total $706.32, HRS Food Service - service $27.90 $1667.85 $4982.04, Vendor total $6677.79, Ideal Super Market-supplies $136.31, KempsGillett Diary-service $617.76 $1632.50 $2278.05, Vendor total $4528.31, Reinhart Institutional Foods-service $5066.84 $292.60 $6723.50 $10,849.40, Vendor total $22,932.34, SNA School Nutrition Association-registr $98.00, Fund Total $45,414.07.

Federal Programs Special Service

All American Publishing-adv $150.00, Black Hills Peoples News-adv $650.00, Debbies Cakes and Floral-supplies $52.00, FISEF-reg $500.00, Family Thrift Center-supplies $42.40, Grocery Mart-supplies $104.07, Ideal Super Market-supplies $119.12, Jenn's Floral Design-flowers $30.00, Loftus Dental-liability $2,654.00, Occupational HealthNetwork-drug testing $2,100.00, Shannon County School Imprest $787.32, Shannon County School Lunch $42.20 $47.00, Vendor Total $92.20, Fund Total $7,281.11.

BS Trust/Agency

Goff Wayne - reimbursement $34.56, Pizza Hut-field trips $313.63 $189.57, Vendor total $503.20, Fund Total $537.76. Checking account total $536,435.37.

Checks to be processed

Alltel $1200.00, Three Rivers Special Services $1462.50.

Shannon Country School Imprest: Internal Revenue Service $39.08, SPED Parent $573.44, Candice Foltz/Hall $252.00, Bob Hall $252.00, Handi Stop $32.76, Vicki Ballard $107.28, Sandy Roth $90.00, Ellen Yusten $107.28, Jean Reeves $450.00, WolfCreek Drum Group $50.00, Golden West $41.55, Deb Yankton $14.00, Connie Lebeau $84.40, Alfred Red Owl $81.12, Mary Swallow $23.04, Postmaster $9.72, Total $2,207.67.

Resignation: Tom Schumacher, District computer Tech, effective 5/8/06, Angel Lindsey, Wolf Creek Special Education teacher, effective end of school year.

Administration Contract for Approval: Myron Pourier, Director of Transportation and Facilities Maintenance from 7/1/06 to 6/30/07 $50,000

Contracts for Approval: Sandra Frandsen, Wolf Creek Speech Thereapist from 7/1/06 to 6/30/07 $49,035; Terri White, Rockyford School Teacher from 8/18/06 to 5/23/07 $39,000; Lisa Wipf, Red Shirt School Teacher from 8/18/06 to 5/23/07 $39,000; Melody Bohlender, Batesland School from 8/18/06 to 5/23/07 $37,500; Candance Foltz, District Literacy Project Coordinator from 7/1/06 to 6/30/07 $47,629.20; James Moon, District Psychologist from 7/1/06 to 6/30/07 $44,690; Marsha Smoker, Wolf Creek School Speech Therapist from 8/18/06 to 5/23/07 $39,000; Jobie Wagner, Batesland School Counselor from 8/18/06 to 5/23/07 $31,500; Margaret Ross, Red Shirt School Lakota Studies Instructor from 8/18/06 to 5/23/07 $31,500;Terrie Jo Gibbons, District Federal Program Asst. from 7/01/06 to 6/30/07 $49,358.60

Classified Non re new: Bateland Busdriver, Batesland Aide, Busdriver, Rockyford Counselor, Wolf Creek custodian/busdriver, Rockyford Bilingual, Wolf Creek Cook, Wolf Creek Biligual Aide (table), Rockyford Aide, Wolf Creek Aide, Wolf Creek aide, Wolf Creek Aide

Classified Work Improvement Plan: Rockyford Aide, Rockyford Aide.

Special Service Agreements: Myron Pourier, Director of Transportation and facilities maintenance $232.56 per day but and not exceeding 34 days starting 5/15/06 to 6/30/07; Don Wince, Facilities Security for Wolf Creek $545.00 per month started 7/01/06 to 6/30/07.

Summer School Special Service Agreements:

Teachers: Angie Anuja $4200.00, Vernie Arnold $4200.00, Casey Brandreit $4200.00, Evaleen Brave Heart $4200.00, Sandra Child-resource $4200.00, Paula Holtmeir-sped $4200.00, Ival Jones $4200.00, Donna Jumping Eagle $4200.00, Dee Lefthand $4200.00, Susie Mesteth $4200.00, Temple Nichols $4200.00, Babe Poor Bear $4200.00, Cliff Ringinger $4200.00, Jon Schulz/Jodi Weisz $4200.00, Doug Skeie $4200.00, Marcia Stein $4200.00, Terri White $4200.00, MargeWhite Bear Claws $4200.00, Lisa Wipf $4200.00, Mary Ziegler $4200.00, LeeAnn Zimmerman $4200.00, Jean Heier $4200.00.

Aides: Brenda Bad Heart Bull $1,800.00, Margaret Black Bull $1,800.00, William Black Feather $1,800.00, Pat Clifford $1,800.00, Ann Conroy $1,800.00, Janette Ermerson $1,800.00, Crystal Feather Earring $1,800.00, Eli Feather Earring $1,800.00, Christina Fowler $1,800.00, Stephanie Ghost $1,800.00, Merle Gomez $1,800.00, Soni Gomez $1,800.00, floyd Hernandez $1,800.00, toni Hernandez $1,800.00, Gary High Hawk , $1,800.00, April Iron Cloud $1,800.00, Roberta Iron Cloud $1,800.00, Richie Little Bear $1,800.00, Dave Looking Elk $1,800.00, James Mesteth $1,800.00, Michael Patton $1,800.00, Tom Patton $1,800.00, Carol Peneaux $1,800.00, Kathy Red Cloud $1,800.00, Pheobe Running Hawk $1,800.00, Ginny SEger $1,800.00, Bennett Sierra $1,800.00, Susie Starr $1,800.00, Julia Steele $1,800.00, James Stiff Arm $1,800.00, Vicky Stouffer $1,800.00, Jobie Wagner $1,800.00, Dori White Face $1,800.00, Melvin Young Bear $1,800.00, Tyrell Pierce $1,800.00, Sarah White $1,800.00, Sonja Sandoz $1,800.00, Sharon Engling $1,800.00

Bus Drivers: William Black Feather $1,430.00, Vincer Brewer $1,430.00, John Kirk $1,430.00, Richard Little Bear $1,430.00, Dave Looking Elk $1,430.00, Don Wince $1,430.00, Soni Gomez $1,430.00, Manuel Mesteth $1,430.00, Julia Steele $1,430.00, Curtiss Pourier $1,430.00, Margaret Iron Cloud $$1,430.00, James Stiff Arm $1,430.00, April Iron Cloud $1,430.00, Manuel Tayle $1,430.00.

Secretary: Debbie Gibbons $2,200.00, Janet Steele $2,200.00

Custodians: Kenneth Standing Soldier $10ph, Kathy Dillon $10p/h, Patricia White Eyes, $10 p/h.

Speech: Sandra Frandsen $6,334.32, Donna Graham $4,054.86, Kris Moore $6307.56, Marsha Smoker $5846.12, Josephine Two Lance $5,406.48.

Instructors: Sonia Bear Runner $1,750.00, Misty Clifford $875.00, Lorraine Swallow $875.00, Babe Poor Bear $1750.00.

Coordinators: Karen Trueblood $1500.00, Scott Clifford $1500.00, Shane Clifford $1500.00, Joe Two lance $1,750.00.

Counselors: Halona Pourier $1200.00, Sandra Cuny $1200.00, Gene Swallow $1200.00, Sarah White $1200.00, Brianna White $1200.00, JL Trueblood $1200.00.

Camp Manager: Robert Hall $1,600.00. Terry Bissonette $4,000.00, Larry Hines $4,000.00, Lorenzo Bettelyoun $4,000.00.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ROSEBUD SIOUX TRIBE WIC PROGRAM MOBILE UNIT #06022006-0018

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe WIC Program will accept proposals from qualified firms for the manufacture of a 38 ft' mobile unit to be used for clinical purposes.

Due to the multiple scopes of work all interested parties will be required to consult the WIC program prior to submitting a proposal for the mobile unit for the design specifics. For further information call Bernice Grace, Director-RST WIC program, or Alberta Old Lodge, Vendor Specialist, at (605)747-2617 or (605) 441-5644.

Proposals will be accepted until 5:00 pm June 19th, 2006, and are to be submitted to James Wike, R.S.T. Treasurer, 11 Legion Avenue, PO Box 430, Rosebud, S.D. 57570. The envelope must be clearly marked "Mobile Unit". All proposals will be opened June 20th, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. CDT.

- Position Announcement -
Professional Research Assistant #665937

The American Indian and Alaska Native Programs, University of Colorado Denver & Health Sciences Center, seeks a full-time Professional Research Assistant who will be responsible for supervising a project examining the effects of the implementation of an HIV/AIDS intervention into all middle school Reservation-wide. This research will be coordinated out of the Pine Ridge, SD field office.

Responsibilities include: Locate and sctreen study eligible participants from a previous study (AI/SUPERPFP) Locate and screen study participants from a previous study (AI/SUPERPFP). Solicit participation in PTSD/CVD study. Schedule and arrange for participant's screening interview via videoconference. Schedule, arrange and transport study eligible participants to Denver for clinical exams. Disburse appropriate participant compensation at each phase of participation in the study; maintain accurate records with regard to compensation disbursed; and submit timely reports regarding same. Complete, assemble and forward all on-site research materials for local participants to Denver per established schedule for shipments.

Qualifications: Bachelor's degree, or equivalent experience; research experience is preferred; strong communication skills, good interpersonal and reading skills; experience keeping detailed records and strong organizational skills; must be willing to travel frequently; previous experience in an office setting desirable. A valid driver's licesnse, auto liability insurance, and a dependable vehicle for transportation are also required.

Salary: $28,000-$30,000 annually.

To Apply: Forward cover letter, resume, and three references to:

HH PRA Position,
AIANP, PO Box 6508,
Mail Stop F800
Aurora, CO 80045-0508

Review of applications will begin on 6/19/06 and continue until the position is filled.

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Congratulations to our graduates at Kadoka High School to the following Tatiana Ashley-12th grade, Tia Ashley-8th grade, Michaela Ashley 8th grade, Skylar Sitting Up-8th grade, Andrea Long Soldier-8th grade. Love your families in Wanblee.

Happy Birthday Dad (Wayne) on June 6th.
From the Zoo Crew.

Happy Birthday Wishes to our grandma "Pooh" on 6/16. we love you and thank you for all you do for us. Love your grandbabies, Zavion and Zaniya

Happy Birthday to my mother Stephana Standing Bear on 6/16. I love you mom and thanks for all you do for me, miss you! Love your daughter in Idaho, Talena Standing Bear.

Congratulations
to Michaela Jo Ashley
on your 8th grade graduation
at Kadoka.
Enjoy you high school years.
We love you girl, Mom
(Stephana) and Dad (Alonzo)

To my nana Mabel C. Janis. You are the greatest nana in the world! Thanks for all you do for mama and daddy and me. Love you forever, your one and only grandbaby,
Damon Thomas
(I hope this makes you smile).

Happy 1st Birthday to our baby sister Zaniya on June 4th. I love you baby., Zavion Mesteth, and Your mommy Talana Standing Bear.

Congratulations to Tatiana Leigh Ashley on your graduation from Kadoka High School. Way to go girl, you should be proud of yourself. Good Luck with college. From your cousin in Lapwai, Idaho, Talena.

Happy Birthday
to my mom Stephana Jo on 6/16, hope you enjoy your day and thanks for always being there for me. Love your daughter Michaela Jo.

Happy 1st Birthday to our little "Hunny" Zaniya Maicynn on 6/4. Love you very much baby girl! Love you god parents in Idaho Junaluska and Talena

Happy 1st birthday
to our beautiful granddaughter Zaniya Standing Bear on June 4, 2006. We love you sweetheart, Love grandma and Papa Standing Bear

Happy Birthday
to Maurice Apple on June 2, 2006. Have fun but not much. From Eileen, Roy and Jamie.

Happy B-day on 6/4
to Montesia Iron Heart and on 6/30 to Muriel Iron Heart.
From Ray and Lillian,
We love you both

Happy Birthday to Lynette and Lynelle O'Rourke on 6/4/06.
Love you girls
from Rob, Trish and Boys

Happy 6th Birthday
Carson Dane O'Rouke
on 5/30/06.
From Mom, Dad and Brothers.

Congratulations
to Sara Ann Brave Heart our 2006 Little Wound High School graduate. We love you and are very happy and proud of you! Congratulations, Leann, Jinn, Dolls and grandma.

Happy Father's day
to Joseph H Arapahoe. We love you. From Clevia and Olowan.

Congratulations to Dakota O.H. and BJ Yellow Hawk on their birth of there handsome baby boy Landon John Yellow Hawk who was born May 13, 2006. Coming from proud auntie and uncle Felicia Bull Bear and Russell No Horse.

Happy Birthday to Toni Apple on May 29, 2006. From Eileen, Jamie, Roy Helper Jr.

Congrats to Ben HH and Johnette who will be having their baby in January. Love you sister's Woni and Tisha

Congratulations
to Russell No Horse and Felicia Bull Bear on having a new born baby girl Alvina Nancy Rose No Horse. She was born 5/12/06. From auntie Ketrin and auntie Erikka.

I would like to welcome my new baby niece in tour family Alvina Nancy Rose No Horse coming from
uncle Paloni Bull Bear.

I would like to announce the birth of our precious lil angel Alvina Nancy Rose No Horse. She was born Friday May 12, 2006 to the proud parents Russell No Horse and Felicia Bull Bear. At 8:36 p.m.
8 lbs and 20 inches.

I want to let my handsome baby son Adriono know that I love him very much, I can't believe how fast you've grown, I enjoy every moment with you. Love, Mom Courtney and Dad Justin.

Happy belated birthday to our baby girl Ta'mya Essence Rose.
Remember we love you,
Mom and Dad

Congratulations to Raelee Dawn Martinez for graduating Kindergarten at Rockyford.
Love auntie Tanya, La, Jossy and Charlie.

Happy 2nd Birthday to Citrus Aaliyah Fire Thunder!
From Kevin and Kathie St. John, Cody St. John and BJ Kills Back, Donna, DJ, Leon, Adam, Carrie and Tom Janie, Tex Janis, Marilyn, Adam, Jade, and Alicia Layshar, Mom and Dad, Ceaser Fire Thunder, Gregg and Connie Cutschall, Celeste and TY Two Crow, Stacey, Audrai, and Jermaine Two Crow.

A Memorial Birthday to my baby brother and uncle Laddimer P. Price, June 27, today you would be 19 years old. Hard to believe it has been a year since you departed from our sight. Though your not seen, we know you are with us. In our hearts and our memories. Your nieces and nephews know you are looking down watching over them and keeping us safe. We love and miss you brother, from Hattie, Randy and Ryder Tobacco

Happy 17th birthday to our baby girl Jessica Beck, Love you lots, Mom and Dad

Would like to thank the following people who contributed monetary donations and those that gave the time to help rebuild the fence around the Allen Community Cemetery. Your time and donation is greatly appreciated.
Once again Thank You. Vinette Attack Him, Melissa Yellow Boy, Hazel Wilson, Joni Salomon, Vanice Wainman, Eula Young, Everette Yellow Boy, Clifton One Horn, Arlo Standing Bear, Melvin Young, Angie Reyes and boys, Leonard and Delores Mabin, Marie Salomon, Raqule Reddest, Eula Yellow Boy, Sam and Sandy Dubray, Art Has No Horse, Maria Standing Bear, Richard Cross and Charles Wilson.

To my beautiful girl Natalie Mariah. Good job on finishing Kindergarten you did it. Love mom Courtney.

Congratulations to my baby boy Ryder J. Tobacco on graduating from Head start.
This is the beginning to all the challenges you will succeed in. I'm so proud of you 'jake the muss', Love you, Mom (Hattie).

To Elijah Cole and Jacinta Marion. I love you with all my heart. Thank you for loving me to, Mom Courtney.

Justin, I'd just like to let you know that I love you with all my heart, and thank you for being there. Always, love Court.

A Belated Happy Birthday to Jovon Spotted Elk. From Dad



Happy Belated Mother's Day to Katrina Broken Rope.
We love you.
Love Sharae, Ben & BJ.

Congratulations to Dustin Zimiga and Raymond Brave Bird Little, Little Wound High School Class of 2006, we are very proud of you.

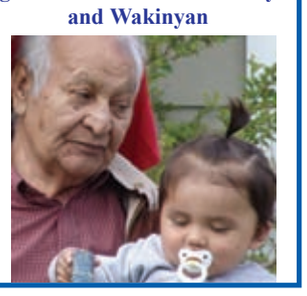
Happy Belated 2d Birthday to Baby Tyler Jon LaFarge.
From: Auntie Lisa, Tanya, and Papa Don.

Wishing to a Very Happy Birthday to Alan Waters, Jr. "AJ" on May 19th. I hope you had fun. We're thinking of you always. Wish you anymore.
From: Auntie Violet and all of your cousins.

Happy Birthday to my oldest girl Misty Hornbeck
on June 2I forgot how old you are now I love you Mom

Happy 16th birthday to my baby girl Melissa White Eyes on June 7thI love you a whole bunch
mom

Happy Belated 90th Birthday
George Drapeaux Sr.
on 5/29. We love you.
From Jason, Jenn and your grandkids Jason Jr. Brittany and Wakinyan



Congratulations!!
to our graduates
Jovon Little Moon, Eagle Butte High School,
Paul Jr Mousseaux, Little Wound Middle 8th grade,
Chris Gregory, Central High School,
Cheryl Three Stars, Central High School.
We are very proud of you,
From the Apple, Bush, Takes War Bonnet, Little Moon and Three Stars families

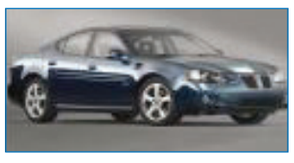
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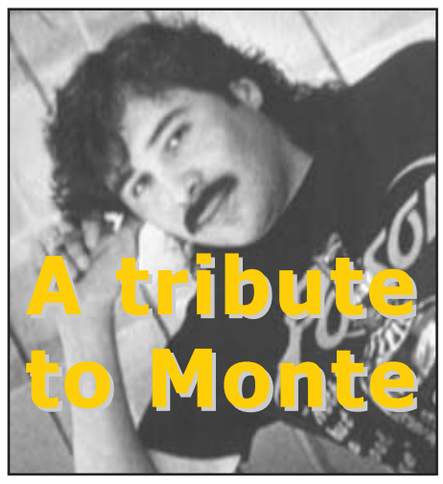
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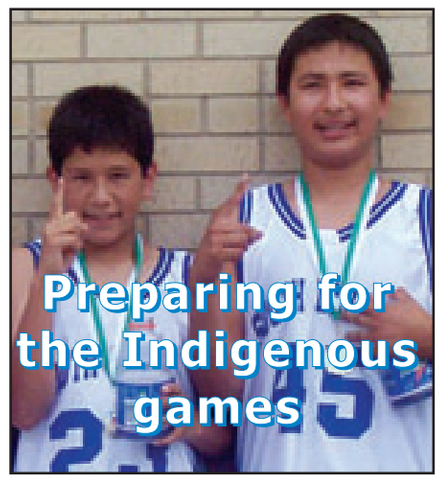
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Lakota Trade Center to celebrate 10th anniversary

KYLE - The Lakota Trade Center is celebrating its 10th anniversary on July 13 with an opening prayer at 9 a.m. by Harvey White Woman to be followed by other guest speakers.

There will be grilled food served from 11:30 to 1 p.m. The public is invited as there will many activities and a tour of the trade center.

Many different activities will occur through out the day and an artist's tent will be set up out doors.

All artists are welcome to set up for the fair. Please R.S.V. P. for a space by July 1 by calling Stephanie Sorbel at 605-455-2500.

Lakota Funds director, Dowell Caselli-Smith, said of the celebration, "We are coming up on the 20th anniversary of the Lakota Funds charter back in 1987. The Lakota Funds made its first loan in 1987. On July 13, we are having an open house with booths and tables with information. We are going to recognize some people that were involved in the development of the Lakota Funds and for supporting the Lakota Funds over the years."

The other businesses and offices which rent space in the building include, the U.S. Probation Office, Cangleska Probation office, Alltel, Red Cloud Law Firm, Pine Ridge Area Chamber of Commerce, Missouri Breaks, Badlands Headstart/Early Headstart, and the Oceti Sakowin Consortium.

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Wounded Knee road construction delayed again, gravesites found

Pine Ridge intersection to be done July 26

Sunrise housing to get new roads

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - "After getting input from a variety of national and federal agencies, it became apparent that we were going to have to do an environmental impact statement on the BIA Highway 27 Wounded Knee road construction project," said Jeff Whelan, OST transportation program director, "we have about

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Construction at the Pine Ridge intersection after a recent rain storm. The construction should be completed by July 26. Photo by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.

RST council hears hospital facility report

$5.2 million collected in third party collections

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Shelly Harris, CEO at the Rosebud I.H.S. hospital presented a facility report for June and her written report noted that as of May, the facility has collected $5,220,073 dollars in third party collections. They are 17 percent below their forecasted goal, however, Data Trak, has been awarded the contract to conduct the billing and the backlog billing.

The hospital is undergoing a number of design alterations in its physical plant in order to efficiently serve the public, while allowing privacy during emergency room triage. The area where the ambulance pulls up and dispatches patients will also be redesigned so that patients are afforded confidentiality. Also, the mental health department will create a waiting room area.



Shelly Harris, CEO of the Rosebud Indian Health Service gave a report to the Rosebud Sioux tribal council.

Dr. Parker, health administrator at the hospital told the tribal council that she has been envisioning a number of ideas that will ultimately ensure better health care. She spoke of creating an affiliation with some university and making the hospital a teaching hospital where physicians can undertake their internship and residencies. She said doctors who work and teach at such hospitals stay current in their field and this enhances health care. She said, "We are interested in getting board certified. There is a high degree of trauma here. We need to recruit people that are board certified."

Antelope council representative Cyril "Whitey" Scott noted that Dr. Parker is a medical doctor and asked how many patients she was treating. She said, "My job is as an administrator. I do rarely pinch hit, however, I have

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BIA's Ragsdale to visit tribe next week

RST tribal council honors Red Fish and appoints sergeant at arms

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - It was a full agenda for the RST tribal council on June 14, which was broadcast over KINI FM radio to the Sicangu Nation membership. The council heard bid requests from a couple of lobbying firms, appointed a new sergeant-at-arms, honored a former employee, listened to Shelly Harris deliver the I.H.S. June report, and heard a report from Cleve Her Many Horse, Rosebud Agency superintendent.

The firm of Lockridge, Grindal, and Nauen of Minneapolis and Washington, D.C. made a bid request and presentation to the council. They provided a list of contacts they have leveraged for others. They have represented a number of Minnesota tribes in Washington and hope to represent the Rosebud Sioux. With a price tag of $120,000 dollars per year, RST President Rodney Bordeaux asked if the fee could be adjusted and the firm noted that they could work within that constraint if agreed upon.

The other firm of Gardener, Carton and Douglas of Washington, DC appeared to have extensive experience in working with Native tribes as they represent the Southern Ute and Shakopee, as well as a price tag that was lower than the Lockridge firm. Their fee is $7,500 dollars per month and calculates to $90,000 dollars per year. Their firm was represented by Tom Moorehead and Genny Boylan.

Antelope council representative, Robert Moore, noted that the relationship between RST and the state is tenuous and he had concerns about off reservation gaming, the Mni Wiconi project, and the American Indian Probate Reform Act which he voiced to both firms.

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Community Calendar

'Rez Happenings'

Weight watchers class
Large conference room at the Indian Health Service Hospital in Pine Ridge, weigh in at 5pm and meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Pine Ridge School Summer Food Program
Through June 30 with meals for children from 3-18 years of age with breakfast from 7:30-8:30 a.m. and lunch from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. daily

Little Wound Summer Food Service
Daily for children 3-18 with breakfast 8:30-9am and lunch from 12:30-1 p.m.

Summer Food Service Program
Through Aug. 18 at the Mother Butler Center in Rapid City from Monday through Friday with breakfast from 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. and lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for area children from 2-18 years of age for info call Rose Torres at 343-2165.

Basketball camp
For youth(girls and boys) from 3rd to 8th grade, Monday through Thursday at Red Cloud School gym from 1-3 p.m., continuing through Thursday June 22, for info call Matt Rama at 441-3823

Third Annual Elder's Pow wow
Wednesday, June 21 at Payabya, seven miles northeast of Pine Ridge from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to honor, entertain and gain knowledge from our elders while providing updated health information, for info contact 967-2067, 867-5252 or 867-5913.

Special Session-OST Council
Thursday, June 22, 10 a.m. at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge, a joint meeting with the Sioux Nation Tribal Council for an update on Bear Butte.

Health Fair
Wounded Knee Community Center on Thursday, June 22 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

OLC Baccalaureate Banquet
Thursday, June 22 at Little Wound School in Kyle at 6 p.m.

OLC GED Graduation
Friday, June 23 at Piya Wiconi

Hand Games
Saturday and Sunday, June 24 and 25 at the Lower Brule Community Center, First annual Hanpa Ahpe Icun for information contact Cheryll LaRoche at (605) 473-0652.

OLC Graduation Walk and Run
Saturday, June 24 at Piya Wiconi at 6pm, for info call Billie Hornbeck at 455-6000.

Memorial Ride
Second annual Elizabeth two Bulls-Belt/Ambrose Belt Sr. Memorial ride on Saturday, June 24 from Little Grass Creek to Oglala, for information call Mike at 867-1891 or 441-5178.

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about fifty people who I supervise." Scott also asked about how the 'life or limb' policy was carried out. Harris explained that a committee of medical staff meets each week and discusses those patients who will be referred out through contract health. She said members on the committee come from the public health nursing department, contract health, and social services and is chaired by Dr. Parker. She also noted that the hospital is short seven physicians and is working to prepare recruitment materials that describe the Rosebud area.

RST council representative, Byron Andrews, voiced his frustration at having taken his son to the Wagner I.H.S. service unit because it is closer during emergencies and was referred back to the Rosebud I.H.S. He said that the process is time consuming, especially during an emergency, and that the referral process needs to be more efficient as he still has some bills that have not been paid by contract health. He said that as Rosebud Sioux tribal members entitled to health care such outstanding bills should be paid.

Pine Ridge road projects update

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$10 million ready to go to complete the project but the EIS requirement could put us back as much as two years - on top of that, a contractor working for the Bureau is set to file a report that includes the finding of additional gravesites that have the potential to affect each of our proposed routes through Wounded Knee and the massacre site."

In March of this year, the tribal council postponed any decision on a route through Wounded Knee and asked that one or two listening sessions be conducted with residents of the Wounded Knee sub-community and the district. A hearing earlier in the spring at Wounded Knee District school in Manderson resulted in a variety of comments, concerns and issues expressed by community, district and tribal members. Several individuals in attendance complained about the unsafe road conditions that put motorists, pedestrians and school children in danger because of the current condition of the road, while others wanted the road routed around the massacre site to protect the site for future generations and some wanted it built right now with no further delay.

Four hearings were actually set up, Wounded Knee District CAP in Manderson, Wounded Knee community Center, WKD School in Manderson and the Fire Lightening building in the community. In a report to be presented to the council, Whelan states that a total of 53 individuals attended three meetings, the meeting scheduled for the school was pre-empted by a council meeting.

"A total of 51 per cent in attendance voted for alternative four that runs along the current road way through the massacre site," said Whelan, "24 per cent wanted alternative five, south of the site and 26 per cent made no comment."

With the EIS requirement and the new findings of gravesites, it may be 2008 before we are able to start this road construction project, concluded Whelan. The eventual project is set to rebuild BIA Highway 27 from one mile north of Porcupine Butte and KILI Radio to two miles south of Wounded Knee.

Pine Ridge intersection project

"Everyone is a little nervous about the Pine Ridge intersection project," said Whelan, "Oglala Nation is coming up and everyone knows how much traffic we get during that celebration - the contractors have assured me that they will be done no later than July 26, I have encouraged them to finish it as soon as possible."

The Pine Ridge intersection project is a state project designed to rebuild and strengthen the busiest intersection on Pine Ridge Reservation, replacing the asphalt that had a tendency to rut with the heavy traffic with concrete, put in curbs and gutters on the east side of Highway 18 and replace the bridge going toward the old Indian Health Service hospital with a boxed culvert.

According to Whelan, original bids came in close to $4 million and the project was re-bid to come in closer to the engineer's estimate of around $2.5 million.

The project also includes replacing a boxed culvert east of Pine Ridge near Johnson Holy Rock's turnoff and should have included replacing a boxed culvert just east past the airport on Highway 18, I do not know why that was left off the project, it needs to be done, added Whelan.

Base and blotter project north of Loneman

There is a base and blotter project on the road north of Loneman, Highway 41 which is set for completion in about 40 days.

The project includes building up the base of 41 from the White River bridge and north about 9.5 miles. The blotter is a gravel and oil mixture that should last for seven to ten years.

"That will give us time to find the money to asphalt that stretch of road, I hope to find the money to do it sooner than that though," added Whelan.

The project also includes a one and a half to two mile stretch on Highway 16, the road to Grass Creek.

The Oglala to Loneman bike path state project is waiting a final right of way approval and should be completed before the end of this construction season which includes a four mile path with one bridge.

Sunrise Housing Project

The Sunrise Housing project east of Martin has completed final negotiations with the BIA and is waiting for an award letter. The project will feature an asphalt reconstruction for both the old and new Sunrise Housing roads. We will get it started this year but probably won't finish it until next year, according to Whelan.

OST does not have a contract yet for replacement of three old bridges with boxed culverts that include the bridge on Highway 33 just north of Manderson, an old bridge 10 miles north of Manderson by Tibby Kocer's residence and a bridge on a spur, Route 17, off of American Horse road, Highway 21 southwest of Kyle.

"By the time we get the contract we won't be able to get this project completed this year," said Whelan, "my priority is the bridge just north of Manderson because of the number of accidents we have had there so I hope to split the contract to get that one done first, I'd also like to work on getting that stretch of road redone, again because of the number of accidents near this area."

Congresswoman Stephanie Herseth found an extra $1 million for OST transportation. It looks like $250,000 will be used to build a bike path from Pine Ridge to the SuAnn Center east of town and the balance of $750,000 to be used to build a radius curve at the five mile corner on the way to Kyle and eliminate the T intersection; both projects planned for 2007.

Shannon County plans to gravel the road between Batesland and Wounded Knee; the amount of base building on the western portion of that road project will probably require too much time to complete this year and will probably stretch into 2007, according to Whelan.

There has been a base and blotter project in the Oglala area that has been held up due to the disagreement and resulting arbitration hearing between the Oglala Sioux Tribe and C & W Enterprises. The project includes the Lakeside road, the road between Highway 18 and Oglala Housing, the housing area itself and Highway 41 south from Highway 18 to the Nebraska state line about an 11 mile stretch.

"This was a C&W Enterprise project but both the BIA and tribal engineers agreed on terminating the project in the fall of 2005 due to missed deadlines and sub standard work," said Whelan, "we have been negotiating with their bonding company to get this project back on track but the bonding company now wants to wait until a hearing takes place that is coming up with the American Arbitration Association that involves close to $5 million in disputed claims between the OST and C&W Enterprises."

Whelan said he doesn't understand the bonding company's position, normally a bonding company guarantees that the work will be finished if something happens to the original contractor; we need to get this project done, it has been delayed way too long."

Eagle Bull, Conroy earn Shannon County school board terms

BATESLAND - Unofficial results are in for the Shannon County school board election and Angie Eagle Bull, the incumbent earned a third straight term as the top vote getter with 112 votes; past school board member, Chuck Conroy also earned a term as the second highest vote getter with 93.

"It was really important for me to see the new Red Shirt Community School project through to completion," said Eagle Bull, explaining one reason why she ran again; "Red Shirt has been delayed and I really want to see students enroll in a brand new school. Also, this year I got more involved in negotiations as this year we are negotiating with the classified staff, bus drivers, janitors, aides and cooks on leave, benefits and policies, we just completed our second meeting and will have at least one more."

Overall seven candidates ran for two board positions that opened with the expired terms of Eagle Bull and Doni DeCory. Past board member, Gerald Big Crow was third with 73 votes, Tom Vaughn was fourth with 70, Joe Morrisette had 57, William Lone Hill with 46 and Sharon Cuny Martin with 40. A total of 445 votes were cast across eight precincts across Shannon County.

"We have come a long way in the past several years, we are working at hiring more high quality teachers and more local people," said Eagle Bull, "our reading and math scores are going up and I know we can and will continue to improve in tose important areas. We need to make sure we do not lose focus, sometimes we end up with too many personnel issues at the board level where we need to follow our policies and procedures on a regular basis."

Shannon County schools operates K-8 schools in Batesand, Rockyford, Wolf Creek and Red Shirt providing education for more than 1,100 children, with the large majority being members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. The grand opening and dedication of the new Red Shirt Community School is expected in late august just before the new school year gets underway.

June Pine Ridge diabetes prevention activities

PINE RIDGE - The Pine Ridge Diabetes Prevention Oyate Wicozani Ocanku will be conducting several wellness in the community activities.

June 19, 20, 26, & 27: Every Monday and Tuesday the Walking Club located at the new hospital (on the north side of the New Hospital) from 7 to 8 p.m.

June 21: On Wednesday, Rez Robics located at Billy Mills Hall starting at 5 p.m. 6 p.m. for women and 7 p.m. for men. Alternate site Large Conference room at the new hospital

June 22 and 29: Every Thursday, volleyball open to everyone at Billy Mills Hall at 6 p.m.

The community is invited to participate in all activities.

Council sets hearing for President Fire Thunder

PORCUPINE - Originally set for June 20 with a site to be determined, the hearing for Cecelia Fire Thunder, OST president, has now been re-scheduled for 10 a.m. Thursday, June 29 in Porcupine at the CAP office.

Fire Thunder was suspended for 20 days pending a hearing during a council meeting at Billy Mills Hall on May 30; a protest march against a proposed abortion clinic culminated at Billy Mills Hall.

This will be the third hearing to decide Fire Thunder's future as OST president.

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Oglala	Loneman School	Alternating Wednesdays, 10am - 3pm

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RST council update

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Former RST council representative Wright voted sergeant at arms.

Former Rosebud RST council representative, Lenard "Shadow" Wright won a run-off election against Gerald Eagle Bear by a council vote of 9-7 and council representative Moore made the motion to seat Wright, and which was seconded by fellow Antelope council representative Scott Herman. Christine Dunhan of Norris community was in the running; however, she did not get any votes.

She spoke after the final vote and said, "Thank you for allowing me to speak to you. Congratulations to Shadow. I hope you don't run into anyone who speaks Lakota."

Wright was sworn into office by RST President Rodney M. Bordeaux and assumed office immediately. Wright who represented Rosebud community to the tribal council from 1999 to 2005 said, "What I learned as an individual, is how big the job is and the responsibility is awesome. I want to work with the administration and council and help as many people as I can."

Wright said he was aware of the need for the sergeant-at-arms to be able to speak Lakota.

He was also aware that many Lakota speakers who address the council often have someone accompanying them to translate to translate into English.





Eldon Red Fish, retired after 30 years with the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and Lenard 'Shadow' Wright, who was selected sgt. at arms.

Eldon Red Fish honored by RST for 30 years of service

Eldon Red Fish was employed in several capacities over his thirty years with the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, although he grew up in Pine Ridge. He served in the U.S. Army from 1969 to 1975 where he achieved the rank of Sergeant First Class, E-7 and worked in artillery, recruiting and race relations. Red Fish earned a Bachelor of Science degree in sociology from Chadron State College in 1977.

He was presented with a plaque while his wife, Anita, prepared dinner for the council and visitors.

Red Fish is retired now and reports that he is doing a bit of woodworking.

BIA's Ragsdale to visit Rosebud next week

Rosebud Agency superintendent, Cleve Her Many Horse, said during his presentation to the RST tribal council that the agency has completed 496 probate cases representing the period of 1980-2000 and that probate continues to be one of their priorities.

Also, people who wish to conduct genealogical research at the BIA would have to wait until after June.

His office is also cutting back on general assistance to tribal members so that other priority areas, such as child welfare, are not affected by the overall reduction.

He also said that Pat Ragsdale, head of the BIA, would be visiting the Rosebud next week and that anyone wanting to meet with him could call Leanne Beardt at the agency office. The head of BIA law enforcement would also be visiting the Rosebud.

RST president's office hosts Father's Day picnic

ROSEBUD - There was plenty of barbecued steaks, salad, and drinks, not to mention *wateca*, as the RST President's office hosted a back yard barbecue at the Canupa Ska Park directly behind the RST tribal building. The occasion was the upcoming Father's Day on Sunday.

The picnic seemed like it was originally intended for RST employees, but many Sicangu fathers and elders came to have a delicious meal that included many door prizes donated by area businesses and tribal programs.

It must have been good for employee morale, as the mood of the crowd sounded happy and congenial. People who won door prizes were even given an ovation, as a light rain attempted to ruin the fun, but most people didn't budge until the door prizes were all given out. Two large cakes marking the occasion stood by on the table and were later served inside in the council chambers.

Pat Bad Hand called out the door prize numbers and he was assisted by RST President, Rodney M. Bordeaux. Hattie Dunham did a very good job of doing the barbecuing, while the tribal secretary's office and others staff set out the food for a buffet style picnic which saw a lot of food left over for people to take home. The afternoon was a lot of fun for tribal employees, council representatives, and tribal members and is an event that goes along way toward boosting employee morale.

Word was received that former RST council representative from Antelope, Al Larvie had died. Larvie was a highly regarded tribal elder who made his mark on the RST tribal council in the 1960's and 70s.

Wounded Head recognized for superior academic achievement

PORCUPINE - Aloysius R. Wounded Head, Oglala Sioux, and a junior at Little Wound high school will be attending the Presidential Classroom's Law and Justice in a Democracy Program from June 24 to July 1 in Washington, D.C. The program is a leader in civic education and provides the best and the brightest high school juniors and seniors with access to leaders who shape America's public policy. The students will explore the federal legal system and related issues in a democratic society.



Aloysius R. Wounded Head

According to a press release, "During the week long program, students interact with Washington insiders including members of Congress, presidential appointees, senior military officials, top business leaders and journalists."

The Presidential Classroom was founded in the tradition of President John F. Kennedy who asked young Americans to think of public service. Students will be able to explore the political process first hand. For over 38 years, over 100,000 high school students from the United States and abroad have taken part in the program.

Wounded Head was also recognized for superior academic achievement by the National Society of High School Scholars. The society is an organization which recognizes the top scholars in the nation and invites those with superior academic excellence.

The press release noted, "Membership in NSHHS entitles qualified students to enjoy a wide variety of benefits, including scholarship opportunities, academic competitions, free events, member-only resources, publications, participation in program offered by educational partners, online forums, personalized recognition items, and publicity honors."

Aloysius's parents are Tony and Marilyn M. Wounded Head of Porcupine.

Correction from veteran's pow wow

The following is a correction to the article in Issue 37 entitled "All Veterans Pow wow honors Crazy Thunder and others" was submitted by Barb Swan of Pine Ridge.

On Saturday, June 10 the family of David Francis Crazy Thunder honored him with a "Welcome Home" ceremony during the All Veterans Pow wow. Dave served in the U.S. Navy for 32 years and retired as a Chief petty Officer. He is the third oldest son of Joseph Crazy Thunder and Rosa Janis-Crazy Thunder. Crazy Thunder and his other siblings all attended Holy Rosary Mission before entering the military services: Nicholas-U.S. Army, Frank-U.S. Army-Special Forces, clement-U.S. Marines-Killed in Action in Iwo Jima, and younger sister Helen Crazy Thunder-Wilson, RN-1st Lieutenant, U.S. Air Force. Dave's older son, Robert, retired from the U.S. Marines as a Major, serving 25 years military service. The eagle feather was given by Oglala Lakota College in a previous Veteran's recognition ceremony. (We asked Chris to tie the feather on him) and was kept by his niece, Barb Swan, until his return home. The Standing Buffalo drum group sang the honoring song. His Lakota name, "War Shield"-Wachun-kaha, was given to him by his grandmother. He moved home from Bend, Oregon and now resides in Rushville, Neb. with his younger brother, Frank and family. Another sister, Irene Tibbitts, lives north of Manderson, and another sister, Emma, is deceased.

Another correction was also submitted by Ivan and Stephanie Sorbel.

Stephanie Rae Sorbel, Miss Red Feather Society 2005-2006," has worked all year representing the Red Feather Society in the best way possible. She worked really hard to get things together for her fancy dance special which was given in her honor by her parents and drew at least 20 dancers. It was a very nice special and Honoring that was mistakenly attributed to another girl., Brittany White Eyes.

Community Calendar

G.O.S.K.A.T.E. competition
Saturday, June 24 sign in at 10 a.m. and competition in skateboarding to begin at 1 p.m. at YO Park in Pine Ridge with a $5 entry fee

Oglala Lakota College Graduation and activities
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 23-25 at the Three Mile Creek pow wow grounds southwest of Kyle with graduation set for 10 a.m. Sunday, June 25th

Injury Prevention workshop
Tuesday, June 27 in Pine Ridge at the SuAnne Center or YO Park.

OST Council Special Session
Thursday, June 29 at the Porcupine CAP office at 10 a.m. for a hearing on OST President Cecelia Fire Thunder.

Slow Pitch Softball tourney
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 30-July2 at the Oglala Memorial ball field, eight men's teams and six women's teams, for info call Ted at 441-6922.

North American Indigenous Games
July 2-9 in Denver, Colo. With Team South Dakota competing in basketball, volleyball, wrestling, track and field and cross country, archery, baseball, boxing, golf and Tae Kwan Do.

2006 Beauty and the Beast Challenge
Tuesday, July4th at the Three Mile Creek rodeo arena outside of Kyle with competition in barrel racing and bull riding for info call 455-2177 or 455-2797.

Gathering of Nations
To defend Bear Butte, Tuesday, July 4th at Bear Butte, northeast of Sturgis with workshops, seminars and meetings, fun, music and games for info call 455-2155, 455-2508 or 964-4642

CRL Training
Tuesday, July 25th at the Shannon County school board room in Batesland room 9 a.m. to 5:50 p.m. with seating limited to 15 attendees call ann at 288-1921 for information and to reserve a seat

Bus Driver Training/In service
Wednesday, July 26, Batesland School gym from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with instructor Dan Duenwald , for info contact Ann at 288-1921 or 800 419-4023.

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Thoughts that come from the heart

A memorial tribute to Monte Ecoffey



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Monte Ecoffey was a creative artist and a humorous person, with wit and a passion for truth and accompanying boldness for telling it.

Monte was 40 years old and he died this week. I met Monte many years ago when he came to work for *Indian Country Today* where I was the editor. He was in sales and marketing and later moved to the southwest in 1994 to manage the Southwest Bureau at Tempe, Ariz. He later worked at some of the local tribal schools as a computer technician and graphic artist.

He had this energy that I admired back then and again I saw that energy when he came to work at Lakota Country Times earlier this year for awhile. Monte was a graphic artist and attended Al Collins Commercial Art School in Tempe. He had his own design services he called Ecoffey Graphics.

He agreed to come to work with me as I needed help with the newspaper. We spent more than a month working together to get the newspaper out each week. It was then that he taught me something valuable that I took to heart. We would often talk, as our desks were side by side, about tribal politics, current issues and things in our lives. He gave me a refreshing view of reservation life that I sometimes forgot.

One day, I was frustrated with how decisions were being made by our leadership within our nation. I commented to him I was working to publish the newspaper and online edition to inform people of what is going on and to get both sides and to be unbiased. Sometimes some people didn't want the other side to be told and sometimes people would get upset at me for telling the other side and how vicious people can get in promoting their agenda. I told him I wanted to do this because people needed to know their language and where they came and to promote healthiness. He told me, "Amanda, there will always be 'haters'" and that was 'something that I had to accept.' "It's a part of life," he said. I found it amusing how he used the term "haters" but came to understand that what he said was true.

He helped me to understand that there will always be another side to an issue and sometimes there isn't always a platform to be able to state that 'other side.'

He enjoyed his dad's radio show and made sure we listened to it when we could on Internet. There were times he and I would have our discussions on what was the 'real truth' and what wasn't. He helped me to revisit my journalism ethics that I sometimes forgot doing this week after week, that the publication that was I was publishing was a public trust and that it should be done with fairness and accuracy and that meant telling both sides and allowing both sides to be told. He reminded me that I should publish what I held in my heart to be true. To look at the minority view in certain issues, as that was valid also.

Monte was a great friend and I don't know why he had to die and I regret I couldn't come forth and talk to him about unsaid things that should have been said.

I know he did many things in his life that made an impact on people.

He had many friends and came from a large family and he had that humor that was good to be around. He had wit and a knack for tartness that made an impact on one. I would remind him of that.

He loved his parents Anita and Frank 'Bob' Ecoffey. I loved hearing him talk about them as it reminded me of my own.

I can't describe his personal agendas but I knew him as a co-worker and for his creative ability and his humor.

Tim Giago wanted me to include his comment on Monte, "I remember Monte as a fresh faced young man eager to learn when he first applied to work for me at the old Lakota Times. He started in the sales department and was soon moving up the ladder with the company. I don't think anybody in the company ever had a bad thing to say about him. He always was cordial, he was a hard worker, and he was always punctual. But more than that, Monte was well liked by everybody who knew him. He was still a young man when he died and he still had a lot of life ahead of him and he will be missed by those who knew him and by his wonderful family."

Dr. Archie Beauvais also commented on his brief workplace interactions with Monte, as he said, "Monte always seemed respectful to me in the brief time I worked with him which was one day a week. He never said anything negative, but he seemed to enjoy it when I and Amanda would debate an issue that related to a news story or some human interest. Monte had a great sense of humor and his writing seemed to be improving in the short time that I knew him. I believe Monte was, indeed, a bright young man who possessed a certain creative energy that was looking to be channeled into the right projects."

Avis Little Eagle, who is now vice chairwoman of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and publisher of *Teton Times*, an Indian owned and operated newspaper covering Standing Rock and Cheyenne River Sioux Reservations, "I was deeply saddened when I heard of the death of my good friend and former co-worker Monte Ecoffey, who I had the honor of working with at *Lakota Times* and *Indian Country Today*. I will always cherish those memories, because Monte was a very special person who was intelligent, artistic and had a wonderful sense of humor. I will miss him greatly. My condolences to his family and his friends on Pine Ridge and in Rapid City who will also be struggling with this loss."

Another friend of his, Pam Stillman-Rokusek, media relations coordinator at Rapid City Regional Hospital. "I write this in sadness, just having learned of Monte Ecoffey's passing. I worked with Monte for several years at the original *Lakota Times*. It was easy to become fast friends with Monte – he was very outgoing and joked with everyone. He had a great personality and was always willing to pitch in and help out wherever needed. Monte made a big impression on me. He was smart, skilled, and one of the most creative persons I have ever known. Monte loved music and the arts. Through his work, he strived to shine the spotlight on all the good things going on in Indian country. I will never forget the friendship and good times that we shared. My thoughts and prayers go out to Monte's family and many friends. Rest in peace, dear friend.

I want to thank Avis, Tim, Archie and Pam for the nice words.

Monte was a part of building something for Native America and that was a voice and promoting Indian journalism so we could tell our own stories. He was a part of building a newspaper that soon became national - *Indian Country Today.*

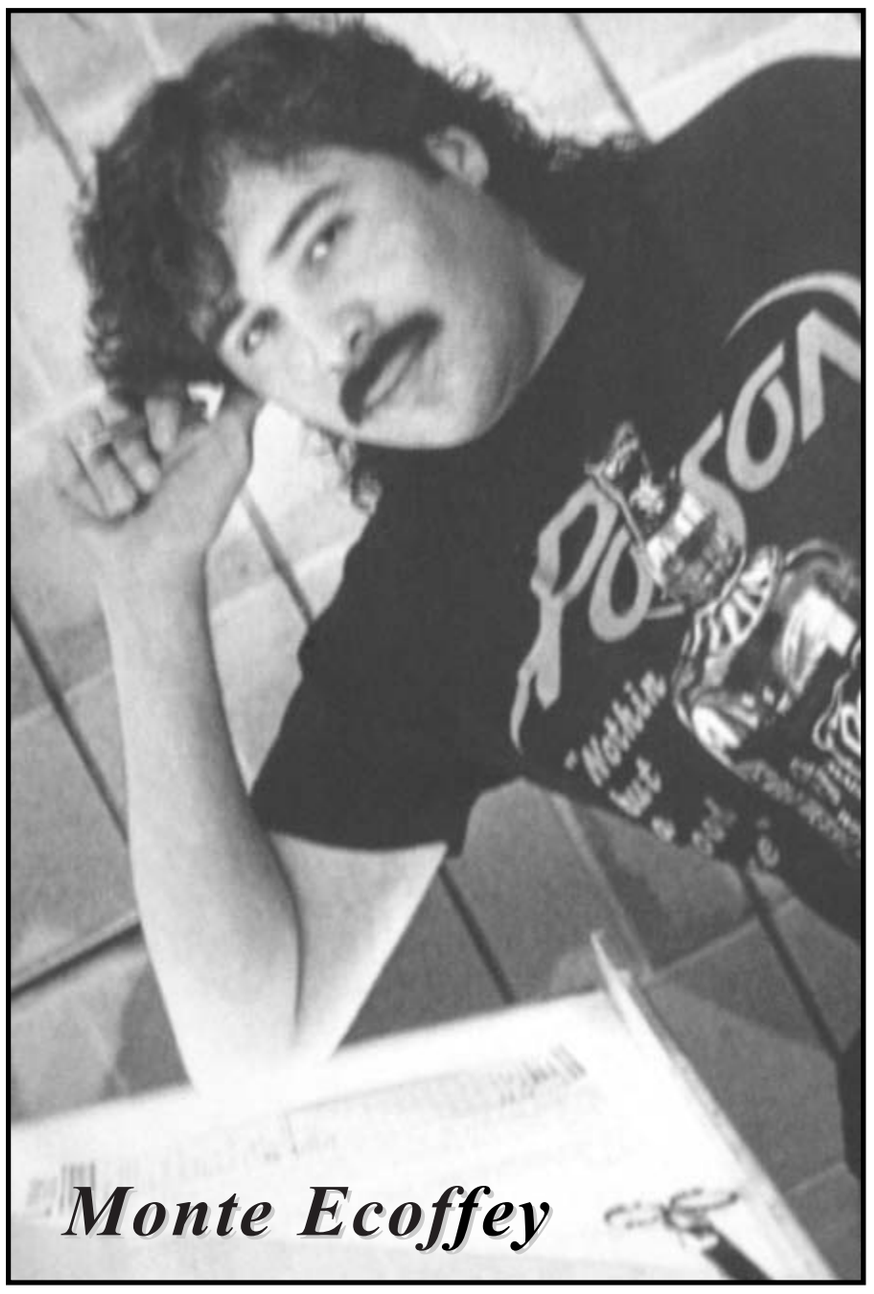
Those little contributions he did back then become part of a bigger picture that we have today.

Monte did teach me something about 'haters' but he also taught me something with his death.

Show people how you care about them while they are here on this Earth.

I wish I could have told Monte I cared about him while he was here and that we could have wrote these things to him while he was here but I am sure he knew that and I wish I could have prayed with him while he was sick.

Actually I could almost see him give me that little sideways glance he always does… and I knew it meant.. 'just chill.'



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Other Views

To the members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe

Dear Editor:

As I read the last issue of Lakota Country Times, I was taken by surprise. It is a rather rare to read a response to a response in the same issue. I get the feeling Mr. Giago and myself are being perceived as childish men engaging in written word bickering.

However, it's my turn, and it will be the last time.

If you carefully ready my response in last week's issue, and Mr. Giago's response on the preceding page, you now know why I was not looking forward to disagreeing with Mr. Giago, did I, or did I not call that one right on the money?

I feel a little correction and elaboration on my part is called for. It was not I who expressed concern that Mr. Giago does not live here. If you read the first paragraph of response, you will find hat was what my constituents expressed. For Mr. Giago to attribute that mindset as belonging to me is absurd. I too have many relatives and friends living off the rez. I would be the first to proclaim that they have all that is afforded to them through their natural birthright as Lakota.

I take offense to the presumption that I am one of those macho idiots who feel they can dictate to a woman in regards to what she can or cannot do with her body.

I have drawn extreme criticism because I do believe that women have the absolute say-so over their own bodies.

I would have preferred to stay out of this issue altogether, being a man who has no right to voice an opinion on what is considered a woman's issue, it would be like demanding to partake of women's ceremonies.

Unfortunately, the President's actions forced the issue on all us.. It was then that the issue became so much bigger than what Tim Giago or Will Peters thought.

It was then that I, as an elected official had to adhere to the Lakota worldview that all life is sacred. I am nothing, my life exists for the People. Were it not for the struggles of the Lakota Oyate then a true Lakota Wicasa would have no purpose in life.

I feel bad for the President, she blew it big time, there were certainly options available to her had she remembered to consult with the Lakota women she claims to advocate for. For example, she should have called for a reservation-wide referendum on the issue of her proposed abortion clinic. Only the women of the Lakota Nation would have been called upon to decide the issue.

The outcome would have been taken as the women of the Nation's decision on the matter. The Lakota men then, would have been called upon to support the women's decision and that would have been that. Or does that sound too much like creating laws supporting our own religious convictions?

Friends and relatives, I will honestly share with you, what ultimately became the deciding factor for me in voting for the ban of abortions on the homeland of the Lakota. I am fearful of the kind of violence that abortion clinics attract. As a councilman, I cannot in good conscience support anything that may result in any tribal member getting hurt of killed.

We all know that abortion clinics are subject to bombings, not to mention the fact that there is a breed of pro-lifers out there who will go so far as to take a life to get their point across. I for one will not expose my People to that kind of danger.

Since the beginning of this administration, there have been Lakota elders involved every step of the way. They have been there on a consistent basis. It is they who have encouraged us when we have done something right. It is those elders whose voices I physically hear and see that I must adhere too.

Mr. Giago's assertion that I should not take constructive criticism as a personal attack is absolutely correct, I respectfully ask the same of him.

We are both doing our jobs in our own respective ways of thinking, but we are both Lakota who basically believe the same things, we must have to have a gentlemen's agreement to disagree without trashing each other.

Our nation will never experience positive progress as long as we continue to drag each other down.

Tribal government can be viewed as such. Corruption, nepotism, cronyism, lack of a business council, lack of separation of powers, an ever deteriorating of our original landbase, weak financial management

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Northern Perspectives

Compensation to Lakota river tribes deserves another look



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

The Winter's Doctrine apparently was relied upon to spell out the rights of those Lakota tribes who had original claim to the Missouri River. I have a sense that the Sicangu Nation was once located near the Missouri, also but I have not actually studied they issue. I do know that our Sinte Gleska agency was relocated a couple times, if not more.

Without perusing the doctrine, as one might say in the wasicu world view, it appears that two sister Lakota tribes are in being confronted with skepticism as they are seeking additional compensation from the government for lands taken in the 1940's and 60's. The original land is forever valuable to the Crow Creek Sioux and Lower Brule Sioux and even by today's standard, it is impossible to put a price on someone's homeland.

My sense is that their current assessed valuation should be much higher than the original $39 million for Lower Brule and $68 for Crow Creek.

Wasicu ki daku eyuha unhapi ki cinpi, ca makoce Missouri River isakip iyanke ki he ihani wasekela icupi. Maza ska ki jona la unglazupi ca a hecetusni.

Lower Brule (Kule Wicasa) tribal chairman, Michael Jandreau, was seeking equity when Senator John McCain of Arizona, Chair of the Senate Indian Affairs Committee seemed a bit reluctant to re-visit the issue. Lower Brule is asking that an additional $129 million be added to the original trust fund, while Crow Creek is asking that $68 million be added.

McCain, at one time was highly lobbied by tribes seeking a friend in Congress, but in recent months it seems like the honey moon has been over. Coming from a high populated state of Native people, McCain most likely is confronted by such requests all the time.

As Chair of the Senate Indian Affairs Committee, the role is necessarily that of a "gatekeeper." To have one's original homeland taken away by Congressional legislation is akin to other people who have been displaced in the world and we all know that land appreciates with time.

Former RST Council Representative, Darrell Markus, suggested that the Sicangu Nation may also be seeking compensation for the lands which we lost in Kneip v. Rosebud Sioux tribe as our boundaries were reduced by five counties to the present boundaries of the Rosebud. In that case, there was absolutely no compensation and it was as recent as the late 1970's. I think it is worth pursuing.

Apparently, our friends Senator John Thune, Senator Tim Johnson and Byron Dorgan of North Dakota feel that the compensation amount back then was inadequate; Crow Creek tribal chairman, Lester Thompson says that there was no negotiation, but an attitude of 'move or else.'

Many people on the Rosebud support the Crow Creek and Lower Brule in this ongoing effort to be treated with respect, parity, and equity as we seek reparation for imposing an unjust action upon a people who occupied the area first. Whatever doctrine was followed at the time, whether it was 'move or else', 'divine intervention' or some other discovery notion, such outmoded attitude simply doesn't fly in this day in age. Lakota nations are simply too sophisticated in the ways of the world and we deserve respect.

Things to empower yourself

Ethics: a delicate issue where it shouldn't be



By Patty Pourier

A committee I serve on recently was interviewing a candidate for a job. One of the questions asked was to define ethics. Much to my surprise- it was difficult for the candidates to come up with an answer.

Ethics has been defined as not offensive, not insulting, not manipulative, not aggressive, but qualities that are lovely, gracious, and admirable.

The subject of pro-choice or pro-life seem to bring out the topic of who's ethics or morals are right and whose are wrong. You can tell the subject is highly divided just by the way the controversially topic is referred, pro-choice or abortion.

People opposing pro-choice do not refer to the subject as pro-choice, but as abortion, keeping the emphasis on the destruction of the fetus, and keeping away from the woman's choice. In contrast, people supporting pro-choice prefer to use the term pro-life-keeping the emphasis on the woman's right to choose.

For the most part, people draw the line deep in the dirt on this issue and there does not seem to be any middle ground. They are at one end of the line or the other. The one who describes the act as abortion is usually to the far right and the person who describes the act as a pro-choice is at the opposite end or far left.

What about starting to think a little higher than down in the dirt where the line is drawn. What about getting out of the mud, and start to think a little higher than dirt level. Start to think above the line. Start to think with gentleness, love, respect and honor. Start to think with kindness instead of aggression. How could a subject so tender as creation get this ugly?

How can any man or woman who has never been pregnant pass judgment on those who have? Wouldn't it be more appropriate to have the subject of pregnancy and choices of pregnancy discussed in a group of woman who are affected with the dilemma of an unwanted pregnancy, with the goal of being able to support and love the woman and life rather than judge the woman?

Our nation has decided to make decisions by a majority people who are incapable of knowing how it feels to have conceived a baby. We jump on the bandwagon when white people try to make a decision for Indian people, which affect only Indian people.

But why is it all right for men and non-childbearing women to make this decision for pregnant women? Would it be any more appropriate for the state of South Dakota to determine the rate of income tax for people living in Florida?

Or would it be appropriate for a group of women to decide when and how often and under what circumstances a man could ejaculate?

And if a man should be allowed to masturbate? Are the last couple of sentences inappropriate to you?

It seems just as inappropriate to me for the subject of a pregnancy of a woman to be discussed in the arenas I have recently witnessed.

Couldn't there be a spirit of support for a pregnant woman?

Some respect for Creation? Couldn't we have ethics within our governments to not have this delicate issue dragged through the mud on the floor of the tribal council, state legislature, and Supreme Court?

Notes From Indian Country

Bill Gates should look in his own backyard



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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Since graduation time is here for Oglala Lakota College on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota, and at the other thirty colleges located on Indian reservations across western America, I wanted to know; what happens next?

I called Tom Short Bull, the president of OLC to find out. Short Bull is very proud of the accomplishments of the Indian colleges and well he should be. As I have said so often, the Indian colleges are one of the best-kept secrets in America. They were developed from the hearts and minds of the Indian people. If any critic is looking for an Indian success story in America they need look no further than the Indian colleges.

But in spite of their unequivocal success, they are one of the most under funded college systems in America.

White liberals with good intentions, have told me on innumerable occasions, that the only way Indians will ever pull themselves up out of poverty is to get an education. When I tell these folks about the many success stories of the Indian owned colleges they are usually aghast because they didn't know such a higher educational system existed on Indian reservations.

Short Bull takes pride in the many RN's now working in the Indian hospitals across America that got their degrees from the Indian colleges. He is extremely happy about the many elementary and high school teachers now working in the reservation schools thanks to gaining their degrees at the Indian colleges. The colleges fulfilled the two most basic needs in Indian country first; health and education. They next took on the challenges of bringing businesses and jobs.

Marilyn Kockrow is the Department Chair/Program Coordinator of the Applied Science & Technology Department of Oglala Lakota College. She has been charged with the responsibility of finding ways and means to creating entrepreneurs on the reservation. She said, "One of the first things we need to do in order to be successful is to find ways to bring houses here. If we are to build businesses we need to be able to find homes for the business builders."

Kockrow knows there must be a business code enacted in order to protect prospective business owners and the acquisition of land to build upon must be made much easier by the tribal government. She said, "One thing that discourages people wanting to open businesses here is the difficulties they face in trying to find land or even a building. There is plenty of land but much of it is held in trust or is a part of a fractionated heirship."

The next and probably the biggest problem in securing a loan is that funds through the tribe or the Bureau of Indian Affairs are non-existent. An Indian cannot walk into a bank in one of the towns bordering the reservation (there is no bank on the Pine Ridge Reservation) and secure a loan. If that Indian owns land it is held in trust by the federal government and cannot be used as collateral. And funds for economic development allocated to the BIA have been cut so dramatically that the coffers are nearly empty.

Organizations such as the Lakota Fund have limited resources. They often give small loans, but they are not in a position to extend large loans. If a person wanted to open an auto repair shop it would take somewhere in the neighborhood of $50,000 to $100,000 to get the doors open. If all one has is a dream and nothing else, the dream usually ends at the loan department of a local bank.

U. S. senators and congressmen have known for years that economic development is key to the survival, the revival and the success of Indian nations. I'm not even going to get into casinos here because out here in Indian country the casinos are barely surviving and are not making enough in profits to set up a pool of money for business loans.

Getting a loan through the Small Business Administration is about as difficult as getting the winning ticket in the lottery. South Dakota has been setting aside tax money for budding entrepreneurs called The Redi-Fund. My former newspaper labeled it The Whitey-Fund because 99 percent of the loans it made went to white people.

Tom Short Bull and Marilyn Kockrow have grand and attainable goals for the college and its efforts to train businessmen and women and to assist them in securing the funds to build businesses on the reservation. All they lack is the money. Kockrow said, "Last year we managed to get $40,000 from the Kellogg Fund and other sources and we are trying to raise that to $70,000 next year." That is just a drop in the bucket for the college that hopes to make a difference. It is also a slap in the face to these dedicated people.

Short Bull said, "88 percent of our graduates stay on the reservation to work." How many college communities in America can make that same claim?

While the Bill Gates' of this country are tooling around the world handing out money to poor people of other nations, I get very angry that they do not take a look in their own back yard. Why don't they visit Pine Ridge and have a "sit-down" with Short Bull and Kockrow and talk to the many Indian students just itching to open their own businesses?

If Gates and other billionaires want to meet people so dedicated to a cause that they place it above all else, at times even above their own health, they need to meet Tom Short Bull and Marilyn Kockrow and then they might learn a little bit about the true nature of the American Indian. Until they do, they will never know the meaning of the word "dedication."

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system, lack of tribal unity, and the non-stop encroachments of our sovereignty continue to be the biggest factors contributing to the struggles of our People.

It was in this spirit that I challenged Mr. Giago, to help bring these aspects into light. As a man I am willing, but no man or woman can do it by themselves. What is a man or woman without their People? They are nothing.

In closing, I too want to thank Amanda Takes War Bonnett for printing my writings, I know she does not agree with my views, but as a Lakota Woman, she does not silence my voice. For that, she has my respect. *Lila wopila tanks icece yelo, Ta Chunku Luta Waunspewicakiya he miyelo, hece tuwelo!*

With Respect,
Will Peters
Pine Ridge, S.D.



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High fructose syrup: Are we addicted to sweetners?

Dear Editor:

For those of you who don't watch the television show Boston Legal, there was a recent episode in which a fat guy sued the company that made the snacks he claimed he was addicted to, which led at least in part, to his food addiction and resultant obesity. The snack cakes were sweetened with High Fructose Corn Syrup (HFCS) and the "facts" about it as stated in the teleplay by an outraged Shirley, the plaintiff's lawyer, played by Candice Bergen, were, I thought, quite amazing if true. Since seeing that show, I have been researching articles on the subject, and found an article in the *Washington Post* by Sally Squires, a *Post* Staff Writer. The article was entitled "Sweet but not so innocent? High Fructose Corn Syrup May Act More Like Fat Than Sugar in the Body"

Here are a few paragraphs that really sum it up:

An advantage of high-fructose corn syrup is that it "'tastes sweeter than refined sugar, making it a popular ingredient for food manufacturers because it enables them to use less," says George A. Bray, former director of Louisiana State University's Pennington Biomedical Research Center in Baton Rouge. As a liquid, the syrup is easier to blend into beverages than refined sugar, according to the National Soft Drink Association (NSDA). Industry taste tests suggested that consumers liked food and drink with high-fructose corn syrup as much as refined beet or cane sugar.

In the 1980s, manufacturing methods improved, prompting a boost in production of high-fructose corn syrup and a drop in price to just pennies below that of refined sugar. "While that may not sound like much to the average consumer, when you consider how many pounds [the soft drink industry buys], it was millions of dollars if not hundreds of millions of dollars in savings," says Drew Davis, NSDA's vice president for federal affairs.

The switch made economic sense and, as Davis notes, "Back then, there was no suggestion that high-fructose corn syrup was metabolized differently" than other sugars. More recent research suggests, however, that there may be some unexpected nutritional consequences of using the syrup. "Fructose is absorbed differently than other sugars", says Bray. "It doesn't register in the body metabolically the same way that glucose does."

For example, consumption of glucose kicks off a cascade of biochemical reactions. It increases production of insulin by the pancreas, which enables sugar in the blood to be transported into cells, where it can be used for energy. It increases production of leptin, a hormone that helps regulate appetite and fat storage, and it suppresses production of another hormone made by the stomach, ghrelin, that helps regulate food intake. It has been theorized that when ghrelin levels drop, as they do after eating carbohydrates composed of glucose, hunger declines.

Fructose is a different story. It "appears to behave more like fat with respect to the hormones involved in body weight regulation," explains Peter Havel, associate professor of nutrition at the University of California, Davis. "Fructose doesn't stimulate insulin secretion. It doesn't increase leptin production or suppress production of ghrelin. That suggests that consuming a lot of fructose, like consuming too much fat, could contribute to weight gain." Whether it actually does do this is not known "because the studies have not been conducted," said Havel.

The body takes in carbs, glucose or sucrose, (a 50-50 mixture of natural glucose and fructose found in table sugar,) the body reacts with insulin and leptin, two hormones that tell the brain the body is satisfied. Hence, leptin is called the "satiety hormone." (You and I might call it the satisfaction hormone and still have it right.) There is a third substance called ghrelin, produced in the stomach, which sends a "full" signal to the brain as well.

High Fructose Corn Syrup does not do this. The body does not "see" it as a carbohydrate, as glucose, or as sucrose, and doesn't react in the usual way. Could a substance that stimulates your pleasure centers while failing to satisfy a basic need be addicting? I think so. That pretty well describes heroin, doesn't it?

Do the people who put the stuff in our food know it's addictive? They claim not, they say it's safe. One way to fight this out is in court, as on the Boston Legal episode. Another way is to not buy the product and see who lives longer.

Diabetes is bad. Many people are born with it. (Type I diabetes.) Some of us acquire it, get it later in life because our pancreas wears out and won't make enough insulin for us to handle sugars. (Type II diabetes.)

But when our kids are getting it in their teens, and our wives and husbands and brothers and sisters get it in their twenties, thirties and forties, it's worse than bad. It's tragic.

In the past, the advancing settlers brought many diseases with them and many Lakota died. We did not know about these things and we paid a heavy price. But now we know. Don't go to the grocery store and buy and eat things that will give you diabetes. Read the ingredients; make your own choices.

The entire article can be found here: http://www.washingtonpost.com/ac2/wp-dyn/A8003-2003Mar10?language=printer

It's interesting to note too, from other stuff I found, that our national rate of obesity began to climb the same year the food processing industry began using HFCS. 1983. The first year of the Great Deregulation under Ronald Regan. Hmmm?

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The myth of tribal sovereignty?

Dear Editor:

I am a member of the Sicangu Oyate; the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.

A while back, I sat down and put some thoughts down on paper that dealt with my concerns in regard to Tribal Nations "Sovereignty".

In the end, I came to the conclusion that Tribal sovereignty was slowly, but steadily becoming a "myth".

The steady and progressive erosion of tribal sovereignty has become increasingly evident with the advent of our casinos. Where once we took a resolute stand against federal and state intrusion and attacks on tribal jurisdiction, leadership now is so fearful of jeopardizing funding, that capitulation and acquiescence has become the norm.

Swallow our pride. Look the other way. We too, have become slaves to the almighty dollar. Some examples:

Taxes:

For years, tribal members have been paying a state imposed "Gross Receipts" tax and a state "PUC" (Public Utilities Commission) tax.

The PUC tax is to help fund the state of South Dakota's Public Utilities Commission, an entity which does not have jurisdiction on the Rosebud Reservation. Regulation and adjudication of utilities is within the jurisdiction of the Rosebud Tribe through its "Utilities Commission."

The Gross Receipts tax is said to be in lieu of a property tax and is to be paid by the telecommunications companies.

Sixty percent is to be used to keep property taxes lower in the state and forty percent goes to the counties.

I pose the questions: If I am a member of a so-called "Sovereign Tribe", why should I pay a foreign tax to give a tax break to a non-member owning property in the Paha Sapa (Black Hills), or somewhere else in the state of South Dakota? Why should I be paying for its County Commissions? The Rosebud Sioux Tribe does have an agreement with the state of a four percent tax. There is absolutely no agreement on the illegal Gross Receipts and PUC taxes.

The tribe must make a sovereign stand. Pass legislation prohibiting all illegal taxes; those not entered into by contract with foreign entities. Leadership is aware of this issue, but deigns and concedes to state legislation. Swallow our pride. Look the other way.

Seek to start a small business on the Rosebud land you will encounter forms of state jurisdiction. Perhaps the Rosebud Sioux Tribe should rescind the four percent tax collection agreement with the state of South Dakota until the imposition of these illegal taxes ceases. We can collect this tax on our own.

If the "Incidence of Burden" of the taxes is established to be placed, passed on to tribal membership, then we have a legal obligation to pursue litigation. The Oyate, ikce wicasa-wiya, are having a hard enough time as it is. Look to the similarities of the "Pourier Case" in Pine Ridge.

Courts: I firmly believe in our tribal court system. Yes, it needs improvement. Most everything does. We must seek to make our court system a model of what a tribal court system should be. Otherwise, the state and feds will continue to covet and attack our judicial resources. True sovereignty includes control of our own judicial resources.

We are too quick to adapt state measures in our Law and Order Code. Keep I mind, there are 50 states. Why give credence to an entity (South Dakota) which covets what little we have left?

We must make it a long term commitment to return jurisdiction of the so-called "14 Major Crimes Act" to the tribes. I have a piece of legislation that was written by a brilliant native attorney, and he has offered this as the vehicle to be introduced to the American Congress.

The feds completely control the Rosebud Sioux Tribe's Police and Court systems. Our people are filling the American state and federal maxa tipila (iron houses), prisons. Many are innocent, many were "railroaded", or were put away on misdemeanors. The victims of crime must be protected, so too, must the native victims of the oppressive state and federal judicial systems.

I plan to write more on these matters which will soon affect all our tiospaye. We cannot allow ourselves to continue to swallow our pride and look the other way.

Rights-of-Way,Easements (1813 Study): There is presently an attempt by powerful utilities companies to have "eminent domain" on rights-of-ways and easements over and across Indian Country.

They (and their powerful allies), approached the American Congress and said they were being taken advantage of by tribes and for Congress to grant them eminent domain over and across tribal lands.

How ludicrous! The arrogance and agreed of the controlling wasicu is amazingly alarming. The Indian is basically altruistic.

We are concerned for the welfare of others, our tiospaye, the Oyate as a whole. These corporations are concerned only about their pocketbooks; the almighty dollar. "in God We Trust." They can't steal enough.

More alarming, Congress conceded and inserted a "Section 1813" in the 2005 Energy Act. This Act directs the DOI and DOE (Depts of Interior and Energy) to do a study on rights-of-ways and easements in Indian Country to see if there is merit to these corporate complaints.

A dedicated tribal member has been delegated to do a thorough study on at least one company doing business here on the Rosebud. We will prove that the Sicangu have been grossly taken advantage of for tona years by utilities companies and the BIA has been an accomplice. We will not swallow our pride and look the other way. In the end, this so-called "Section 1813" study will prove to be to our tribe's advantage. The poorest are economically taken advantage of by the richest. (The American Way?)

Constitutional Convention: I mention this historic process because, the Rosebud Sioux Tribe's constitutional Task Force completed its task 14 months ago and submitted 27 proposed amendments to the DOI (Department of Interior), through the local and area Bureau of Indian Affairs offices. Initially, there were 189 proposed amendments written by visionary Sicangu.

Many saw the IRA form of government as not working for the Oyate.

I am disheartened and saddened that the BIA continues to sit on these proposed amendments. What is further discouraging is that our leadership seems to be in complicity, with some supporting this obstructionism. We should not fear necessary change. Kiksuya! Remember that this change was mandated by the Oyate, by the ikce wicasa-wiya.

I personally think that our sacred hoop will never be rehealed as long as we are governed by an IRA system. We will not be sovereign. We will continue to swallow our pride and we will continue to look the other way. I am also keenly congnizant to the reality that we have to have a degree of faith and hope in elected tribal leadership. I consistently pray for them. I am encouraged when I hear protectors of tribal jurisdiction such as Fern Bordeaux/Boltz speak out. I know there will be future leaders to guide us. Just as honorable, past leaders such as Frank La Point Sr. and Alex Little Soldier, once did. These are our champions and defenders of tribal sovereignty.

If we are to stop the erosion and diminishment of tribal sovereignty, we must make the treaties the foundation of our safeguarding-that, and our spirituality. We must pray for protection. There are enemies of our sacred treaties, from congressmen who would abolish them, to newspaper editorial writers who use smoke signals to belittle them.

I believe the Treaties are sacred because the spirits of our ancestors helped craft them and will continue to guide us, if we only believe.

The U.S. Constitution is not an archaic, historic document. Neither are native treaties.

The American Constitution says Treaties are the supreme law of the land, after all.

I am only one native man. I am not much, but I will not stand for the diminishment and sacrificing of sovereignty.

We natives, one and all, must make a stand of protection.

Otherwise, we will be telling our takoja's (grandchildren) the "myth of tribal sovereignty".

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Team South Dakota sends 241 athletes in eight sports to 2006 North American Indigenous Games in Denver

14 tribes represented including eight of nine in South Dakota

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE/ROSEBUD - Final arrangements and last minute details are being worked out as 241 athletes in eight sports and 43 coaches, managers and chaperones prepare for their July 1 departure date to Denver for the 2006 North American Indigenous Games.

Opening ceremonies are set for Invesco Field in Denver on Sunday, July 2 as Team South Dakota joins an expected 7,500 athletes and 1,500 support personnel in the Parade of Athletes that come from 23 U.S. delegations and 11 Canadian delegations.. The ceremonies taking place in the home of the Denver Broncos, open competition for the gold in 16 sports in a celebration of Native American and First Nation sport and culture.

"The games represent such a great opportunity for our athletes to gain a wide variety of experiences," said Denise One Star, chef de mission of Team South Dakota, "each one of our athletes will have opportunities to meet and connect with and compete against athletes from so many tribes across the U.S. and Canada, these are memories that will last a lifetime."

Each of the 18 teams are still busy raising money for the trip to Denver, according to One Star; transportation for all of the athletes is still not tied down. Athletes on Team South Dakota represent the Yankton, Lower Brule, Cheyenne River, Crow Creek, Sisseton Wahpeton, Standing Rock. Rosebud and Oglala Sioux Tribes as well as Oneida, Chippewa, Meskwaki, Spirit Lake, Cayuga and Seminole Nations.

"St. Francis and Todd County schools are both contributing a bus but we are not sure exactly what we have from the Pine Ridge area, we have a request in for Pine Ridge and Porcupine schools," added One Star, "lunch meals are not provided by the Athletes Village and we need both tribal and community support as teams fundraise money for lunches for the athletes, uniforms and travel."

Each team is responsible for organizing practices, scheduling practice games or participating in local tournaments around the area. The bantam boy basketball team(13 and 14 year olds) coached by Sonny Farmer won the eighth grade division of Hill City's Rising Stars team camp against a tough Red Cloud team the first weekend of June. The bantam team heading for Denver includes Alex and Austin Prue, Trevor Whirlwind Soldier, Trevor Farmer, Jimmy Plooster and Tavish Bartlett of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, Devon Saul and Darian Langdeau of Lower Brule, Tyson Langdeau of Crow Creek and Daylon Black Bull, Kyle Blacksmith and Dominic "Bo" Leftwich from the Oglala Sioux Tribe. Neil Traversie is the assistant coach and Brett Spotted Elk is the team manager.

Pete McCloskey is the coach of the bantam girls basketball team with Julio Rodriguez as the assistant, Lavera Brave, the team manager and Earlene Rooks the chaperone and the team includes Peri DeCory, Caitlin Whiting, Darryllyn Brave, Delia Big Boy, Kaylee Spotted Elk, Valerie Boltz, Tiara Maxon, Bethany Kirkie, Harriet Standing Soldier, Kanisha Rooks, Jhacie Red Owl and Amber Steele.

The Midget girl's basketball team (15/16) is coached by Jolene One Star, assisted by Echo LeBeau with Maria Valandra, the team manager and includes Lacey Weston, Christian Janis, Keisha Brewer, Shaina Clifford, Marque Lunderman, Danielle Locust, Kristina Standing Soldier, Auriah Prue, Kenzy Pinney, Josie Stone, Brianne Herman and Mareca Riodriguez.

Alfred Leftwich is coaching the midget boy's basketball team, Corwin Blacksmith is the assistant, April Leftwich is the manager and includes Christian McGhee, Billy Scott, Bryer Iron Cloud, Henry Crow, RJ Estes, Roman Leftwich, William Pond, Lawyer Claymore, Tim Little Shield, Canku One Star, Jeremy Blacksmith and Brandon Fast Horse.

The juvenile girl's basketball team is coached by Totes Waln, assisted by Deborah Steele and includes Sunni Busch, Kari Two Lance, Tia McCloskey, Christy Webber, Sadie In The Woods, Ty Ann Pourier, Robin Webber, Kristin Weston, Ashley Ross, Shawna Cuny, Brittany Azure and Charlee Running Eagle.

Dave Brushbreaker is the coach of the juvenile boy's basketball team, Lino Spotted Elk is the assistant while the team includes Colton Douville, Lucas Good Shield, JJ Arcoren, Kansas and Kyal Middletent, Zeke Parvin, Duran Eastman, TJ McCauley, Gunner Krogman, Jeff Big Crow, Tyson Maxon and Will Edwards.



The Team South Dakota "Bantam Boys" basketball team competed in the "Rising Stars Basketball Tournament" in Hill City on June 3rd and 4th. Team South Dakota won the championship with a 53-50 victory over a tough Red Cloud team. The team is preparing for the North American Indigenous games in Denver, Colo. on July 2nd through July 8th. The team has been fundraising and a account has been opened at Wells Fargo. Any donations could be sent to NAIG-Bantam Boys Basketball Team c/o Sonny Farmer. Team members are: Alex Prue, Trevor Farmer, Jimmy Plooster, Devon Saul, Daylon Black Bull, Tavish Bartlett, Tyson Langdeau, Darian Langdeau, Kyle Blacksmith, T.J. Whirlwind Soldier, Austin Prue, Bo Leftwich. They are coached by Sonny Farmer, Neil Traversie, and Brett Spotted Elk.

Jess Big Crow and Joe Morrisette are coaching the women and men's basketball teams; Amanda Carlow, Joni Tobacco, Raina Two Lance, Katana Jackson, Michelle Carlow, Tate Locust and Jemma In The Woods will play for the adult women's team while Jess Heart, Tom White, Darrel Yellow Hair, Sheldon Chasing Hawk, George Dreamer Jr., Rodney Runnels and Beau Big Crow are set to play for the men.

Boxing has 16 participants with Team South Dakota including Vic Camp, Jr., Josh Steele, Levi Apple, Brad Hussman, Caitlyn Little Eagle, Coren Clown, Thane Jeffries, Henry Clifford, Spencer Thomas, James Ferguson, Thomas Clements, Monte Fire Thunder, Her Many Horses as the Brandon Kills Small, Dustin Ferguson, Benny Kasto and Austin Sanchez with Chisee Spencer as the coach, Joe Brings Plenty, the assistant, George Apple the manager and Christina Apple the chaperone.

The golfing team is represented by Ryan Holy Eagle, Corey Jensen, Rich Crow Eagle, Taylor Brushbreaker, Ernie Whipple, Montana Sierra, Rachel Valandra, Shauna Gentry, Jacqui White, Bobbi White, Shelby Ross and Ray Long Jr. with Buffy Grimshaw coaching, Roger Crow Eagle assistant coach and Dana Marshall and Connie Brushbreaker as chaperones.

Clay Leonard is the wrestling coach with Steve assistant and representing Team South Dakota is Albert Her Many Horses, Chris Rahn, Lawrence Ford, Kodi and Stephen Denoyer, Catlin Clifford, Andrew Twiss and Jacob Franks.

"We just cannot thank enough all of those who helped, we just couldn't do it without the help of each of those who contributed, volunteered, came up with ideas or chipped in what they could," said One Star, "all of the contributions makes Team South Dakota that much bigger."

Editor's Note* ***Remaining teams in next week's LCT.***

No! Basketball does not end in March

Coaches, volunteers help with skill camps, open gyms, leagues, team camps

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - For many folks, the youth basketball season ends with the Big Foot Conference tourney and BJ Weston and high school and college with the state tournaments and the NCAA tourney but for those interested in improving individual player skills or team chemistry and team results for the coming year, there is a spring tournament season, summer leagues and team camps and individualized lifting, ball handling and shooting work that goes on throughout the year.

"We have set up a busy schedule for both the boys and the girls in the basketball program at Pine Ridge high school," said Tiny DeCory, "Doni and I are taking the girls and the boys to a league in Wall every Wednesday night throughout June and there will be a tournament in early July, we take nine girls and 10-12 boys each week; Jones County, White River, Kadoka, New Underwood and Wall are included."

Pine Ridge girls will be participating in the North American Indigenous Games set for July 2-9 in Denver, Colorado while both the girls and the boys will be competing in the Native American Basketball Invitational July 10-15 in Phoenix. In between the big trips there is a tourney in Lower Brule and a new camp called the Native Elite Basketball Camp sponsored by the Omaha Nation Public Schools on June 23 and 24.

Bill Pourier will return as the boy's basketball at Pine Ridge while one of his assistants, Bill Mendoza will take over as the girl's coach. Shane Warwick, a nationally known trainer, came down to Pine Ridge this spring for a series of development drills with local ball players.

Following NABI in mid July, the Decorys plan a midnight basketball league in Pine Ridge at the YO park with life skills workshops and an award presentation at the end.

Last week Little Wound rehired both coaches from last year, Mary Tobacco for the girls and Jamie Feather Earring for the boys. Tobacco has open gym scheduled from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at the school in Kyle with some team camps and individual skills camps scheduled from mid June until the end of July for the high school ball players..

Matt Rama returns for his fourth year as head boy's coach at Red Cloud and has probably scheduled the most ambitious summer schedule. Rama has been running an individual skills camp each day from 1-3 p.m., Monday through Thursday for third through eighth graders, boys and girls.

Both the varsity and junior varsity high school teams are participating in the summer league at Rapid City Stevens high school that runs through June each Wednesday evening with a tournament the first week of July and includes stiff double AA competition with Stevens, RC Central, Sturgis, Douglas and Spearfish all involved. .

The varsity boys have been to team camps in Denver, Hill City, Aberdeen and McCook, the last four weekends and will finish out the month this weekend at Black Hills State University in Spearfish. With the league and team camps they will probably play over 50 games and each player will be encouraged to attend individual skills camps when possible and to work on their shooting, ball handling and weight training daily.

Christian McGhee, Billy Scott, Bryer Iron Cloud and Henry Crow will all participate in the Indigenous games set for July 2-8 in Denver.

As of yet, Red Cloud has not hired a girl's coach.

Chuck Brewer and Crazy Horse took both their high school boys and junior high boys to a team camp last weekend at South Dakota Tech in Rapid City. Last week Crazy Horse held a youth camp for youth from third through the eighth grade and may possibly go to Black Hills State the last weekend of June. They also have a church basketball camp scheduled for June 19-21 with a tournament on the 22. Crazy Horse is looking for a girl's coach and maybe a boy's coach depending on how much time Brewer has between his athletic director job and his new dean of student's position.

"If you want to be competitive at the end of the season and have a chance of going to state and doing well at state, you have to work during the off season," said both Rama and DeCory, "we have to do a better job of motivating our student athletes to work all year on their skill development, their academic preparation as well as playing games."

Laura Big Crow is preparing for Mayville State in the fall, she said I'm going to be in much better shape than I was when I first went to Williston; Laura played for Pine Ridge in high school, spent the last two years at Williston State tearing up the Mon-Dak conference and now will attend Mayville State,

Mackenzie Casey finished his sophomore year at South Dakota

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Basketball

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State University last month and is participating in a college league in Denver for four weeks as well as continuing to lift, work on ball handling and shooting.

Johnny Crow who just graduated from Red Cloud is going to McCook Community College in Nebraska and is in McCook to help his new coach with three basketball camps. He will return next week and get back to work on his weight lifting, shooting and ball handling to get ready for the fall.

Colleges and universities offer both individual skills and team camps throughout June and July while local high schools offer their won skills camps during the summer.

"We encourage our student athletes to take advantage of the skills camps around the area and throughout the state," said Rama and DeCory, "we all enjoy the success of a team that goes far in the post season, it comes down to how much work a student athlete does in the off-season, how much they work on their game with weight lifting, shooting, ball handling and conditioning drills."

Donations requested for White Bull to attend leadership forum

PINE RIDGE - Amanda White Bull, granddaughter of Wanda Standing Bear, has been selected to attend the "People to People World Leadership Forum" in Washington, DC in from March 5-11, 2007. White Bull, was nominated by Pamela Lliteras of Red Cloud Indian School.

Her grandmother is on social security and works part-time and is unable to raise the $2,274.00 dollars that Amanda will need to attend. The first $300.00 dollar down payment was paid and the remainder is $1,974.00 dollars.

Amanda will earn high credit while studying leadership and exploring some of the United States' most prominent monuments and institutions, according to a press release. Furthermore, it notes, "From Capitol Hill to the Smithsonian Institute and from Colonial Williamsburg to the National Museum of American History, White Bull will examine the characteristics of American leadership during times of national challenge and prosperity."

Anyone interested in donating to this worthy educational cause may send a deposit directly to the First National Bank of Gordon, NE. The account number is 11552. The address is PO Box 290, Gordon, Neb.

Amiotte selected to attend HOBY World Leadership Congress in Washington, DC

Donations sought to defray related costs to attend

KADOKA - Brett Amiotte was selected at the Hugh O'Bryan Youth Leadership Conference to attend the World Leadership Congress in Washington, D.C.

The HOBY World Leadership Congress will take place during the week of July 27-August 4. Brett was selected at the HOBY state conference held on the School of Mines Campus in Rapid City. He will be part of an elite group of 400 high school students selected from around the world. The World Leadership Congress will give him the opportunity to interface with international leaders and to develop educational and leadership skills vital to schools and communities.

He completed his sophomore year at Kadoka High School and had a 3.95 GPA during the 2005-2006 school year. He was also inducted into the National Honor Society and will serve as Vice-President of the Kadoka High School Student Council during the 2006-2007 school year. He is active in academic, extracurricular and athletic activities in his school.

Brett is the son of DeAnn Bearheels and the late Barry Amiotte and grandson of Leland and Iris Bearheels of Kadoka. Other grandparents are, Gordon Amiotte and Hannah Amiotte of Wanblee. He is a member of the Oglala and Crow Creek Sioux Tribes of South Dakota.

Attendance at the World Leadership Congress requires a registration fee of $1,350 as well as travel and other incidental costs. Brett is currently planning fundraisers and seeking donations to off-set the costs of attending. Donations can be sent to P.O. Box 75, Kadoka, SD 57543. Any questions can be directed to Brett at his home phone number: (605) 462-6307.

AA Meetings

Every Sunday at 6:30pm in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Grief Support Group

Meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888

Porcupine AA meeting

Every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30pm at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine, for info call Janice at 867-5404..

Porcupine School students attending Iowa's 2006 First Nations Life Summer Program

PORCUPINE - Seven students from Porcupine School are participating in the University of Iowa's "2006 Iowa First Nations Life Summer Program".

These students were selected on the basis on interest, scholarship, citizenship, and exemplary contribution to the overall education process at Porcupine School. The parents of these students and the school staff are very proud of the opportunity for these students to participate in this wonderful opportunity to enhance student science education and experience in a University Setting.

Porcupine School provided transportation for these students to Iowa City at 6:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 11 and they are expected to return on Saturday, July 1. Porcupine School is also proud of staff person John Brewer who is a part of this program and helping students to learn.

Co-dependency Support

Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 pm in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841.

Life after death class

Developing a better understanding of the journey of the soul, Fridays at 7 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Village College Center.

Lakota cultural activities to be held at Jameson Prison

SIOUX FALLS - The Lakota, Dakota, and Nakota Spiritual Group at Jameson Prison will host an honoring and powwow on July 15. Debra C. Flute, Jake and Myrna Thompson and Roy Stone, Sr. will be honored. A sacred pipe ceremony will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and the powwow will be from 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The deadline for individuals to register for the guest list is June 30. All guests must be at least18 years old, have a photo ID and cannot be on a prisoner's visiting list. Smoking is no longer allowed anywhere on the grounds of the prison.

Jerry Flute, Chairman of the Sisseton-Wahpeton and Rodney M. Bordeaux of the Rosebud Sioux tribe have been invited.

To apply for the guest list or to inquire about the events contact the Cultural Activities Coordinator, SDSP, PO Box 5911, Sioux Falls, SD or call 605-367-5010 or fax 605-367-5038.

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Porcupine Day School Flooring - Advertisement for Bids

Porcupine Day School will receive bids for construction of the Porcupine Day School Flooring Project, Porcupine, SD until 1:30p.m. MST, Wednesday, June 28, 2006 at the office of the Business Manager, Porcupine Day School, Porcupine, SD at which time the bids will be read publicly.

Contract documents are available for review at the architects office:
Rex Peterson, Architect
1401 600th Road
Gordon, NE 69343 **Phone:** 308-282-0880 **Fax:** 308-282-2880 **email:** rexpeterson@bbc.net

Qualified bidders may obtain Bidding Documents at the Architect's Office with a $50 per set deposit. Please make an appointment to obtain drawings.

The successful bidder shall be required to furnish a contract payment and performance bond in the full amount of the contract as orginally bid or subsequently modified.

Provided the award is made prior to July 7, 2006, the Owner expects the project to be complete by August 25, 2006. Project includes removal of existing overlayment and installation of new vinyl composition tile flooring.

This project is fully funded by a Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Facilities Management and Construction grant. The contractor shall be required to meet Federal laws including the Davis-Bacon Act, Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, Copeland Act and Fair Labor Standards Act. In addition the contractor shall be required to comply with the TERO regulations of the Oglala Lakota Tribe.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids or parts thereof, and to waive any irregularities of any bid. The Owner also reserves the right to negotiate on any proposal and accept whatever proposal that will be in the best interest of Porcupine Day School.

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Dear Anna,

I saw you last year in Rapid City. I have to say, I've been pretty impressed with what you told me.

The main subjects of our conversation was my ex-husband and my children. Lately I've been getting the feeling that he is about to start some problems for me again. Last year, you told me that he would be getting into some kind of trouble and my kids would make their own decision to get him out of their lives.

Do you still seeing this as happening, or am I being paranoid about him starting trouble? I'm worn out mentally and financially from dealing with my ex.

I believe that my life and my kids' lives would be better if he would just leave all of us alone, but I don't want my kids to see me as the bad guy. I don't feel like I can fully get on with my life, until he is out of the picture.

Thanks for your help.
Frustrated!!!

Dear Frustrated:

Some ex's do try to still be the glue in the lives of their ex. They continually badger and continue with patterns of the relationship that they demonstrated during the marriage.

They still act as though they have some "right" to determine the course of the life of their ex.

Your ex is one of those. I do see a time, probably in December or January, where legal trouble so tie up your ex that he will be forced to stay away from you and your children.

In the meantime, please understand that he is not able to control you, or your attitudes, or your life.

In order to better create a life of freedom from this man it is imperative that you learn to feel free from reacting to him:

1. Hang up the phone, you don't need to discuss or justify.

2. Arrange for him to see your children in a neutral location, if you need to, go to court and make this mandatory.

3. Do not discuss him to or with any of his or your family members (gossip creates friction and misunderstanding).

4. Learn neutrality. Feel neutral, consider him "dust in the wind," "noise in the system," and the remonstrations of frustration at not having control over you.

The key word here is found in the word "divorce." Whether you were legally married or not, you are divorced. That means he has no more say so in your life than your next door neighbor. Separate yourself from his value system. He may have an opinion, but unless it has to do directly and logically with the future of your children it has no bearing in your life.

He has an opinion, but he has no rights - and his opinion has no weight or bearing in your life. You truly have to quit communicating with him in a co-dependent manner.

You must really feel that his opinion does not matter to you - once you get there his impact on you becomes minimal. Consider him a stranger...how much impact does a stranger's opinion have in your life?

His threats are only hot air (I will take the kids away from you, etc.). He just knows your fears, but he cannot afford to nor would he really want the responsibility of the children. You continue to entangle yourself with him through emotional response.

Read the book: The Four Agreements, by Don Miguel Ruiz. It will help teach you neutrality in any and all relationships. Your ex has so many problems and abhorrent behaviors that you cannot logically assume that anything he says matters. His temper is so strong that it will land him in jail if not prison. You cannot afford to entangle with him. At the very next sign of trouble place a restraining order on him.

Don't worry about how your children will perceive you for your strength in protecting yourself.

Don't talk badly about him (EVER) in front of them, but do tell them what you have to do because "Daddy isn't able to control his own behavior because he feels bad." To worry about protecting them from his abuse of you is once again, co-dependency. You don't need to protect him at all - you need to protect yourself. Good men do not need to be defended about bad behavior or extreme imbalance in their lives; men that behave badly and are out of control are still responsible for their behavior and relationships and part of their karma or what they get back is the loss of the respect from their families.

Do not foster protection of this man any longer. Your kids are dealing with being the children of an alcoholic and how you manage the truth in their lives can affect their lives and how they handle themselves as adults. It is possible for your children to still love him, accept him, but not want to be like him or even with him.

Dear Anna,

I just wanted to find out about something that has been bothering me for awhile and I wanted to see if you could help. Awhile back my boyfriend went to stay with his family for the weekend and he came back with hickeys on his neck.

He said he was passed out and woke up like that. Now it happened again, now I am starting to wonder? There is a lot more behind this but I'm afraid to give out more information. What do you see?

Happening Again

Dear Happening Again,

Well, everybody but you who reads your letter will know what is going on. It doesn't take a psychic to see this one.

The old "I fell passed out and a bunch of girls jumped me and gave me hickeys" is the stupidist of all excuses. Why was he drinking and partying? Who needs it? Why would you put up with it? My advice is dump his butt... a twice unfaithful boyfriend would lead to multiple times being an unfaithful husband. That is why we date - to figure out if it will work - and this relationship won't work because he has earned your distrust.

The good news is that by Christmas time or so you will have a really nice guy in your life. Good Luck!

Dear Anna,

I have a question? I would like to know what and how if I could get this guy back. Long story short. I was married and I really liked this younger man, and he kept coming to where I worked and it was hard for me to control it.

I wanted to be with him and the more I pushed myself away from him I hurt inside to be near him. I had three girls and married. I loved my husband but I just wanted to be with this other person just to know if it was true feelings that I had or what.

Well I wanted him so bad I told a couple of friends at work about him coming on to me and word got back to him and he came to my office and told me to stop the lies I have told about him that he didn't like me and he was just coming to the worksite to see his aunt and her friend, which he ended up going out with. I just made him not look at me any more you know and to this day they are still together and he's always smiling at her and the love I see that they share, but I still feel that he owes me; he made me like him and I fell for him, all he ever said to me was hi, you look nice today, and if he was looking for his aunt. This girl he is with now is my sister in law, and her family just wants her to start seeing other people but he's the only one she sees and I am just waiting for my chance to get to him. I even went out with this guy who she really hung out with, he came back from another country to make her jealous but that didn't work.

She didn't care if I was with him or not.... Will my sister in law leave him one day or what?

Will I find true love or someone? I am not with my husband anymore he is out of state but he helps, he sends me money for our girls. I am glad that he isn't seeing anyone at this time so is there a chance of us getting back together..... me and my ex husband?

Chance for me

Dear Chance:

Okay girl, the word is obsession. First of all this other guy didn't make you feel anyway - you determine how you feel, not anybody else. If a man just says hi, or even mildly flirts with you, and you interpret that as something more, then the something more is in your head and not real.

You have the feeling of being incomplete without a man in your life and unfortunately your fantasies consume and dominate your life.

The trouble within you however is that even when you have a man in your life you find that it is someone else that you want. That is searching on the "outside of self" to complete self. Spend some time on self growth.

To try and break up sister's in law relationship is so basically wrong that I don't even know what to say to you except to get counseling with a professional.

Counseling will help you greatly to learn to become whole all by yourself, so that you can be whole with another. Your ex husband will be open to having you back in his life as a partner in a few years, after you figure out what is really important in life. Good Luck.

Dear Anna,

I am all confused and don't know what to do, I went to court with my kid's dad for child support and I wanted him to help me. He did for awhile then his girlfriend got mad so he quit again.

So now we are going to court again, I just don't know what to do anymore. I know I stayed with him first and I left him because I didn't want to drink. The woman he's with and him have kids too. It doesn't matter if she marries him and kills me over him. She doesn't have to be jealous all the time when she sees our kids. My kids know that she doesn't like them. I told them just don't mind her and ignore her so they do.

All I want is for him to help me out but this is getting ridiculous and now the kids are not allowed to talk to their aunties and uncles so I told them never mind anyone, their aunties and uncles said you guys can come over anytime and don't pay attention to her.

Confused and don't know what to do

Dear Confused:

You're really doing okay. Let the courts handle the support issue, so get a good attorney or let the state or the tribe handle him. In the meantime, understand that you cannot depend on his money and try to figure out how to improve your life and become a good supporter of your children - all by yourself.

Go to school (actually, I see that you are going to do that). Work hard, pay your own bills, become proud of your ability to provide for your children. Don't worry about his aunties and uncles - they really do see pretty much the same things that you see about your ex's mate. They will not (with the exception of one auntie) punish your children because the relationship between you and your ex didn't work.

This blame stuff is too prevalent everywhere and some families love to take sides in break-ups, but the issues become finally too large and the number of break-ups too many to continually get involved in who is right or who is wrong. Most of your ex's relatives understand that.

Good luck, use your experience to encourage other young women to go to school first, get a job second, and learn to be the one that provides the money before they have a baby and try to get a man to support them. Practicality helps in achieving balance. I'm not saying you can't do both anyway, but it's a lot harder to get your life together after having children than it is before you have them. Also tell them their children deserve better.

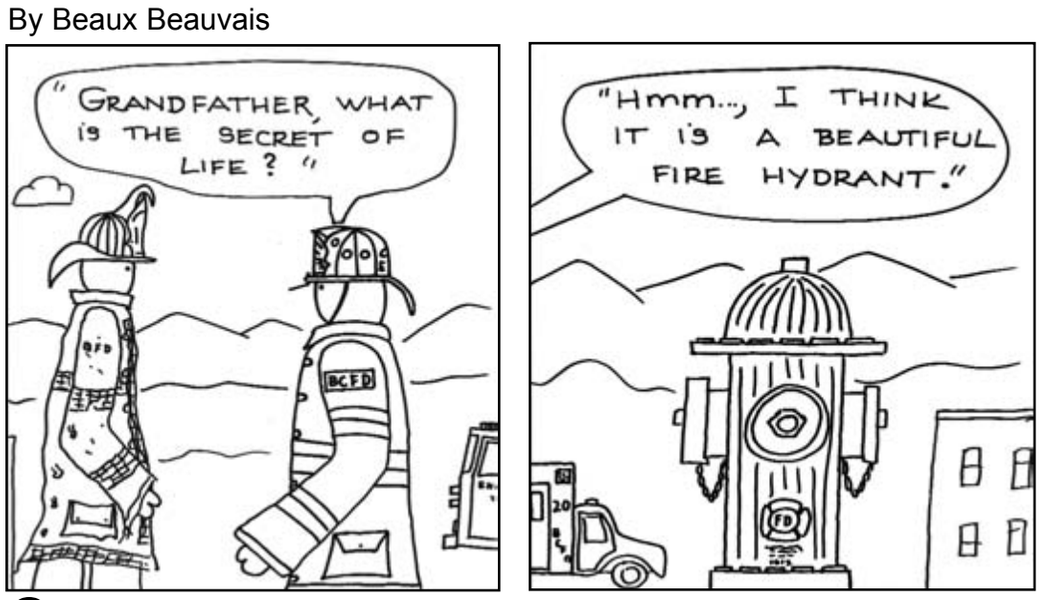
I see you becoming a counselor and working with children - bless you on your journey

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication.

Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only. The Lakota Country Times owners and employees have no liability regarding the answers provided.

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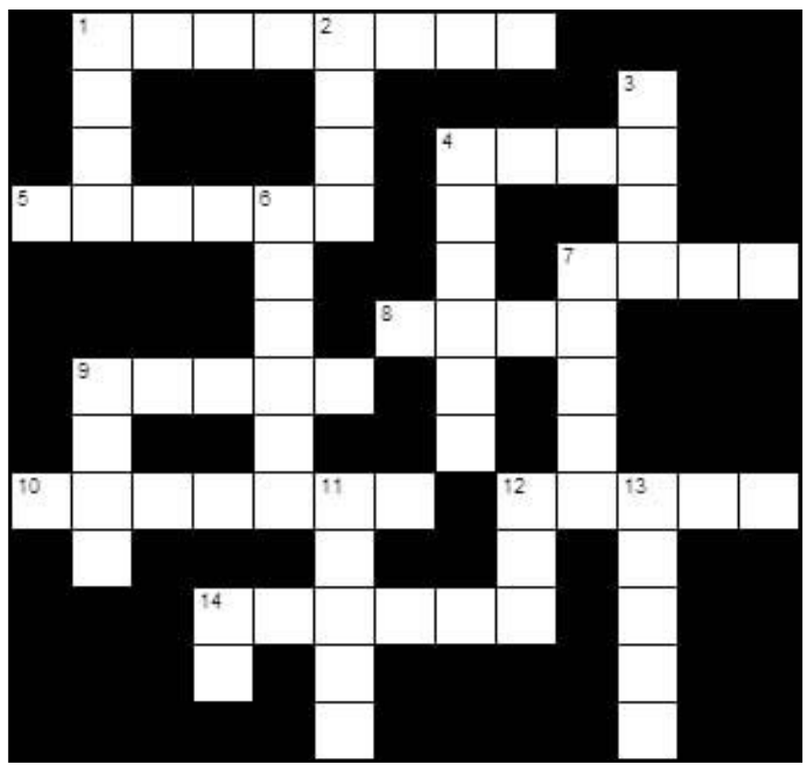


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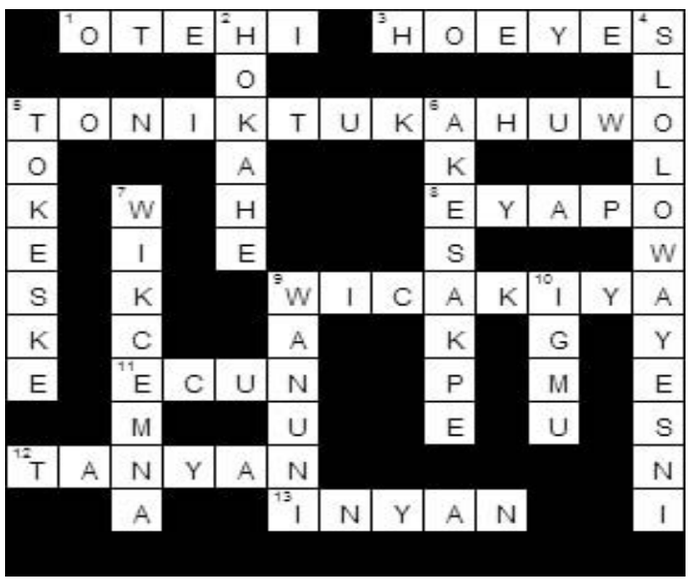
(answers in next week's issue)

Across
1. turnip
4. how many
5. why
7. who
8. dirt
9. male term for older sister
10. summer
12. sand
14. crawling

Down
1. inside
2. dirty
3. what
4. when
6. strong
7. deer
9. meat
11. doorway
12. wood
13. dressed up
14. dripping sound



Answers from last week's puzzle



Monte Ecoffey, 40 .....Wounded Knee
Matthew Red Shirt, 58.....Slim Buttes
Esther L. Charging Thunder, 73 .....Oglala
Aloriah Carry Moccasin,7weeks.....Selfridge
Russell Loud Hawk, 85.....Oglala
Zintkala To Spotted Horse, infant.....Pierre
Zintkala Ki Spotted Horse, infant.....Pierre
Sylvester Bad Cob.....Wanblee

Monte Ecoffey

WOUNDED KNEE - Monte Ecoffey, 40, Wounded Knee, died Sunday, June 18, at Pine Ridge Hospital. Monte P. Ecoffey began his journey to the spirit world on Sunday, June 18,

2006 at the Pine Ridge Hospital. He was born April 5, 1966 at Pine Ridge to Frank and Anita (Clifford) Ecoffey.

He graduated from Gordon High School in 1984. He received his Associate of Arts degree in Commercial Art at the Collins Commercial Art School in Tempe, Arizona in 1989. Monte had a passion for freelance photography and graphic design. He utitized his gifts during his career as a media specialist.

He worked with the youth at Porcupine School and Wounded Knee District School. He was also a media technologist for ONEC School.

Monte also worked for the original *Lakota Times* and *Indian Country Today* as a Managing Editor.

Monte brought joy and laughter to the lives of his family and friends. He was loved by all and will be deeply missed.

Survivors include his parents, Frank and Anita (Clifford) Ecoffey; two brothers, Robert D. (and Kamook) Ecoffey, Aberdeen, and Richard George Ecoffey and (Paulette), Wounded Knee; and five sisters, Carmen (and Tom) Blacksmith and Zonia Wisecarver, both of Wounded Knee, and Mary Ellen Red Shirt, Roberta Ecoffey and Marjorie (and Frank) Murdock, all of Pine Ridge and many, uncles, aunties and nieces.

A one-night wake will begin at 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 21 at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 22, at Billy Mills Hall, with the Rev. Bill Pauly officiating.

Burial will be at Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Wounded Knee.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.

Gabe Dreamer

OGLALA - Gabe Dreamer, 43, Oglala, died Sunday, June 18, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Matthew G. Red Shirt

SLIM BUTTES - Matthew G. Red Shirt, 58, died June 17 at Yankton of natural causes.

Survivors include sisters Mamie Ten Fingers, Chadron, Neb.

Wake serviceswere Tuesday, June 20 at the Wakpamni CAP Office, Wakpamni. Funeral services were 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 21 at the Wakpamni CAP Office with Rev. Rhoda Mesteth officiating. Interment was at St. Matthew's Episcopal Cemetery, Slim Buttes.

Funeral Arrangements



were placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge

Sylvester Bad Cob

WANBLEE - Sylvester Bad Cob, 83, Wanblee, died Thursday, June 15, in Wanblee.

He served in the U.S. Navy in World War II and Korea. Survivors include three sisters, Sarah Standing Bear, Kadoka, and Betty Lou Red Bird and Renabelle Standing Bear, both of Wanblee. Wake services were Sunday, June 18, at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee.

Funeral services were Tuesday, June 20, at the school, with the Rev. Rob Kroll and Deacon Gerald Bush officiating and traditional services by Richard Moves Camp and Russell Eagle Bear.

Burial was at Presbyterian Cemetery in Wanblee.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was charge of arrangements.

Esther L. Charging Thunder

OGLALA - Esther L. Charging Thunder, 73, Oglala, died Thursday, June 15, at her home.

Survivors include her husband, Earl Charging Thunder, Oglala; one daughter, Faye Charging Thunder, Oglala; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Wake services were June 19, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall in Oglala.

Funeral services are Wednesday, June 21, at the hall, with the Rev. Agnes Tyon officiating.

Burial was at St. John's Episcopal Cemetery in Oglala. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Aloriah Jaimes Carry Moccasin

SELFRIDGE, N.D. - Aloriah Jaimes Carry Moccasin, seven weeks, Selfridge, died Saturday, June 10, at IHS Hospital in Fort Yates. Survivors include her parents, James Carry Moccasin and Stacey Little Bear, Selfridge.

Funeral services were June 15 at Catholic Church of Assumption in Kenel, with the Rev. Tony Grossenburg and the Rev. Kerry Prendiville officiating.

Burial was at Catholic Church of Assumption Cemetery in Kenel.Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Zintkala To and Zintkala Zi Win Spotted Horse

PIERRE - Zintkala To "Blue Bird" and Zintkala Zi Win "Yellow Bird Woman" Spotted Horse, infant twins of Rachael Condon and Bronson Spotted Horse of Pierre, were stillborn Monday, June 5 in Pierre.

Funeral services were June 16, at the Catholic church in Red Scaffold, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat and Deacon Ted Knife Sr. officiating. Burial was at the Catholic church cemetery in Red Scaffold.

Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge as in charge of arrangements.

Russell Loud Hawk

OGLALA - Russell Loud Hawk, 85, Oglala, died Friday, June 9, at Fort Meade Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

He served in the U.S. Army. Survivors include two sons, Kenneth Loud Hawk, Oglala, and Russell Redner, Olympia, Wash.; two daughters, Paula Loud Hawk and Arlette Loud Hawk, both of Oglala; two brothers, Nasan Backs and Tex Broken Nose, both of Oglala; and two sisters, Eleanor Slow Bear and Goldie Eagle Louse, both of Oglala.

Wake services were June 14 at Loneman School in Oglala.

Funeral services were Friday, June 16, at the school, with the Rev. Agnes Tyon officiating and traditional Lakota services by Wilmer Mesteth. Burial was at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

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Notice for Bids #06082006-0019 Rosebud Sioux Tribe BIDS

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe Rodeo Committee is accepting sealed bids for 1 (one) Primary Stock Contractor for a INFR Tour Rodeo during the 130th Annual RST Fair Rodeo on August 25-27, 2006. The Primary Contractor will be responsible for payment (s) to the Sub Contractors. Tribal Preference will apply.

Sealed Bids must be submitted to Jim Wike, RST Treasurer Box 430 11 Legion Avenue Rosebud SD 57570. Bids will close on June 30, 2006 at 1:00 PM CDT. Envelope must be marked STOCK CONTRACTOR

Bid Description:

1. The Primary contractor may Subcontract with not to exceed 5 identified Sub Contractors to provide:
a. 70 horses for the bareback/
saddle bronc events
b. 30 bulls
c. 35 steers
d. 50 calves
e. Sr. Wild Horse Race horses
2. Will be responsible for 2 Pickup men, 1 - Bull Fighter, All Chute help and Arena Director.
3. Must show 75% Stock Ownership

For more information contact Sheri Knox at (605) 747-2381 ext. 255. The RST Rodeo Committee and Fair Board have the right to negotiate and reject any or all bids.

Notice for Bids # 06082006-0020

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe Rodeo Committee is accepting sealed bids for a Rodeo Announcer for an INFR Tour Rodeo during the 130th Annual RST Fair Rodeo on August 25-27, 2006. Tribal Preference will apply.

Sealed Bids must be submitted to Jim Wike, RST Treasurer Box 430 11 Legion Avenue Rosebud SD 57570. Bids will close on June 30, 2006 at 1:00 PM CDT. Envelope must be marked: ANNOUNCER

Bid Description:

1. Be available one hour before rodeo time
2. Provide PA (sound) system
3. Be available for all slack times

For more information contact Sheri Knox at (605) 747-2381 ext. 255. The RST Rodeo Committee and Fair Board have the right to negotiate and reject any or all bids.

Request for Proposals

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing ("OSLH") is requesting a proposal for Attorney Services. Attorney will act as General Counsel for OSLH and will assist OSLH in meeting compliance requirements including but not limited to policy, ordinance, and occupancy agreement development, staff and B oard training, development, staff and Board training, development and review of contract documents, and other services as deemed necessary.

OSLH is the Tribally Designated Housing Entity for the Oglala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, located in South Dakota. OSLH manages 392 Mutual Help and Occupancy Units and 1,150 Low-Rent Units constructed under the Housing Act of 1937 ("37Act") and 45 Lease Purchase Units constructed under the Indian Housing Block Grant program developed pursuant to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act ("NAHASDA"). OSLH operates under a budget in excess of nine million dollars per year.

The work to be performed under the proposal is on a project subject to section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e(b) and section 3 of the Housing anld Urban Development Act of 1968. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (1) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (2) preferences in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises. All entities submitting proposals and claiming Indian Preference must include documentation satisfactory to show that they are Indian-owned. Section 3 requires that to the greatest extent feasible opportunities for training and employment be given to lower income residents of the project area and contracts for work in connection with the project be awarded to business concerns that are located in, or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the areas of the project. All subcontracts executed between the proposer and its subcontractors, if any, also are subject to these provisions, and language requiring such compliance will be included in all subcontracts.

In addition to the SS 7(b) and 3 compliance requirements, the successful proposer must comply and ensure subcontractor compliance with the Copeland Act Requirements (29 C.F.R. Part 3); 24 C.F.R. part 85 Certifications, including but not limited to mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub.L. 94-163), and HUD requirements related to reporting patent rights, and/or copyrights and other rights to data; HUD procurement regulations, OSLH Procurement Policy; and all other applicable laws, rules , and regulations.

The selection of a qualified attorney will be based on the following evaluation criteria with established point rating for each category:

l. (20 points) Past successful performance and experience providing services to Indian Housing authorities under the 37 Act and to TDHEs after the adoption of NAHASDA.

2. (20 points) Capacity and experience in providing policy and ordinance development. Interested firms must submit a sample procurement and personnel policy.

3. (20 points) Experience in providing staff and Board training in NAHASDA-related issues.

4. (10 points) Experience and professional qualifications of key personnel including specialized skills, project coordination, management skills, and experience in working together as a team.

5. (10 points) Specialized experience and technical competence (including fiscal capacity) of the firm. The firm and/or its attorneys should have had a minimum of fifteen (15) years experience with projects of this type. Volume and nature of present workload and availability of additional personnel and consultants to accelerate services required, if necessary.

6. (5 points) Indian Preference. Pursuant to SS 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assitance Act, 25 U.S.C. 450e(b), points shall be given for Indian ownership and participation, and/or evidence that a proposing firm is committed to the hiring of and does hire persons enrolled in federally recognized tribes, descendants of members of federally recognized tribes, or persons who are actively involved in the Indian community.

7. (5 points) Minority Preference. Pursuant to Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S. C. ' 170lu, points shall be given to minority-owned firms, including womrn-owned firms, and firms that show evidence of commitment to hiring minorities and women.

8. (5 points) Bost, based on hourly rates.

9. (5 points) Becaus eof fluctuating needs in Indian housing and demands for changes in NAHASDA, the firm must exhibit capacity to represent OSLH's interests in Washington D.D.

Inquiries related to submittal of proposals may be addressed to Ken Lone Elk, OSLH Executive Director, at (605) 867-5161. Proposers shall submit an original and four (4) copies of the proposal in a sealed envelope clearly marked Proposal for Attorney Services. All proposals shall be submitted to Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Attn: Ken Lone Elk, P.O. Box 603; East Hwy. 18, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, and received no later than 5:00 p.m. on JUly 3, 2006. Proposals not received by that time and date shall be rejected. OSLH reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive any and all deficiencies.

Request for Bids

The Board of Directors of the Oglala Sioux Parks and Recreation Authority (OSPRA) is requesting bids from local Indian owned firms to repair the roof and exterior walls of the OSPRA headquarters and garage buildings at Kyle, S.D. These buildings were damaged May 28 when unusually high winds hit the Kyle area.

Interested qualified contractors may ask for blind bid sheets by calling or stopping in at the Park's office at Kyle during the hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday. The telephone number is 455-2584. Fax number is 455-2265.

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Range Survey on the Pine Ridge Reservation

Ecosystem Research Group (ERG), a Montana-based consulting company, will be continuing the range survey of the Pine Ridge Reservation for the Oglala Sioux Tribe during the months of May, June, and July 2006. ERG's field office is based in Kadoka, SD, and field crews will be sampling vegetation and conducting similarity index surverys on grazing allotments across the eastern portion of the reservation. The majority of the western portion of the reservation was previously surveyed in 2004 and 2005.

Field technicians will be using a combination of pickup trucks, ATV, and foot travel to access the allotments, and any travel recommendations and requests from permittees are welcome and very helpful. ERG vehicles include late model white Ford F150s, a green Dodge Dakota pickup, and a white Toyota Tundra. All vehicles will be marked with the company logo, and all employees will carry a letter of verification.

Any questions about the project can be directed to:
Call Field Office: 605-837-2016 -or- Online: erg@ecosystemrg.com

- Position Announcement -
Professional Research Assistant #665937

The American Indian and Alaska Native Programs, University of Colorado Denver & Health Sciences Center, seeks a full-time Professional Research Assistant who will be responsible for supervising a project examining the effects of the implementation of an HIV/AIDS intervention into all middle school Reservation-wide. This research will be coordinated out of the Pine Ridge, SD field office.

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Qualifications: Bachelor's degree, or equivalent experience; research experience is preferred; strong communication skills, good interpersonal and reading skills; experience keeping detailed records and strong organizational skills; must be willing to travel frequently; previous experience in an office setting desirable. A valid driver's licesnse, auto liability insurance, and a dependable vehicle for transportation are also required.

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Middle School: 12)Football Asst, 13)Boys Bball Cheerleading sponsor 14)Girls Bball Cheerleading sponsor 15)Wrestling Coach 16)Softball Asst. 17)C Team Volleyball Coach 18)Hand game Sponsor 19)8th Grade Sponsor

Elementary: 20)Rodeo Club Sponsor 21)Wrestling Coach 22)Wrestling Asst. 23)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 24)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 25)Handgame Sponsor.

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Laqael Fawn Ferguson
Love, Mom,Dad, T.J, Tristen, Chantee and Leslie

I would like to wish a happy Father's Day to all the daddys, Lil Joe Janis Jr., Tom "Green" Janis, Ted "Tank" Little White man, Ira "Eye Ball" Brown Bull, Greg Janis "Jr", Jeremy "Gerbol" Old Horse, Theodore "Joe" Gibbons,Asah "Ace Dawg" Mendoza, Joseph Fool Head, Harry Fool Head Enjoy your Day Guys, coming from the gyrls in K-town much love & respect.

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Happy Father's Day to all my uncles Terry Little White Man,Lenard Ferguson, Mark and Sam Apple and Todd G. fromTrieh,Rob, & Boys

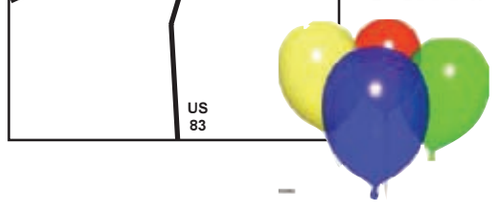
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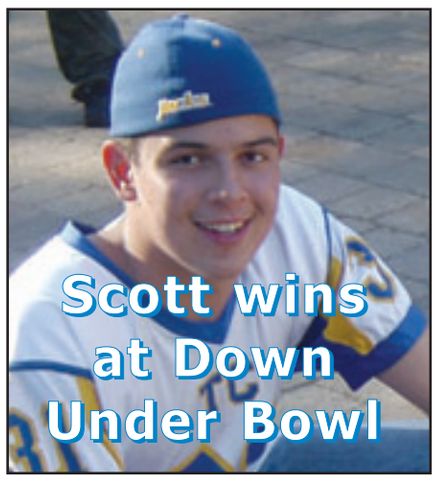
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RST passes motion for Thune to take a stand against desecration

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

Sen. John Thune Robert Moore

ROSEBUD - During the Rosebud Sioux Tribal council meeting on June 22, Robert Moore, Antelope District 3 council representative, made a motion to request Senator John Thune to issue a statement calling for the end to any construction, bars, and other enterprises and to call for the protection of the sacred area surrounding Bear Butte. And, to halt the desecration of the land. The motion was seconded by Scott Herman, also of Antelope community.

Moore added, "It is amazing that what can happen when the South Dakota delegation joins forces. My hope is that with this motion, Senator Thune will assume some leadership within the delegation to raise the national level of awareness of this assault on sacred site that is really occurring all over the United States. It worked to preserve Ellsworth Airforce Base at a significant cost to the state and the federal budget. It is heart

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Recent photo depicts construction of Sturgis County Line 'biker bar' with the sacred Bear Butte looming in the background. Photo courtesy of Bear Butte International Alliance.

Blockade of Whiteclay beer sales set to go

WHITECLAY, NEB - The blockade to curb the transportation of beer that is purchased in Whiteclay and illegally taken on to the Pine Ridge reservation is apparently set to go. Duane Martin, Sr. of the Strong Heart Civil Rights group said that all the related issues have been discussed and preparations have been made to set up the blockade beginning with a meeting at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 28.

Much of the beer that is sold at Whiteclay often is transported north to the Pine Ridge reservation and organizers of the blockade will stop each car to check for beer and confiscate it if found. The Oglala Sioux tribal council is supportive of the blockade; however, OST tribal police will only be there to keep civil order.

Mark Vasina, President of Nebraskans for Peace was en route to Pine Ridge and would be arriving this afternoon. Vasina said he had heard from a reporter that the South Dakota Highway Patrol would be present; however, he was not sure what their specific role would be. Vasina has made a commitment to remain at the blockade site for a significant amount of time. He has been facilitating the role

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The Gordon Local Pride meat packing plant will host a "Grand Opening" on June 29 with a free barbecue.

Gordon packing plant grand opening June 29

GORDON - Thursday, June 29, Local Pride Kosher Packing Plant in Gordon, NE will be holding it's grand opening with a free kosher barbeque open to the public.

Local Pride has been met with mixed feelings over the past several years on the Pine Ridge reservation. In spite of the controversy that surrounded this project's designation of being an OOW Empowerment Zone, (EZ), because it was location adjacent rather than within the boundaries of the Pine Ridge Reservation, the plant has successfully become fully operational.

Thanks to the tenacity of the local EZ board of directors,

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Community Calendar

'Rez Happenings'

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Grief Support Group
Meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888

Porcupine AA meeting
Every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine, for info call Janice at 867-5404

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841

Life after death class
Developing a better understanding of the journey of the soul, Fridays at 7 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Village College Center

Weight watchers class
Large conference room at the Indian Health Service Hospital in Pine Ridge, weigh in at 5 p.m. and meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Pine Ridge School Summer Food Program
Through June 30 with meals for children from 3-18 years of age with breadfast from 7:30-8:30 a.m. and lunch from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. daily

Little Wound Summer Food Service
Daily for children 3-18 with breakfast 8:30-9 a.m. and lunch from 12:30-1 p.m.

Summer Food Service Program
Through Aug. 18 at the Mother Butler Center in Rapid City from Monday through Friday with breakfast from 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. and lunch from 11:30am to 12:30 p.m. for area children from 2-18 years of age for info call Rose Torres at 343-2165

OST Council Special Session
Thursday, June 29 at the Porcupine CAP office at 10 a.m. for a hearing on OST President Cecelia Fire Thunder

Three on Three basketball games
Friday, June 30 at the Sacred Heart church courts in Pine ridge

Rummage Sale
Friday and Saturday, June 30th and July 1st at the Pine Ridge Presbyterian Church from 10am to 2pm each day with as lunch and bake sale

Slow Pitch Softball tourney
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 30-July 2 at the Oglala Memorial ballfield, eight men's teams and six women's teams, for info call Ted at 441-6922

North American Indigenous Games
July 2-9 in Denver, Colo. with Team South Dakota competing in basketball, volleyball, wrestling, track and field and cross country, archery, baseball, boxing, golf and Tae Kwan Do

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Oglala Lakota College celebrates 33rd graduation ceremonies

Representative Herseth delivers keynote address

BY AMANDA TAKES WAR BONNETT
Times Editor

THREE MILE CREEK - Oglala Lakota College held their 33rd graduation ceremonies on Sunday, June 25 at the Three Mile Creek powwow grounds. A total of 159 degrees were awarded, including 37 bachelors, 87 associates, and 27 certificates, according to Billie Hornbeck of OLC's student services.

Eight graduate degrees were awarded, while U.S. Representative Stephanie Herseth delivered the keynote address.

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Robert Cook recieves his M.A. in Lakota Leadership and Management with an emphasis in education administration. Stephanie Herseth delivers keynote address. Photos by Jerry Matthews.

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breaking that the offenders of this assault, Jay Allen and the Meade County Commissioners chose revenue over people. That is the bottom line for them."

The motion was approved by the council 14 in favor, 0 opposed, and 3 not voting. RST council representative, Russell Eagle Bear, added to the discussion when he said, "The senators need to know they pass a lot of laws. One is the protection of sacred sites. But, at Bear Butte, they are defying their own laws. Come out with a strong statement and remind the senators to start abiding by them. We need to talk about issues. We are the only tribal people who can be tried in two different courts. That is double jeopardy."

Council representative, Eagle Bear, continued, "They only come around when they want the Native vote. Senator Thune doesn't have to worry about that for awhile, however."

They made the motion during a brief visit by Lila Mehlhaff, based in Thune's Rapid City office stopped by for a brief introduction.

The council session was carried live for Sicangu tribal members over KINI FM.

Rueben McCloskey of the RST Fair powwow committee extended an invitation to Senator Thune and the rest of the state's congressional delegation to be at the annual Rosebud Fair in August. Antelope council representatives, Cyril "Whitey" Scott and Robert Moore also invited Senator Thune to the Antelope powwow on July 7.

Moore also extended an invitation to the RST administration and council to ride in the Antelope powwow parade.

In recent months, Bear Butte International Alliance and other activists have made their opposition known to any kind of 'biker bar' and open air concert venues so close to the mountain which is held sacred to Lakota people. The Meade County Commissioners have also been central players in the whole dispute as they have approved liquor licenses to Jay Allen for his 'biker bar' which he is likely preparing for opening in time for the Sturgis Rally.

Lakota people have also lobbied the state's legislature, to no avail, to establish a "buffer zone" around Bear Butte; however they have not been successful. Carter Camp, Charmaine White Face and others have been rather articulate in expressing the Lakota world view of the inherent sacredness of such historic landmarks. Bear Butte International Alliance has also collected signatures to force the people of Meade County to decide on related development issues so close to Bear Butte as such development is also proving to be an intrusion on wildlife and ranchers in the area. Many local residents also are opposed to over developing the Black Hills.

Local Sicangu tribal member and former RST tribal council representative, Darrell Markus, said at one Meade County Commission tensions were very high as people along the protest march route in Sturgis were quite rude.

He said sheriff's deputies inside of the courthouse were fully armed and were postured in a manner which indicated a possible confrontation.

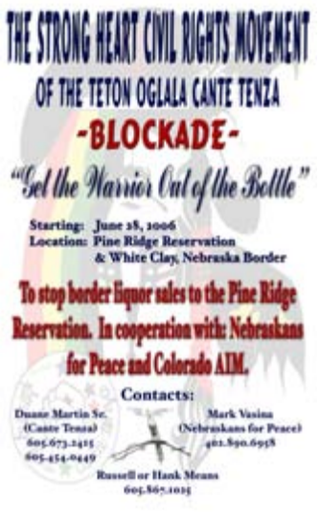
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of Nebraskans for Peace by coordinating his efforts with Martin.

Martin commented on the possible presence of the Highway Patrol officers; translated from Lakota into English, he said, "If they help us that will be good. They are aware of the treaties that we are standing upon."

At issue is the fact that some 12,000 can of beer are reportedly sold at four stores in Whiteclay and most of that is sold to Oglala Sioux tribal members. Activists rallied last March to oppose to automatic renewal of liquor licenses to three stores in Rushville, while the Sheridan County commissioners later granted the automatic renewal. The Nebraska Supreme Court also granted a liquor license to a store which had been denied earlier because of an apparent liquor law violation.



The disproportionate sale of beer to Lakota people is causing a strain on the legal and social environment on the Pine Ridge reservation, as law enforcement officials respond to alcohol related infractions and alcohol treatment options for offenders is an expensive and increasing concern.

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OLC 33rd annual graduation

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OLC's graduating class as they listen to Herseth. Below: Charles Comes Killing, one of three students who recieved an associate in television prouduction.



Justina Setalla-One Horn, Robert Cook, Gina Bettelyounn, Wayne Fox, Scott Herman, Victoria Sherman, and Gerald and Theresa Lessert were awarded graduate degree in Lakota Leadership and Management.

Herseth told the graduates, "When I look at this list, I see an institution an entire graduating class that is deeply concerned about their community. You are concerned about unemployment, poverty, health care, education, and preserving and promoting Lakota culture and spirituality. As individuals you have prepared yourselves to become educators, business leaders, health care professionals, small business owners and important roles for the years ahead. You will all use what you have learned during your time here to make significant changes within you communities."

Herseth continued, "I'm particularly fond of this year's graduation theme: "Embracing the teachings of our ancestors as we learn new ways." Just as the skills you have learned demonstrate a commitment to developing and improving your communities, this theme is additional evidence of your desire to move forward and achieve great things. And at the same time, it points to an important touchstone - the teachings of your ancestors."

OLC President, Thomas Shortbull, served as the Master of Ceremonies, while John Around Him sang the Lakota flag song and gave a prayer for the graduates in Lakota. Along with Representatives keynote address, SGU President Lionel Bordeaux also addressed the commencement gathering.

The graduates were presented by Dr. Gerald Geraud, the OLC vice president, while Sarah Danner, the director of the OLC nursing program did the capping and pinning of nursing students. In addition, Hornbeck noted the degrees which will awarded to OLC students for the very first time; a bachelors degree in K-12 Lakota Studies Education was awarded to Susana Geligna, and the first associate of applied science degrees in television production were awarded to Charles Comes Killing, Tony Brave and Amber Rose Montileaux. Ronald Ten Fingers scored in the top 15 percent on the national teacher examination.

As Herseth pointed to many local entrepreneurial successes, such as the Lakota Funds and the Lakota Prairie Ranch Resort, she said, "These success stories are just a few of many, but they demonstrate very clearly the economic potential of Indian Country and native American entrepreneurs. In spite of all the obstacles, and the need to secure greater financial resources to facilitate more economic growth, tribal governments, individuals and organizations are creating and fostering successful business ventures. And, today's graduates stand "tall and strong" - and poised to contribute to the growth that is already underway."

The following is a list of the 33rd graduation ceremonies at Oglala Lakota College for 2006:

Gina Bettelyoun, M.A. in Lakota Leadership and Management, Emphasis in Education Administration

Robert Bryan Cook, M.A. in Lakota Leadership and Management, Emphasis in Education Administration

Wayne Fox, M.A. in Lakota Leadership and Management, Emphasis in Education Administration

Scott Owen Herman, M.A. in Lakota Leadership and Management, Emphasis in Education Administration

Gerald E. Lessert, M.A. in Lakota Leadership and Management, Emphasis in Education Administration

Theresa Lessert, M.A. in Lakota Leadership and Management, Emphasis in Education Administration

Justina Setalla-One Horn, M.A. in Lakota Leadership and Management, Emphasis in Education Administration

Victoria L. Sherman, M.A. in Lakota Leadership and Management, Emphasis in Education Administration

Lynn M. Cuny, B.A. in Lakota Studies

Susana Geliga, B.S. in K-12 Lakota Studies Education

Charleen Eagle Elk, B.S. in Business Administration

Gloria J. Eastman, B.S. in Business Administration, A.A. in Lakota Studies

Shawn Perkins, B.S. in Business Administration

April Pumpkin Seed-Rosales, B.S. in Business Administration, A.A. in Tribal Management

Brenda L. Cano, B.S. in General Agriculture, A.A. in Agriculture, A.A. in Natural Resources Management

Charlene Y. Smallwood, B.S. in Business Administration

Stephanie M. Big Crow, B.S.in Human Services, A.A.S. in Human Services

Jaclyn Rae Buffington, B.S. in Human Services, A.A.S. in Human Services

Tony D. Carver, B.S. in Human Services, A.A.S. in Human Services

Violette Good Crow, B.S. in Human Services

Maisie Herman, B.S. in Human Services

Tonya Kiyukan, B.S. in Human Services

Daniel Merrival, B.S. in Human Services

Heather Nagel, B.S. in Human Services

Julie T. Poor Bear, B.S. in Human Services

Marvia Ray, , B.S. in Human Services

Irene Red Cloud, B.S. in Human Services

Gloria Red Eagle, B.S. in Human Services

Catrina A. Red Willow, B.S. in Human Services

Michael S. Torres, , B.S. in Human Services

Adrenne L. White Bull, B.S. in Human Services

Carmen E. Weston, B.S. in Human Services

Leatrice Wilson, B.S. in Human Services, A.A.S. in Human Services

Marie Cloud, B.S. in Interdisciplinary Environmental Science

Zannita Fast Horse, B.S. in Interdisciplinary Environmental Science

Cassie M. Brewer, B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education, A.A. in Elementary Education

Krista Carter, B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education

Tara R. Fanning, B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education

Ida M. Fast Wolf, B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education

Angel Agnes Hernandez, B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education

Ardis Iron Cloud, B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education

Lorelle N. Knight, B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education, A.A. in Elementary Education

James Pacer, B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education

Maxine Pipe On Head, B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education

Martin Red Bear Jr., B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education

Stephanie M. Red Paint, B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education

Gregory Ross, B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education

Sheryl L. Starr, B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education

Susan H. Two Eagle, B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education

Emma S. Brewer, B.S. in K-8 Elementary Education K-12 Special Education

Ronald W. Ten Fingers, B.S. in K-12 Elementary Education with K-12 Special Education

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Local Pride granding opening

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Executive Director Tally Plume, the Rubashkin family and local plant manager Gary Ruse, more than 90 jobs have been created through Local Pride Processing. Of those 65 percent of the current employees are Native American, 15 percent Hispanic and the remaining 20 percent are Caucasian.

More than 100 head of cattle are being processed five days a week at the Gordon Local Pride plant. All processing is kosher, meaning Jewish law sanctions the process. All meat is shipped as boxed beef or swinging beef to the parent company, Agra-Processing, located in Postville, Iowa. From there distribution takes place all over the world.

"We recently opened our boning and packing departments, making the plant fully operational." says Gary Ruse, manager, "We wanted to wait to have the grand opening until all phases of the project were complete."

He said the public is invited to join in the celebration of this boost to our local economies.

The free kosher barbeque will begin at 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Thursday June 29, under the tent at the plant in Gordon, Neb. Special guests will include the Governor of Nebraska Dave Heinemann, OOW Empowerment Zone officials and other special guests.

Spirituality is our culture and walking with the teachings of the White Buffalo Calf Woman

BY CECELIA FIRE THUNDER
Oglala Sioux Tribe President

PINE RIDGE - We are reminded of the Sacredness of the White Buffalo Calf Woman and her arrival as a buffalo and then becoming a woman. She brought to us the sacred bundle and seven sacred rites upon which we base our entire culture. She came to us a beautiful woman, virtuous and bringing us hope for the future.

Two men came upon her, the first seen her beauty and knew instantly that she was a spiritual and sacred being. The second man when he looked at her was filled with immoral and lustful thoughts. He was then turned into a pile of bones. The other man then prayed. He welcomed her and went to tell the people and prepare the camp where she would come to begin her teachings.

Here is the first teaching, the foundation of respect for the Lakota women who carry the future. The value of keeping this teaching true to our hearts when we take part in our cultural ceremonies is being mindful of the sacredness of women and having respect for first and foremost, ourselves, then everything and everyone around us.

If we were being respectful of one another and practicing virtuosity, holding our sexual relations sacred, "planned parenthood" would never have been a topic of discussion at this level. Protecting our people from sexual violence should be a priority. Our first responsibility of creating a strong future for our people is the creation of a sacred womb free of violence, drugs and alcohol.

The majority of our women who are battered have been or will be raped. The ultimate end to being assaulted is rape. Our women, men, children and elders of our nation who have been sexually assaulted are stripped of their essence of being, and begin to lose a part of who they are, and their spirit begins to die, the most important part of living. We need to invest in our future of having healthy mothers, fathers and children.

We remember today the reason why we are here and where we need to be. Our women are no longer being honored and respected the way they deserve. We have very high rates of drug and alcohol abuse, violence in our communities, our children being abused physically, sexually, emotionally and mentally. We have high rates of incest amongst blood relatives. This is wrong. There is no way to excuse this toxic behavior. But there are ways to capture the spirit and offer our help and do something to build and empower our hurt children and women to function and bring back the health and wellness for a stronger future.

We are at a crossroads of "healing." Our people are hurting, been traumatized as children and then as women. It is not enough to say this way of being is not traditional, cultural or spiritual. We have heard the same comment from different men, which is, they as men, don't wear panties or bras, and therefore, don't go to women ceremonies, which translates into a woman's choice is her own business. A comment was thrown out on the council floor from protestors that they don't even care about abortion and just want the president removed. It is time to put a stop to this radical behavior of intimidation and threats and time for the leaders of our people to focus on strategies for empowering our people.

Strengthening our law enforcement system, increasing services provided through health care, and bringing resources to empower our communities to build a better economy

We have been brought out of a downward financial spiral, which accumulated well over the past seven years. The work has just begun and we are finally making progress. It is time to strengthen responsibility for ourselves, for our families, communities and tribal nation. Today our future is at stake and the teachings of the White Buffalo Calf Woman need to be incorporated in every area of day-to-day living.

Community Calendar

Annual Fr. Bill McKinney Walk and Run
Friday, July 7 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. starting from Old hospital turnoff to Red Cloud School turnoff, for information call Elmarie Tobacco at 867-5491

2006 Beauty and the Beast Challenge
Tuesday, July4 at the Three Mile Creek rodeo arena outside of Kyle with competition in barrel racing and bull riding for info call 455-2177 or 455-2797

Gathering of Nations
To defend Bear Butte, Tuesday, July 4 at Bear Butte, northeast of Sturgis with workshops, seminars and meetings, fun, music and games for info call 455-2155, 455-2508 or 964-4642

CRL Training
Tuesday, July 25 at the Shannon County school board room in Batesland rom 9 a.m. to 5:50 p.m. with seating limited to 15 attendees call ann at 288-1921 for information an dto reserve a seat

Bus Driver Training/In service
Wednesday, July 26, Batesland School gym from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with instructor Dan Duenwald , for info contact Ann at 288-1921 or 800 419-4023

Men's Slow Pitch Tourney
In memory of William "Misun" Crow Eagle, Jr. "Wanbli Wayomni" set for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 21-23 at the Iver Crow Eagle Sr. memorial ball field in St. Francis for info contact Billy Joe at 747-2074 or Mike at 685-3469

3-on-3 Memorial Basketball tourney
In memory of Arlan "Bizkitz" Bissonette set for Friday, July 28th at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee starting at 9 a.m sharp, for info call Pam or Reno at 462-6556 or Reno at 441-5703.

RST joins lawsuit against closing BIA education line offices

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The RST council met in session on Thursday, June 22 and entertained a resolution by District 3, Antelope council representative, Scott Herman, to join the suit filed by the Yankton Sioux Tribe, the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, the Oglala Sioux Tribe, the Flandreau Sioux Tribe, the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe and the Turtle Mountain Chippewa against the Office of Indian Education Programs of the BIA.

Last Wednesday, several South Dakota and North Dakota tribes filed a suit in U.S. District court in Sioux Falls seeking an injunction against OIEP to prevent a planned realignment of the education line offices which presently serve several reservations.

The reorganization plan would affectively close the six administrative offices now located on reservations and open line offices in Pierre, Rapid City, and Minot, ND. The line offices would be located miles from the 35 BIA and tribal schools which they presently serve. Current BIA staff would be terminated at the six offices, while those opposed to the plan are concerned about the costly price tag.

Apparently, the BIA is concerned that some 66 percent of students attending BIA schools are not making adequate yearly progress (AYP) as required by the No Child Left Behind legislation. The original plan is to improve educational management of the educational process, while schools and students in the Dakotas will be required to be more accountable for their performance.

Nationwide, there are several such BIA education line offices which are responsible for the educational management of respective tribes. If the suit is successful it would require more consultation with the tribes from the Great Plains region who would be affected, while forcing the BIA to comply with all regulations and keeping the six original line offices open.

RST resolution number 06-153 was passed by a vote of 15 in favor, 0 opposed and 3 not voting. The resolution as written noted, "Whereas, the tribes listed above have joined together in seeking to file a complaint for injunctive relief against the BIA to compel the BIA to keep open and maintain at present levels of operation and maintain the present levels of operation and services, to retain education personnel located throughout North and South Dakota in place and continuing to provide assistance to the plaintiff Indian tribes, until such time as the BIA has complied with their obligations pursuant to federal law, regulations, and policy, and to enter into meaningful predecisional consultation with the effected tribes and school."

Some of the affected Lakota tribes in South Dakota have commented that the large sum of money earmarked for the planned reorganization of the line offices would be better utilized if it were used directly for educational services to students.

State champs Mendoza, White, Wilson-Pine, Andersen lead Team South Dakota to 2006 Indigenous Games

14 tribes represented including eight of nine in South Dakota

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE/ROSEBUD - Kiko Mendoza, a freshman at Takini won the State B 3200, Tyrone White, senior at Cheyenne Eagle Butte high school won the State A 800, Alex Wilson-Pine, a junior at Pine Ridge won the State A Cross Country championship, Rain Anderson, a senior at Flandreau Indian won the State A 3200 and all are set to lead Team South Dakota in the North American Indigenous Games set for July 2-8, in Denver Colo.

"Everyone is getting excited about the games coming up and the pressure to get everything ready is growing," said Denise One Star, chef de mission of Team South Dakota during a meeting at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge Monday night. She said, "We are waiting for final word on three buses from the Pine Ridge area, we are distributing warm-ups and making sure teams have enough money for food and getting around the city; we are taking an EMT and a mechanic with us on the trip."

William White Buffalo, a sophomore at Jones County was 5th in the 1600 and 8th in the 3200 in the State B, Landon Lupi took second in the 100 in the State AA for Rapid City Stevens, Marissa O'Bryan, a senior at Red Cloud, was 3rd in the 100 and fourth in the 200 in the State A, all three contribute to a strong Team South Dakota presence at the 2006 games.

There are 872 participants scheduled to compete in the cross country event split up in bantam, midget, juvenile and senior divisions; cross country gets underway at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, July 3 at the Colorado Horse Park. Track and field opens three days of competition with the 100 and 400 events on Wednesday, July 5 at the South High School All City Stadium.

Track and field and cross country are listed under athletics for the indigenous games and in addition to those already mentioned, the team includes: Latesia DeCory, Brian Taken Alive, Tyson White, James Pine, Dale Pine, Jr., Trudell Slow Bear, Christian Tobacco, Jeremy Crow, Delaine Ten Fingers, Drew Blacksmith-Long Visitor, Jordan Bagola, Dallas Two Lance, Jerad Weston, Calandra Wanatee, Britney Larvie, Lisa Two Charge, Natasha Six Toes, Jordan Cook, Missy Moreno, Kyla Marshall, Desiree Blacksmith-Long Visitor, Amy Talks, Kylie Wilson, Julie Bernie, Darin Lunderman, Wallace Litle Moon, Glen Zephier, Crystal Wright, Wopila Bad Hand, Mel Brown Otter, Lorna Her Many Horses, Randy and Gary Lays Bad, Nakina Mills, Sonyah Cloffore, Josie Johnson, Victoria Phelps, Matthew Running Eagle, Annerika White Bird, Genevieve Dement, Dam Mendoza and coaches Tonya Whirlwind Soldier and Dale Pine Sr.

Midget division baseball gets underway at North High school on Monday as Team South Dakota takes on Wisconsin at 6 p.m. and Mississippi at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Arizona at 6 p.m. on Tuesday and Saskatchewan at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday with the finals set for Friday. The team includes Kiley Weston, Tyrell Bull Bear, Trevor Weston, Marshall Hornbeck, Beau Blacksmith, Jacey Twiss, Steven Vitalis, Lars Backward, Harlwy Cordier, Marvin Wilson, Brian Two Lance, William Burnette, Dustin Brewer and coaches Kevin Stouffer and Patrick Pulliam and Gilbert Bad Wound as chaperone.

Bantam Division baseball is at the All City Stadium on Monday with Team South Dakota playing New Mexico at 11 a.m. and Wisconsin at 2 p.m. and Arizona at 2 p.m. on Tuesday and the medal round on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Bantam includes Alban Vitalis, Jordan Spotted Eagle, Orien Brown, Roger Tyon, Ben Red Cloud, Brandon Weston, Joe Bissonette, Ronald Pond, Daniel Cottier, Romey Janis, Bryan Walking and Ryan Ross as the coach.

Juvenile boys baseball includes Rich Palmier, DJ Clifford, Tom Spotted Elk, Ron Knudsen, Caleb Sky Hawk Metzger, Terry Bruguier, Daelan High Wolf, Ryan Yellow Horse, Mitch Bagola, Michael Jack, Hobarte Locke, Juan Ramos, Louis Ramos, Kalem Honomichl and coaches Will Thymes and Brandon Zimiga and manager Tyler Eagle Bull.

Juvenile volleyball includes Rianna Albers, Ida Clarke, Rosebud Haukaas, Shawndai Prue, Angel Big Crow, Monique Claymore, Crystal Salway, Erica Landreaux Renni Bordeaux, Shelby Hunger and Lema LaPointe as coach.

Senior volleyball includes Joni Morrisette, Chelain Knudsen, Katrinal Brooks, Kim Randall, Deleena Painte, Sara Buckman and Jessica Big Crow with Maretta Champagne coach and Henry Brown as manager.

Bantam girls Basketball opens on Monday, July 3 with Team South Dakota playing North West Territories at 9:15 a.m. at Thomas Jefferson High school, they play North Dakota at 11:45 a.m. on Tuesday and Utah at 2:15 p.m. on Tuesday and Florida at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday. The medal round is set for Thursday and Friday.

Bantam boys open against Ontario at 6 p.m. on Monday, play Arizona at 6 p.m. on Tuesday and Oklahoma at 7:14 p.m. on Wednesday. Medal round will be Thursday and Friday.

Midget girls basketball opens Monday at the Regency gym against North Dakota at 2:15, play Michigan at 10:30am on Tuesday, Manitoba at 1pm on Tuesday and British Columbia at 2:15pm on Wednesday with medal round on Thursday and Friday.

Midget boys open on Monday at the Auraria gym #1 at 1 p.m. against Oklahoma, play Michigan at 9:15 a.m. on Tuesday, Arizona at 11:45 a.m. on Tuesday and Colorado at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

Juvenile girls are at George Washington high school opening at 2:15 p.m. on Monday against Nova Scotia, play Florida at 6 p.m. on Monday, play Mississippi at 2:15 p.m. on Tuesday, Colorado at 1 p.m. on Wednesday and Utah at 4:45 p.m. on Wednesday,

Juvenile boys basketball open on Monday at 9:15 a.m. at the Gold Crown gym against Arizona, against Nova Scotia at 11:45 a.m. on Monday, against British Columbia at 11:45 a.m. on Tuesday, against Minnesota at 9:15 a.m. on Wednesday and Eastern Door at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday.

Senior women play Ontario at 7:15 p.m. on Monday at the Regency gym, Florida at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday and on Wednesday against Alberta at 3:30 p.m. and Iowa at 6 p.m. The Senior men play Kansas at 8:30 p.m. at the Auraria court #1 on Monday, Ontario at 6 p.m. Tuesday and Connecticut at 6 p.m. Wednesday.

Opening ceremonies are set for 6 p.m. at Invesco Field in Denver, the home of the Denver Broncos.

OPINION PAGE

Our Views

Family literacy needs to be a bigger part of our communities

As many times as we stand in line at our local C-store on the 'rez' waiting to check out, it often occurs to one that our local stores don't often carry a lot of reading material for families. If there is any, the most you see is the local papers and Hollywood tabloids and weekly gossip news. You don't see much literature that could be in the family literacy category.

We call such newsworthy print "family literacy" material and it includes anything that is meant to promote reading, discussion and update parents on the volumes of information that are impacting their child, locally and nationally. We feel that Lakota parents are deserving of such access to the kind of information that originates directly from their schools, community, and tribe and which promote a healthy, nurturing, and viable lifestyle where students are positively supported in their quest for knowledge.

So much information is out there and by the nature of changing circumstances and the passing of time, parents need to be provided with timely information that is current and accurate and relevant to their young ones.

So many Lakota communities do not have public libraries where the youth can do their research and quiet studying and the parents might pick up a newspaper or some relevant publication that might pique their interest. Most of our students can get that on Internet, if one has Internet but there isn't a whole lot of reservation families that have Internet in their homes. It is way for schools, teachers, health care and social workers and others to communicate information to parents and guardians in an efficient way and such library outlets are vital links. A library should be a place that is known to welcome parents and children and the discovery of information and exposure to ideas is the objective.

So many of our children have shown that their reading scores as documented under the No Child Left Behind are negligible and "family literacy" has to be a broad topic area that many literacy resources can fall under. There are many approaches to teaching a child to read and depending upon the readiness of a child a parent simply has to discover what techniques are best suited. Unless there is a visual or emotional issue that is inhibiting a child's reading aptitude, there really is no secret for attaching sounds to letters and connecting those into words and then, making longer sentences that are associated with certain meaning.

The Lakota language is the very same way, in that most Lakota words can be broken down into several parts and each one literally means something. That is not always the case with English, and that makes Lakota an even more attractive reason to study.

Family literacy then should be something that we need to pay attention to as our children need all the encouragement and resources they can access. We need to make information available to parents whether they are simply checking out at the C-store, doing their laundry, or visiting our local libraries and schools.

Our schools stress reading scores, encourage higher reading scores but yet our families don't have much access to family reading … even in their local convenience stores. Hats off to the local reservation stores that take the time and money to sell magazines, books and other family literature on their shelves.



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Things to empower yourself

Revenge is an ugly word and results in harm



By Patty Pourier

We used to play a game called "Dirty Marbles." It is also known as SH_T on your neighbor or Aggravation. Most of you probably know the game I am talking about. It is marketed as "a game of sweet revenge."

The game has a lesson to it. It is that you cannot trust your fellow players. And that if they knock you off the board, one will wait until the next opportunity to take revenge and knock them off the board, thus known as "the game of sweet revenge."

Have any of you been playing this game in real life?

It doesn't feel very good to have your neighbor SH_T on you when playing the game.

And it feels even worse when it happens in real life.

My natural, instinctive reaction is to treat others like they treated me. I want "sweet" revenge. But, through time, I have learned, there is no such thing as "sweet" revenge. Revenge is an ugly word, a negative action, and results in harm to others and myself. So why would I think of this adverse reaction to others?

I have been trying to teach my takojas the golden rule. We have it written on the refrigerator and when they spend the night we read it together at the breakfast table. "Treat others like you would like to be treated."

This is the very opposite of the "game of sweet revenge".

I continue to have opportunities to make the choice of treating others with sweet revenge or as I would like to be treated.

I have had the opportunity to think about the choices I make and why.

Most of the time one of the following has happened I am hurt, I didn't get my way, my ego has been damaged, someone has said something about me that simply is not true, or I have resorted to an old behavior learned at a young age to survive in a dysfunctional family.

None of these justify trying to get revenge.

I have come up with an acronym to try to identify my feelings when they come up. It is- H-E-L-D, H-hurt- E-Ego - L-Lie- D-Dysfunction.

H-E-L-D is a good way for me to test to see if I have HELD on to revenge in my reaction.

Recently, a person who I thought was a friend, seemed to covertly "SH_T on his neighbor" (the neighbor being me).

I had to stop before reacting and try to figure out "why do I feel like I got punched in the stomach after reading his e-mail."

Why would he covertly seem to be taking these actions? What part do I have in this situation (if any)? And if not, will my reaction be part of the problem that is seemingly being created or part of a positive solution.

I had to STOP and THINK before reacting.

After applying "H-E-L-D", I realized I was hurt and he was reacting with ego and dysfunctional co-dependency.

The choice I made, after thought, was to simply not react, but to ask for more information.

He appeared to be acting from his own personal history of experiences, as all of us do.

I tried to understand his issues without taking his inventory. And to react adversely, in any way would not help but hurt the situation.

So my choice was to let it go, and ask more questions, to make sure I understood what was going on without negative emotions getting involved.

I thought he might be having a problem with co-dependency, by trying to take care of others, and I did not have to enter into his conflict.

Other Views

The family of Dakota Garnier asking the Oyate for moral support

Dear Editor:

The family of Dakota Garnier are asking the Lakota oyate to show up on his court dates, especially when his jury trial starts on Aug. 16 to 18 at 8:15 a.m.

We would like the Lakota oyate to come and sit with us in the court room for moral support.

In a recent Hot Springs Star article it states, "A 19 year old Pine Ridge man appeared in Circuit Court in Hot Springs for a motion hearing with his attorney Greg Sperlich on June 9. Dakota Garnier was arraigned on April 4 and May 18 on seven counts stemming from a Hot Springs street fight involving two groups of young people on June 2.

"At the motion hearing, defense attorney Sperlich presented the following preliminary set of motions which were approved by the States Attorney Lance Russell and Judge Thomas Trimble: motion for designation of expert witnesses, motion for criminal histories, motion for street clothes (defendant will be allowed to wear street clothes during the trial), motion regarding physical restraints on defendant (defendant will wear a monitoring belt during the trial), motion for a witness list, motion for an evidence list, motion for production of reports, statements video tapes or recording with regard to photographic lineup. Motions that were questioned included motion to require notice of Rule 404(b) evidence, motion to specify 609A evidence, and motion for jury questionaire.

"Judge Trimble set Thursday, June 29 at 9 a.m. to discuss these motions. Other court dates set are Thursday, July 13 at 11:30 a.m. to hear witnesses, and the trial by jury for August 16, 17 and 18 with court to start at 8:15 a.m.

"Garnier is charged with one count of attempted first degree murder and one count of aggravated assault for severely beating Matthew Pepin, then 18 of Hot Springs. The five additonal charges against Garnier are aggravated assault, a class 3 felony; a class 3 felony (victim Dustin Dillon) aggravated riot, a count 4 felony (weapon baseball bat). The maxiumum penalty for all charges is 70 years in prison and $70,000 fine. Garnier has pled not guilty to all counts.

"Garnier and his brother Dirk, 20, also of Pine Ridge allegedly fled the scene to the Pine Ridge reservation to avoid prosecution in state court.

"The brothers are accused of severely beating Matthew Pepin by hitting him with a baseball bat and kicking him after he fell to the ground.

"It is still believed Dirk Garnier is still on the reservation to prevent his arrest in this matter.

"Garnier was arrested on March 31 when he went to a medical clinic in Rapid City for treatment for a broken leg. Garnier is being held in the Fall River County jail without bond."

Wopila
The family of Dakota Garnier
Pine Ridge Reservation

Explanation of Arapaho sundance conflict on June 8

Dear Editor,

Because of the recent events and the lies to the media and the people, I would like to make my own public statement about the June 8 Arapaho Conflict.

I have the responsibility of "wearing two hats". Yes, I am the District A-l Legislator for the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes.

But before that, during, and long after, I am a ceremonial man. As a ceremonial man I have easily chosen to defend the Sacred Ways of our Arapaho people Sacred Ways that our ancestors fought and sacrificed their lives for.

Are we any less Arapaho today? And if we are, who or what has made us that way? Are we to be Arapaho only by words, or do we see that Tradition is what gives meaning to being Arapaho?

I stand behind what it means to be Arapaho. As a ceremonial man, I chose to be personally involved in the June 8 Arapaho Conflict.

There was no chief that led us on June 8. We were all leaders who acted together on that day. All our men acted together as warriors defending our ways and our People and for that I thank them. Our elders and women gave support and for that I thank them.

This June 8 Arapaho Conflict didn't happen overnight. There's been years of efforts on our part to resolve this in a good and peaceful way.

For years the Chiefs spoke, the Ceremonial Leaders spoke, the People spoke and yet these others and our tribal leaders ignored the Resolutions and the Court Orders. The BIA said they would help but they didn't. No one listened to us, the people.

On that day our traditional people gathered together to pray before we went into that camp.

We prayed for no violence and for no harm to come to anyone. We went in with no weapons.

It was the women, young and old, from that camp who came at us with shovels, hoes, and whatever else. Their leaders ran off.

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Northern Perspectives

It is summer time on the Rosebud



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

On the Rosebud, our twenty traditional communities are busily working at organizing and sponsoring their respective powwows.

They are generally small, intimate gatherings during which a small number of dancers and singers are trying out their latest dance steps or practicing a new song.

The Lakota way is to observe, quietly practice, and then put into practice what you have learned.

It is a rather simple 'construct' or concept that teachers, perhaps, should pay attention to. It is something that teachers call "modeling" and I sincerely think that much more modeling must go on in order for student to understand what is required of them.

The U.S. military has it down pat as they allow a lot of on the job training as way to gain aptitude in a lot of occupational specialties and everything is not geared to pre-testing and post-testing.

They say even medical doctors are given a second, third and even a fourth chance to pass a test of mastery and maybe our students should be extended the same option.

It is a lot of fun on the Rosebud as the atmosphere and attitudes are very relaxed and time seems to slip by ever so slowly.

The Ring Thunder powwow a couple of weeks ago was a lot of fun despite a small number of dancers. I had the pleasure of singing a couple of songs with Francis Cutt and the Mato Gleska singers from Corn Creek and that was fun. Their lead singer was a young man probably in his late teens or early twenties and it was nice to see young people taking part.

In my community of Antelope, the arbor is being totally replaced with a new structure and hopefully that will increase the attendance as it is usually smaller than anticipated also. Glen Yellow Eagle, Dixie Larvie, Lisa Beauvais, and Brian and Barb Herman apparently have put in a lot of work in making preparations for July 7.

Miss SGU, Michael Garnieux is also a part of the powwow committee. Brian has apparently been mowing the grass in and around the arbor and it looks great.

The Antelope powwow grounds are located no far my late brother, Harvey's, Sioux 400 housing unit and I will be thinking of him as we attend this year. I kept forgetting that our family is in mourning and we shouldn't be enjoying ourselves so much. He must have lived there since the late 1960s and he had to have heard the powwow going on all those years.

He was not a powwow goer, but enjoyed being around cars, working on satellite dishes and watching sports.

Dancers will converge from every *tiospaye* on the 'rez' as things build up toward the annual Rosebud Fair. Singers will make new drum sticks and make sure that the sacred drum is well kept by one of the group.

The Rosebud Fair is a joyful time as people of all ages will give thanks that we all made it to another year and that the new school year will bring a promise of new insights, friends, and aspirations.

There already have been a couple of sun dances held on the Rosebud and although I did not have the honor of attending, I want to be a part of many others that occur. We hope to be at John Around Him's sun dance next month, as well as many others here on the Rosebud.

Dr. Archie Beauvais (Sicangu) resides on the Rosebud with his son, Beaux. He earned a Doctor of Education (Ed.D) from Harvard University and is a 2006 Harvard AOCC Award recipient. A decorated Vietnam Veteran, he is functionally literate in Lakota and worked at Sinte Gleska University for 20 years as Dean/Chair of Tribal and Graduate Studies.

Notes From Indian Country

Humiliating the Nation of Islam



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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A terrible thing happened to two soldiers of the 101st Airborne 12 miles south of Baghdad last week.

Pfc. Kristian Menchaca, 23, of Houston and Pfc. Thomas Tucker, 25, Madras, Ore., were tortured and killed by an al-Qaida insurgency group after they were kidnapped during a shootout.

Any human being with an ounce of compassion finds this mindless act to be unforgivable. Perhaps it is impossible for most Americans to understand why such a thing could have happened. But it is not too hard for the Iraqi people to understand. Let's try to go into the mind of an Iraqi man.

In America we have a very short attention span. What happened even six months ago is old news and already forgotten. Not so with people of the Muslim faith. The warring between the different factions, the Shiites, Kurds and Sunni, goes back centuries. The differences continue today because of those very long memories.

Most Americans have nearly forgotten Abu Graib, the infamous prison in Baghdad. The Iraqi people have not, especially the Iraqi male. America was alerted to this horrendous situation when an article by Seymour Hersh appeared in the New Yorker Magazine describing it. CBS News then released the photos and the story on its Evening News and it grew from there.

The images of Iraqi men standing nude with bags over their heads or piled into naked pyramids was utterly humiliating to the Iraqi men. And the fact that white American women were pointing fingers at their nudity and laughing was an outrage to all Iraqi citizens, but much more so for the men.

It didn't matter to them if only one American soldier committed these acts of embarrassment and torture and for President George W. Bush to say publicly that it was only a few bad apples responsible for these acts shows a marked ignorance of the Muslim faith.

The soldiers committing these atrocious acts were Americans and Iraqi men, in their humiliation and anger, did not distinguish between their rank or gender. They did not see just a "handful" of perpetrators. They saw the evil in all American soldiers. The most disgusting acts that could be dreamed up by a conquering army to humiliate a defeated people had just occurred at Abu Ghraib.

To the Iraqi people it was like watching an American soldier pour salt into an open and bleeding wound. It was as bad or worse than raping an Iraqi mother in front of her husband and children. How many American soldiers participated in these acts was not important to the average Iraqi. If one is guilty all are guilty and that is the way it played out to them.

An eye for an eye is taken much more seriously in some countries. Even more so in Muslim nations that have been at war for hundreds of years over such vile acts. Memories are long in the Middle East and vengeance can sometimes wait for 50 years or more before perceived justice is extracted.

An American should know the Koran and try to understand that all people on this planet do not think as Americans think nor act like Americans act. Hadn't they noticed that the devout Muslim women covered themselves from the top of their heads to their feet? Didn't that give them a clue that the body is sacred?

Now recall those pictures of Iraqi men standing naked while white American men women laughed and joked about their nudity. Could this have been worse or equal to forcing them to eat pork?

By no means am I trying to make excuses for the way Menchaca and Tucker were tortured and killed. I merely want to point out the underlying hatred and unvarnished anger that still permeates the minds of so many Iraqi men and women. Revenge no matter how horrible is justifiable in the minds of those seeking it.

Senators like John McCain warned that if the treatment of enemy prisoners did not improve and if the United States did not start to abide by the rules of the Geneva Convention, captured American soldiers could be treated in the same fashion or worse.

The Iraqi people do not fear life and they certainly do not fear death. This is a concept that is not easily grasped by the Western mind. For more than 400 years the settlers and later the United States Army fought Native Americans and they were continuously amazed at the total lack of fear shown by the Indian warriors. It was the complete disregard of death that made the Indians such brave and ferocious fighters.

The American army is considered the invader and no matter the reasons for being in Iraq, they are still the enemy and so many of the mindless and humiliating actions carried out against the Iraqi population by that army have become battle cries of hatred and revenge by the Nation of Islam.

Abu Ghraib was an embarrassment to America, but it was a case of total humiliation and degradation to not only the Iraqi people, but to all Muslims throughout the Middle East. By desecrating the bodies of the Iraqi prisoners, the American soldiers spit on the Sacred Scriptures of Islam. And while the terrible photos of the Iraqi prisoners disappeared from the screens of American television, they played over and over on Arab television.

When the insurgents posted the news of the deaths of the two Americans on the Internet, they were referred to as "crusaders." This word means little to most Americans but it means everything to Islam.

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Arapaho conflict

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Their men stood behind the women. We had 40, maybe 50 people who went in with no intent to hurt anyone.

No, there was no BIA officer that was hurt. Just a complex security officer who shouldn't have been there in the first place.

No, there was no one stabbed. Yes, we tore down that sundance lodge and that tipi used for a rabbit lodge. Why? Because under Traditional Law what they are doing is wrong.

I liked what one of our relatives said at the Public Hearing on June 9. He spoke about the struggle of our people and many people from other tribes to protect Bear Butte from a biker bar that wants to open close by.

Bear Butte is home to us for Sacred Ceremony. And yet an Arapaho Sacred Sun Dance would be put up close to our own casino?

Me, I ask what kind of leadership would do this to his people? What kind of chief doesn't live among his own people? What kind of chief divides the people? What kind of chief ignores our Traditional Law and convinces people to follow "him."

What kind of chief Leads people to a ceremony that he himself is not a part of? What kind of chief says he's trying to bring good to the people and yet intentionally does things in a way that brings conflict, confusion, and harm to the people?

These so-called leaders and chiefs would have their people believe that it's a hardship to go to Wyoming and they want to change that. And yet they took $500 each from the tribe and one got $1,000. A chief helps the people, yes. But out of his own pocket, and not someone else's. And where is the sacrifice for them that goes with these ways?

They live close by and they have good paying jobs. What kind of person would want to follow this kind of thinking from their leaders?

As a ceremonial man, and not as a legislator, I want to say this: To those tribal leaders, program directors, complex security, and all others who by neglect of duty or misguided conduct contributed, by their own action or inaction, to the June 8 Arapaho Conflict, we THANK YOU.

From your ineffectiveness as leaders you've shown us that we can come together as Traditional People. We can stand up and speak out.

The lies to the media and to the people will only make our numbers grow. There are many good Arapaho people who will want to know the truth and will choose to stand with it.

There are those that look at me as the cause of all this instead of looking at themselves first. They want to send me and others to jail. Am I threatened by this? No. Will it change where I stand? No. And why want to send me and others to jail?

We didn't violate any 'Resolution. We didn't violate any Court Orders. Our leaders are confused about who should be arrested. There are those who want to cry out about Freedom of Religion. But they forget that's white-man law.

WE ARE ARAPAHO! Traditional Law, Spiritual Law was here first. Its these laws that teach us to have one heart. You can't follow white-man laws in these matters and call yourself traditional at the same time.

Some woman from that camp told reporters that they were just "practicing" their religion.

This is how little they know. We Traditional People know that Sun Dance is a Way Of Life every day of life. Its not what you go to and "practice". Its what you live. Maybe those over there would want to come over here and learn real tradition, real ceremony.

We as Indian people all across this land have lost so much, by force, these past 150 years.

If we, as Arapaho, don't make a stand now for what is left then what will there be for the future generations? This modern world has made us pitiful people, but we still have a voice.

And until our voice is heard this struggle will not be over.

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Shigellosis cases increase, 87 percent American Indian

PIERRE – South Dakota has reported 54 cases of shigellosis so far in 2006, with 24 of those cases coming since June 1. A total of 131 cases were reported for all of 2005.

"Shigellosis is a fairly common bacterial disease affecting the intestinal tract. The single most important preventive measure for shigellosis is careful hand-washing after using the toilet," said Dr. Lon Kightlinger, State Epidemiologist for the South Dakota Department of Health.

Dr. Kightlinger said the majority of recent cases have been in south central South Dakota in the counties of Todd, Tripp, Bennett, Shannon, Gregory, Charles Mix and Mellette. Most of the cases have been children in day care and their families.

The median age of the cases is 5 years old and the range is 1 to 53 years.

Half are male and half female and 87 percent are American Indian, 8 percent white, and 5 percent race unknown.

Shigella germs are found in the intestinal tract of infected people who in turn may contaminate food or water. The shigella germ is spread by eating or drinking contaminated food or water or by direct contact with an infected person.

Mild or severe diarrhea, often with fever and traces of blood or mucous in the stool, are the primary symptoms of shigellosis, although some may have no symptoms. Symptoms usually appear within two to three days of exposure.

Kightlinger said people with active diarrhea or those who are unable to control their bowel habits should be isolated to prevent the spread of shigellosis. Most infected people may return to work or school when their diarrhea ceases, provided that they carefully wash their hands after toilet visits. Food handlers, children and staff in day care, and health care workers should be excluded until two stool specimens test negative for the bacteria.

For more information about shigellosis, see the department's web site at www.state.sd.us/doh/Pubs/shigello.htm.

Diabetes Prevention Awareness Camp/Camp Wolakota, June 28 to June 30

Diabetes Prevention Awareness Overnight Camp/Camp Wolakota will be held June 28-30 at Ghost Hawk Park. Open to all youth ages 11-17, with a preference to Youth Wellness Program participants. Call Marc for more information, 747-4600.

RST Diabetes Prevention Youth Wellness Clinic, June 27

RST Diabetes Prevention Youth Wellness Clinic, June 27, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at RST DPP office in Rosebud, Soldier Creek Road. Walk-ins are always welcome. Call 747-4600 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Casinos now a $23 billion-a-year industry

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) - Gambling revenue at American Indian casinos nationwide grew to nearly $23 billion last year, climbing at a rate more than three times faster than traditional gambling operations.

California tribes accounted for nearly a third of the money, according to a comprehensive report on Indian gambling to be released last Wednesday.

Nationwide, Indian gambling revenue grew by 15.6 percent in 2005, even though no major casinos opened last year, according to the Indian Gaming Industry Report, compiled by economist Alan Meister.

It was the 10th consecutive year in which revenues increased by about 15 percent.

The growth can be attributed to expanded offerings at existing casinos and stepped-up marketing by tribes that are adding Las Vegas-style amenities to lure more visitors.

The report shows tribal casinos closing in on the amount of profits taken in by other casinos, which had $29.6 billion in revenue in 2005, a 4.6 percent rise from the previous year.

California's tribes saw revenue climb by 24 percent, to $7.2 billion, in a state where 55 tribes operate 57 casinos. That rate of growth isn't likely to slow any time soon, Meister said.

Nebraska led all states in growth last year, at 228 percent, after adding a third casino and other offerings at existing facilities.

Only four states saw a decline in revenue: Alaska, Louisiana, Maine and South Carolina.

Meister, an economist with the Analysis Group in Los Angeles, uses data from government agencies, Indian tribes and casinos, gambling associations and other studies, as well as some proprietary financial data that tribes are not required to publicly report.

Wednesday's report also found the nation's 420 Indian casinos are responsible for the equivalent of 310,000 full-time jobs and about $10.5 billion in wages.

Meister said Indian gambling directly and indirectly accounts for $6.9 billion in tax revenue.

Whalen seeking support for his campaign, *'There are a lot of Republicans in Indian Country. They just don't know it yet'*

WATERTOWN (AP) - Republican Bruce Whalen said last Friday he believes his conservative stands on abortion, taxes, the war in Iraq and other issues will help him win the race for South Dakota's lone U.S. House seat.

Whalen told Republican State Convention delegates that he remains far behind Rep. Stephanie Herseth, D-S.D., in raising campaign money but that he believes he could win by spending as little as $100,000 on the campaign.

Whalen said his beliefs as an American Indian match those held by Republican voters across South Dakota.

Whalen, from Pine Ridge, noted that Indian voters have traditionally voted for Democrats, but he said he is working to change that.

The Republican candidate talked about his opposition to abortion and his support for cutting taxes and permanently repealing the federal inheritance tax. He said it's important for the nation to remain committed to the war in Iraq so people in that country can be free.

Herseth has voted for higher taxes and gets a lot of campaign donations from organizations that support abortion rights, Whalen said, adding that those issues should help him.

``The Republican Party has a conservative platform and lines up better with Lakota values and culture. Abortion is just one of the issues,'' Whalen said. ``There are a lot of Republicans in Indian Country. They just don't know it yet.''

The Pine Ridge Indian Reservation remains one of the nation's poorest counties despite the millions of federal dollars poured into the area each year, he said.

The area is hurt by federal regulations that hamper private enterprise, said Whalen.

``Socialism doesn't work, folks,'' he said.

Whalen grew up in Pine Ridge, moved to Utah as a teen and returned to South Dakota in 1999 to raise his family. He has been working for the Oglala Sioux Tribe as coordinator of its judiciary committee.

He lost a bid in 2002 for tribal council and was unsuccessful in 2004 in his campaign for the state House of Representatives.

Whalen rallied Indian support for Republican John Thune in his 2004 victory over former Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle.

Whalen urged the GOP delegates to help him raise campaign funds by the end of the month.

He said if he can show good local support, he will get more help from national Republican campaign committees.

Crazy Horse sculptor's wife Ruth Ziolkowski in charge at 80

BY CARSON WALKER
Associated Press Writer

CRAZY HORSE MEMORIAL (AP) - Some people openly share their wisdom, experience and advice on how to live a full life. But Ruth Ziolkowski, in charge of the world's largest mountain carving, simply leads through example.

The widow of self-taught sculptor Korczak Ziolkowski, whose dream it was to honor American Indians by carving the likeness of Sioux warrior Crazy Horse into a granite mountain in the southern Black Hills, turned 80 on Monday.

The Connecticut native didn't set out to run a multimillion-dollar operation that spans a 1,000-acre complex, employs 176 - including seven of the couple's 10 children and several grandchildren _ and draws more than a million visitors a year.

But after her husband's death in 1982, Ziolkowski felt she must carry through with his commitment _ and use dynamite, drills and determination to fulfill the dream she had already adopted as her own.

``It's not a one-person deal. I'm the one that gets all of the accolades and all of the glory and it doesn't need to be that way,'' Ziolkowski said in an interview at the memorial's Laughing Water Restaurant. ``This is a team effort. It wouldn't be here if we didn't have a lot of great people.''

Even at 80, Mrs. Z, as she's known around the complex, is very much in charge. She is always willing to greet visitors with a smile, pose for a photo and ask where they're from.

Ziolkowski is genuine, sincere, humble and gracious, said Rollie Noem, chief operating officer.

``She's very detailed but also very visionary. She's an astute business person and she lives this project 24/7. It is her passion,'' Noem said.

Momentum now multiplies the effort that has relied for nearly 60 years on simple principles: hard work, honesty, respect for others, thrift, private enterprise and perseverance.

``You can't just have the dream. You've got to work for that dream. And if it isn't within you and you don't love it yourself, you're not going to do it because somebody tells you to do it. It has to come from within,'' Ziolkowski said.

That's why she still puts in longer days than anyone else here and has a peace and joy about her that are rare with people much younger.

While others work on the mountain, Ruth Ziolkowski does most of her work in her cabin where all 10 children were born. Her desk is the same linoleum-covered table all 12 family members sat around during meals.

``This is headquarters,'' she said while sitting at the head of the table, Korczak's place. ``Telephone, TV set, me.''

Papers are stacked on the table and floor. Portraits of the couple and children line the light green walls.

The setting is simple, as are the dresses and smocks Ziolkowski has made for herself every birthday and Christmas to wear with her white moccasins and hair bands.

``Hopefully there's some sort of resemblance to match,'' she said. ``It doesn't take me long to get up and get dressed in the morning.''

She doesn't use a computer but does have an e-mail system that automatically prints out the messages.

``I pick it up and read it. If I want to talk to somebody or do something about it, I pick up the telephone. If I don't want to, the wastebasket is right there,'' Ziolkowski said.

For written correspondence, which goes to everyone who contributes: ``Your hand does just fine with a pen in it.''

Ziolkowski's work ethic inspires and motivates everyone, Noem said. Her day usually starts around 5:30 a.m. when she and daughter Jadwiga Ziolkowski outline the day's plans over the phone.



Recently Ruth Ziolkowski was honored with a star quilt by the Crazy Horse riders during their annual ride. Photo by Pat Dobbs. Ruth celebrated her 80th birthday this past Monday. Crazy Horse Mountain entry fee is free to Native Americans.

She grew up as Ruth Ross in West Hartford, Conn., and met sculptor Korczak Ziolkowski when she was 13. In the late 1940s, she came to the Black Hills with other young people who volunteered to help him start Crazy Horse.

He took on the project at the invitation of Chief Henry Standing Bear, who was prompted by Gutzon Borglum's carving of nearby Mount Rushmore.

Korczak, who assisted Borglum with that project in 1939, disregarded the first letter from Standing Bear.

``The second letter had the line that really hooked Korczak,'' Ziolkowski said. ``He (Standing Bear) said, 'We would like the white man to know the red men have great heroes also.'''

After three years of contemplating the offer while voluntarily serving in World War II, Korczak came to the Black Hills for good. He and Ross were married on Thanksgiving Day 1950 at Crazy Horse and his vow to Standing Bear also became hers.

``He decided it would be well worth his life carving a mountain, not just as a memorial to the Indian people. He felt by having the mountain carving, he could give back some pride. And he was a believer that if your pride is intact you can do anything in this world you want to do,'' Ziolkowski said.

The early years of working on the project alone were difficult. But quitting was never a thought.

``It was work but it was fun. It really was.''

Ziolkowski's main role early on, besides raising the children, was hosting visitors.

After Korczak's death, she took over as leader and made some bold decisions. One of the first was to carve Crazy Horse's face before carving the horse.

The massive, lifelike face was dedicated in 1998, the 50th anniversary of the first blast, and has helped draw more attention to the project.

``She's not only kept things together but she's overseen all of the growth that has happened and the expansion and development from all fronts,'' Noem said of the carving and the buildings.

Those are projects that help raise the money that will fund the mission of reconciliation with Indians, Ziolkowski said.

``So when the mountain is finished, every dime you make then can go toward the university and the medical training center and to keep the museum going,'' she said.

In 1952, Korczak wrote his children a letter and asked them to reread it every month if they chose to help carry on the project.

The letter ends: ``You will find in the darkest hours a feeling of great strength, of great satisfaction, of great joy and happiness, in carrying out even the mundane tasks that go towards living for something far greater than yourselves.''

Nighttime blasts on the mountain are held every Sept. 6, Korczak's birthday, and June 26, Ruth's birthday. This year, Development Director Fred Tully had planned a celebration for her 80th.

Already she had two large punch bowls stuffed with birthday cards.

``I know what I'm going to be doing for quite a while after the 26th of June, because I think anybody who is kind enough to write or to send a gift to Crazy Horse should be thanked.''

`You get out of this life what you put into it. It all comes around in a circle. The Indians believe that, and you see it when you get to be 80. There are lots of things that you did to someone else that comes back to you - and good or bad.''

Tuwahe Wocoipe
Words for the People

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Honor the Youth Spiritual Run arrives in Rosebud

Suicide, alcohol, drug and violence awareness is purpose

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent



Sam Little Cloud about 35 miles south of Eagle Butte, on their way to Midland on Friday, June 23. Photo by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.



The runners Sam Little Cloud (Oglala/Sicangu), Quinten Andersen (White Earth), Chuck Anderson (Mil Lacs), Doug Fairbanks (Leech Lake), Naida Medicine Crow (Crow Creek Sioux), Dakota Jordain (Crow Creek/Red Lake), Keith Cloud (La Courtes Oreilles), Arlund Wakefield (Leech Lake), Inyan Mato (Cherokee), Kason Firewolf (Oglala), David Yang (White Earth), and Kenny Dorman.

ROSEBUD - There have been an alarming number of suicides on the Rosebud that have been troubling to Sicangu people and a number of organizations and individuals have sought to draw attention to the issue, as well as that of violence, drug and alcohol abuse.

The Honor the Youth Spiritual Run III began in Ft. Yates on June 21 when the runners prepared themselves with a sweat and ended in Rosebud on June 25, covering over 250 miles as a way to bring awareness to the issues confronting Native youth. The St. Francis Indian Day powwow was also winding down on Sunday as it was thought that the runners might arrive there.

The Honor the Youth organization is based in Minneapolis and the run was coordinated by Patricia Shepherd, as the group traveled in an SUV, a mini-van, and a full sized van. Shepard said, "Suicide is an epidemic. I lost my brother and this is my personal commitment to raise awareness in a good way and by prayer. The staff was at Wakpala and someone from Rosebud requested here, so it will remain here until August 9, at which time we will run with it to Macy, Neb.. The staff was not driven one step of the way."

Naida Medicine Crow and her daughter Dakota Jourdain, 9, live in Minneapolis and finished the run. Dakota said of the run, "I thought it was kind of cool, I have never been to Rosebud." Originally from Ft.Thompson on the Crow Creek Sioux reservation, Naida, 30, works in a foster home for Native youth on the south side of Minneapolis. She is also attending college and said, "It was hard, it was good though. I was happy and honored to be part of it. We have to do something to positively influence the youth. At 'speak outs' I get to talk to the kids. I tell them to be strong and that people care."

A Native Youth Hotline is also being promoted for youth who desire an alternative resource for the many issues, including methamphetamines, which is making inroads in Indian Country. In a press release from the Honor the Youth, it was noted that, "Suicide is the second leading cause of death for Native Youth between the ages of 15-24 of age, their risk is three times higher of committing suicide then another racial/ethnic group in the country."

The Native Youth Crisis Hotline is 1-877-209-1266. The local contacts for the event as listed on the poster included Mary Tobacco for the Wanblee stop and Mike One Star and Tanya Whirlwind Soldier

Please turn to Runners: B2

Regional Hospital donates Telemedicine equipment to Pine Ridge hospital

RAPID CITY - The physicians at Pine Ridge Indian Health Services Hospital now have the ability to do long-distance, real-time consulting with Rapid City physicians and other health care professionals around the world thanks to telemedicine technology. This has been made possible by a recent Rapid City Regional Hospital donation of a medical consultation workstation, the Telesynergy® system, to the Pine Ridge hospital.

The Telesynergy® system is a medical consultation workstation that allows for the collaboration of multiple professionals using many different technologies.

The system is a PC-based videoconferencing system, which includes tools such as a diagnostic-quality microscope, patient exam camera, color video printer, radiology monitors, and a document camera.

'In some cases, it could eliminate the need for a patient to drive to Rapid City for a consultation.'

-Dr. Petereit

The workstation integrates all of these imaging capabilities into one system and allows them to be used together during a videoconference. More frequently, the system is used for real-time transmission of audio and video data for medical consultation purposes.

"Our hope is that with the availability of this equipment at Pine Ridge, IHS physicians can more easily consult with their counterparts and specialists in Rapid City," said Daniel Petereit, M.D., a radiation oncologist at the John T. Vucurevich Regional Cancer Care Institute in Rapid City. "In some cases, it could eliminate the need for a patient to drive to Rapid City for a consultation."

The Telesynergy® system at Pine Ridge Indian Health Service Hospital and the identical system at Rapid City Regional Hospital, were obtained as part of the National Cancer Institute's Cooperative Planning Grant for Cancer Disparities Research Partnership Program.

Rapid City Regional Hospital serves approximately 60,000 Native Americans from surrounding communities and reservations including Pine Ridge, Cheyenne River and Rosebud. The Pine Ridge IHS Hospital, located on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, was chosen to receive the equipment because it has the largest Native American population in the state and could provide the best facility and technical support for the operation of the system.

The National Cancer Institute's Cooperative Planning Grant for Cancer Disparities Research Partnership Program issued by the Radiation Research Program, is an effort to strengthen the national cancer program by developing models to reduce significant negative consequences of cancer disparities seen in certain U.S. populations.

Rapid City Regional Hospital was awarded a CDRP grant in 2002 to study cancer incidence rates among the Native American community.

The grant will help to identify barriers to treatment, and develop a program to identify and assist potential cancer patients in obtaining the most appropriate diagnosis, treatment, and follow-up by helping patients navigate the health care and insurance systems.

The goal of Rapid City Regional Hospital's grant, also known as the Walking Forward program, is to diminish cancer incidence and mortality and improve the quality of life of people with cancer in the Native American community.

Matt Scott, a 2006 graduate of TCHS brings back a gold medal

Only Native student on team to win 'Down Under Bowl'

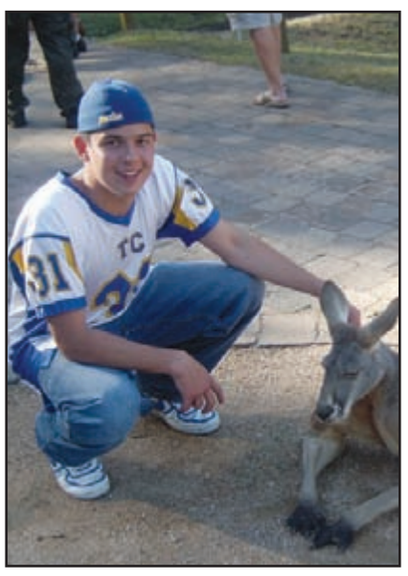
BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

MISSION - Matt Scott, a 2006 graduate of Todd County High School and the son of Darrell and Tammy Scott has been pursuing his dream of excelling in the "Down Under Bowl." The 'Bowl' was held near Brisbane, Queensland, Australia at the Gold Coast Surfers Paradise.

Athletes excelling in academics and athletics are invited by the International Sports Specialists. Athletes are required to raise their own funds to travel to the events. A number of other Sicangu athletes will also participating 'Down Under' next month.

Matt chose to participate on the ISSI South Dakota team back in December of 2005. Through a generous donation from his uncle Mike, auntie Dina and cousin JoBeth, the dedicated work of Beaver and auntie Mary, uncle Whitey, the late Bill Grimm, JR and Vickie Reagle, Kenny's Barbershop, Dale Wooden Knife, Louie Schmidt, Vicky Stroup, Auntie Ida and Keith, and numerous other friends and relatives and businesses, the Rosebud Sioux tribe, and the TCSD he was able to make the trip a reality.

Due to some athletes dropping out or not able to raise enough funds, the South Dakota team was combined with teams from North Dakota and Minnesota in order to field a team. Other ISSI teams, as they were called, also combined their rosters. Matt's team rallied against ISSI teams comprised of student athletes from Idaho, Nevada, and New Mexico as well as a combined Texas and Arkansas team and a Southern Australia team. A phone call on Sunday night confirmed that Matt's team won the championship trophy and individual gold medals, while a running back on the team won Most Valuable Player honors.



Matt Scott's team rallied against teams comprised of student athletes from Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, Arkansas team and a Southern Australia team.

Matt traveled to Australia on June 19 by way of Los Angeles for a 13 hour flight to Australia over the Pacific Ocean. Once there, it was like every traveler's "dream come true" as they toured the city, swam in the ocean, walked on the beach and practiced football.

After doing the "tourist thing" in Australia, Matt is headed for Hawaii for more R & R while doing some scuba diving, surfing, visiting Pearl Harbor and enjoying an authentic Hawaiian luau. He will return to the Rosebud on June 29, Friday after a whirlwind tour of "Down Under" and Hawaii.

Matt is headed for South Dakota State University this fall where he will pursue his academic career in the College of Agriculture and Biology. It is likely with a list of accomplishments too numerous to mention Matt will discover other challenges that will keep him busy and enjoying a very bright future.

As the only Sicangu Lakota on the combined South Dakota, North Dakota, and Minnesota football team, all of the Rosebud Sioux reservation and Indian Country were well represented and are proud of Matt.

Some of Matt's friends will be traveling "Down Under" in July to participate in basketball, volleyball, and golf. Matt encourages all to support the fundraising efforts of Shawndai Prue, Amiel 'Mook' Redfish, Taylor Brushbreaker, and Chris Leroy.

Runners

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for the Rosebud.

On Saturday, the runners were seen on their way to Green Grass community on the Cheyenne River Sioux reservation and on Sunday they had left Wanblee in the morning on the Pine Ridge reservation headed for the Rosebud Sioux reservation where they arrived in the late afternoon. The pow-wow music was blaring and despite little fan fare, the Sicangu people who witnessed their arrival were nevertheless impressed at their dedication and commitment that ended in a journey that ended well. In this case, the journey and the destination were equally as important. Sam Little Cloud, the staff carrier, is part Oglala and Sicangu Lakota and had never been to the Rosebud before.

Inyan Mato, is part Cherokee and a fitness assistant at an assisted living unit in Mille Lacs, Minn. He was discovering his Native heritage for the first time by being on the run. He said, "Each step is a prayer. This lines up with my life. I'm learning my heritage and passing it on. I grew up in the city and this is the most challenging thing I have done in my life. I have 15 nephews and nieces running for kids along the way. The message we bring is mental health. When we arrive we bring them hope."

Tanya Whirlwind Soldier and Wopila Bad Hand were designated as the welcome team for the runners, while Tillie Black Bear, Terri Stone and other staff from the White Buffalo Calf Women's Shelter were on hand to also welcome the runners and serve them a meal. Stone and Bad Hand joined the runners on the last leg of the run to welcome them to Rosebud followed by their vans with powwow music blaring.

The runners arrived at the Diabetes Prevention facilities where they were fed and were able to rest before taking part in the sweat lodge held in St. Francis that was arranged by Bad Hand who is on the staff at the program. The runners were, Sam Little Cloud (Oglala/Sicangu), Quinten Andersen (White Earth), Chuck Anderson (Mil Lacs), Doug Fairbanks (Leech Lake), Naida Medicine Crow (Crow Creek Sioux), Dakota Jordain (Crow Creek/Red Lake), Keith Cloud (La Courtes Oreilles), Arlund Wakefield (Leech Lake), Inyan Mato (Cherokee), Kason Firewolf (Oglala), David Yang (White Earth), and Kenny Dorman.

Cloud Horse art camp completed, writing camp scheduled for July 10

KYLE - Cloud Horse Art Institute located off BIA 17 south of Kyle, just completed a camp in Contemporary Lakota Art.

Classes included drawing with pencil taught by Jesse Thunder Hawk, Lakota Painting taught by Richard Red Owl and Sculpture taught by Marty Wanserski (USD Fine Arts). Students and staff also participated in cooking, timpsila digging, hiking, campfires and volleyball.

Everyone not only learned some great new skills but had a great time as well. Students included Margie Red Feather, SueAnn White Face, Josh Huston, Christina Clifford and Daisy Martinez. Camp Director Tilda Long Soldier-St. Pierre wants to thank the participants for their great attitude and behavior as well as Heather Martinez for help in chaperoning and meal preparation.

The next camp in writing will be held July 10-14 and features Mark St. Pierre, Author of "Madonna Swan" and other books teaching Character and Plot Development in Story Telling, JoEllen Koerner author of "Mother Heal Thyself" teaching Telling Your Own Story and Basic Journalism with David Melmer, Sr. Reporter with *Indian Country Today*. This camp will be open to 8 students high school and older. Slots are still open for this camp.

An August camp in Traditional Arts for Lakota Women will be held August 6-9 featuring Beading with Tendon, Hide Tanning and Hide Painting taught by Tilda Long Soldier-St. Pierre and Gus Yellow Hair. Further information and applications can be obtained by calling 605-455-2972. Schools are offered to native people from throughout the region.

Defenders will not attend gathering

RAPID CITY - In any effort to preserve and protect places that have been, and continue to be, sacred to Indigenous peoples, the ultimate action of respect must always be considered.

Many people have asked if Defenders of the Black Hills will be participating in the Gathering that is scheduled to begin July 4 at Bear Butte and continue through the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. After attending many prayer ceremonies starting last fall, 2005, and consulting with both spiritual leaders and elders, we have been advised NOT to attend.

In order to continue to uphold the traditions of the Tetuwan (Lakota) people, and other Native American nations that pray and hold ceremonies at Bear Butte, and to adhere to our organization's own principle of respect for sacred places, Defenders of the Black Hills will NOT be participating in the upcoming Gathering scheduled to begin July 4.

For more information contact Charmaine White Face, Coordinator, at (605) 399-1868, Janice Badhorse Larson at (605) 473-0904, or Garvard Good Plume Jr. at (605) 343-4224.

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Ecosystem Research Group (ERG), a Montana-based consulting company, will be continuing the range survey of the Pine Ridge Reservation for the Oglala Sioux Tribe during the months of May, June, and July 2006. ERG's field office is based in Kadoka, SD, and field crews will be sampling vegetation and conducting similarity index surverys on grazing allotments across the eastern portion of the reservation. The majority of the western portion of the reservation was previously surveyed in 2004 and 2005.

Field technicians will be using a combination of pickup trucks, ATV, and foot travel to access the allotments, and any travel recommendations and requests from permittees are welcome and very helpful. ERG vehicles include late model white Ford F150s, a green Dodge Dakota pickup, and a white Toyota Tundra. All vehicles will be marked with the company logo, and all employees will carry a letter of verification.

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Baby Chase Alone

LAWTON, Okla. - Baby Chase Alone, infant, Lawton, died June 17, in Lawton. Survivors include parents, Adeline Chase Alone and Chad White Face, Lawton; maternal grandparents, Leonard Chase Alone and Sally Apple, both of Manderson and paternal grandmother, Valerie Estes, Rapid City.

Graveside services were June 24 at St. Agnes Catholic Cemetery in Manderson, with Roberta Spencer officiating. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Aloysius J. 'Al' Larvie

MISSION - Aloysius J. "Al" Larvie, 84, Mission, died June 16 at Rosebud Hospital. He served in the U.S. Army from 1942-45.

Survivors include four children, Beverly Medhaug and Delvin Larvie, both of Mission, Tom Larvie, Valentine, Neb., and Waylon Larvie, Rapid City; nine grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. His wife, Sophie, preceded him in death.

Wake services were June 19 and 20 at St. Thomas Hall in Mission.

Funeral services were June 21 at St. Thomas Hall. Burial was at St. Ignatius Cemetery in White River. Sandoz Chapel of the Pines of Valentine was in charge of arrangements.

Gabe A. Dreamer Sr.

OGLALA - Gabe A. Dreamer Sr., 43, Oglala, died Sunday, June 18, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include his wife, Jacqueline Dreamer, Oglala; five sons, Gabe Dreamer Jr., Jared Twiss and Gabriel Dreamer, all of Pine Ridge, and Beau Dreamer and Hunter Dreamer, Oglala; five daughters, Amanda Her Many Horses, Precious Dreamer and Gabriella Dreamer, all of Oglala, and Nicole Dreamer and Trina Dreamer, both of Fort Washakie, Wyo.; his mother, Norma Blacksmith, Oglala; four brothers, Al Dreamer Jr., George Dreamer, Todd Dreamer and Arley Dreamer, all of Oglala; and five sisters, Roxie Dreamer, Rhonda Dreamer, Rochelle Dreamer, Rachael Dreamer and Rosie Dreamer, all of Oglala.

Wake services were June 21 at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Pine Ridgeand Thursday, June 22, at Loneman School in Oglala.

Funeral services were Friday, June 23, at the school, with Elder Marei Kingi and the Rev. Asa Wilson officiating.

Burial was at Makasan Presbyterian Cemetery in Oglala. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Jayne Isabella Carpio

PINE RIDGE - Jayne Isabella Carpio, infant, Pine Ridge, died June 18 at Pine Ridge Hospital.

Survivors include her parents, Kallen Carpio Sr. and Anne Marie Carpio, Pine Ridge; three brothers, Kallen Carpio Jr., Eric Carpio and Dakota Carpio, all of Pine Ridge; three sisters, Mia Carpio, Serenity Carpio and Talon Poor Bear, all of Pine Ridge; her maternal grandparents, Franklin Poor Bear and Phyllis Hollow Horn, Wounded Knee; and her paternal grandparents, Daniel Carpio, Albuquerque, N.M., and Maxine Lakota, Pine Ridge.

Wake services were Thursday, June 22, at Church of God in Wounded Knee. Funeral services were Friday, June 23, at Joyner Episcopal Hall in Pine Ridge, with the Rev. Agnes Tyon officiating. Burial was at Holy Cross Episcopal Cemetery in Pine Ridge. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

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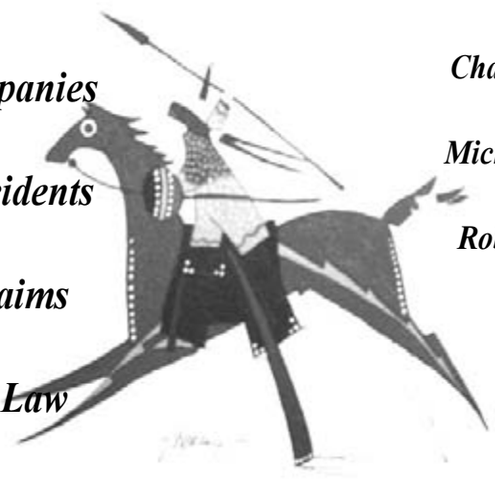
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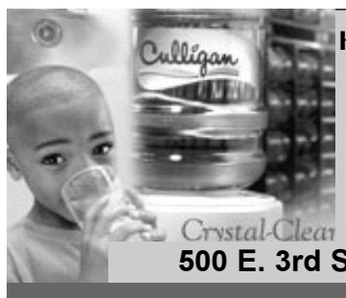
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Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I am writing to you out of concern, I have been told that somebody said that me and my husband are not going to last and this worries me.

I see us being together for a long time and I know there is some problems that have to be worked on but we are willing to do it and try our best.

Recently I have had a terrible dream about him leaving to the spirit world and he woke me and I was crying and when I went back to sleep again I went straight back into the same dream. Is there any meaning of this dream?

Concerned

Dear Concerned:

Somebody said?

Well, somebody will always say....so please understand that what somebody says has no bearing on you in any way. We are independent beings, and sometimes our decisions are shadowed by other people's opinions, but other people's opinions do not matter in our lives unless we decide that they do.

Does this "somebody" have more importance and understanding about you and your life than you do? If not, let it go...and if so, then take another look at yourself. Independent thinking, being the most important person in your own decision making, and leading a life that you are comfortable with in your own heart should always have more importance and affect on you than any "somebody."

The dream is very scary. I asked Spirit if there is any validity to it in your immediate future and the response is, "There is always validity in dreams - or they are messages - but it does not imply or mean that the man in question will die. It simply means that she is afraid that he will be taken from her or leave her, either by choice or in some other way.

There is no reason to believe that he is going to pass away anytime in the near future."

So, simply put, it means that your fear has such a big hold on you that you are suffering for no reason except what you have in your mind.

Try faith instead of fear, it makes life a whole lot easier. Fear, by the way, in my opinion, is the devil's wedge. It separates us from life, love, and peace.

Don't give so much time to fear. Visualize a good life, not a horrible one.

Remember, we create that which we believe in the most in our own lives...if you believe in pain, then that is where you will live, but if you believe in joy then the outcome is joyful.

Good luck in clearing fear and dread and others opinions out of your life.

Dear Anna,

I have concerns of my daughter, she is a beautiful young lady and I know she has a secret alcohol addiction but she is in such denial. She won't listen to me when I talk to her of it, she says she isn't like that.

I love her very much and I don't want to strain our relationship but I know I have to do something soon or we will both regret it in the future.

Why is she hurting so to be addicted like that? What do I say to her?

Loving mother

Dear Loving Mother:

Bless your heart. As mothers, fathers, sisters, or brothers, we cannot reach inside anybody else and force them into awareness. Your daughter's behavior is not based on so much pain, it is rather based on an unfulfilled heart and boredom. It is a social pattern and keeps her preoccupied with "external" life - that which goes on outside of her. It keeps her busy and social with friends.

There is so much information about addiction and dependency and codependency available that I know by now you have heard it all, but basically what I really and truly understand is this:

1. Alcohol and drugs start with social patterns with friends.

2. Social acceptance and "fun" times will take over a person's life if they do not have a firm relationship with the Spirit Within them and a strong relationship with the Creator.

3. It is very hard to find your balance socially when you are young without peer acceptance.

4. Maturity and love of life usually don't come until a person is a little older.

Your daughter will find sobriety when she suffers a hard loss sometime in the next year or year and a half.

It is her journey mom, her life, and her choice.

She is not a bad person...as a matter of fact, she has a good future after she gives up on what doesn't work in a good way for her: the pursuit of a man that isn't good for her, his friends, and their values.

Have patience and pray for her. She'll be okay.

Dear Anna,

I am waiting for this one special guy. But what if he doesn't wait for me? Can you see him in my future?

I hope and pray every day that one special day will come. I know this is an unusual comment to answer to.

Waiting

Dear Waiting:

Well, the way I see things each of us has at least one person on the earth that is our mate. Synchronicity or the rhythm of the earth in harmony with the Creator brings to us that which we desire and that which is to be ours because it is for the highest good. Sometimes, something (or someone) that we pray for is not going to be given to us.

Sometimes the Creator says no because it is not in concordance with our highest good. In this case, what I understand is that this man you are waiting for is with someone else and will not be available for many years.

How long do you want to wait?

Perhaps waiting for him is just an excuse not to be open to anybody else. Just go with the flow girl. As long as you have to live life anyway, then why not see what else is out there for you? If no one else shows up then okay, you have waited and at least lived open to love.

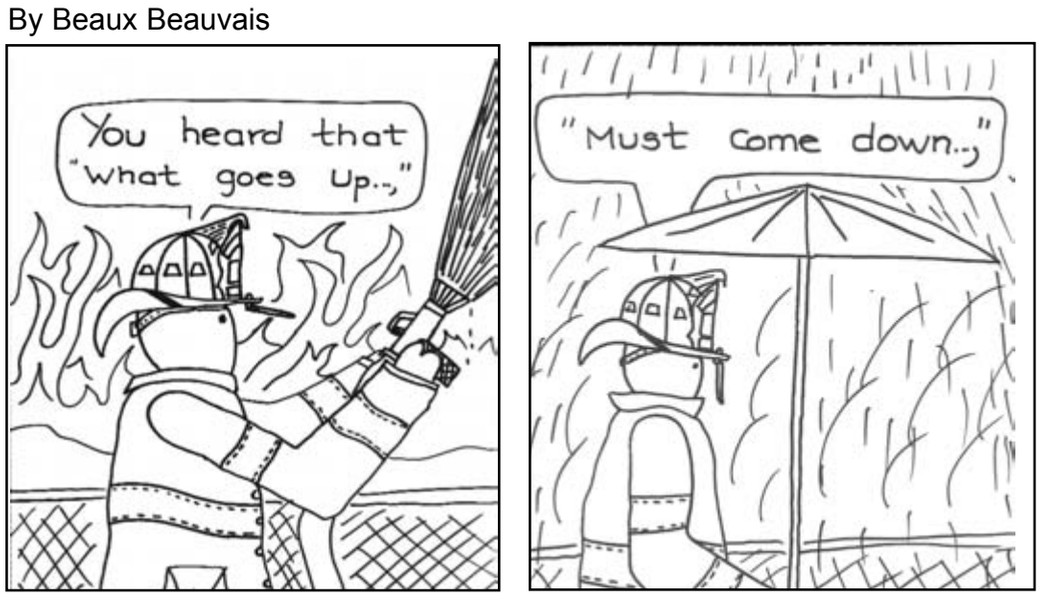
If you wish to be on standby and just wait, then that is okay too. What is meant to be won't be missed, it will happen, all in good time.

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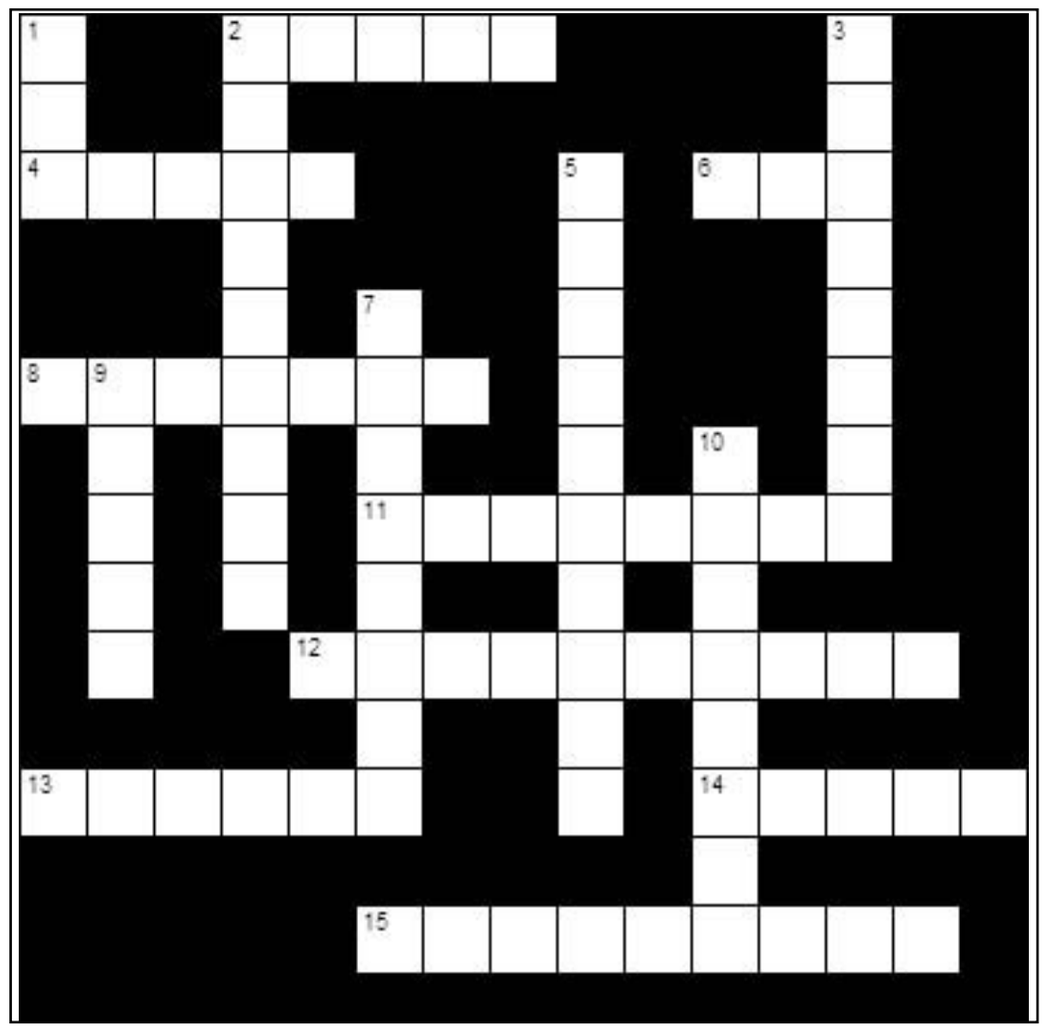
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Lakota Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)



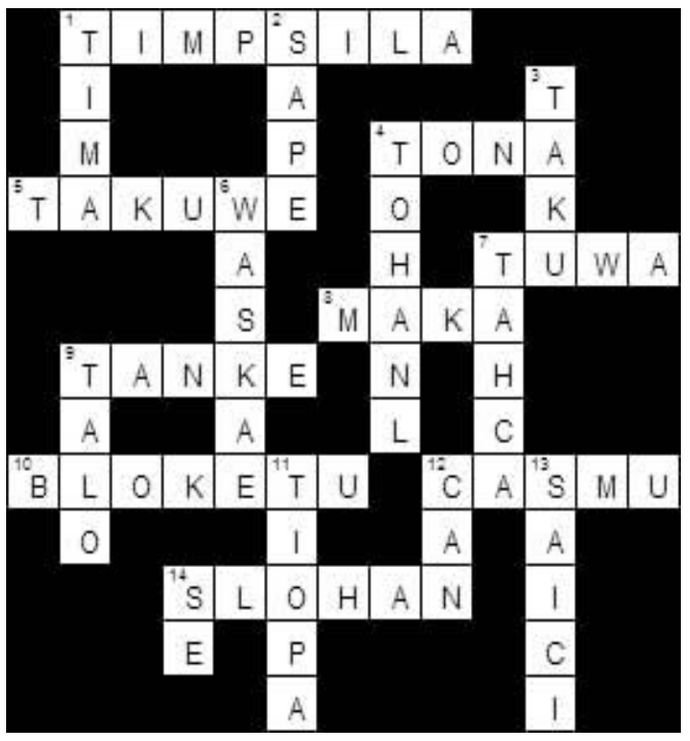
Across

2. laws
4. both
6. sleepy
8. he is thinking
11. I made him laugh
12. I cut wood
13. I am sick
14. fish
15. wipe

Down

1. mess up hair
2. thoughts
3. I did something good
5. they are praying
7. I see something
9. sneeze
10. not yet

Answers from last week's puzzle



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Notice for Bids #06082006-0019 Rosebud Sioux Tribe BIDS

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe Rodeo Committee is accepting sealed bids for 1 (one) Primary Stock Contractor for a INFR Tour Rodeo during the 130th Annual RST Fair Rodeo on August 25-27, 2006. The Primary Contractor will be responsible for payment (s) to the Sub Contractors. Tribal Preference will apply.

Sealed Bids must be submitted to Jim Wike, RST Treasurer Box 430 11 Legion Avenue Rosebud SD 57570. Bids will close on June 30, 2006 at 1:00 PM CDT. Envelopes must be marked STOCK CONTRACTOR

Bid Description:

1. The Primary contractor may Subcontract with not to exceed 5 identified Sub Contractors to provide:
a. 70 horses for the bareback/
saddle bronc events
b. 30 bulls
c. 35 steers
d. 50 calves
e. Sr. Wild Horse Race horses
2. Will be responsible for 2 Pickup men, 1 - Bull Fighter, All Chute help and Arena Director.
3. Must show 75% Stock Ownership

For more information contact Sheri Knox at (605) 747-2381 ext. 255. The RST Rodeo Committee and Fair Board have the right to negotiate and reject any or all bids.

Notice for Bids # 06082006-0020

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe Rodeo Committee is accepting sealed bids for a Rodeo Announcer for an INFR Tour Rodeo during the 130th Annual RST Fair Rodeo on August 25-27, 2006. Tribal Preference will apply.

Sealed Bids must be submitted to Jim Wike, RST Treasurer Box 430 11 Legion Avenue Rosebud SD 57570. Bids will close on June 30, 2006 at 1:00 PM CDT. Envelope must be marked: ANNOUNCER

Bid Description:

1. Be available one hour before rodeo time
2. Provide PA (sound) system
3. Be available for all slack times

For more information contact Sheri Knox at (605) 747-2381 ext. 255. The RST Rodeo Committee and Fair Board have the right to negotiate and reject any or all bids.

Request for Proposals

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing ("OSLH") is requesting a proposal for Attorney Services. Attorney will act as General Counsel for OSLH and will assist OSLH in meeting compliance requirements including but not limited to policy, ordinance, and occupancy agreement development, staff and B oard training, development, staff and Board training, development and review of contract documents, and other services as deemed necessary.

OSLH is the Tribally Designated Housing Entity for the Oglala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, located in South Dakota. OSLH manages 392 Mutual Help and Occupancy Units and 1,150 Low-Rent Units constructed under the Housing Act of 1937 ("37Act") and 45 Lease Purchase Units constructed under the Indian Housing Block Grant program developed pursuant to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act ("NAHASDA"). OSLH operates under a budget in excess of nine million dollars per year.

The work to be performed under the proposal is on a project subject to section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e(b) and section 3 of the Housing anld Urban Development Act of 1968. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (1) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (2) preferences in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises. All entities submitting proposals and claiming Indian Preference must include documentation satisfactory to show that they are Indian-owned. Section 3 requires that to the greatest extent feasible opportunities for training and employment be given to lower income residents of the project area and contracts for work in connection with the project be awarded to business concerns that are located in, or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the areas of the project. All subcontracts executed between the proposer and its subcontractors, if any, also are subject to these provisions, and language requiring such compliance will be included in all subcontracts.

In addition to the SS 7(b) and 3 compliance requirements, the successful proposer must comply and ensure subcontractor compliance with the Copeland Act Requirements (29 C.F.R. Part 3); 24 C.F.R. part 85 Certifications, including but not limited to mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub.L. 94-163), and HUD requirements related to reporting patent rights, and/or copyrights and other rights to data; HUD procurement regulations, OSLH Procurement Policy; and all other applicable laws, rules , and regulations.

The selection of a qualified attorney will be based on the following evaluation criteria with established point rating for each category:

l. (20 points) Past successful performance and experience providing services to Indian Housing authorities under the 37 Act and to TDHEs after the adoption of NAHASDA.

2. (20 points) Capacity and experience in providing policy and ordinance development. Interested firms must submit a sample procurement and personnel policy.

3. (20 points) Experience in providing staff and Board training in NAHASDA-related issues.

4. (10 points) Experience and professional qualifications of key personnel including specialized skills, project coordination, management skills, and experience in working together as a team.

5. (10 points) Specialized experience and technical competence (including fiscal capacity) of the firm. The firm and/or its attorneys should have had a minimum of fifteen (15) years experience with projects of this type. Volume and nature of present workload and availability of additional personnel and consultants to accelerate services required, if necessary.

6. (5 points) Indian Preference. Pursuant to SS 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, 25 U.S.C. 450e(b), points shall be given for Indian ownership and participation, and/or evidence that a proposing firm is committed to the hiring of and does hire persons enrolled in federally recognized tribes, descendants of members of federally recognized tribes, or persons who are actively involved in the Indian community.

7. (5 points) Minority Preference. Pursuant to Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S. C. ' 170lu, points shall be given to minority-owned firms, including women-owned firms, and firms that show evidence of commitment to hiring minorities and women.

8. (5 points) Bost, based on hourly rates.

9. (5 points) Becaus eof fluctuating needs in Indian housing and demands for changes in NAHASDA, the firm must exhibit capacity to represent OSLH's interests in Washington D.D.

Inquiries related to submittal of proposals may be addressed to Ken Lone Elk, OSLH Executive Director, at (605)867-5161. Proposers shall submit an original and four (4) copies of the proposal in a sealed envelope clearly marked Proposal for Attorney Services. All proposals shall be submitted to Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Attn: Ken Lone Elk, P.O. Box 603; East Hwy. 18, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, and received no later than 5:00 p.m. on JUly 3, 2006. Proposals not received by that time and date shall be rejected. OSLH reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive any and all deficiencies.

Request for Bids

The Board of Directors of the Oglala Sioux Parks and Recreation Authority (OSPRA) is requesting bids from local Indian owned firms to repair the roof and exterior walls of the OSPRA headquarters and garage buildings at Kyle, S.D. These buildings were damaged May 28 when unusually high winds hit the Kyle area.

Interested qualified contractors may ask for blind bid sheets by calling or stopping in at the Park's office at Kyle during the hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday. The telephone number is 455-2584. Fax number is 455-2265.

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The Little Wound School Board is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2006-2007 school term:

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Counselor

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Middle School: 12)Boys Bball Cheerleading sponsor 13)Girls Bball Cheerleading sponsor 14)Wrestling Coach 15)C Team Volleyball Coach 16)Hand game Sponsor 17)8th Grade Sponsor

Elementary: 18)Rodeo Club Sponsor 19)Wrestling Coach 20)Wrestling Asst. 21)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 22)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 23)Handgame Sponsor.

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a completed LWS employment application to: Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD-214 to claim Veteran's preference, official college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials.

For more information, call: (605) 455-6179 or 455-6178.
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Welcome Takoja!
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Happy Father`s Day to our Dad, Grampa, Great-Grampa, Father-in-Law Acey Loafer Sr. You`ve been there for us all the time and we can`t thank you enough! Remember you are greatly appreciated and loved dearly. We can`t wait to see you hit the pow-wow trail again. Love you lots!!! From: Ben, Melody & family, Acey "Bug" & girls, Joyce, Dale & family, Faye, Perry & family and all the takoja`s.

HAPPY 4TH BIRTHDAY TO MY HANDSON SON,
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Everyone is proud of you, and you are getting to be a BIG boy now, hope that you have a good birthday and remember to be good! love you son,
Your mom,Tina Painte

Happy belated Father`s day to George Apple love ya lots from: Eileen Rose

I love you Mom, you`re working really hard.
Love, Roseanne

Happy belated Father`s day to my daddy Roy Helper Jr love Jamie Leann

Happy Birthday
to my sweet grandson Kevin. You are so cute and growing so fast. We love you lots.
Grandma Amanda, Aunties Vanessa and Jen,
Uncle Jeremy

Happy Father`s Day
to…Ben Loafer Sr., Acey Loafer Sr., Acey "Bug" Loafer Jr., Perry Zephier, Dale Sitting Up, Beau Little White Man, Travis Janis, Jason Loafer, Rich Loafer, Travis Loafer, Frank Rencountre, and to all the dads across the rez. Happy Father`s Day to all

Happy Father`s Day to my love, Dale Sitting Up,
I love you very much "Korg". Thanks for being there for me, and giving me the support & encouragement through our struggles.
Enjoy your day,
love you lots! Joyce

To Kieran and Mya T.W.B. Hey sweeties, hope your having fun with summer school. We miss you girls, Come see us soon. Love you always, your auntie Jen, Uncle Jason Britts, Baby J, Wakinyan

Happy 2nd Birthday to our son, big brother, nephew, grandson, great-grandson Lesaine Loafer-Little White Man on June 15th. You have brought many smiles and joy to our home, we love you very much!!!! From Mom-Contessa, Dad-Beau, Gramma-Joyce, Papa-Dale, Great Papa-Acey, Uncle-Cody, & Aunties-Erm Dawg & Katie, and of course lil brother Latavion.

Congratulations Jace!
You made it baby, you are the strength in our family. Stay strong and take it easy. You make us proud hunnie. We love you always!
From your #1 hero Jenn and your kids Baby J, Brittany and crazy Wakinyan :)

Congrats to my baby girl Brittany Rose.
You did it baby. Dance strong and stay proud sweety. You make us proud, always.
We love you Britts!
From Mom (Jen), Dad (Jason) and your brothers Baby J and Wakinyan

Happy 4th Birthday to Kevin Takes War Bonnett!
We miss you and love you very much, hope you had fun nephew.
From you auntie Jenn, Uncle Jason and cousins Brittany, Baby J, and Wakinyan

Congratulations to my dad Justin Poor Bear on his upcoming wedding! From Brittany Rose Poor Bear.

I would like to wish my cousin Kevin Takes War Bonnett a Happy Birthday.
From your big cousin Brittany Rose, P.S. don't eat to much cake and ice cream

The family of Shawn Pourier would like to thank everyone for the caring, support, flowers, food, cards, and donations. Everyone`s kindness is greatly appreciated in our time of loss, before, during and after the funeral.
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QUICK HITS

KILI Radio bumps power up to 300 watts, looks to fall for new equipment

PORCUPINE - KILI Radio's engineer, Tracy Krsnak, installed a 300 watt amp to go with the temporary antenna and transmission line on Tuesday, June 27.

"This is still low power," said Melanie Janis, station manager, "we had been broadcasting with a 15 watt exciter so now we have 300 watts, certainly not anywhere close to our licensed 100,000 watts but it's another step on our way back to full power."

Results are mixed, the engineer listened all the way back to his house, 90 miles away while Ivan Bettelyoun listened from Oglala all the way out to the casino and back but Pine Ridge is still scratchy and so is Kyle.

KILI radio airwaves also could be heard in Martin also.

"It is looking more like late September or early October before we are back to full power," added Janis; "we are still raising money for new equipment and for the potential match to a Department of Commerce grant that is still in the works."

The station is not yet back to full programming as the studio is being remodeled.

KILI Radio can still be heard on the Internet on the radio station's website at www.kiliradio.org.

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TWO SECTIONS

White Plume at helm, after impeachment of Cecelia Fire Thunder

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

PORCUPINE - On election day during the first week of November in 2004, members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe made Cecelia Fire Thunder the first woman ever to be elected president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe; the following month Fire Thunder took the oath of office as the 36th president and on June 29, 19 months into her two year term, the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council voted 9-4 to impeach Fire Thunder and end her term five months early.

"This is about abortion, and only about abortion," said Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge Village who along with Garfield Steele, council representative from Wounded Knee District filed the complaint against Fire Thunder "by proposing an abortion clinic on Pine Ridge Reservation, she has brought national attention to the Oglala Sioux Tribe and she attempted to use abortion to test the sovereignty of the Oglala Sioux Tribe against the new state law against abortion."

Peters and Steele brought up a complaint against Fire Thunder during the May 30 special tribal council session at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge; the council voted to suspend Fire Thunder for 20

Please turn to Impeachment: A2

Rosebud Casino financial report for May disappoining

Boltz says finances are good

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Trent Poignee, General Manager of the Rosebud Casino delivered the May report to the Rosebud Sioux Tribal council and described its overall performance for the month "depressing." The buffet and bingo revenues were adequate, however, the slot machines and the table games were "missing budget." The total revenue for the month was $1,048,028 dollars compared to a budget of $1,265,155 dollars or $269,000 dollars less than last year. The payment to RST for the month was $51,151 dollars, missing budget more than $250,000 dollars.

A couple of RST council representatives offered their explanation of the apparent shortfall. District 3 Antelope council representative, Jo Colombe, said it was due to personnel costs as well as the fact that the casino has been attracting a younger crowd. Younger people do not have as much disposable cash to spend.

RST council representative, Mike Boltz, of St. Francis agreed that personnel and overhead costs were a significant portion of the associated cost and resulting down swing in revenues and that the entertainment industry nationwide appears to be suffering. He also said that location was a factor, as the target population in Nebraska has been saturated. After all, how much blood can one squeeze out of a turnip he said. He noted, "We looked at coupons and comps and they are quite substantial." He said that 'giveaways' are somewhat deceptive, as they represent an expense; however, they appear to inflate the gross revenue."

Boltz continued, "The last several reports appeared to be a train wreck that was going to hap-

Please turn to Rosebud Casino: A2

Grooms estate brings in $334 per acre

Tribal pressure forces auction from Rockyford School to Scenic

BY TOM CRASH
Times Correspondent

ROCKYFORD/SCENIC - When the dust settled in Scenic on Friday, June 30, 1600 acres from seven different parcels of the Frank Groom's estate and Kan Groom's land holdings brought in $486,956.30 through an auction conducted by McPherson Auction Co. out of Rapid City. Adding in the buyer's premium, a 10 per cent surcharge added to the sale, average cost of each acre came to $334.45.

The largest parcel, a 609.37 acre piece just south of the Nick Cummings ranch in Manderson, went for $290 per acre and $319 per acre with the buyer's premium and was purchased by the OST Empowerment Zone for potential commercial, residential or light manufacturing use at a later date.

A 152.18 acre parcel in Wounded Knee, south of the old store, sold for $550/605 per acre to Lyla Huchinson while a 160 acre parcel in the same section sold for $250/275 per acre also to Lyla Huchinson.

The McPherson Auction Company set up the Frank Grooms Estate and Dan Grooms land sale on Friday, June 30 at Rockyford School. Two police officers from the Oglala Sioux Tribe's Department of Public Safety, Harold Brewer and John Mousseau, delivered a letter from Alex White Plume, president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe requesting a halt to the sale because the auction company did not have a business license from the tribe. Finding the tribe's tax office closed and unable to purchase a license, the auction company moved the land sale to the Longhorn Food and Fuel store in Scenic. The ten registered buyers and two dozen interested community members made the move to Scenic.

"There were some comments made stating that Rockyford School was deeded land and the tribal police or the tribe had no jurisdiction over the sale," said Todd O'Bryan, a local rancher at the sale and a long time member of the Shannon County School Board, "the schools policy is whenever possible to honor all tribal ordinances, we work closely with the tribe's Department of Public Safety."

During the tribal council meeting on Thursday, June 29, the council voted to direct the OST treasurer to find money that could be used by the tribe to purchase land during the sale on Friday.

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Community Calendar

'Rez Happenings'

Two Bulls descendants annual gathering
Sunday, July 9, starting at 9 a.m. at the Red Shirt Village Memorial Park

Native American Basketball Invitational
Monday, July 10 through Saturday, July 16 in Phoenix

Truancy Task Force special meeting
Wednesday, July 12 in the OST President's Office in Pine Ridge at the Red Cloud building at 1pm, for information call Marilyn at 867-5151 or Will at 685-5589.

CDL Training
Tuesday, July 25 at the Shannon County school board room in Batesland rom 9am to 5:50pm with seating limited to 15 attendees call Ann at 288-1921 for information an dto reserve a seat.

Bus Driver Training/In service
Wednesday, July 26, Batesland School gym from 10am to 3pm with instructor Dan Duenwald , for info contact Ann at 288-1921 or 800 419-4023.

Men's Slow Pitch Tourney
In memory of William "Misun" Crow Eagle, Jr. "Wanbli Wayomni" set for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 21-23 at the Iver Crow Eagle Sr. memorial ball field in St. Francis for info contact Billy Joe at 747-2074 or Mike at 685-3469.

3-on-3 Memorial Basketball tourney
in memory of Arlan "Bizkitz" Bissonette set for Friday, July 28 at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee starting at 9 a.m. sharp, for info call Pam or Reno at 462-6556 or Reno at 441-5703.

North American Indigenous Games
July 2-9 in Denver, CO with Team South Dakota competing in basketball, volleyball, wrestling, track and field, cross country, archery, baseball, boxing, golf and Tae Kwan Do

OST Commodity Issue
Thursday, July 6 in Kyle near the Medicine Root District CAP Office, Monday July 10 in Manderson by the post office and in Wounded Knee by the Upper Housing, Wednesday, July 12 at Sunrise Housing, Friday, July 14 Porcupine by the CAP office and in Evergreen, Tuesday, July 18 in Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni and Wednesday, July 19 in Oglala at the old Oglala store site, for info call 867-5511

Annual Fr. Bill McKinney Walk and Run
Friday, July 7 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. starting from Old hospital turnoff to Red Cloud School turnoff, for information call Elmarie Tobacco at 867-5491

Pine Ridge School Summer Food Program
Through June 30 with meals for children from 3-18 years of age with breakfast from 7:30-8:30am and lunch from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. daily

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Impeachment of Fire Thunder

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During last Thursday's Oglala Sioux Tribal council meeting, Alex White Plume introduced Jack Billion, a South Dakota Democrat of Sioux Falls who will be on the November contending against current governor Michael Rounds. Billion spoke to the audience of his agenda in running for governor. Photo by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.

days without pay and set up a hearing. The complaint that was sent to Fire Thunder on June 2 by tribal secretary Rhonda Two Eagle included the fact that she invited federal and state law onto a sovereign reservation by challenging the new state abortion law, begin her own abortion clinic under the auspices of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, for using the OST e-mail, news media and post office box to solicit funds for her own endeavors, for violating the OST code, constitution and by-laws and violating natural, cultural, traditional and spiritual laws among other things.

"By expressing an idea about abortion, I am being crucified, I believe in standing up for women all over and I believe the new state abortion law is far too conservative," said Fire Thunder in her defense, "we have 13, 14 and 15 year olds getting pregnant on Pine Ridge and not by strangers, we have problems with both rape and incest and I think a woman has the right to make a choice."

This was the third hearing held by the council on complaints made on the tribal president; Alberta Iron Cloud Miller, past director of the tribe's Headstart program filed a complaint in the spring of 2005 accusing Fire Thunder of mismanaging the Headstart program and unjustly firing Miller. A second complaint was filed by William Bird Necklace Tate in October of 2005 accusing Fire Thunder of undermining the sovereignty of the tribe by pushing for the $38 million loan with Shakopee and elder abuse. Both complaints were dismissed after a hearing before the council.

"We have come together to hear the complaints against the president and make a decision," said Ruth Brown, council representative from Eagle Nest District, "I say this administration is done, we do not need religion to be brought into the political arena, my decision is you are impeached."

Tribal secretary, Rhonda Two Eagle presided over the hearing that included 14 of the 18 tribal council representatives. Following open statements by both Steele and Peters and Fire Thunder, each of the parties presented their evidence and answered questions from the floor before the council retired to the elderly building across the street to deliberate their decision.

In addition to expressing her right to discuss ideas like a women's health clinic on Pine Ridge, Fire Thunder felt that the process was not followed, that the complainants filed the complaint with the secretary two days after the council accepted the complaint on her, and that she only got the supporting packet of documents on the day of the hearing instead of the complaint being filed with all of the supporting documents with the secretary before it went to the council floor.

Following a two hour executive session, the council voted 9-5 in favor of impeaching Fire Thunder on the first of six charges. Voting to impeach were Valerie Janis/Oglala, Will Peters and Ella John Carlow/Pine Ridge, Maxine Lakota/Wakpamni, Kathy Janis and Garfield Steele/Wounded Knee, Lydia Bear Killer/Pass Creek, Bernard White Face/Porcupine and Ruth Brown/Eagle Nest. Voting against impeachment was Austin Watkins and Juanita Scherich/Medicine Root, Tom Poor Bear/Eagle Nest, Mary Poor Thunder/LaCreek and Philip Good Crow/Porcupine.

Lyle Jack/Pine Ridge, Walt Big Crow/Wakpamni, Paul Little/Oglala and Craig Dillon/LaCreek were not in attendance at the meeting on Thursday.

"Point of order," said Brown, "Tom Poor Bear's vote should not count because he was not recognized by the chair when we came back after the executive session."

According to Rhonda Two Eagle, presiding officer for the hearing, Poor Bear was excused to go into Pine Ridge when the council moved to the elderly building for the executive session deliberation and when he returned and joined the deliberations and sat down for the vote he wasn't recognized formally by the chair so his vote did not count and the resulting 9-4 official tally met the two thirds requirement for impeachment.

"No consideration was given to the president for all of the work that she had accomplished during her term, work that included taking the lead on the Shakopee loan, finding additional monies in Washington to fund close to 60 officers with the tribe's Department of Public Safety, getting some of the FMHA loan written down so our annual payments are half a million dollars less each year, negotiating with the Indian Health Service and the BIA on past administrations disallowed costs and current work to get more money added to the IHS budget," said past tribal president Paul Iron Cloud.



Will Peters, Oglala Sioux Council representative from Pine Ridge speaks to the media during the council meeting in regards to Fire Thunder's impeachment.

Media that attended the hearing aside from local media, were Associated Press, Rapid City Journal, Indian Country Today and a local television station.

The council formally voted to move Alex White Plume into the president's position and to leave the vice president's position vacant for the rest of the term.

"Good, I am glad she is gone, we need to move ahead," said Joyce Sun Bear, a resident of Wounded Knee and host of the Lakota Winyan Wicaho show on KILI Radio.

In the opening moments of the hearing in Porcupine, the council voted to have no media present, no video cameras or radio broadcast during the hearing.

"I'm really surprised by the action of the council," said Chris Eagle Hawk, "they should not get involved in an area that really is a woman's area, it is their right to make those decisions, I don't think the council should be involved in that area."

After the vote, the majority of those in attendance clapped and cheered the actions of the council. Fire Thunder quietly shook hands with her supporters and left the CAP office as her staff went to Pine Ridge to clean out the president's office. Alex White Plume moved into the presiding chairs seat for the remainder of the meeting.

"It will be OK, "said Fire Thunder as she left the building, "I am continuing on with my plans for next week to take the tribal pipe to the sun dance and pray for all of the people and look ahead to the future."

Land sale

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Four other parcels were also part of the sale and were purchased on Friday including: a 40 acre parcel north of Nick Cummings ranch in Manderson by Paul Bertelson for $460/518 per acre, a 160 acre parcel east of Porcupine by Paul Bertelson at $355/390 per acre, a 160 acre parcel north and west of Sharps Corner by Lex and Gilvert Grooms for $100/110 per acre and a 320 acre parcel three and a half miles north of Sharps and one half mile west by Lex and Gilbert Grooms for $295/326 per acre.

Paul Bertelson heads up Youth Works, a faith based initiative that for the last 13 years has brought youth from around the country to Pine Ridge Reservation for a week at a time during the summer to renovate homes and buildings. Lex and Gilbert Grooms operate a ranch north of Sharps.

A second auction to sell off household and ranch goods is scheduled for the Frank Grooms place east of Porcupine in 30 days.

Schools receive Department of Education monies

WASHINGTON, DC - Senator John Thune announced that South Elementary School in Mission will receive $153,578 dollars to strengthen language skills of children, for Lakota language proficiency and staff development.

TCMS will also receive $174,760 dollars for language skills and faculty will be able to get more professional training. They will also be able to improve Lakota language proficiency. Todd County High School will receive $174,047 dollars to increase attendance and graduation rates, and strengthen English language and literacy skills. These grants are from the U.S. Department of Education under the Native American Program.

Wolf Creek School will also receive $174,957 dollars for improving English language proficiency and academic performance, while providing faculty with professional training and tools to help them educate more effectively.

Casino

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pen…, my opinion is that we have inexperienced management."

Apparently, RST has engaged in an executive search to hire a management firm to operate the casino, while Boltz says that a new perspective is needed with the tribal council continuing to act as a watch dog.

Boltz did note a sense of optimism despite the down turn in May, when he said that the financial health of the casino is excellent as it has assets amounting to over a million dollars.

Last week, the *Lakota Country Times* carried a story which noted that tribal casinos nationwide are climbing at a rate that is three times the traditional gaming operations and is currently a $23 billion dollar industry. It has increased by 15 percent each year for the tenth consecutive year and revenues have increased by 15 percent. There are 420 Indian casinos employing some 310,000 employees and they generated $10.5 billion in revenue.

New SMART grants for college students available July 1

WASHINGTON, DC - U. S. Secretary of Education, Margaret Spellings, has announced the availability of a new grant program entitled SMART grants in the amount of $790 million for students who are enrolled in rigorous programs in science, global economy, math, technology, engineering and critical foreign languages.

Nationwide, some 500,000 students will qualify for the SMART grants which stands for Science and Mathematics Access to Retain Talent.

The grants will provide college students who have completed a rigorous course of study in high school with additional funds of up to $750 during their freshman year and up to $1,300 during the sophomore year; this is in addition to the Pell grant funds which students are already receiving.

Junior and seniors who are eligible for SMART grant funds will automatically receive up to $4,000 dollars in additional aid next year.

To receive a SMART grant, freshman and sophomores must be Pell grant eligible and have completed a rigorous program of high school coursework as defined by their state.

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A Lakota language translation contest: interview with Johnson Holy Rock

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

Oglala elder, Johnson Holy Rock, an authority on Lakota treaties sat for an interview with the "Lakota Country Times" in 2005. We finally transcribed it.

The transcript is in Lakota and the object of this 'Contest' is to translate the text into English. It is not perfect, so please correct any Lakota spelling as you are able. It is strictly phonetic, so the spelling will not be perfect.

(Rules: Two or more middle school or high school students from the local area are eligible to win the prize money.

The most accurate English translation will be the winner; please submit to the attention of Dr. Archie Beauvais at Lakota Country Times.

Ho tanka woyaglake. Dukte owagnake nahan akicita, nuhcan wagli.

Heciyatan. Winuhun mici sica eyas slolowasni. Separation ca le wagli nahan ho wana. Glicu mayankte ca ehake wamankapi yukan ata le te' eyas slolowasni, san nila Ekta pa okicize dukte optun ekpemamp ka slolowasni.

(Dr.Beauvais: "Ohan doksa ho tanka woaglakinkte. Ca lel 1868 treaty ki heca iwaglake wacin. He dokeske icumpi ins daku ilunksi ki heca a, wowapi cinpi sloloyapi. Dokeske he kuwapi ins dokeske ilunkcan. He treaty ki.")

He ihanni, he tokeyakci oyate ki han natetonwon ki. Tetowan ki leciya oblayeta unkunp. Ihanni gakiya makotowan ble ota ca ekta oyate ki unp. Oceti sakowin owecakiyap. Han he ici sakpe ki he, nis ici yatan he nacece. E tetowan unkiyepi. "La" un woaglakap. O nahan, Ihanktowan ki hena "D" unwoglakap. Na usinyapi ce dukte Standing Rock kta wai yunkan in hecunse wiyumagap. Wikoskalaka wiyumage ki han Lakotiya womakakinta ke. O ca ohan a, hau wastelo. O ca wana wiyumage yunkan can usinyapi ce "D" unwoglake. O ca watohansna naunki ci sna. "D" owoglaka eyas wicoiye woilagiyap ki han watohansna "Le" unwooglap kci iciyapap. Naunkicisnana.

Ho eyas, in o ca leciya oblaye ekta mnisoso hetan wiohpeyatakiya. He ska ki iyagliya he ata ounyamp tetowan. Okaspe sakowin. Seven bands. Ho he Oglala ki wanjip. Ho nahan Hunkpapa wanjip. Nahan Sicangu na Kule Wicasa. Na kunge wakpak. Lehan oyanke lo wan yuhap. Ho he Crow Creek. Kunge wakpe eya ki le. Doki nahans Tetowanpelo epekci yukan hunh op wowoglake. Le dokeske mni natakapo mnisoso acunksi nakapihuwo epe.

'A hecunse oyanke unkupelo a.' O ca daku oyate, Tetowan oyate he nitanp? 'Hiya, Isanti heuncapelo a. Oh, dokelis, wakpe kuta henicapelo epehcihun. "Shooters in the Leaves" eyapi ihani gakeya. Seven campfires he wanji. Yukan giyupkseci Isantipi. Ho hetan wana toge oyate unpi ki, toge wayancanblake. Hunh, ecicahipi. Nahan woglakapi ekta nakun tiyinp. Hunh "d" , Crow Creek ekta oyate hena "d" unwoglakapi. Na huta leciyatan Kule Wicasa ki "l" unwoglakapi.

O leciya mnisosa wakpa he, huta leciyatan oweyuwegap. Tunkasila wicawa kel tetowan ke han huwegap. Gakiya ocinsicap. Cin oceti sakowin ki hena ata upta oouyanp. "D" eyapi ki han nahan "L" eyapi, "N" eyapi ki han oouyanp. Ho yukan dokeske canup sa ohapi ki he 'pipestone quarry' ca hena wiyupeyap. Eyas leciya mnisosa ekta egluta unkunpi canke wiyupeyapi eyas sloloyanpsni. Ho inseya etana ke tunkasila wicunp tanka ke ci, wan! he kola wicunhampi wiyopap ca, wijaju icup seca ca dokini unkupisni eyelo a.

Ho he wana, wa'kinica uyapi. O ca lecunse un Lakol omniciye can, 'woolakota' omniciye can ekta unkipi leciyatan. Gakiya ble ota heciya. Ihantonwan na ble wakan towan, wakpe kute, wakpe'to na tetowan. Hena upta mnica. Ho el omniciya can wowakiniciya he heyu. 'He kola, kaspapi esa in ominiciyak. Canup sa ohapi he wiyopapi. He unkisiya eowazapelo a.'

Eyas, toki ihanni kasotapi sece. Ye laka, hankeya in Santee unhcicape na dukte omniciye wan e sinka ca hekta. Omniciye el wana, ahociyapi. O eyas e upta Shakpe ki ptala naunzipi cunke Tetonwan ki leci ba sani walehan heunyampi. Ca hanke tanka keci ho a ko-la oyate un wanjilapi ca, ho dona iwazapi hecena otuna kikunpinktelo. We'll get our share. Hun'h ocunyasicapi hte eyeca sni. Ho hetan wana o'ka ho hehan Tetonwan, ho ko-la letan tokatakiya mni sosa oijala hetan woihpeyatakiya ninseya takini iyoniwazsapkte sni elo a. Takuwan e ewazapi he wana unicupi ca he wana kab unkinazipi. Ho hetan wana leciya oblayata huwegab, mni sosa huwegab. Across the river. Ho hetan wana leciya heyupi el in le casmu ki letkiya, Nebraska, hetkiya le oyate wan mni wanca kowakatan euwegapi hena wana mni sosa euwegapi nahan iyoptiya eyapi. Ho eyas takuwan ablezapi sni he, tipagniya ogna iyapi. Canke sunka wakan kinwicicakapi nahan hunh sani ocakwicayapi nahan hecunse oicimani kagapi. Ho tokal el in eletunyanpsni. Inseya leciya oblayata ecin unkomanipi nahan tatanka wici haka tuktekte aki sobiya unpi hena wici haka unkomanipi. O wana woyute unkitaknapi ca ho le ata pte e kuwak wica gluyanpi sunka wakan. Ho hena casmu heciya oucayuspapi. Way in the sand hills. Those were immigrant horses that we trying to find a way back east. But, they couldn't cross the river. So, they congregated in the sandhills. Lot of grass, good grazing. Those were lot of wild horses. So, the Tetonwon begin to catch them.

Ocetunglake el, dohanci sunka wakan wanji maka mani eyapi. Hoh, tuweni hecun okihesni. 'Heya hecun kunpelo a.' Maka mani ata wecihaka maka mani mawanipelo. Wican cuwito cihan. Hankayansna wacin a'pesni ca owicunhapi, watukapi na istimapi okihipsni, wota okihipsni. Wana wasla wahehan ake wicunceglekapi ca. Ho that's how they got their horses. Captured these wild horses that congregate in the sandhills. When we got mounted then we begin ,. we became powerful. We became mobile and hunt the buffalo down. And, we became very strong as a culture, as a people. O hetan wana, owicunblezapi yukan mila hanska ta oyate heuwagapi na sna macoce opta eyap can oomani kakapi ecunhansna, tatanka, tahca, hena wicahptepi nahan wol u. euwegapi. Ka kuya mowa mni wanca heciya sna. Ho canke uwicakipsni. He mococe unkitawapi. Opta omani ki lena hecetusni.

Indian vote affected if act expires

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - Landmark provisions in the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 soon could expire, taking away powerful deterrents to discrimination against Indian voters in South Dakota and threatening to halt an upward trend in voter turnout on reservations.

In the past 30 years, the provisions have forced South Dakota to submit 3,048 voting law changes in Todd and Shannon counties for approval by the Department of Justice and have required Lakota speaking interpreters at polling places in 11 counties.

Provisions of the Voting Rights Act are the underpinning of a renaissance in Indian voting, resulting in a 122 percent increase in turnout in Shannon County on the Pine Ridge Reservation, and a 139 percent increase in Todd County on the Rosebud Reservation, between 2000 and 2004.

Whatever their impact, they hang in the balance as Congress attempts to reauthorize the Voting Rights Act this summer. The effort is being held hostage by a handful of House members from Georgia and other Southern states who want those states exempted from Justice Department scrutiny of election procedures. Republican House leaders will not let the reauthorization bill come to the floor until that issue is resolved.

The Voting Rights Act requires the Justice Department to approve or ``preclear'' election law changes in jurisdictions that have a past history of voter discrimination. The ACLU used that provision of the act in three key federal lawsuits affecting South Dakota. It successfully sued to force Buffalo County to redraw county commission lines so the majority of Native American voters were not packed into a single district.

Preclearance cases

In the Alfred Boneshirt and Elaine Quick Bear Quiver v. (then Secretary of State) Joyce Hazeltine lawsuits in 2002, the ACLU was able to extend preclearance to Todd and Shannon counties.

The verdicts in those suits triggered Nelson to submit to the Justice Department the thousands of changes in election rules in Shannon and Todd counties, going back to 1972, with a rationale explaining why those changes were not discriminatory. The Justice Department has upheld every one, Nelson said.

Jennifer Ring, executive director of the ACLU of the Dakotas, said ``we consider preclearance a critical check in the Voting Rights Act because of something you can't see - jurisdictions complying with the law.''

Because of the successful litigation, election officials have refrained from making changes that would have harmed Native American voters, she said, because they knew those changes would not be precleared.

``Frankly, because they knew it would not preclear, they ended up not doing it,'' she said. ``If we lose preclearance, that would be a significant step backward.''

Lakota interpreters

Because of the Voting Rights Act, the state this year took on the task of providing instructions in Lakota for using computerized voting machines in 11 counties near reservations.

Because of the Voting Rights Act, auditors in those counties also are responsible for ensuring that Lakota speakers are on hand at the polls to explain voting procedures to voters who want such instruction in that language.

Nelson thinks Congress will reauthorize the Voting Rights Act this summer.

If the provisions affecting Indian Country are allowed to expire, ``it not does not mean everything that has been done over the last 40 or 50 years is not there anymore,'' Ring said. ``It means a level of protection disappears. It probably means more litigation.''

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Our Views

If they wipe out our sacred places, they wipe us out

Lakota people will descend upon Bear Butte to take a stand against the desecration which is occurring as a result of development by Jay Allen and others.

Their concert venues and 'biker bars' are disturbing news to the many Lakota people who choose to pray and are healed at the sacred Mato Paha.

On July 4 Lakota people will be joined by other tribes; Osage, Ponca, our allies the Northern Cheyenne and other tribal nations as we gather for the opening ceremonies for the 'Gathering of Nations to Defend Bear Butte.

The serenity and peaceful nature of the once pristine wilderness has been broken for some time now. However, the noise and exploitation of the land and indigenous people is continuing to infringe upon the destiny of the Lakota people.

The disruption is coming even nearer to the sacred Bear Butte and it is time for all tribal nations who pray there to stand together.

Debra White Plume of Owe Aku sent out a press release noting that the Black Hills Nation Treaty Council and the Intertribal Coalition to Defend Bear Butte will be a part of the effort to send a voice to the universe at sunrise.

The sacred mountain is under direct threat and Lakota people will work to protect the destiny that is theirs.

White Plume wrote, "While all of Mother Earth is sacred, while all the Black Hills are sacred, Bear Butte is the mountain under the most direct threat so we will gather there to send our voice to our Creator and our Ancestors and ask them to stand with us, to ask our Sacred Mountain to stand with us, in this effort to protect our destiny as Lakota people and they many other Tribal Nations who hold Bear Butte as Sacred."

A summit of Indigenous people will also be convened on August 1-4 to discuss and pray about a collective strategy on long term sacred land protection.

It is a rather sad commentary, but nevertheless true, when you see pictures of exploitation and development so close to the sacred Bear Butte. "A picture is worth a thousand words" indeed, holds true as the land has been torn away from Mother Earth.

You can almost feel the collective irritation and agony of Lakota people who give a darn for the land which has been undisturbed since time immemorial and which now is being violated.

Last week the Rosebud Sioux Tribe passed a motion to ask Senator Thune to issue a statement against the desecration of the sacred Bear Butte and it was passed unanimously. District 3 Antelope council representative, Roger Moore, framed the issue correctly when he said, "It is heart breaking that the offenders of this assault, Jay Allen and the Meade County Commissioners chose revenue over people. That is the bottom line for them."

Lakota language activities popular

We have incorporated articles written by Dr. Archie Beauvais and Francis Apple on our website at www.lakotacountrytime.com.

In reviewing the counter of how many times different menus on our website has been hit, we noticed, the articles that are written in Lakota have been accessed many, many times.

We hope that this can be attributed to the fact that there is an interest in our readers locally but most likely these hits are from mainstream Internet, from people who are interested in the language.



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Guest Column

Stereotyping - beyond political correctness

By Doreen Yellow Bird
Grand Forks Herald Columunist
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I've always been reasonably sure that I don't stereotype groups of people - and I repeat the word, reasonably. But if you're a longtime reader, you'll know that one of my colleagues challenges my beliefs from time to time.

In fact, we have heated conversations about many issues including stereotyping.

And although we often wander far from a point of agreement, we usually concede the value of good and open conversation and debate.

I would sooner have an open conversation with both points of view on the table than an insincere talk that closes with a nice smile and wave. If we stay away from personalities, debates can be insightful, telling and eye-opening.

That said, I'll try to get my points about stereotyping past my colleague, who also happens to be my editor.

Stereotyping, the dictionary says, is "a fixed or conventional notion or conception, as of a person, group, idea, etc., held by a number of people, and allowing for no individuality, critical judgment, etc." Another way to put it is: simplifying, exaggerating, distorting or generalizing selected cultural attributes as being "natural."

As American Indians know, we are probably the "poster children" of stereotyping. True, many stereotyping comments come out of the mouths of people who are unaware of the culture and lifestyles of tribal nations, but sincerely want to learn, it must be said.

They are good people who do not mean to offend and would be shocked to think they have offended.

I have to smile at this point when I think about some of the questions and comments I heard in my travels around the nation. "Tell us about the teepees you live in." "Who is your medicine man?" And my favorite: "I have a relative who was a Indian princess." These may be stereotypes, but they also are from people who may be merely uninformed. I take such comments lightly.

But words such as savage (or adding "Fighting" to the name of a tribal group), buck, squaw and papoose do not bring to mind the same images as do the words man, soldier or baby.

Those, I do not take lightly.

Another stereotype that acts on me like fingers dragging over slate is referring to Indians as "drunken Indians" - and unfortunately a common stereotype of Indian people. One day, I remember, my sister and I were in a tribal casino, and a young man with a bottle of Budweiser in his hand was commenting on Indians, casinos and alcohol problems. It was funny because I am strictly a water, juice and soda-pop drinker, but there we were, listening to him as he expounded on "Indians" through tangy, pungent beer-breath.

So who is stereotyping here: the young man with the beer or the columnist?

I raise my hand for that young man, but I realize that if I write in a way that suggests all young men drink Bud and make ill-informed comments, then I will have committed "stereotyping."

Here's the example that started this nearly weeklong conversation about stereotyping. Recently, I wrote a column about methamphetamine . "I saw a car full of men whom I knew were outsiders," I wrote.

And my assumption was that the men might be up to no good. They were not from the reservation. My sisters and I could tell from their dress and actions; plus, between us, we know most of the people in our community.

We also are aware of the problems reservations are experiencing currently with meth and outside "visitors."

So, that's not a stereotype, I argued.

It is being aware of my surroundings. When I lived in Washington, I knew that women shouldn't walk alone in parts of the city. Knowing such things is part of being aware of your environment, protecting yourself and being streetwise.

People on reservations tend to have low or modest incomes. Because of that, do we stereotype the rich and powerful? Maybe. Reservation environments aren't full of power brokers and rich people.

So, perhaps, we do stereotype the wealthy because we have felt the control they've had over our lives and still do in many ways. It's a fact.

It's only been a few years since reservations started being whistle-stop places for political campaigns.

Why?

Because we didn't vote in earlier years, so politicians could afford to ignore us. Many Indians separated themselves from outside politics.

But today, our voting population is growing, and so are the number of visits from political candidates. And the stereotype of the rich has grown as fast as the stereotype of outsiders coming to the reservation to cook meth.

Stereotyping can be hurtful and a negative power.

It separates groups of people and makes them adversaries, taking them further and further from each other and allowing less and less intercommunication that can bring understanding.

Guest Column

Lakota version of heaven

By Francis Apple
Kyle, S.D.
Francis Apple is a Lakota language instructor who taught at Oglala Lakota College and Little Wound High School.

He occasionally submits articles written in Lakota language and English.

Mahpiya Wokicunze

1. Itokagata Wicoti wan ihankeya o'iyokipiya han keyapi.
2. O'iyokpiya wicoun na tageyas waste.
3. Maste na peji ki ecakel toya he, canape ki tohanni seca sni.
4. Wicoti ki cokan wakpala kalus hpaye
5. Sata hena papa ki okawinswinje ot'ke kiyapi.
6. Winyan waste mnanyela wakceyapi.
7. Oyate ki wasecapi
8. Oyate ki toki hiyapi kes wicokicopi na woyute ihankeya wasteste hena yunanyekiya pi.
9. Wakanyeja ki hmuse skatapi
10. Wicahcala ki ptaptaya wakah yankapi no ojuye woglakapi.
11. Sunka ki hlohlo huhu yasni hpayapi.
12. Sunka wakan wiyakpakpayela cepapi.
13. Tuweni kuje sni
14. Teca ki tokeske tayan wicoun na wotakuye henan wakan ki unspe wicakiyapi.
15. E.B.T. na peji wanice, tuweni cepapi sni.
16. Wankata wanbliya okas'api.
17. Anpetu kacanna hupa gluzapi.

Lakota version of heaven (Paraphrased)

1. They tell of a happy town in the south.
2. There are no problems that exist.
3. The sun shines brightly and the grass and leaves are always green.
4. There is a stream that flows through the camp.
5. The meat racks are so full they began to bend.
6. The women are preparing dried meat over the open fire, the aroma is enough to make anyone hungry.
7. They oyate (people) have plenty to eat.
8. The Lakota were free with their food.
9. The sound of children playing and having fun is a good sign.
10. The old men are sitting in a group doing their crafts and telling of war deeds.
11. You can hear the dogs fighting over bones.
12. The horses are sleek and fat.
13. There is no sign of sickness.
14. The elders are teaching the younger generation survival skills and how they are related.
15. There's no food stamps and no peji, not even no hurricanes. No one is fat, obesity was unheard of.
16. There were eagles soaring in the skies.
17. On certain days they offered their Cannups to Tunkasila.

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Northern Perspectives

The Voting Rights Act of 1965 could affect Lakota people



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

Nationwide, the latest on the Voting Rights Act of 1965 is that many advocates are urging their congressional delegations to quickly pass the legislation that is also important to Lakota voters in South Dakota.

Some wanted the U. S. House of Representatives to quickly re-authorize it before the Fourth of July recess; however that is not likely as some southern Republicans are complaining that the Act unfairly subjects their states to special scrutiny based on a sad legacy of historical discrimination against Black voters in the 1960's.

The Voting Rights Act has been re-authorized four times since its inception in 1965 and it purpose is to ensure that there is no discrimination at voting polls.

If the Act is not re-authorized by 2007, certain provisions in the Act will expire.

It was expected that the Act would be quickly renewed by the House, however, that was not the case and the Senate has not debated the issue yet.

It will be debated by the House after the Fourth of July break.

In Lakota country, the Voting Rights Act has had a direct consequence in an ever increasing registration and voter turnout of Lakota people; while Lakota lawmakers at several different levels have been successfully voted into office.

One feature of the Voters Rights Act that has been vital to Lakota voters is the requirement that the Justice Department approve or "preclear" any election law changes that originate from jurisdictions which have historically discriminated against minority voters.

It took the Boneshirt lawsuit in 2002 to force the state to submit to the Justice Department thousands of changes in election law that had made in the last 30 years in Todd and Shannon counties.

The ACLU took the lead in that case and sees pre-clearance critical to the Voters Rights Act as it often discourages the state from making re-districting changes that would likely not be pre-cleared by the Justice Department.

Districts near Lakota reservations, this year, have also purchased new computerized voting machines which provide instruction in Lakota.

Lakota interpreters will also be available in polling places to assist Lakota voters who wish to hear instructions in Lakota.

Jennifer Ring has said that if the Voters Rights Act is not renewed, it will mean that a layer of protection for Lakota voters will not be there and that it will likely result in more litigation by the ACLU.

Lakota voters are encouraged to contact their congressional delegation to encourage immediate passage of the Voters Rights Act of 1965 as soon as possible after the Fourth of July recess.

There is a direct connection between the Act and voter willingness to vote for certain candidates.

The Act ensures equal protection under voter election law changes that are subjected to pre-clearance approval from the Justice Department.

We cannot afford the prospect of being discriminated against by those who might want to eliminate certain districts where Lakota voters have a good chance of being elected. And, it is equally vital that all Lakota speakers fully understand the voting procedures and what issues are being voted upon.

Dr. Archie Beauvais (Sicangu) resides on the Rosebud with his son, Beaux. He earned a Doctor of Education (Ed.D) from Harvard University and is a 2006 Harvard AOCC Award recipient. A decorated Vietnam Veteran, he is functionally literate in Lakota and worked at Sinte Gleska University for 20 years as Dean/Chair of Tribal and Graduate Studies.

Notes From Indian Country

The bus keeps turning to the right



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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If an American listens almost entirely to radio show hosts from the far right, the opinions will enhance that person's knowledge, but that knowledge will be slanted to the right. The same would be true of anyone who puts all of their eggs into the basket of the far left.

The bus needs to stay in the middle of the road.

The influx of rightist radio shows bashing the media as "liberal," has had a profound impact on the people bombarded daily with this ridiculous accusation.

Repeat a lie often enough and it will become truth. Bill O'Reilly is notorious for this.

The abundance of rightwing radio shows has pushed the so-called "liberal" media off of the charts. Take the community of Rapid City, SD for example. Listeners have little choice in the programming stinking up the free airwaves.

We get to hear Rush "Viagra" Limbaugh, Sean "WMD" Hannity, Bill "I Never Lie" O'Reilly, Laura "The Shrew" Ingrams and Michael "God's Little Acre" Medved, to name just a few.

It has reached the point in this community that I listen to more CD's than I do to talk radio.

We have reached the point of saturation from the far right and it has become increasingly clear that the mindset of the local population has made that sharp right turn in conjunction with the palaver they have drummed into their dear little ears on a daily basis.

A good number of people out here believe that, according to their interpretation of the Bible, man lived along side of the dinosaurs and eventually killed them all.

It is thinking like this that can set science back 1,000 years. South Dakota is fast becoming the home of the right wing nuts.

When a community such as Sturgis, SD can approve a liquor license for a soon-to-be raucous beer joint within shouting distance of one of the most sacred holy places of the Lakota and other Plains Indian Tribes in order to draw larger crowds and make more money from the hideous Sturgis Motorcycle Rally held annually in the Sacred Black Hills of the Lakota, where do we draw the line? Would the city council of Sturgis approve a liquor license for an establishment to be built next to one of their churches or schools? Never!

And yet they see no problem in building one next to the outdoor church of the Indian people.

The decidedly right wing body of the South Dakota State Legislature, along with their right leaning Governor Mike Rounds, took it upon themselves to cross that line this year and introduce legislation in the guise of HB1215 that would make it a criminal act for a doctor to perform an abortion, even if that abortion was to terminate a pregnancy caused by rape or incest. Crowed on state legislator, "It doesn't matter how the pregnancy happened because all babies are sacred." Tell that to a woman or a girl that has been raped or has been the victim of incest. Another legislator attempted to describe the differences between a simple rape as opposed to a rape in general. Is there such a thing as a "simple rape?"

The right wing politicians and believers preach that there is only one way and that is their way.

The rights of women have been severely diminished in South Dakota and I cannot help but applaud those fearless people who took a petition across this state to get the abortion issue on the ballot for the November elections.

Every one should know that abortion is always a bad choice, but one must also consider each case individually and the final decision, at least in my mind, should always be left to the woman and her doctor. Preventing teen pregnancy should be a top priority for those so vehemently opposed to abortion and yet these same individuals are dead set against allowing the teaching of a course in sex education in the schools.

Don't they realize that if a pregnancy were prevented by birth control there would be no abortions?

South Dakota got its name on the national calendar by passing legislation they knew would be challenged by its own citizens. Surely they also knew that it would have to go through many legal hoops before reaching the U. S. Supreme Court and the cost to the state would be enormous.

One very serious citizen was willing to put up $1 million to defend HB1215, and no single newspaper or radio station in this state was willing or able to find out the name of this Good Samaritan.

Whoever he, she or it was, they hid under the veil of anonymity.

And as this state tilts further to the right it also drags the wishy washy council of the Oglala Sioux Tribe along with it.

With healthcare for women on the reservation seriously wanting and with homeless, abused and abandoned children far out of proportion to the population and teen pregnancy near epidemic on the Pine Ridge Reservation, this tribal council chose to walk lockstep with the white, rightwing South Dakota State legislators.

With my choice of radio talk shows severely limited and my freedoms eroding one by one, I think it high time I took my retirement and moved to another state.

South Dakota has been my home since birth and I never thought I would want to leave it, but I cannot stay in the middle of the road if the bus I am riding keeps taking right turns.

But I won't leave because if I do, they win.

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Fireworks Safety Tips



The Rosebud Sioux Reservation is experiencing another dry year. Fire danger is always present and any unplanned human caused fire has the potential to cause loss of life, property and valuable resources. Residents using fireworks should obey all fireworks regulations and restrictions.

Here are some tips for safe use of fireworks.

- **Use fireworks in parking lots, driveways and gravel of dirt areas.**
- **Where legal, use fireworks outdoors and in a safe area away from fields, grassy areas & buildings.**
- **Keep a bucket of water, shovel, and a garden hose nearby.**



- **Follow instructions carefully and use with close adult supervision.**
- **Do not discharge fireworks from moving vehicles.**
- **Let fireworks cool, then soak them in water before disposing of debris.**



- **Use only fireworks that are approved.**
- **Remember, fireworks may be restricted in your area, so check before you use.**



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Commercial building with 330 ft. of highway frontage located on State Highway 18, Pine Ridge, South Dakota

30' x 50' steel building constructed in 2005 on cement foundation. 1,500 square ft. tiled floor w/three rooms, two restrooms and a storage room.
Finished dining room with seating capacity for approximately 40 people includes tables and chairs.
Finished kitchen and prep area is complete with coolers, large grill and work area!
Building is heated with forced air propane furnace and has central air conditioning.
Plumbing and wiring all new; completed in 2005.
Water supplied by well on property; city sewer from City of Pine Ridge.
No zoning in this area.
Building located on BIA land.

$100,000

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Registration begins July 18, 2006 thru 1st day of school on August 14
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1. Birth Certificate
2. Blood Degree (Students need their own)
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4. Immunization Record
5. Name & Address of last school attended
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Fax transcript to:605-867-

August 10 -11 - *Staff In-service*
August 14 - *K-12 Classes Start*
August 24 - Parent Orientation - *5:00 pm in PRHS Lunch Room*
August 30 - *Open House - K-12*

If you have any questions, please feel free to call us at (605) 867-5145

High School Bell Schedule:

1st Period:	8:10 - 9:00
2nd Period:	9:05 - 9:55
3rd Period:	10:00 - 10:50
4th Period:	10:55 - 11:45
Lunch	11:45 - 12:15
5th Period:	12:15 - 1:05
6th Period:	1:10 - 2:00
7th Period:	2:05 - 2:55
Bus Run:	3:00



Fall Sports:
Boy's Golf - August 7, 2006 - 1st Practice
Cross Country - August 14, 2006 - 1st Practic
Football - August 11, 2006 - 1st Practice
Volleyball - August 14, 2006 -1st Practice

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ceptional Educational Services
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* Pine Ridge Dormitory will be accepting applications for the Boy's and Girl's starting the week of August 1, 2006. Parent/Guardians may pick up these applications at the Register's office or dormitory. If you have any questions ,Contact:
Allie Bad Heart Bull or Sitter Deon
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K-3rd Grade 2:15 pm
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WWII Sioux Code Talker, Charles White Pipe dies

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

GREGORY - The funeral for World War II Sioux code talker, Charles White Pipe, Sr., 87, was held today at the Gregory auditorium where more than 300 people were in attendance. Before his death, he was one of two remaining Sioux code talkers along with Clarence Wolf Guts of Wanblee who often stays in the Veterans home in the Hot Springs VA center.

Dignitaries attending the funeral were, RST tribal chairman Rodney M. Bordeaux who issued an executive proclamation, Dr. Don Nemer, Doug Pochop, Jean Faber of Senator Thune's Sioux Falls, and SGU President, Lionel Bordeaux.

Pallbearers included, Tim Scissons, Jim Keegen of the REA, Jim Bennett, Louis Harsin, Gerald Night Pipe, and Dale Wilcutts, Jr. A fly-over was scheduled, however, the aircraft scheduled were unable to fly because of poor weather conditions. Honorary pallbearers were all Rural Electric Association employees and the Brotherhood of Christian Unity.

After the military funeral with full honors, the U.S. flag was given by the family to Charles White Pipe, Jr., according to daughter, Gayle. During the meal a cake sponsored by the Rosebud Sioux Tribe was presented by RST Chief of Staff, Mike LaPointe.

White Pipe, Sr., a Sicangu Lakota was born in Wood on July 7, 1919 and was inducted into the U.S. Army on October 10, 1941. His late son, Elmer, who preceded him in death recently on June 9, once wrote about his dad. He said, "He was one of a few Lakota servicemen who were asked to use their native language to communicate with other service units while operating in and near Japanese held islands.., as a forward observer Pvt. White Pipe was part of a two-man team sent to forward observation areas where they dug into the terrain and established a radio base…once dug in, the team reported on enemy activity and provided coordinates for artillery shelling when required."



Charles White Pipe Sr., was known for his role in WW III as a code talker.

Senator John Thune (R-SD) issued a press release on June 28, also marking the occasion when he said, "I am saddened to hear of the passing of Charles White Pipe, Sr. I was inspired by the Code Talker's role during World War II and was honored to work to recognize their heroic duty during my time in Congress. I was deeply humbled while working with Charles White Pipe, Sr, and Clarence Wolf Guts and the families of the other Sioux Code Talkers."

White Pipe, Sr. attended Pierre Indian Boarding School and when he was in U.S. Army basic training, Pearl Harbor was attacked and he was shipped out. He was certified as a signalman and assigned to the 40th Division, 164th Field Artillery Battalion. After getting ill, he was hospitalized in New Guinea and eventually returned to Kansas by way of California and eventually was honorably discharged having served time in-country for one year and five days, and his foreign service totaled two years, one month and 23 days.

On Wednesday, June 28, Senator Tim Johnson also generously praised the accomplishments of White Pipe, Sr. when he delivered the following statement, in part, to the U.S. Senate. He said, "Mr. President, I rise to honor and recognize a true hero and a great American. Charles I. White Pipe, Sr. of Gregory, South Dakota passed into the spirit world at 7 p.m. on Monday evening. Mr. White Pipe, a Sicangu Lakota from the Rosebud tribe, valiantly served in the Army as a codetalker in World War II. He served as a "Forward Observer" on Japanese-held islands in the South Pacific, communicating by radio with a ship-based partner, using the Lakota language to direct artillery fire from ships at sea on the islands."

Survivors of White Pipe, Sr. include, children, Charles Jr., Lillian, Gayle, Gary, and Bryan. Son, Elmer preceded him in death.



Family Dollar store opens in Mission

There is a new business in town! The new Family Dollar is holding its grand opening on July 7 in Mission across the street from the Rosebud Exchange and Video Adventure. Family Dollar is a national franchise and has a store in Winner also. Family Dollar offers name brands and has 6,000 stores in 44 states. (Photo by Dr. Archie Beauvais)

Crow Creek High School's burned out dorm to be torn down

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) _ A dormitory destroyed by fire 14 months ago is finally coming down at the Crow Creek Tribal School in Stephan.

Scott Raue, the school superintendent, said the Bureau of Indian Affairs has approved demolition before the fall school term begins.

The shell of the old dorm is a safety hazard with the walls and roofing material crumbling and being blown around, he said.

Investigators weren't able to determine what started the fire in April 2005. Students escaped without injury.

The building was replaced by modular housing units that are being used as a dining hall and dorm.

White Clay beer blockade stalled; tribal police, activists to talk

PINE RIDGE, S.D. (AP) - After arguing on a dusty road that serves as the Nebraska-South Dakota boundary, two American Indians agreed Wednesday to try to find ways to stop the flow of beer from tiny Whiteclay, Neb., to the dry Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

The agreement negated a planned blockade aimed at stopping reservation residents from bringing in beer bought at four stores in Whiteclay.

Members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe who planned the blockade and James Twiss, acting police chief on the reservation, said they would try to meet _ possibly as early as Thursday.

Mark Vasina of Nebraskans for Peace, an activist group that has tried to end alcohol sales in the border town, said the day did not end like he thought it would but that he was pleased with the outcome.

``I think this is a success because we got a commitment from the new police chief to deal with the problems of illegal alcohol sales,'' Vasina said.

Sheriff Terry Robbins had a different take on the event: ``Waste of time,'' he said. The episode was just intended to draw media attention, he said.

Alcohol is banned on the 16,500-member reservation. But four stores in Whiteclay sell an estimated 4 million of cans of beer every year, mostly to Indians.

The stores have been a source of tension for years, and tribal members have tried to stop alcohol sales in Whiteclay through the courts, the county and the state licensing board.

Twiss told blockade organizer Duane Martin Sr. of the Strong Heart Civil Rights Movement that his officers could not allow the blockade because of safety concerns if a motorist chose not to stop.

Twiss said it was not clear whether the blockade would violate the constitutional rights of people against illegal searches and seizures.

``A person's vehicle is their property,'' Twiss told Martin.

Allowing the blockade would invite liability issues, Twiss said.

``I've just got to make sure that we're covered legally,'' he said. ``If someone decides not to stop, we're going to be responsible.''

``Whose side are you guys on?'' Martin asked Twiss.

``Don't try to make me be the bad guy,'' Twiss said.

Martin, who said he took on the blockade issue at the request of his people, kept pleading his case with Twiss, who grew up on the reservation and acknowledged he drank illegally in Whiteclay as a teenager.

For years the police department has not done enough to go after bootleggers who buy large quantities of beer in Whiteclay and then distribute it on the reservation, Twiss said. He said his department doesn't have the money or manpower to do more.

He vowed to work with Martin and others to find some way to ease the problem.

The two talked at the state boundary with the Shannon County, S.D., sign just a few feet away.

At least a dozen law enforcement vehicles were parked nearby. Tribal officers lined the gravel road, and just to the south, Nebraska State Patrol and Sheridan County officers stood by on the state highway going into Whiteclay.

A tribal police officer gave cold water and sports drinks to the other officers, who were in the hot sun.

It appeared that fewer than a dozen people showed up to support the blockade. More than a dozen reporters and photographers also were on hand.

Blockade supporters had said they didn't plan to arrest anyone but would confiscate any beer purchased in Whiteclay. The plan was to set up checkpoints just inside the reservation.

Volunteers in Whiteclay planned to use radios to tell checkpoint workers which vehicles should be stopped and searched for beer.

Sheriff Robbins said he doubted the blockade's legality because even if alcohol is banned on the reservation, it's still illegal to take it from somebody else. And anyone in Whiteclay radioing the description of vehicles to people at a blockade would be considered aiding and abetting a theft, Robbins said.

``It's still against the law to take anything from anybody,'' he said.

Republican U.S. House candidate Bruce Whalen of Pine ridge stopped by the gathering on his way to get his mail. He said the focus should be getting people off alcohol and getting them jobs because they'll just go somewhere else for beer.

``This is a dependent society, and we need to remove that dependency,'' Whalen said of government programs that provide most of the income on the reservation.

Also at the scene was Indian activist and actor Russell Means, who pulled his pickup and trailer out from the road on the state line and stopped it across the road into the reservation, indicating that it had stalled.

After an officer approached Means' pickup, there was some doubt it had mechanical problems.

``I'm not starting anything. I've got trouble here,'' Means told The Associated Press. ``I think it's overheated.''

Within a few minutes, someone brought jumper cables and Means' pickup started. He then drove away.

Panel upholds Crow Creek murder conviction

SIOUX FALLS (AP)-A federal appeals court panel has upheld the second-degree murder conviction and prison sentence James Allen Gregg received for a fatal shooting on the Crow Creek Indian Reservation two years ago.

Gregg, an Iraqi war veteran from Harrold, was sentenced to 11 years and three months for second-degree murder in the July 4, 2004, shooting of James L. Fallis, 26. The judge also gave Gregg the mandatory minimum 10-year sentence for using a firearm while committing a violent crime, with the two sentences to run one after the other.

A three-judge panel of the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals rejected Gregg's argument that the judge should have allowed the jury to hear testimony that Fallis had a reputation and history of being violent.

Such evidence could have been used to explain Gregg's state of mind at the time and could have shown that Fallis was the aggressor and that Gregg acted in self defense, according to his appeal.

Gregg was a member of a National Guard unit that was in Iraq for more than a year before returning in March 2004. He was suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder when he shot Fallis, according to testimony at his trial.

ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I want to leave my husband, his mother, his sisters and his brothers and his nephews and his neices and everybody and go live by myself with my baby. I am going nuts here.

What do you see?

Going Nuts

Dear Going Nuts:

You are not immobile. When the going gets too tough, the tough get going. I see you gone from there...gone, gone gone...yesterday's news by now I'd say.

Hang in there. Go investigate school and financing...child care...etc. Sometimes there are some apartments available in Kyle you could check into.

This just points out how very happy we will all be when housing becomes available at Oglala Lakota College. It will change the lives of many.

I hope someday at least one of those dormitories will be set up practically, reflecting a true need in the Indian community, allowing single women with children housing, somehow, someway, someday. All they need is money folks.

Dear Anna,

You told me you saw this guy that I'm with a while ago. You told me that I would meet him and I did. I thought he was my soul mate but we still have a lot of problems.

It's not that I don't love him, but he doesn't want to get married and I do. What now? Am I going to have to leave him because I want to be married and he doesn't? Is he going to be unfaithful to me because he is not committed to marrying me? Help!

Want to get married

Dear Want to Marry:

You're really doing okay girl, your just having an emotional hiccough right now.

He does love you, you do enjoy each other, there are always differences of opinion because no matter what the Hallmark cards say, your are only one in soul and in God, not really in mind.

You have to allow this man his differences, it doesn't mean he doesn't love you.

What I see him saying is that he doesn't really think about marriage right now. That's okay too. He doesn't have to marry you to be monogamous. Try not to have his children though, before marriage...it is just a little bit of a burden to do things that way.

Don't try to pressure or trap him. Just slow down a bit, look at your options, and he'll ask you to marry him when he feels like he makes enough money...that is just the way he thinks.

Good luck, pray for patience...and enjoy and love your life and being in love.

Dear Anna,

Today I am writing to you to ask a few questions first I wanted to ask if a baby is my near future. I know there are obstacles that say it's not the right thing now but in my heart it is. I know because of my husband's sickness he's endangering his own life and that's another reason I want a child so I will have that part of him with me.

We have been encountering some problems and I know it's because of his sickness. I encourage him to take care of himself but outside influences get to him. I am ready and willing to move and start our new life together but we have a few obstacles in our way, Do you see us moving within the next month or so?

Wondering

Dear Wondering:

There is a baby in your sort of near future - I see pregnancy probably by December 2007 (it looks to be that you are "pretty-well pregnant) at that time, with the baby probably being due in the early part of 2008. Outside influences are not getting to your husband - "inside" influences are. Strong people are not led astray, they go that way simply because they choose to and may have addiction patterns in behavior. In your accepting his illness, and the restrictions that apply to his behavior in order for him to remain well, then also accept that he is responsible for his own behavior . I do see you moving, probably around Halloween. The move is good for both of you. Good luck in dealing with the burdens you have decided to carry in order for this relationship to work.

Dear Anna,

Hello. I am a young, educated woman who has met a man that seems to suit me in every way; except, he only sees me as a friend. Sometimes, he sends off these vibes like he is interested in more and other times he barely notices me. He is a great guy. He is educated and well respected by all that know him. Do you see him and I being more than just friends? I don't want to confront him because it might ruin our friendship. I really enjoy your column and send you good thoughts and well being.

Tired of Waiting

Dear Tired of Waiting:

Just hang in their friend. He is "aware" of you as a woman but also has some fear regarding what an advance towards you might do to your friendship. I see the two of you finally coming together sometime near the middle or end of October. Just keep being wonderful, friendly, funny, brilliant and sexy - he can't help but notice. The two of you are well suited to each other. Patience is your only choice, and since you have prayed for patience the Creator is going to see that you develop them. Good luck and thank you for the kind words - they made my day!

Dear Anna:

I am a 23 year old woman with two children. I had a boyfriend that hit me several years ago and knocked out two of my teeth. I don't drink and party, but my teeth make people think that I do. I work, but I feel held back at my job because of my appearance.

I have a boyfriend, but I know it won't work, but he is the only one that wants to date me because of how I look. What do you see for me?

Toothless and sad

Dear Toothless:

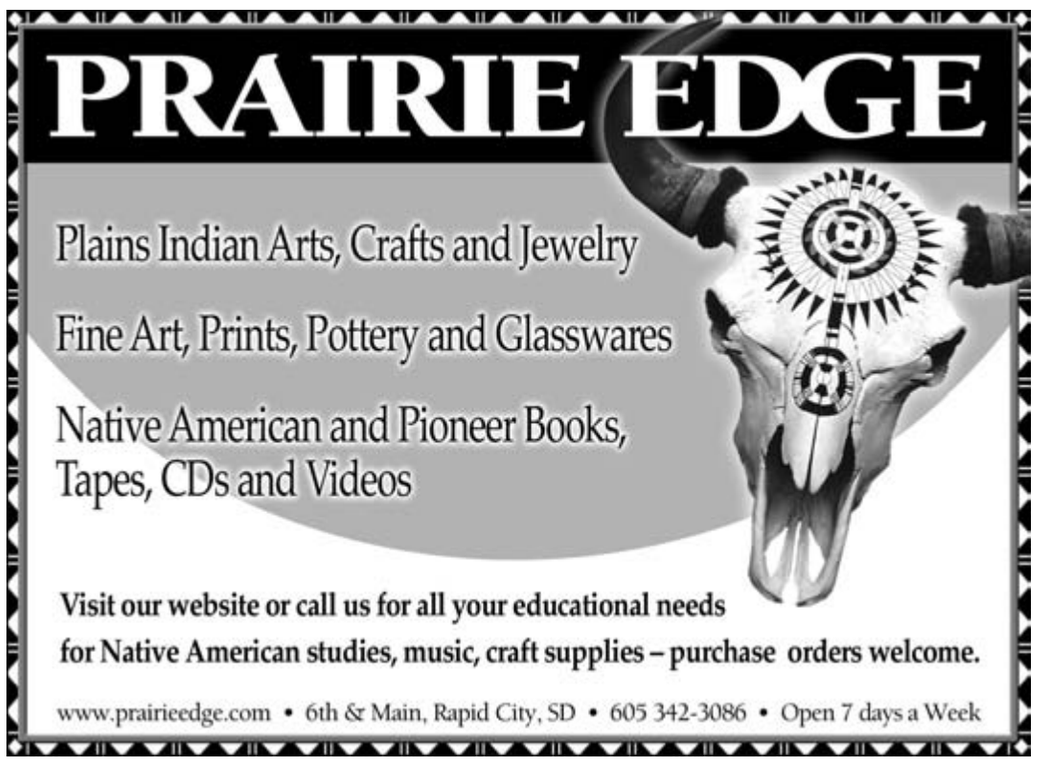
Please call the University of Colorado, Denver; I think it is now called Cranial Sciences - but in effect it is the dental school. It is more important that you get those teeth fixed than buy the new car you want.

They have a pretty reasonable fee schedule and they can help you. Let go of the man, being beautiful is an inside thing - and inside you are beautiful, and outside you are attractive with a little character in your smile.

Once you fix your smile, you can go ahead in life a little bit more easily. I wish that I could tell you that people don't react to missing teeth and other irregularities in appearance, but, for the exception of the elderly, people are filled with judgment. My heart goes out to you. God Bless

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication.

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By Beaux Beauvais



Frybread By Thom Little Moon

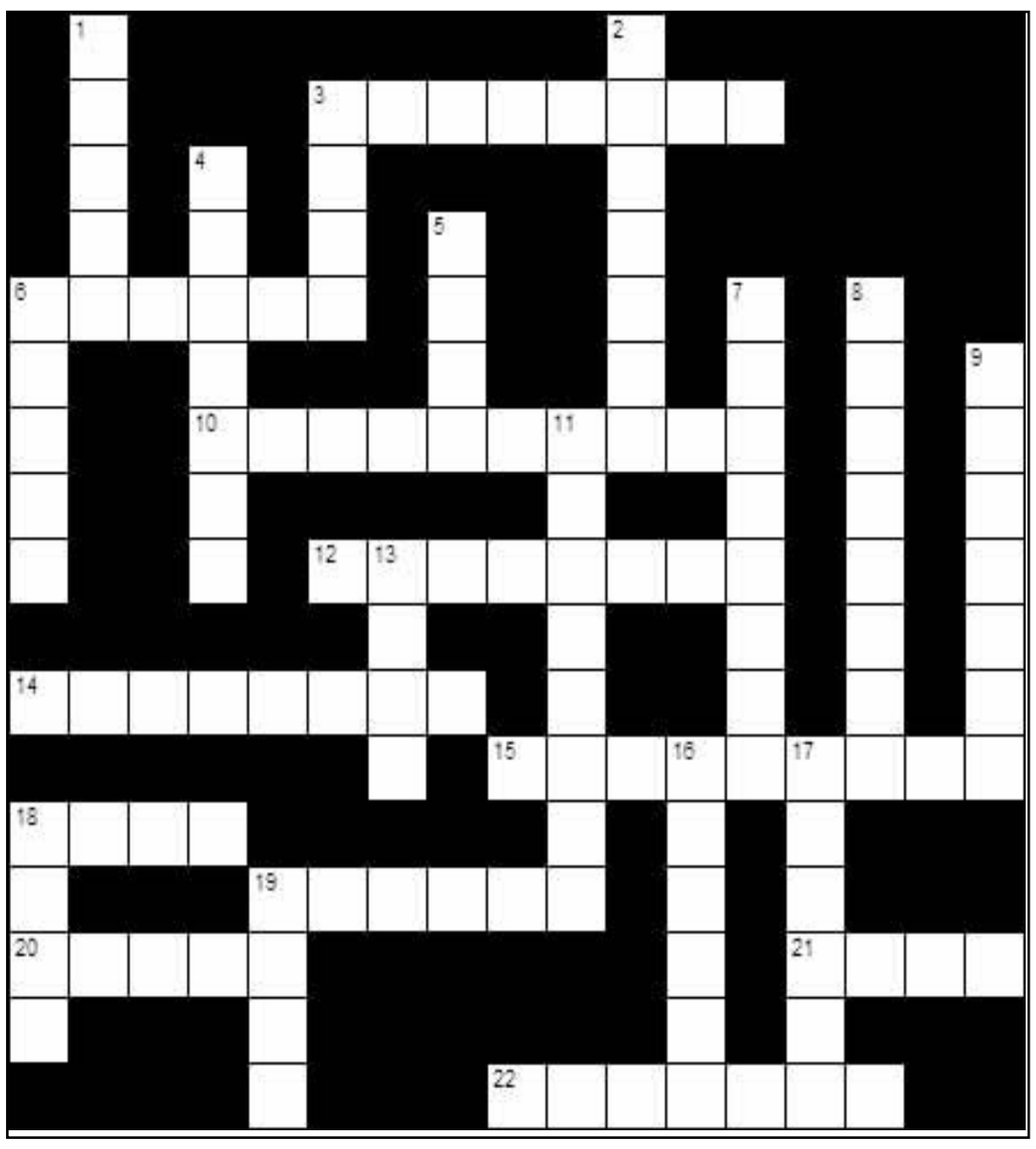


Snoman By Thom Little Moon



Lakota Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)



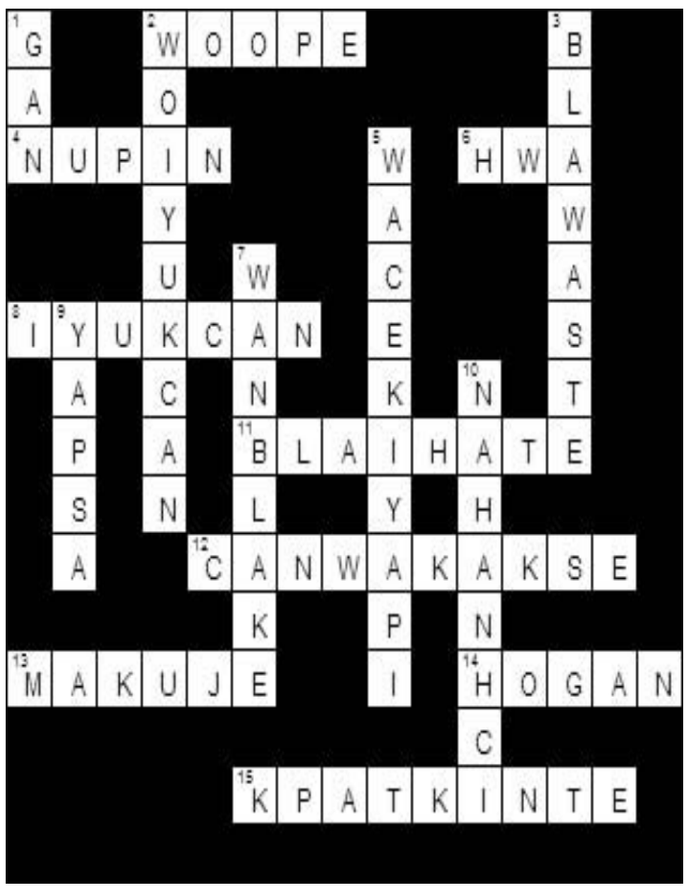
Across

3. they read
6. knee
10. nine
12. bed
14. bring your hand here
15. they are good
18. chest
19. the young
20. cut
21. it is black
22. light

Down

1. egg
2. I am standing
3. cooking
4. chair
5. chapped
6. tobacco
7. one hundred
8. I have a need
9. question
11. we are all sick
13. reading or counting
16. niece
17. nephew
18. me
19. stomach

Answers from last week's puzzle



Delores Black Bird, 59 .....Hot Springs
Charles Whitepipe, 87.....Gregory
Sylvan M. Strongheart Jr., 29.....Sundance, Wyo.
Randy Mitchell Bettelyoun, 42.....Wanblee
Pete Mesteth Jr., 54..... Portland, Ore.
Roy W. White Butterfly, 85.....Manderson
Margaret Renee, 29..... Oglala

Delores Black Bird

HOT SPRINGS - Delores Black Bird, 59, Hot Springs, died Thursday, June 29, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Charles Whitepipe

GREGORY - Charles Whitepipe, 87, Gregory, died Monday, June 26, at Gregory Hospital. He served in the U.S. military as a Lakota code talker during World War II.

Survivors include five children, Lillian Middlesworth, Winner; Charles Whitepipe Jr., Gayle Whitepipe and Gary Whitepipe, all of Gregory, and Bryan Whitepipe, Sioux Falls; 10 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and one stepsister, Rose Blue Thunder, Mission.

His wife, Lorraine, preceded him in death.

A prayer service was Thursday, June 29, at the Episcopal church in Gregory.

Funeral services were Friday, June 30, at the community hall in Gregory.

Kotrba Funeral Home of Gregory was in charge of arrangements.

Sylvan Marvin Strongheart Jr.

SUNDANCE, Wyo. - Sylvan Marvin Strongheart Jr., 29, Sundance and formerly of Wakpala, died Friday, June 23, in Sundance. Memorial services were Sunday, July 2, at Wakpala Community Center, with family and friends officiating.

Burial was at Mormon Cemetery in Wakpala.

Randy Mitchell Bettelyoun

WANBLEE - Randy Mitchell Bettelyoun, 42, Wanblee, died Monday, June 26, in Tuthill.

Survivors include his wife, Lenee Bettelyoun, Wanblee; six sons, Arrow Bettelyoun, Jared Bettelyoun, Aaron Bettelyoun, Richard Bettelyoun Jr., Brian Bettelyoun and Skye Bettelyoun, all of Wanblee; four daughters, Ran Dawn Bettelyoun, Corrie Ann Bettelyoun, Nikia Bettelyoun and Lauren Bettelyoun, all of Wanblee; his mother, Gladys Iron Elk-Bettelyoun, Wanblee;

Six brothers, Jed Bettelyoun, Batesland, and Frank Bettelyoun, Larry Bettelyoun, Roger Bettelyoun, Ned Bettelyoun and Doyle Bettelyoun, all of Wanblee; and four sisters, Charlotte Bettelyoun, Fort Hood, Texas, Irene Duke, Allen, Angie Eisenbram, Kadoka, and Doris Bettelyoun, Aberdeen.

Wake services were Saturday, July 1, at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee.

Funeral services were Monday, July 3, at the school, with Deacon Calvin Clifford and Deacon Gerald Bush officiating and traditional services by Richard M. Moves Camp.

Burial will be at Bear In The Lodge Cemetery, Bettelyoun Ranch.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Pete Mesteth Jr.

PORTLAND, Ore. - Pete Mesteth Jr., 54, Portland, died Monday, June 26, at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Portland.

He served in the U.S. Marine Corps in Vietnam. Survivors include two sons, John Mesteth, Portland, and Charles Blue Bird, Kyle.; two daughters, Michelle Mesteth, Kyle, and Morning Star Mesteth, Chinlee, Ariz.; three brothers, Dave Mesteth, Sioux Falls, and Gilbert Mesteth Jr. and Freeman Mesteth, both of Rapid City; and five sisters, Joy Mesteth, Sioux Falls, Janette Mauley, Piner, N.C., Ardenna Oliver, Columbus, Ohio, Stefanie Mesteth, Sisseton, and Linda Roper, Rapid City.

Wake services were Sunday, July 2, at Oglala Recreation Center in Oglala.

Traditional services were Monday, July 3, at Oglala Recreation Center, with Wilmer Mesteth officiating.

Scattering of cremains will be at a later date at Bear Butte near Sturgis.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Roy W. White Butterfly

MANDERSON - Roy W. White Butterfly, 85, died June 29 at the Rapid City Regional Hospital of natural causes.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

He is survived sons Calvin White Butterfly and Charles White Butterfly of Manderson; an adopted son Marty White Thunder, Porcupine;

daughters Vivian White Butterfly, Hot Springs; Lorna White Butterfly, Anchorage, Alaska; Colleen Little Moon and Irma Pino both of Manderson; Linda Kills Warrior, Pine Ridge; Hattie White Butterfly, Rapid City; brothers Ben White Butterfly, White River, a sister Victoria Fire Thunder, Manderson.

A two-night wake begins at 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 5, at the Wounded Knee District School, Manderson.

Funeral services are 10 a.m. Friday, July 7, at the Wounded Knee District School.

Officiating is Joe Brown Thunder with burial at St. Mark's Episcopal Cemetery, Rockyford.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Margaret Renee Brave Heart

OGLALA - Margaret Renee Brave Heart, 29, Oglala, died Saturday, July 1, at Pine Ridge Hospital as the result of a car accident near Oglala.

Survivors include her father Dewey Brave Heart , Sr., Oglala, Adoptive Parents: Ivan and Goldie Starr, Jr., Oglala.

Brothers Dewey Brave Heart, Jr., Ivan Starr, III., Derrick Star Comes Out, all of Oglala.

Sisters Devonna Brave Heart, Wakinyan Brave Heart, Promise Starr and Virginia Starr all of Oglala.

A one night wake begins 1 p.m. Thursday, July 6 at the Bro. Rene Catholic Hall, Oglala.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 7, at Bro. Rene Hall

Officiating will be Fr. Paul Steinmetz, SJ

Internment will be at Our Lady of the Sioux Catholic Cemetery, Oglala.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Memorials and photos are free
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Remembering Charles Whitepipe Sr.

By Sen. John Thune (R-S.D.)
Washington, D.C.

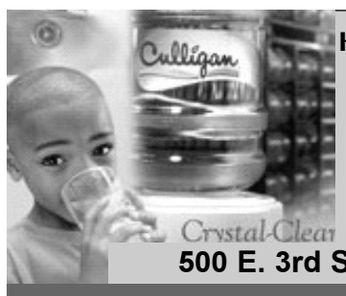
Charles Whitepipe, Sr., a member of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and a Sioux Code Talker in World War II, died June 26. Whitepipe, Sr. was one of the two living Sioux Code Talkers who then-Congressman Thune worked to recognize with the Congressional Gold Medal.

I am saddened to hear of the passing of Charles Whitepipe, Sr. I was inspired by the story of the Sioux Code Talkers' role during WWII and was honored to work to recognize their heroic duty during my time in Congress.

I was deeply humbled while working with Charles Whitepipe, Sr. and Clarence Wolf Guts and the families of the other Sioux Code Talkers. Their sacrifice and commitment to their country and their heritage saved the lives of many soldiers. My thoughts and prayers are with his family in this time of loss.

During WWII about a dozen known Sioux Indians were Army radio operators who used their native Nakota, Lakota, and Dakota dialects to transmit strategic messages.

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MINUTES

Shannon County School Board Minutes June 6, 2006

The Shannon County School Board held the regular monthly meeting on Monday, June 26, 2006 at Rockyford School.

President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:22 p.m.

Board members present: Angie Eagle Bull, Todd O'Bryan, Ruth Cummings, Melvin Cummings.

Member absent: Laticia DeCory.

Other present: Dr. Margo Heinert, Superintendent, Madonna Peterson, Business Manager, Loretta Giago, Wolf Creek Prinicipal, Bob Hall, Rockyford Principal, Monica Whirlwind Horse, Rockyford Asst. Principal, Wayne Goff, Batesland Principal, Marlene Stout, Red Shirt Principal, Karen Bowman-Raymond, Curriculum Director, Robert Two Crow, Technology Director, Vickie Grant, Assessment Coordinator, Ted Hanson, Special Education Director, Myron Pourier, Maintenance & Transportation Director, Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary, Lynn Hernandez, Sonia Bear Runner, Norma Cummings, Devona Pourier, Les Solomon, Donna Solomon, Debbie Blue Bird

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

6325 Approval of Agenda:

Motion by O'Bryan to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

6326 Approval of Minutes:

Motion by M. Cummings to approve minutes of the 5/22/06 regular meeting. Motion carried.

6327 Executive Session:

Motion by O'Bryan to go into executive session at 5:24 p.m. to discuss personnel. Motion carried.

President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 7:23 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

6328 Personnel:

Motion by M. Cummings to approve personnel recommendations, as listed, to include resignations, classified staff work improvement plans (names on file), one classified staff termination (name of file) , and administrative recommendations for employment, with the exception of the 7th and 8th grades science teacher position. All contractual offers are pending results of background checks and pre employment drug tests. Motion carried.

Resignations: Courtney Krul-Wolf Creek Kindergarten Teacher effective 6/8/06, Marie Hirning-Wolf Creek Second grade teacher effective 6/7/06.

Classified Terminations: Wolf Creek School Special Education Aide, Rockyford School Special Education Aide.

Classified Work Improvement Plan: Rockyford School Aide, Rockyford School Aide, Rockyford School Aide.

District Wide Recommendation: Brian O'Conner-Computer Techinician, Rockyford School Placement.

Batesland School Recommendations: Travis Benson-Physical Education Teacher, Tara Fanning-5th grade teacher.

Wolf Creek School recommendations: Emma Brewer-Alternative Sped Teacher, Stephanie Carlow- 5th grade teacher, Jana McBride-2nd grade teacher, Kathryn Bauer, Preschool Teacher, Amy Schueth-Kindergarten Teacher, Theresa Young-2nd and 3rd Sped Teacher. Rockyford School Recommendations: Kim Villa-1st grade Teacher, Eileen Pipal-6th-8th Special Education.

45 Day probationary Completions: JayDee Black Crow-Custodian. Special Service Agreement: Don Wince-Wolf Creek Security from 7/1/06 to 6/30/07 - $250.00 monthly.

6329 Classified Staff Termination:

Motion by O'Bryan to table classified staff termination recommendation, pending outcome of discussion between employee and Superintendent (name on file). Motion carried.

6330 Rockyford Bus Driver Position:

Motion by R. Cummings to deny the request for a certified teacher to be offered a bus driver contract, in addition to teaching duties. Motion carried.

6331 Batesland School PTAC:

Debbie Blue Bird, President of Batesland School PTAC, addressed the board regarding a request at a recent PTAC meeting. Motion by O'Bryan to request administration to work with the Batesland School PTAC President in determining the feasibility of establishing the position of School Resource Officer in the four schools, and to develop a job description which would outline duties and/or need.

The Superintendent will bring a recommendation to the July board meeting. Motion carried.

6332 8th Grade Sponsor Payment:

Motion by O'Bryan to table the request to add the 8th grade sponsor position to the list of compensated extra-curricular assignments, requesting administration to bring a proposal to the July regular meeting. Motion carried.

6333 Bid Proposals:

The board advertised for bids for the collection and disposal of solid waste from the Wolf Creek School site. Two bids were received. Motion by O'Bryan to accept id #2 from Solomon Sanitation, Pine Ridge, SD, in the amount of $1,210.00 per month. Motion carried.

6334 Volunteer Fire Dept.:

Motion by R. Cummings to contribute $600.00 to the Batesland Volunteer Fire Department toward the purchase of fire prevention books for students K-2nd. Motion carried.

6335 Financials: Motion by O'Bryan to approve the financial report, receipts, payroll expense, disbursements and supplemental budget, as listed. Motion carried.

Imprest Account May 31, 2006 Reimbursement Diamond Greenhouse $7.50, SPED Parent $71.04, Lisa Mesteth $40.00, Cheyenne Creek Singers $200.00, Julie Nelson $250.00, Babe Poor Bear $142.00, Barb Blaney $142.00, Nona Jackson $142.00, Emma Brewer $142.00, Univ. of Sioux Falls $280.00, Div. of Criminal Invest. $390.00, Wayne Goff $520.00, Wayne Goff $100.00, Jaunita Rooks $55.04, SPED Parent $55.68, James Bradford $142.41, Darrell Eagle Bull $112.50, Allen Ecoffey $94.87, Wayne Goff $507.60, Bonnie Hart $150.00, Rebecca Kaiser $150.00, Mary Swallow $150.00, Carmelita Two Elk $770.60, Brian Weschler $150.00, Janell Youel $193.55, Golden West Tele $41.55, SPED Parent $288.84, Ted Hanson $109.44, Div. of Criminal Invest. $507.00, Jaunita Rooks $55.04, SPED Parent $142.08, Total $6,101.90.

General Fund

A & B Welding Supplies $983.61, ASBSD membership $869.43, AT&T long distance $922.09, Abold Appliance repair $276.75, Advanced Business & Computing website programming $5,200.00, Alco Store #204 supplies $212.31, $108.08, Vendor Total $320.39, ALSCO custodial $476.14, $1377.42, $1270.50, $59.32, Vendor total $3183.38, American School Board Journal subscriptions $285.00, Angelas field trip $106.48, Apple Computer Inc Leadership conf $87,-600.00, August Ann Lit Institute $224.40, BHSU tuition $15,-147.00, Badland Quilting supplies $175.00, Beacon Motel travel $5626.53, Bear Runner Sonia workshop $102.60, Bertram Beverly lit institute $218.00, Best Western Sturgis travel $179.70, Bettelyoun Loranzo instructor $4,000.00, Bissonette Teri instructor $4,000.00, Black Hills Electric $589.48, Borders Inc supplies $562.40, $359.40, $314.40, $359.40, $312.60, $314.40, Vendor total $2222.60, Bowen Raymond Karen supplies $16.28, BP gasoline $382.09, Bradford James bond reimb $480.24, Brite Ideas 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supplies $300.-00, Division of Criminal Invest background checks $117.00, Donovan Mark wkshp $131.40, Eagle Bull Andrea mileage $38.-40, Eagle Bull Darrell reimb $300.00, $125.-00, Vendor total $425.00, Early Childhood today subscription $19.95, Ecoffey Alan reimb $372.00, ETS Educational testing supplies $80.00, $80.00, $40.00, $40.-00, Vendor total $240.00, Evans Plunge trip $310.13, $200.36, Vendor total $510.49, Evergreen Office supplies $400.-00, $69.24, $9.28, $58.91, $4.10, $20,54, $30.00, $230.48, Vendor total $822.55, Family Thrift Center supplies $37.99, $545.95, $61.16, $24.53, $9.98, $26.44, $24.72, Vendor total $730.77, Fence Connection supplies $124.-06, Fisher Tyler services $150.00, Foltz-hall Candance travel $711.06, Foreman sales and service parts $107.69, $106.79, $485.50, $524.01, $47.34, $35.98, $253.62, $139.95, Vendor total $1,700.-00, French Flowers graduation $132.50, Fribley Jonathan services $4,907.17, Geju Theatres trip $60.00, Gibbons Bill sevices $150.00, Gibbons Terri Jo travel/-wrkshp $752.88, $131.40, Vendor total $884.28, Godfathers Pizza trip $18.14, Godfrey Brake Service parts $51.91, $59.04, $681.23, $134.-47, Vendor Total $926.65, Goff Wayne mileage/reimb $363.-84, $1356.42, Vendor total $1720.26, Golden Corral Family Steakhouse trip $65.19, $303.77, $301.08, $131.26, $220.65, $239.90, $123.79, $38.09, $60.61, Vendor total $1484.34, Golden West Technologies lease $485.-10, $485.10, $485.10, $485.10, Vendor total $1940.40, Golden West Telephone $30.-65, $1277.65, $31.10, $42.65, Vendor total $1382.05, Gordon Senior Citizen services $1434.00, Grant Vickie travel $242.56, Great Plains Communication telephone $728.20, Great Western Tire Company tires $439.-80, $1392.20, $510.60, $500.00, $1628.36, Vendor total $4470.96, Grinnell Meralle lit institute $224.40, Grocery Mart supplies $10355, Hacienda Restaurant activity $71.89, Halverson Marilyn travel $51.84, Handi Stop supplies $49.82, $15.21, Vendor total $65.03, Hardee's Hot Springs trip $202.80, Harlow's Bus Sales parts $589.78, Hart Bonnie reimb $600.00, Hart James reimb $550.00, Havlik James services $5000.00, Hillman Doris woksp $108.36, Hills tire and Supply tires $212.00, $432.00, Vendor total $644.00, Hillyard supplies $189.43, $217.37, $95.41, Vendor total $502.21, Hines Larry instructor $4000.00, Holiday Inn Express travel $75.00, Homestead building supplies $231.45, Howard Johnson Express travel $1219.00, Huether Amy lit inst $169.36, Hugen Repair $87.65, $46.65, vendor total $134.30, Husker Auto Repair $417.42, $402.79, Vendor total $820.21, IELE paymt $2250.00, Ideal Supermarket supplies $393.11, International Laser group supplies $1266.00, $196.67, $235.39, $177.00, $831.00, Vendor total $2706.06, Jackson Nona $361.40, Jefco Glass repairs $203.21, $984.53, $7646, Vendor total $1264.20, Joes Body shop repairs $355.00, Johnson machine parts $798.16, Kaiser Rebecca reimb $600.00, Kaplan Early Learning Co supplies $5912.70, $166.60, Vendor total $6079.30, Knecht Home Center $145.35, Kratovils True Value supplies $193.50, Krotz Carol wkshp $130.12, Kt Con-nections repairs $186.00, $17000.00. Vendor total $17186.00, Lacreek Electric $10717.-02, Lakota Country Times $360.0, $160.-00, $687.46, Vendor total $1207.46, Lakota/Dakota Journal $18.10, Lawrence Virginia wksp $125.00, $200.56, Vendor total $325.56, Lawson Products supplies $443.-56, $332.25, Vendor Total $775.91, Lemmon Emily $218.00, Linweld supplies $148.15, Little Print Shop supplies $123.-55, Lone Elk Sandra inst $218.00, Mailbox subscriptions $89.85, McDonalds trip $178.-17, $54.36, $330.00, $14.03, Vendor total $576.56, Mcdonalds store trip $127.95, Mckie Buick Pontiac GMC parts $5.06, $63.55, Vendor total $68.61, Mcleods Printing supplies $208.87, $5.80, Vendor total $214.67, Menards supplies $440.85, $1364.-45, Vendor total $1805.30, Metzger Jeanine wksp $125.00, Mikes Heating & Air condition supplies $88.94, $322.81, $43.-00, Vendor total $454.75, Miles Judy wkshp $131.40, $187.-12, Vendor total $318.52, Mt Rushmore telephone $158.25, $204.17, Vendor total $362.42, Muddy Creek & Oil diesel $7345.01, Murdock Electrical maintenance repairs $372.00, $2626.50, Vendor total $2998.50, Muscle Mustangs & fast fords $29.97. NAEN membership $80.00, National Geographic Society $34.00, National Geographic $12.00, National Laboratories supplies $250.93, Nichols Temple $165.52, $302.52 Vendor total $468.04, Norms Carquest Auto Parts parts $56.35, North Central Supply $18.00, OST Water & Sewer $100.00, Oasis Family trip $434.35, O'Bryan Todd mileage $73.60, Oelrichs school District tuition $69,350.90, Office Max Credit Plan supplies $184.71, Ofstedal Kathleen services $3833.12, Old Mcdonalds farm trip $324.00, $160.00, Ven-dor total $484.00, Omni graphics supplies $205.44, Panhandle sales and service supplies $49.50, 9.00, Vendot total $58.50, Party America supplies $107.08, $171.45, $164.88, $380.94, Vendor total $824.35, Peterson Madonna travel $351.60, Petty Cash admin office $89.54, Petty Cash Batesland $329.17, Petty Cash Rockyford $244.37, Pitney Bowes postage $438.00, $411.00, $219.00, Vendor total $1068.00, Pizza Hut of Gordon supplies $524.34, Ponderosa Sportwear supplies $601.02, Pourier Rona mileage $116.48, Power House supplies $127.41, $26.68, $43.-94, $444.90, Vendor total $642.23, Prairie Edge supplies $127.60, Promopeddler Inc supplies $5101.45, Quality Inn Rapid City Travel $99.19, Ramkota Pierre travel $154.00, $146.00, Vendor total $300.00, Ramkota RC travel $420.00, $59.45, $60.00, $60.00, $60.-00, $60.00, $59.00, vendor total $778.45, Ranch Amusement Park trip $345.00, $142.75, Vendor total $487.75, Rapid Auto Glass repairs $473.98, $250.00, $486.98, $395.55, $495.54, $59.00, $483.98, $399.05, $59.95, $473.98, $473.98, $495.54, Vendor total $4547.53, Rapid City Journal sub $95.00, adv $212.80, Vendor total $307.80, Rapid City Swim Center trip $210.00, $129.00, Vendor total $339.00, Red Cloud Alfred wkshp $125.00, Reinhart Food service $420.00, Robbinsdale Lanes trip $104.00, Rosane Robert mileage $17.28, Ross Margeret travel $31.36, SD Federal Property Agency supplies $410.00, SDSNA regist $307.00, SH Bartlett Company parts $1750.50, Salomon Sanitation service $780.00, $780.00, $260.00, Vendor total $1820.00, Sam's Club supplies $51.76, $11.-46, $115.65, $40.12, $79.44, $103.62, $118.41, $297.39, Vendor total $817.85, Sandridge Golf Club membership $1200.00, Scholastic Inc supplies $1423.04, $149.33, Vendor total $1572.37, Scholastic Trollcarnival trump supplies $59.75, $49.25, $594.75, $163.30, $258.25, $172.25, Vendor total $1297.55, School Speciality supplies $1923.-41, SDN Communication $1870.22, Sears Commercial One supplies $100.92, $459.-99, $329.64, Vendor total $890.55, Select sub service $29.95, Shannon County School Imprest $4287.82, Shots Carol reimb $2051.64, Sign & Trophy Westex supplies $260.00, $260.-00, Vendor total $520.00, Sioux Nation Shopping Center supplies $692.92, Skateland of Chadron trip $445.90, Software Unlimited training $300.00, Speed Ryan $306.36, Sporting News Magazine subsrip $26.55, Sportsman Lanes trip $253.50, Stumps supplies $758.09, Sunburst Visual Media supplies $536.59, $39.09, Vendor total $575.68 . Swallow Mary reimb $404.88, TIE services/training $21,825.00, $3000.00, Vendor Total $24825.00, Tatonka Capital Corporation lease $564.00, $275.20, Vendor total $839.20, Tee Jays Camera & Photo supplies $127.49, Temperature Technology supplies $217.80, $480.00, Vendor total $697.80, Three Rivers Special services $1462.50, Thunder Bull Marla wksp $108.36, Tieszen Law Office fees $697.50, Town of Batesland water & sewer $500.00, True Value supplies $42.78, Trueblood Jesse services $100.00, Trueblood Karen services $100.00, Twiss Maurice travel $852.64, $131.40, Vendor total $984.04, Two Elk Carmelita reimb $3087.72, Two Lance Josephine $361.40, University of Sioux Falls leadership develop $1320.00, Vanway Trophy & Awards $1023.88, $17.00, $15.00, Vendor total $1055.88, Vig Donna services $100.00, Vocu Thomas wksp $125.00, Wakpamni Bed & Breakfast travel $249.-60, Walmart Community supplies $68.-90, $187.05, $16.68, $156.30, $58.38, Vendor total $487.31, Weber James supplies $99.00, Wechsler Brian reimb $600.00, $361.40,Vwendor total $961.40. WESTCO gasoline $15902.73, Whalen Carol active dire $2000.00, Whipple Regina lit inst $224.40. White Bear Claws Marge lit insti $218.00, White Clay Grocery supplies $300.00, $45.00, $270.00, Vendor total $615.00, White Robert services $100.00, Wilderdom Store supplies $529.-84, Winners Circle trip $31.14, $298.00, $184.00, $180.15, $505.27, Vendor total $1198.56, WSI Lighting supplies $482.28. Yankton Debbie wksp $131.40, Fund Total $444,337.76

Capital Outlay Fund

Best Business Products lease $160.60, $506.69. Vendor Total $667.29, Corner Construction Corporation redshirt proj $58,-864.00, General Paving Co & Marlan Fox red Shirt $24,850.00, KT Connection Inc $16300.00, $21439.-63, Vendor total $37,739.63, Plains Trading Company supplies $566.93, Tatonka Capital Corporation lease $4186.00, Western Document Imaging Company copy machines $8,932.80, Fund Total $135,806.65

Special Education Fund

Bennett County Hospital service $1830.00, Black hills Special Services $3110.23, Brimark Inn travel $44.00, Children's Care & Rehab Development $3750.00, Childrens Care Hospital & School tuition $10,496.15, Childrens' Home Society tuition $1488.90, Evergreen Office supplies $158.-54, Frandsen Sandra travel $64.00, Ideal Supermarket supplies $25.03, Instructional Planning Center tuition $230.09, Lorman Education services travel $50.00, Mcdonalds travel $50.00, Moon, Jim travel $66.24, Psychological Associates services $810.00, Ross Dona services $1112.64, mileage $128.00, Shannon Cou-nty School Imprest $667.08, Sioux Nation Shopping Center supplies $69.48, Stein Marcia supplies $18.39, Wellspring Inc tuition $293.88, Fund Total $24,435.65

Food Service Fund

Best Ice Company supplies $115.60, Blue Ink distributing service $358.00, BTU Services $701.88, Food Service of America $1878.26, $1248.26, $2733.43, $4131.85, Vendor total $9981.80, Harkers food service $229.70, $3335.84, $1545.15, $3964.82, Vendor total $9075.51, Harris Sales Company supplies $73.00, $87.-60, Vendor total $160.60, HRS Food service $555.41, $882.95, Vendor Total $1438.36, Ideal Supermarket $114.65, Kemps Gillette Diary $1051.07, $2413.36, $3015.16, Vendor total $6479.59, ReinhartFoods $4,268.53, $119.34, $8,589.24, $15,068.19 Vendor total $28,045.29. SNA of SD regist $110.00, Fund Total $56,591.28

Federal Programs Special Service

American Horse Martha election $113.84, Bear Robe Jamie election $113.84, Belt Jeannie election $110.96, Broken Nose Leona $151.88, Clements Darlyne $115.-76, Corporate Card pymt $1425.76, Cummings Norma election $117.68, Cuny Carole $166.60, Davis Mary $125.00, Deb-bies Cakes & Floral supplies $27.00, $44.00, Vendor total $71.00, Donovan Mark $110.-00, French Flowers $47.93, Ghost Joyce $110.00, Hart Bonnie $112.56, Heathershaw Marquittee $148.40, Hillman Doris $158.92, Keester Diane $171-.08, Kratovil Marie $142.92, Kyle Cap Office $25.00, Merrill Doris $142.28, Mesteth Jay $110.00, NAEN membership $80.00, Our Lady of the Sioux $25.00, Pourier Katherine $113.20, Sacred Heart Church $135.00, Shannon County School Imprest $1,-147.00, Standing Bear Wilma $110.00, Swallow Susanna $113.84, Vitalis Leona $113.84, Weston Thetna $111.-92, Wilson Brenda $116.40, Wounded Knee Cap Office $25.00, Fund Total $5,882.61

BS Trust/Agency Account

Barnett Robert supplies $60.36, Fund Total $60.36

6337 Fireworks on School Property:

Motion by O'Bryan to prohibit use of fireworks on school district property, including housing areas. Motion carried.

6338 Certification of Election:

Motion by M. Cummings to table certifying the June 13, 2006 School board election until Friday June 30, at 9:00 a.m. when a telephone conference call will be held. Motion carried.

6339 Application for Public School Exemption:

Motion by R. Cummings to approve an application for public school exemption for one student, as listed on file. Motion carried.

6340 July Board Meeting:

The July regular board meeting will be held on Monday July 24, 2006 at Batesland, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

6341 Maintenance Report:

The district's director of maintenance and transportation gave the board an update on summer maintenance projects.

6342 Adjournment: Motion by O'Bryan to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried.

Signed Madonna Peterson, Business Manager

Shannon County School District 65-1
Disbursement Report
May 31,2006

Fund/Account	Amount
General Fund	$501,692.05
Capital Outlay Fund	$67,754.17
Special Education Fund	$29,062.05
Food Service Fund	$46,391.70
T/A Support Service	$7,109.95
T/A Wolf Creek	$0.00
T/A Batesland	$537.76
T/A Rockyford	$0.00
Total of All Funds	**$652,547.68**

Shannon County School District 65-1
Supplemental Budget
Tittle III Bilingual Carryover (Red Shirt)

Revenue		
10-4151-000	Federal	$89,080.03
Expenditures		
10-1150-004-110	Salaries	$51,016.95
10-1150-004-210	Soc Sec/Med	$3,902.80
10-1150-004-220	Retirement	$1530.51
10-1150-004-230	Health Insurance	$4670.97
10-1150-004-319	Professional Services	$20000.00
10-1150-004-334	Travel	$2,486.40
10-1150-004-419	Other Supplies	$5,472.40
Total Expenditures		**$89,080.03**

Shannon County School District 65-1
Payroll Report
May 31,2006

Types of Service	Salaries	Benefits	Total
1000 Instruction service	$400,182.64	$100,152.71	**$500,335.35**
2000 Support Service	$180,325.09	$42,461.70	**$222,786.79**
3000 Other Community Ser	$9,260.50	$917.56	**$10,178.79**
6000 Co-currcular	$11,044.02	$928.59	**$11,972.61**
General Fund Total	$600,812.25	$144,460.56	**$745,272.81**
Special Education	$136,576.40	$30,782.41	**$167,358.81**
Food Service	$21,423.41	$4,461.69	**$25,885.10**
Total All Services	$758,812.06	$179,704.66	**$938,516.72**

Shannon County School Distric 65-1
REVENUE REPORT
May 31, 2006

Revenue Sources	General Fund	Capital Outlay	Special Education Fund	Pension Fund	Food Service	T/A Service	Impact Aid
Local sources							
Taxes	$17,647.80	$14,271.40	$6,659.80	$1,427.20`	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Other	$39,763.52	$10.65	$0.00	$0.0	$17,985.31	$0.0	$0.0
County Sources							
County Apportionment	$119.60	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
State Sources							
State Aide	$336,067.66	$0.0	$107,544.56	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Other	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Federal Sources	$375,221.07	$0.0	$59,641.59	$0.0	$46,520.58	$0.0	$0.0
Other	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$29,196.00
Operating Transfer In							
Total Revenue For Fund	**$768,819.65**	**$14,282.05**	**$173,845.95**	**$1,427.20**	**$64,505.98**	**$0.0**	**$29,196.00**

LEGALS

Oglala Sioux Environmental Protection Program INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Oglala Sioux Tribe's Office of Environmental Protection program is accepting bids from qualified contractors for the overall removal transportation and disposal of the following:

1. 20 liters of various hazardous chemicals stored in a fireproof cabinet in BIA Facilities Supply building, #162.

2. Removal and disposal of 1600 square feet of mold located in the CC Yards Housing #116. Mold exists on the first floor,bathroom,basement and stairway of unit.

3. Removal and disposal of 3200 square feet of mold located inthe CC Yards Housing #280 on first floor and basement.

4. Removal and disposal of asbestos floor tiles and sub flooring (so as not to expose mastic) in building #328, located on the Pine Ridge School Campus.

Bids must be submitted to the OST/EPP office by 4:30 M.T. on 07-14-06. The OST/EPP reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Removal and disposal information specifications will be available from the Oglala Sioux Tribe's Office of Environmental Protection Program.

P.O. Box 2008, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, Office phone number is (605)867-5236.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Oglala Sioux Tribe, Pine Ridge, South Dakota is seeking bids from qualified firms for a 1.26 mile street reconstruction project on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, Bennett County, South Dakota. The project includes grading, drainage and asphalt surfacing on the following streets:

Project No. 53-10(2), Sunrise Housing Streets, Route 53 located in Martin, South Dakota.

The estimated price range for this project is $ 1,000,000 to $2,000,000.

Indian Preference will apply in accordance with the Provisions of Public Law 93-638 and all Laws, Codes and ordinances of the Oglala Sioux Tribe shall apply. For information contact:

OST TERO OFFICE 1-605-867-5167

OST TRIBAL TAX OFFICE 1-605-867-5821

Interested firms may request a copy of the plans and specifications by contacting the following offices.

OST TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT
P.O. BOX 335
PINE RIDGE, SD 57770
TELEPHONE: 1-605-867-5376
FAX: 1-605-867-1737

DAKOTA ENGINEERING
330 KNOLLWOOD DRIVE
P.O. BOX 3416
RAPID CITY, SD 57709
TELEPHONE: 1-605-721-5553
FAX: 1-605-721-5575

Any questions regarding the plans and specification may be directed to personnel at Dakota Engineering.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

1. The Oglala Sioux Tribal Transportation Code and the Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance must be complied with.

2. The Oglala Sioux Tribe requires a 5% Bid Bond or Cashier's Check or Money Order to be attached to all bids. Bids received without a 5% Bid Bond or Cashier's Check or Money Order will be considered non-responsive.

3. Tribal licenses and all applicable taxes will be included in the bid items.

4. 4% TERO fees shall not be included in this bid as they will be paid to TERO by Oglala Sioux Tribe Transportation (Contractor). All other tribal fees, permits and taxes shall be included in the bid items and shall be paid by the Subcontractor. Wages paid to personnel working on the project shall be in accordance with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Prevailing Wages dated January 1, 2003 or the Davis-Bacon wage rates dated June 16, 2006, whichever is the highest rate.

5. A performance bond and a payment bond will be required (these shall be for 100% of the bid amount).

6. This project will be constructed in accordance with Standard Specifications for Construction of Roads and Bridges on Federal Highway Projects, FP-03, 2003.

7. The Oglala Sioux Tribe reserves the right to reject or negotiate any portion of the bid.

8. The Oglala Sioux Tribe will be the prime contractor with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and these bids are for a Sub-Contract with the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

This is considered a Fixed Price Contract. Terms in this subcontract stated as contractor shall also apply to the subcontractor.

Note: This solicitation includes a Native American Preference. If a Native American contractors bid is within 5% higher than a non-Native American contractor's bid, the contract may be awarded to the Native American contractor. Firms or individuals seeking such preference must submit evidence of Indian ownership and control.

Sealed bids to perform the work must be clearly marked as "Sealed Bids for Sunrise Housing Streets, No. 53-10(2)" and received at the following address no later than 4:00 PM on Monday, July 24, 2006 (MDT). Facsimile bids will not be accepted and bids received after this time and date will be considered non-responsive:

DAKOTA ENGINEERING
ATTENTION - GARY HEEZEN
330 KNOLLWOOD DRIVE
P.O. BOX 3416
RAPID CITY, SD 57709

Bids shall be publicly opened at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, July 25, 2006 (MDT) at the Oglala Sioux Tribe Property and Supply Office in Pine Ridge, SD.

Oglala Sioux Tribe
NOTICE OF AUCTION

The Oglala Sioux Tribe will be hosting an auction on July 22, 2006 at the Department of Water Maintenance Yard, 1 1/2 miles East of Pine Ridge, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Some of the items include program vehicles.

The Oglala Sioux Tribe reserves the right to refuse any non-responsive bid.

For more information, please contact the OST Property and Supply Department for Doreen Two Bulls, Cherise LeBeaux or Richard Randall at 605-867-2396, 867-5821 ext. 275 or 605-867-5984.



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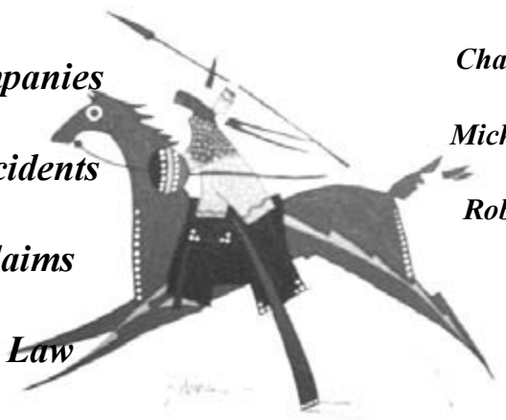
Busing will run to Hay springs School and back each day. Bus will leave Pine Ridge at 7:15 a.m. each morning and will return to Pine Ridge each afternoon.

Pre-registration is August 14, 2006. Bus will run from Pine Ridge Big Bats at 9:00 a.m. on August 14 for interested students.

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Elementary Dept.
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OTHER DEPARTMENTS

Extra-duty positions Open until filled (24)

High School: 1)Freshmen Boys Bball Coach 2)Freshmen Girls Bball Coach 3)Girls Bball Cheerleading 4)Cross-Country Asst. 5)Boys Golf Asst. 6)Wrestling Asst. 7)Junior Class Sponsor 8)Sophomore Class Sponsor 9)Freshmen Class Sponsor 10)Yearbook Sponsor 11)Yearbook Sponsor

Middle School: 12)Boys Bball Cheerleading sponsor 13)Girls Bball Cheerleading sponsor 14)Wrestling Coach 15)C Team Volleyball Coach 16)Hand game Sponsor 17)8th Grade Sponsor

Elementary: 18)Rodeo Club Sponsor 19)Wrestling Coach 20)Wrestling Asst. 21)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 22)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 23)Handgame Sponsor.

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a completed LWS employment application to: Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD-214 to claim Veteran's preference, official college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials.

For more information, call: (605) 455-6179 or 455-6178.
www.lws.k12.sd.us

>>> NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS <<<

It is the policy of the Little Wound School to provide an alcohol and drug-free workplace. All appointments for employment are contingent upon receipt of a verified negative drug test through pre-employment drug testing, receipt of a favorable background investigation and the availability of federal funds. The legal policy of Indian preference will be followed to qualified applicants. Veteran's preference shall be applied to qualified Veteran applicants.

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Happy Birthday to our Baby girl Raelynn Old Horse. Who will be turning 7 on June 26, 2006. Can't believe yoru this old I wish you was still a baby. Hope you have a good day, we love you from Mom, Dad, Kelc, Jheats, Mister, Kellie and don't forget Taiyah

Very belated Fathers Day to Verlin Old Horse Sr. From your kids

Congratulations to Jennie and Micheal on there new born baby Sara McKanzie

Happy Birthday to Kierra Kills Back on June 23, Peace Out!

Happy Belated Fathers Day to Leo (Tom) Janis From: Antoinette, Talanna and Tiara

To: My sweet Lil Jleigh "Bullrider" White Whirlwind. Auntie will always be here for you anytime, anywhere. You were jsut a tiny baby and now your growing up to be a big girl and smart at 2 yrs old. Auntie will always love you sweetie, love Auntie Charlotte White Whirlwind Steele

Happy 9th Birthday wishes to my beautiful bratz doll Shantay Rose Janis I hope you enjoyed your day because I want it to be a special day for you, your growing up so fast I can't believe your 9 yrs old already. I just want you to know that I will never leave you for anything in the world, You're my baby girl and I will always be there for you when you need me, Love you always your mom Alyce

Happy 9th Birthday to my big sister Shantay Janis, I know you'll enjoy your birthday cause mommy will make sure you have the best birthday ever like she alway does. Thanks for being the best sister ever, have fun I love you sister, your brother Jordan Janis

Happy 9th birthday to a beautiful girl in Kyle, SD Shantay Janis, can't believe how big your getting, your going up to fast enjoy your day you deserve it, Love you , the family

Happy 4th of July to my 3 crazy kids, Shanay, Shantay and the firestarte Jordan, hope you enjoyed your day, love you guys your mom

Happy 19th Birthday to Shelia Rose Have fun Getto Booty Love Therese

Happy Birthday to my sister inlaw Corrina Sally White Whirlwind 6/18. Enjoy your special day I"ll be there to help celebrate your day. Love Charlotte White Whirlwind

Happy Father's Day To my 2 big brothers Herman White Whirlwind, David 'wishbone" Gibbons Hopeyou two have a special day celebrate good. don't party to hard Love your baby sister Charlotte White Whirlwind

Happy 4th of July to my family. To my wonderful husband Jason and my crazy kids baby J, Brittany and Wakinyan. Don't get to crazy. Love your one and only Mom (Jen)

Happy 4th Birthday to our wonderful grandson Kevin Leon Takes War Bonnett Love Grandma and Grandpa Paint in Porcupine, North Dakota

Happy 4th Birthday to my cool nephew Kevin Takes War Bonnett Love Uncle Rayjay Painte in Porcupine, North Dakota



Congratulations to Jenni & Michael on a beautiful baby girl, Sara McKinzie born on June 27, 2006 , weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz.& 20.5 inches long. Welcome to the world! Another new loyal reader of the Lakota Country Times. Love from all your family in South akota,Oklahoma, and Tennessee.

Happy 4th Birthday to our nephew Kevin Takes War Bonnett on 6-26-06 We love you Kevin Love your Auntie Beanerz Auntie DeLeena Auntie NeCee in Bismarck, North Dakota

Happy 4th birthday cousin "Kevin Leon Takes War Bonnett" Love your cousins Angel and AshLynn Thunder Hawk in Bismarck, North Dakota

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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
Open June 28, 2006, review begins July 19, 2006
Job Title: Oyate Woableza Itipi Project Coordinator

Job Description: Works directly under the supervision of the Executive Director. Full-time position for three years only.

Qualifications: Documented success in similar position for at least three years. Prefer experience working in Indian country. Must have a valid driver's license.

Duties/Responsibilities:

Administration:
- Acts as a liaison between the staff and Executive Director.
- Coordinates all aspects of the projects
- Works with fiscal manager to monitor,track,and revise the budget, financial reports and draw downs.
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Schools sue BIA, judge to rule this week

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

RAPID CITY - The Rosebud Sioux Tribe is watching closely a preliminary injunction hearing that was held on July 7, in Rapid City before Judge Karen Schrier in U. S. District Court. RST joined a number of other Sioux tribes a couple of weeks ago in filing a lawsuit against a planned restructuring of six BIA line offices that would effectively eliminate their presence in reservation communities and move them to Bismarck, N.D., Pierre and Rapid City.

The federal government will apparently rule later on in the week in the matter and a trial will be scheduled for later.According to a press release from the Great Plains Tribal Chairman's Association, a full day of testimony was heard, which included that of Ed Parisian, Deputy Director and former head of the Office of Indian Education Programs. Parisian was the primary architect for the planned restructuring. For the plaintiff tribes, Charles Abourezk along with Rebecca Kidder represented the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, Steve Emery represented the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and Julian Brown represented the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe.

Of the hearing Abourezk said, "One of the biggest concerns is that after the restructuring, both North and South Dakota will not have any BIA personnel left on any of the reservations., We told the federal government that the restructuring plan will create more upper level bureaucrats and essentially leave the reservations and tribal schools without any local officials to provide technical and educational assistance."

RST council representative from District 3

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Millions of liters of pop consumed on reservations, contributes to obesity

By Natasha D. Bordeaux
RST Diabetes Prevention Program Public Relations Specialist

ROSEBUD RESERVATION - Rosebud Reservation residents have consumed more three million liters of soda pop in the last year, according to a survey of several local businesses.

That is enough soda pop to fill nearly three Olympic-sized swimming pools!

Considering the survey only included eleven businesses that volunteered to participate (18 were invited) and did not include vending machine sales, concession sales, restaurant sales or sales made off the Reservation -- that is quite a bit of pop drinking for a population of only 20,000.

The survey was implemented and sponsored by the Rosebud Sioux Tribe Diabetes Prevention Program in an effort to gauge the effect of sugar-laden drinks on the health of the local population. With the surveys, the RST DPP is now better able to assess the nutrition habits of the Rosebud Reservation communities as a whole.

The surveys included information about the amount of pop, diet pop, water, sports drinks and other bottled or canned drinks sold by each of the businesses. The information was collected for a 12 month period for each business.

It is a well known fact that pop consumption is a leading cause of excessive weight gain and obesity in the American population.

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Family Dollar nets $39,000 in three days

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent



MISSION - The new Family Dollar discount store had its grand opening on Thursday, July 7 and the sales apparently hit a record level for the chain. Lakota people were seen patronizing the store in consistent numbers all day, despite the relatively small parking lot. By Saturday and Sunday, the numbers had tapered off to normal as the shoppers represented a smaller number.

The store's corporate headquarters are located in Charlotte, N.C. and it has 6,000 stores located in 44 states. Local personnel are

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Community Calendar

'Rez Happenings'

Vet's Meeting
Sunday, July 16 at the LaCreek CAP Office in Martin at 10 a.m. hosted by the Wild Horse Butte Tokala Inter-Tribal Color Guard, open to all vets and their families and to those concerned about vets, noon meal to be served

Youth Golf Tournament
Sunday, July 16, 11 a.m. at the Gordon Country Club for youth ages 8-18 years of age with a small fee for prizes, for info call 308-283-2637

Special Session of OST Council
Wednesday, July 19 in Pine Ridge at the Red Cloud building, council chambers for appointment of Chief of Police for OST Department of Public Safety

Regular Session/OST Council
Tuesday and Wednesday, July 25 and 26 with location to be determined

CDL Training
Tuesday, July 25 at the Shannon County school board room in Batesland room 9 a.m. to 5:50 p.m. with seating limited to 15 attendees call Ann at 288-1921 for information and to reserve a seat

Bus Driver Training/In service
Wednesday, July 26, Batesland School gym from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with instructor Dan Duenwald , for info contact Ann at 288-1921 or 800-419-4023

Men's Slow Pitch Tourney
In memory of William "Misun" Crow Eagle, Jr. "Wanbli Wayomni" set for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 21-23 at the Iver Crow Eagle Sr. memorial ball field in St. Francis for info contact Billy Joe at 747-2074 or Mike at 685-3469

3-on-3 Memorial Basketball tourney
In memory of Arlan "Bizkitz" Bissonette set for Friday, July 28 at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee starting at 9 a.m. sharp, for info call Pam or Reno at 462-6556 or Reno at 441-5703

Broadway in Batesland
Saturday, August 5 in Batesland at St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Highway 18 for children ages three through ten with a drop off of children set for 12:30 p.m. activities and entertainment at 1 p.m. and a 4 p.m. show time with a dinner served - an interactive production for the whole family

21st Annual Oglala Nation Gathering
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Kids Club
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Antelope, Scott Herman sponsored the original resolution on June 22 on behalf of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.

CRST tribal chairman, Harold Frazier testified, along with Deb Bordeaux of Loneman School. Dan Shroyer a current BIA line officer for Lower Brule, Crow Creek and Sisseton-Wahpeton also testified.

One of the major concerns has been the fact that the federal government has failed to consult with Great Plains tribes prior to initiating the restructuring. Abourezk said, "The OIEP promised tribes they would not use direct school funding to fund this restructuring in August 2005, yet in court they revealed their intentions to use at least $4 million dollars in 2006 operations funds to pay for part of this restructuring."

Frazier said, "The reorganization has to be halted and the cost must be used to provide better services for our children. Just building a bigger, top-heavy bureaucracy won't help."

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prohibited from speaking directly to the press. However, an executive from Hot Springs who was onsite on Sunday and was at the store to train a local manager said that the first three days saw total sales of $39,000 dollars.

The first day, the store sold $19,000 dollars worth of goods.

St. Francis resident, Tyrone Big Crow, said that he was happy to see a local discount store that employed Lakota people. He said he had applied for a job at the Dollar General store in Valentine, Neb. and they had lost his application. A check of the store confirmed the fact that all employees were, indeed, local Sicangu Lakota workers.

On Wednesday night before the grand opening, the district manager for Family Dollar out of Rapid City noted that he would be emailing a statement detailing his expectations for the grand opening; however, it was not forthcoming.

He was asked again on Thursday about such a statement, but was too busy to produce it as he was in the middle of the flurry of activity during the grand opening.

The district manager noted that the Pine Ridge area is being considered as a potential site for a future Family Dollar store.

Eagle Butte, on the Cheyenne River Sioux reservation is another possibility for the franchise.

An email query was sent prior to the grand opening to the Family Dollar corporate headquarters in reference to the grand opening event, but there was no response. Family Dollar has a professional website that allows one to take a virtual tour of the store and each store is identical in its floor plan and layout.

Victoria Gunhammer of Rosebud and her mother, Dee Starboy of Mission also reported that they had shopped for an hour and a half in the store and spent quite a bit of money.

The store carries a range of household, automobile and personal goods presumably at a discounted rate. The new Family Dollar store is a nice convenience for local Rosebud reservation residents for as Big Crow noted, with increasing gas prices not everyone can travel out of the area to purchase such practical household goods.

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And because recent surveys show that over half of all children on the Rosebud Reservation are at-risk of developing Diabetes due to being over-weight or obese, the amount of pop these youth consume is directly related to the amount of excess calories they consume in the form of pop.

If the assumption is made that all the calories taken in from pop consumption over the last year are excess calories, then the local population would have gained 264,224 pounds of fat due to pop consumption alone in the last year. That is enough weight-gain for every man, woman and child on the Rosebud Reservation to have gained 13.2 pounds.

RST DPP Director Connie Brushbreaker believes that the Rosebud Sioux Tribe should make it a goal to drink less sugar-laden soda and increase the amount of water each person drinks.

"I challenge everyone to begin drinking eight glasses of water everyday. Drinking water is something everyone can do to improve their health. We know that drinking pop is a big contributor to the health problems we see here on Rosebud Reservation. If everyone made the commitment to drink more water, cut back on the pop they drink, or to switch to diet drinks we would see a significant improvement in the health of our people," Brushbreaker said.

Dr. Timothy Ryschon, pediatric physician for the RST Diabetes Prevention Program says it is unhealthy for almost anyone to gain 13.2 pounds in a year.

"Growing children normally gain weight as they grow and normal and safe amount of weight gain during the adolescent growth spurt is about five pounds per year. Any child gaining 13 pounds per year would become seriously overweight and would experience health problems directly related to being overweight," Ryschon said.

Ryschon comments that the effects of being overweight are of great concern for youth.

"The most concerning effect of excess body weight is the development of type 2 diabetes. Nationally, 80 percent of people with type 2 diabetes are seriously overweight. Diabetes isn't the only problem this extra weight creates - high blood pressure, cholesterol problems, and heart attacks are common in overweight people. Cancer, especially cancer of the breast, esophagus, kidney, uterus, and colon are caused by overweight. Children who become overweight commonly develop sleep apnea, caused by partial blockage of the windpipe; arthritis joint problems due to the extra load these joints must handle; gallbladder disease, and fatty liver disease, which pushes the liver towards failure. Many children and adults have these problems at Rosebud because they are overweight," Ryschon said.

Reaching the youth before they develop problems associated with overweight and obesity is the goal of the RST Diabetes Prevention Program.

The Youth Wellness Program screens all students in the local schools on the Rosebud Reservation from Head Start to 12th grade. All youth found to show health risk indicators such as; high Body Mass Index (height to weight ratio), Acanthosis Nigricans (a darkening of the skin due to insulin resistance), high blood pressure, or high waist-to-hip ratio are invited to participate in the Youth Wellness program. The RST Diabetes health care providers and fitness staff will work with each family to reduce those risk factors in each youth.

This school year (2005-2006) 788 youth were found to have risk-factors indicating they were at-risk for developing health problems. All 788 were invited to join the Youth Wellness Program.

Because type 2 diabetes is the fourth leading cause of death among Native Americans the local population is particularly at risk for developing type 2 diabetes if they do not change their nutrition for the better - which would mean significantly reducing the amount of pop they consume.

For more information about the pop survey call

Local Pride Grand Opening June 29

By Joe Duggan
Reprinted from
Lincoln Star Journal





(Above left) Sholom Rubashkin meets open house visitors at ribbon cutting ceremonies.
(Above right) Noella Big Crow and son little Al Big Crow were one of the hundreds of visitors that enjoyed the food and festivities under the shade of the tents at the open house.

PHOTOS BY: CONNIE L. BLANCO

GORDON, NEB - For almost a year, Oglala Sioux from South Dakota's Pine Ridge Reservation and an ultra-orthodox Jewish family from New York City have partnered to start a kosher meatpacking plant in Gordon, Neb. Recently, they showed their progress to the community and, in the process, maybe got to know each other a little better.

Local Pride hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony in its parking lot that featured a free lunch of grilled kosher hamburgers and hotdogs. Several hundred people, including plant workers, community officials, politicians and business leaders, ate under temporary awnings as Sholom Rubashkin, one of the plant's owners, mused about his family's latest business venture.

It's not the first small-town packing plant Rubashkin, his father and brother have opened. In 1989, they started a kosher plant called Agriprocessors in Postville, Iowa.

The family has excelled at producing kosher meats under the strictest Jewish laws, growing the Iowa plant from a handful of employees to more than 800.

The Rubashkins belong to a Hasidic Jewish community called the Lubavitchers, who scrupulously follow the Torah.

The Nebraska plant is also unique in its partnership with the Oglala Lakota Nation as the tribe has declared the plant and 300 surrounding acres of Gordon part of its economic empowerment zone.

For every person living within the zone it employs - Native or otherwise - the company qualifies for a $3,000 federal tax credit.

The company gets labor and tax breaks. But what does the tribe get?

"The goal of the empowerment zone designation is to reduce dependency," said David "Tally" Plume, executive director of the Oglala Oyate Woitancan Empowerment Zone. "You reduce dependency through job creation, education and homeownership."

Plant manager Gary Ruse said about 65 of the nearly 100 plant employees are Native American. He estimated about 15 percent of the work force is Latino and the remainder is Anglo.

Starting pay is $8.25 per hour without benefits. Ruse said the company plans to offer benefits as soon as it can.

Two highly trained rabbis perform the ritual kosher slaughter of each animal, which involves slitting its throat with a razor-sharp knife. One of the rabbis inspects the organs and lungs of the animal to determine if it qualifies as kosher.

The plant slaughters about 110 cattle per week, Ruse said. Until recently, all carcasses were quickly trucked to the Iowa plant for further processing, but the Gordon plant has just started to do some boning.

By soon adding two additional rabbis, the company hopes to double its daily slaughter.

The company got more help on the grand opening day when Gov. Dave Heineman presented a $505,000 check to Rubashkin on behalf of the city of Gordon.

Leaders of the northern Panhandle community of 1,800 - about 430 miles northwest of Lincoln - obtained the funds from the state's Community Development Block Grant program, said Gordon City Administrator Fred Hlava. The money represents a loan to help with plant expansion costs.

Gordon clearly stands to benefit if the plant succeeds, but so do surrounding cattle producers. Most of the cattle slaughtered at the plant have come from the region.

-NOTICE -

Beginning the week of July 17, 2006, Issue #42 The lakota Country Times will change their print day to Thursdays to better serve the Pine Ridge, Rosebud,Rapid City and surrounding communities. By moving our distribution date ahead by one day, the Papers will contain even more local, current information for our readers.

Deadlines for news stories and advertising will now be Mondays at 5:00 pm.

We appreciate our loyal readership- Thank you!

Lakota Country Times Staff

Community Calendar

'Rez Happenings'

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Grief Support Group
Meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888

Porcupine AA meeting
Every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine, for info call Janice at 867-5404

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841

Global Volunteers help renovate Rosebud Boys and Girls Club

Students from Massachusetts private school experience diversity

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

MISSION - A group of 12 high school students and their three adult chaperones from Pingree School in South Hamilton, Massachusetts have signed on with "Global Volunteers" and arrived on the Rosebud to lend their volunteer efforts. The group chaperones are Anna McCoy, a history teacher, her father; Alan McCoy is the school's athletic director and Jim McLaughlin, who is an English teacher. Anna McCoy is no stranger to the Lakota as she spent some time on the Lake Traverse reservation.

Global Volunteers is an international organization which, in 1984, "Laid the foundation for what became know a decade later as "volunteer vacations", short term service opportunities in community development in host communities abroad." It has some 150 service teams year-around to work in 20 countries on six continents. In the United States, the Rosebud Sioux reservation is one community where the group works with Lakota people on a variety of labor projects.

Pingree School according to their website was founded as a girl's school in 1961 and went coed in 1971. As a private high school, it charges tuition and during the 2005-06 school year it was $26, 300. It has a student body of 350 students and a faculty of 50. The average class size is 15 students with a student-teacher ratio of 8:1. Their website reads, "The Pingree community is unique. With personal relationships and a shared sense of purpose, our students and faculty are proud that our campus feels more like a community than a high school."

The students were lending their hand doing a bit of renovation at the Boys and Girls Club of Rosebud, chipping off old tile, sorting out children's books and generally, helping where needed. During the Rosebud Casino powwow on July 3 and 4, they helped to get the powwow grounds in shape and were able to participate in a round dance. One of the students said that it was a great first-hand experience.

Homer White Lance was the contact person for Global Volunteers and provided an orientation for the group. He also arranged for the students and their chaperones to take part in the sweat lodge at the home of Albert White Hat, west of St.Francis.

A part of the group was sorting out a lot of children's books in the basement of the Boys and Girls Club building and paused for awhile to answer questions and to present some of their perspectives about their week's experience on the Rosebud. One student said that the Rosebud reservation was very beautiful and that the tall grass reminded her of the ocean. She also said that Lakota people are very generous and sharing. A male student said that there was a great contrast between Rosebud and their community as Sicangu people are very community oriented and their connection and relationship to each other is very evident. Yet, another student said that there has to be a solution to the unemployment situation on the Rosebud; the high numbers did not compare with the relative affluence that characterizes the student's background.

The group has been on the Rosebud for a week camping out at night on the grounds of the RST Veterans Affairs building and utilizing the showers and facilities. They reported that the camping was good, but some of them got wet when it rained. Earlier in the week, the group embarked on a sightseeing tour of the Badlands.



Last week, 12 students and their three adult chaperones spent a week on the Rosebud, helping to renovate the Boys and Girls Club of Rosebud. They also helped to prepare the powwow arena at the Rosebud Casino for the 4th of July powwow. The group was from a rather prestigious private school, Pingree School in Massachusetts. Photo by Archie Beauvais.



2006 Indigenous games to be featured in next week's edition

DENVER - On July 2, 7,000 athletes participated in the opening of the 2006 North American Indigenous Games. Athletes from 23 states and 11 Canadian provinces competed in 16 different sports played in several different venues throughout metropolitan Denver.

Team South Dakota competed in 8 of the 16 sports of the 2006 games winning 19 medals in athletics (country and track and field), five golds and 2 silvers in boxing, two golds, a silver, and a bronze in wresting, a gold, silver and a bronze in archery and three gold medals in basketball.

Next week's issue of the *Lakota Country Times* will feature in depth coverage of the 2006 Indigenous Games as covered by Tom Crash and photographer Jerry Matthews of Double M Photography. **Above: South Dakota fans traveled to Dener to support the teams.**

Three die in weekend accidents on Rosebud

MISSION - A father and daughter were killed before midnight in a three vehicle accident on U.S. highway 83 north of Mission and south of White River. Daryl Peneaux, age 43, and his daughter, Maria Peneaux, 21, of Mission were killed when their van was hit by a pickup truck pulling a race car. The pickup truck driving north side swiped the Peneaux van when it swerved to miss a deer crossing the road.

The pickup was driven by David Murray of Oberlin, KAN and his wife, Nikki and their daughter. They apparently were not seriously injured. After striking the Peneaux vehicle the pickup and trailer then spun around and hit a third vehicle. The occupants of that vehicle were not hurt and escaped from their vehicle before it went up in flames.

Murray is a three three-time national champion car racer. Alcohol is not believed to be a factor in the accident which remains under investigation.

In an early Sunday morning accident near Two Strike, Jarrod Bordeaux, 22, was killed when the car he was in attempted to pass another vehicle. Bordeaux and a passenger, Terry Eastman, were ejected from the vehicle. Alcohol was believed to be a factor in the accident.

Lakota code talker Wolf Guts honored at Washington

WANBLEE - Sen. Tim Johnson and Sen. John Thune, of South Dakota honored Clarence Wolf Guts during the National Indian Education Association's Native Languages Legislative Summit in Washington, D.C. this week. Thune and Johnson both presented Wolf Guts with a star quilt and spoke about his courageous efforts as a Sioux Code Talker during World War II.

"The star quilt presented today is a small form of appreciation for the hard work and dedication shown by Clarence Wolf Guts, and his fellow Code Talkers. By their willingness to serve our country, they empowered the Allies in World War II with strong communication that was secure and secret from our enemies," Johnson said.

Originally from Red Leaf, Wolf Guts speaks Lakota and enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in his late teens. Wolf Guts did not know of the code talker training when he was asked to participate. He then went on to serve several years before returning to South Dakota.

During World War II, Code Talkers included Lakota, Dakota and Nakota speakers serving in the 3rd Battalion and the 302nd Reconnaissance Team of the First Cavalry Division. At least 17 Native American tribes have had identified Code Talkers in both World War I and World War II. The use of Code Talkers thwarted the efforts of the Axis Powers to intercept messages, as the syntax and tonal qualities of the native languages were so complex that no message transmitted by any code talker was ever decoded by the Axis Powers.



Clarence Wolf Guts, the last Lakota Code talker, was honored at a national education conference this week.

"During World Ware II, Clarence Wolf Guts transmitted sensitive military information in Lakota that confounded the enemy's attempts to compromise our military's communications," said Thune. "The efforts of Mr. Wolf Guts and his fellow Code Talkers saved the lives of many of our soldiers and helped lead us to victory. The story of the Code Talkers is an inspiration to us all, and, as a member of the Veterans Affairs Committee, I have been honored to work to recognize their heroic duty."

Wolf Guts is the last surviving Lakota Code Talker from World War II.

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Our Views

Lakota Country Times moving to be a weekend edition

The *Lakota Country Times* is moving its weekly publication deadline up one day to Wednesday from its original Tuesday deadline.

Our future editions are meant to resemble more of a 'weekend edition' as much of the news that we cover is assembled and finalized during the early part of the week. Many institutions and agencies also submit their news and advertisements during this time and an additional day for that process to occur will allow us to be more responsive to our patrons.

Those subscribers on our mailing list, as well as those schools who have purchased subscriptions for their parents will now receive their newspaper a day later also.

We will also be working with Rushmore News to deliver our paper on their weekly route and we believe that their proven efficiency will allow readers to purchase their copy at a set time each week.

This helps our company with the rising cost of fuel. We would ask that our subscribers notify our office if there appears to be any irregularity in the receipt of your copy.

The *Lakota Country Times* greatly appreciates those patrons and institutions which have been supportive of the paper, in the last year and half since we started publishing, our readership has grown from an estimated 1,000 to about 8,000.

The relationship we have enjoyed with our readers has been mutually beneficial.

Many adhere to the notion that Lakota owned enterprises should be supported by other Lakota programs, businesses and governments and to that end it helps us to keep Lakota people informed of news and advertisements which impact their lives weekly.

The business world is rather competitive and many small businesses experience a bit of turbulence as we compete for the same advertisement dollar.

We at the *Lakota Country Times* support the philosophy that Lakota people endeavor to remain strong in our culture and language as it will help our future generations.

We will continuue to promote our philosophy in being objective and promoting intergrity.

This year we have enhanced our online edition to share our successes with the mainstream communities.

Beginning next week, July 20, we will be out on the stands on Thursday and Friday on Pine Ridge and Rosebud, instead of Wednesday and Thursday.

In Lakota we would express our appreciation as, *"Ptala unki najin hantas hecela upiya un nipi'kte. Le wowapi ki Lakota ewazapi ca dakomni wotanla unwooglakapi."*



The opinions expressed in Letters to the Editor and Opinion Pages are not necessarily that of the editor or staff of the Lakota Country Times.

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Thoughts that come from the heart

How much do we really know?



By Amanda Takes War Bonnett
EDITOR AND PUBLISHER
LAKOTA COUNTRY TIMES

In the newspaper publishing business, the type of information we market our readers is what makes our newspaper and portrays who we are.

By the same token, the type of information we personally integrate into our belief system makes us who we are, and we live accordingly to those beliefs.

Recently, the Oglala Lakota Nation became embroiled in the abortion debate that South Dakotans will soon decide the fate of through the voting process. The issue divided us not only in government but in our communities. What is right and what is wrong? It stems from our own belief systems and how we live those beliefs.

Most of our beliefs come from our primary caregivers, which are most

likely the ones who raised us and provided the information that aided in our development.

Our make up structure also comes from our communities and from environment. We also get information daily from the mass media that is a part of our lives. We watch television, listen to the radio, listen to the words in music, read literature like magazines and newspapers and from Internet. We get our information from our family, friends and from the gossip circle. No matter who we get that information from, it becomes a part of us and how we let it become a part of us is up to our belief system.

The point is, is that we alone have to provide a filter for all the information that flows our way. We have a responsbility to examine particular issues and then, make up our own minds as to its truthfulness and relevancy to our lives. There are many people who do not pick up a newspaper, and that certainly is their prerogative, and that is why we need to be redundant and repetitive when we inform people about everything from the ills of drug and alcohol use to the potential effects of the bird flu.

It is so important for organizations, governments, schools and businesses to have good public relations department no matter what size. How we promote our image is important to what we promote, even as a business. I am learning that imagery and marketing is very important to being successful.

Recently I attended the latter part of the impeachment hearing on Cecelia Fire Thunder and in the audience was the media, the local media and the mainstream media. They come and take our stories and how they promote them out in the world is what the world sees of us. That's not a bad thing but it hurts us in a sense that sometimes it feeds to that stereotypical image that is often portrayed of us. Some people know how to blow their horn and they learned how to use the media to get their agendas across to the public, thus, they developed their public relations.

I truly believe that if our tribal governments and institutions want change, they have to keep their communities informed and updated. Communication is the key to success and that is important in all aspects of our lives. Especially now, there is many different forms of communication vehicles available to do so. When we have accurate information, we are more apt to feel secure in our beliefs.

So here is something on how much do we really know regarding contraceptives. Recently the associate press had an article out on Plan B, which is considered a morning after contraceptive and is considered an emergency contraceptive and the way it works is it uses a high dose of hormones found in birth control pills. It's designed to prevent a fertilized egg from implanting in a woman's uterus if taken within 72 hours of unprotected sex and will not have any affect once the egg is embedded in the uterus wall. It works almost the same way trilevlen works, which is considered an emergency oral contraceptive method also. Most of the time these are prescribed and taken in case of emergency when a woman goes through assault or wants to make sure she is not pregnant after unprotected sex.

Another form of contraceptive that is designed to prevent implantation is the IUD. The Intraunterine Device is a small T-shaped device inserted into the uterus and prevents preganancy by stopping the sperm and the egg from meeting or by preventing a fertilized egg from implanting in the womb.

Most pharmacies in South Dakota, including Indian Health Service, sell these sort of contraceptives, if they can be considered contraceptives.

The definition of contraceptives is a device used to prevent fertilization of the egg but yet these contraceptives can actually prevent a fertilized egg from implanting.

In researching these facts, I was surprised to know how the IUD works as I used it for family planning and did not know how it worked.

I was just told at the Indian Health Service that it was a contraceptive and I never thought to ask the details of how it worked, I just trusted my midwife that it was a contraceptive.

Sure, it is a proven contraceptive and

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Guest Editorial

South Dakota's abortion ban: no mercy for victims of rape and incest

By Chas Jewett member of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal member and a member of Democracy in Action, a South Dakota women's political action committee in Rapid City, South Dakota

Recently, volunteers from the South Dakota Campaign for Healthy Families announced they had collected over 38,000 signatures on a petition to repeal the extreme abortion ban signed by Governor Rounds on March 21st.

The fact that almost 5 percent of the state's population signed the petition strongly suggests that South Dakotans believe in compassion, mercy, and the rights of women, families, and communities to make decisions for themselves.

Many of those who signed the petition no doubt did so in reaction to an abortion ban that does not even make an exception for women who are victims of rape or incest.

Many people already know that rape and incest are not the primary reason why most women have abortions.

Nevertheless, people are deeply offended because the ban sends the message that the state does not take seriously the pervasive violence in women's lives.

The state has, in effect, said that rather than working to understand and end that violence, the state will make it worse for those women who happen to get pregnant as a result of it.

The ban then, isn't just about abortion; it is about a state that makes violence against women a sideshow to the abortion controversy.

Proponents of South Dakota's abortion ban, including Representative Roger Hunt have tried to hide the extraordinary cruelty of the ban, by saying that women need not worry because they can still have access to emergency contraception. (EC taken within 72 hours of unprotected sex or birth control failure significantly reduces the likelihood a woman will get pregnant).

First, this answer shows again a complete disregard for the lives, health, and safety of women who have been subjected to the violence of rape.

By definition, victims of such events have experienced trauma and are very likely, in our culture, to feel embarrassment, shame and fear. As a result some will not seek help right away.

Suggesting that the State of South Dakota cares about these women --but only if they can manage to seek help within the first 72 hours - reveals a disregard for women's lives and health that many South Dakotans just don't think is right or fair.

Second, and even more telling, is the fact that South Dakota has done virtually everything it can to limit women's access to Emergency Contraception. South Dakota's legislature was one of the first in the country, in 1998, to enact a law permitting pharmacists to refuse to fill prescriptions for contraceptives. According to state law, if a woman is trying to fill a prescription for emergency contraception, she may be turned down by her pharmacist.

In the most recent legislative session in which the abortion ban passed, South Dakota legislators refused to ensure that our children receive comprehensive sex education that would include information about abstinence and about such precautions as emergency contraception. Even more on point, the legislature that passed the ban on abortion defeated a bill that would have required health care facilities to provide oral and written information about emergency contraception to female rape survivors who come in as patients.

So South Dakota legislators not only prohibit pregnant rape survivors from choosing abortion, they are also depriving them of essential information about the one contraceptive method that could prevent the pregnancy in the first place.

So if proponents of the abortion ban claim that they do care about women and don't want to close every door to help - why then are they passing laws that deprive women of the information they need to access emergency contraception?

Finally, it should not come as a surprise that the legislature that outlawed abortion wants next to outlaw emergency contraception itself. The South Dakota Task Force to Study Abortion that laid the groundwork for the abortion ban also concluded (without scientific basis) that emergency contraception medications "can act as early abortifacients."

If contraceptives are relabeled abortions -- then it is just a simple step for the South Dakota legislature to block access to both abortion and the contraceptives that reduce the need for abortions.

The ban signed by Governor Rounds isn't just about abortion, it's about contraception and it is about how we value women and mothers.

By supporting the petition to repeal the abortion ban, the people of South Dakota are sending a message that the legislature should focus its energy on stopping violence against women rather stopping women from accessing the health care they and their families need.

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Northern Perspectives

The 'circle' is the way to teach about conflict



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

When you hear of the continuing conflict and tensions in the world today, there is no understanding the nature of it. That is, the 'why' of it is often unclear. Material possessions, jealousy, revenge, territoriality, and ethnic cleansing are just some of the reasons that people fight. It makes you wonder if 'tunkasila' ordained it that conflict would always be a part of life, just as much as peace and harmony is.

Actually, we know that you cannot have day without its companion darkness, and evil will always be a part of good in the world. We know that, but what we don't know is why is has to be that way.

We don't teach that concept to Lakota children and I believe we need to so that they will be prepared to live in a world that characterized by both good and bad, peace and tension.

Witness the fact the ongoing tensions in the world where one nation will not back down until many have paid the price. In Vietnam, we were willing to pay the ultimate price and in the end, we said it was okay if communism were installed in the country after we left. Now, the country is a trading partner.

Lakota children need to understand that conflict and hatred come in many forms and colors. There is no school curriculum that introduces children to such things. Our elder numbers are beginning to diminish and it is up to us to pass on such things. If children and young adults were introduced to the idea of conflict early, they will know that life is not always good, but also filled with pitfalls.

We don't tell young people that as they pursue their career or work, that invariably someone just may be jealous and work to get them discredited or infringe on their career path. Those kinds of personal conflicts are things we simply do not share with young people, and they are being short changed.

We need to tell them now why there is conflict over the Black Hills and Bear Butte. We need to explain that our runaway unemployment rate is something we are unable to fix and we would rather continue on our way of being dependent.

Many organizations follow philosophies, vision statements, and outcomes which are noble and generous, yet they cause oppression to the people they serve.

The organizations are not problematic; it is the people who work in them who simply rubber stamp the mission of the organization.

Again, such action is very complex and do not lend itself to analysis as it is easier simply to tag along for the ride. Paycheck to paycheck is not a bad way to live, but in the end we give up something if we accept the status quo and do not move a finger to ask 'why.'

As individuals we are the same. We cause interpersonal conflicts without taking the time to see what 'reactions' our 'actions' create.

We know as physicists know, that there is an equal reaction for every action that occurs in nature and this also applies to humanity. I believe that Lakota people knew that, for that is the reason they spoke of the 'circle.' For the circle of relatives could theoretically be disturbed if any one of its members were in conflict or hurt by another.

There is much more to discuss and continue to learn about the 'circle' that spills over into contemporary life.

Lakota youngsters will continue to be assaulted by conflict and tension and we need to propose discussions, curriculums, and lectures which will enlighten them about the need to minimize such things. Sometimes, those oppressors live amongst us but our eyes will not let us see

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Notes From Indian Country

Sharing a birthday beyond the seventh decade



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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I have something in common with the great concert pianist and virtuoso, Van Cliburn. He won a piano competition in Texas when he was 12 years old. That same year I failed miserably in my efforts to play "Chopsticks" on an aging piano at Holy Rosary Indian Mission on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota.

So what do we have in common? We were both born in the wee hours of July 12, 1934. This week we both turned 72 years of age. I doubt very seriously if Van Cliburn knows about me, but by virtue of our birth dates I have followed his illustrious career from its outset.

We were born the year of the Indian Reconciliation Act of 1934. This was an Act of Congress to allow Indian tribes to establish a Constitution and to hold free elections in a lesson in self-government. Of course, most tribes practiced a form of democratic rule long before 1934 and long before they received Congressional approval to do what they had always done.

Many tribal elders referred to the IRA governments as "New Deal governments" and some of the tribes such as the Navajo Nation, refused to endorse the Act. My tribe, the Oglala Lakota (Sioux) ratified the Act in July of 1934. I don't suppose Van Cliburn showed much interest in this piece of legislation that changed the complexion of Indian country forever.

We were born on the cusp of the Great Depression and Great Dust Bowl of the 1930s. We rode in Model A Fords and saw the airplane go from a two-winged fence jumper to powerful jets that could fly three times the speed of sound. We witnessed the mushroom clouds that darkened the skies over Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

While Van Cliburn was winning piano concert awards in Texas in the 1940s, I was playing war games and cursing Adolph Hitler and Tojo with my boyhood friends at the Indian mission boarding school on the reservation.

He was 17 when he entered Julliard, a school for outstanding performers, and I was 17 when I enlisted in the United States Navy. While Van Cliburn was sniffing the perfumed air of Carnegie Hall, I was freezing in the winter and swatting flies the size of hummingbirds in Korea.

As you can see, aside from the coincidence of our birthdays, Van Cliburn and me had very little in common, although we were both on this planet earth when so many events happened that shook the world.

In our 72 years on this earth we saw manned space flight and we saw men walk on the moon. We saw a war in Vietnam that tore a nation down the middle. While Van Cliburn was watching the collapse of mighty Enron in his native Texas, I was watching the rise of an Indian gaming empire that grossed $23 billion in 2005. What he saw was the rich fall while I saw the poor rise.

I am sure there are many things both of us will miss and things that we will remember that encompassed these many years. There were times when this Nation was at peace during our stay. But it seems that most of the time we have been at war.

I remember when I first fell in love, or at least I thought it was love. I was a sophomore at Holy Rosary Indian Mission and I had worked up the courage to ask Arlene Clifford to dance with me at one of our high school Sodality Dances. In my young mind, Arlene was one of the most beautiful Lakota girls I had ever seen. When I put my hand on her waist and took her hand in mine I was shaking so badly and my heart was pounding so loudly that I was just sure that I had embarrassed myself beyond redemption. I think it was just last year that I discovered that all teenage boys go through this excruciating experience.

On the morning of July 12 I will miss that phone call I got every year on my birthday. My daughter Roberta always called me very early in the morning and she would say, "Hey Dad, rise and shine and enjoy a beautiful day on your birthday." Roberta died in an automobile accident in April.

I think Van Cliburn will agree with me that when one lives to be 72 he loses many friends and relatives. In my immediate family that once had seven children, only three of us remain. I have seen my parents, brothers, sisters and many aunts, uncles and cousins pass away in this lifetime. And many of my boyhood friends from my school days at Holy Rosary have made that journey to the Spirit World. And there's not a day goes by when I don't see the name of someone I watched at the movies of my youth listed in the obituary columns of the newspapers.

But aside from that gloom, I think that life has been wonderful. From my birthplace on the Pine Ridge Reservation I have traveled to most of the great cities in this world and I have gone from sitting on the banks of Kyle Dam on the reservation to sitting on the banks of the Charles River at Cambridge.

I have stood at the podiums of universities and colleges like Harvard, UCLA, Illinois, South Dakota State University, MIT, Florida A&M, Bacone College, Nebraska Indian Community College, Nebraska, Colorado and Dine' Community College on the Navajo Nation, to speak to the students about current events in Indian country.

I also started the first successful independent Indian owned weekly newspaper in the United States 25 years ago and that newspaper, Indian Country Today, is still a successful newspaper.

I was reading an article about Van Cliburn recently and I found that there are still some things we have in common aside from our birthdays. He said he was happy with the course his life has taken and there is very little he would have done differently and I feel the same way.

Happy Birthday Mr. Van Cliburn and I hope the both of us have many, many more.

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Guest Column

Indigenous peoples still lack human rights

By Charmaine White Face
Teton Sioux Nation Treaty Council

On Thursday, June 29, 2006, an announcement was made that the United Nations Human Rights Council had passed the Declaration on the Human Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

Those of us who have been attending the debates for many years did not immediately jump for joy.

Instead, we wanted to know which Declaration was approved: the original Sub-commission text or the Chair's text. Sadly, it was the Chair's text. Even the words used to proclaim the Declaration did not proclaim a Declaration.

Preambular Paragraph 19 found on page 20 of the 80 page document states:

"Solemnly proclaims the following United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as a standard of achievement to be pursued in a spirit of partnership and mutual respect, ".

It is this phrase, "to be pursued", that tells us we must still continue to seek, or 'pursue' our Human Rights. This phrase was inserted by the Chair of the Working Group on the Draft Declaration, Luis Chavez from Peru, and did NOT have consensus from the Working Group at any of the meetings.

The same Preambular Paragraph 19, the one that DID have consensus from many Indigenous peoples and Nation-state diplomats during the creation of the Declaration, the one originally stated in the Sub-commission text read:

"Solemnly proclaims the following United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples:"

This is the correct way to proclaim a declaration and was approved by two, yes two, United Nations bodies: the Working Group on Indigenous Populations, and the Sub-commission on the Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, which is now the Sub-commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights. These two bodies passed what came to be known as the Sub-commission Text twelve years ago, in 1994. That was after ten years, that began in 1984, of working with hundreds of Indigenous peoples to write the Declaration as a draft that would include actual human rights!

After twenty-two years of working on finally establishing human rights for Indigenous peoples, since we were forgotten or deliberately excluded from the so-called Universal Declaration on Human Rights which was approved at the UN in 1949, the new UN Human Rights Council should have looked at the history of their own committees, rather than hastily accept the words of one man, Luis Chavez.

In essence, Luis Chavez has struck down all the work of twenty-two years by the two committees, by Indigenous delegates, and by representatives of the Nation-States who really believed the UN system could work. One man, Luis Chavez, has denied Human Rights to the 350 million Indigenous peoples of the world.

This danger was foreseen two years ago when six Indigenous representatives held a Hunger Strike-Prayer Fast in the meeting room at the UN in Geneva because Luis Chavez had said he was only going to submit his 'Chair's Text' to the Commission on Human Rights.

The Hunger Strike-Prayer Fast was successful in insuring that the Sub-commission text would also be submitted. Instead of making a decision, even though encouraged to at that time by several members of the Commission, the work on the Draft was extended for another year, making it eleven years of debates instead of ten, and then the Commission was abolished. This left the decision to the new UN Human Rights Council.

If this most recent action by the new UN Human Rights Council is any indication of the kinds of decisions that are going to be made, which disregard decades of work and recommendations by their own committees, then where can Indigenous nations and peoples go with Human Rights violations?

It is true that Russia and Canada (speaking also for the United States, Australia, and New Zealand) voted against the adoption of this Declaration. Their reasons for going against this Declaration, and ours are totally different. Yet, in this one instance we do agree that this Declaration should not have been adopted. It gives false hope to the most marginalized peoples and nations of the world.

What can be done? Complaints can be filed with the UN Human Rights Council, and with the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Louise Arbour. Will they do anything? I don't know but they must be made aware that not all Indigenous peoples are content to stand by any longer without any real human rights. Voices must be loudly raised before this so-called Declaration is taken to the UN General Assembly for approval in September. Indigenous peoples, and hopefully anyone concerned that Human Rights are available to all peoples, must speak up to stop this travesty. No Human Rights are available for Indigenous nations and peoples at this time. No Human Rights for Indigenous nations and peoples will be available in the future if this most recent "Declaration" is universally accepted. This is a mockery of Human Rights that must not be allowed to continue.

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can prevent the sperm and the egg from meeting but also it is a fact that sometimes it doesn't prevent that and fertilization will happen but it will prevent implantation of the fertilized egg to the lining of the uterus.

It does that as it changes the lining and if the egg becomes fertilized, it has doesn't have the safety of the uterus wall to attach to.

So the question here is when conception takes place when the egg and sperm meet and fertilization happens, are the combined cells a life or is it a life when it actually implants in the uterus wall? So if fertilization happens and that small matter doesn't get a chance to implant on the uterus wall because of the effects of emergency oral contraceptive pills or because the T-shaped IUD prevents the fertilized egg from implanting, did we as a woman abort our baby?

That is the importance if acquiring information and using it to according to our beliefs.

So if a we want a strong government, or if we want a strong, structured family life, then we acquire and use information as we need to, to make change.

Youth participate in fun days in learning about health

ROSEBUD -- Hoping to help local youth make healthy changes that could prevent them from encountering health problems in the future, Rosebud Sioux Tribe Diabetes Prevention Program sent out 788 invitations to a Welcoming Fun Day at Ghost Hawk Park Saturday, June 17.

The 788 youth from all Rosebud Reservation Schools were selected based on the results of a school health screening that measured factors like height, weight, Body Mass Index (BMI), blood pressure, the presence of Acanthosis Nigricans (a darkening of the skin due to insulin resistance), and waist circumference to hip circumference ratio. The youth were selected from a pool of 1,524 screened students.

Those youth found to have one or more risk factors, including a BMI in the 90th percentile or higher, high blood pressure, AN, or a high waist-to-hip-circumference ratio, were invited to join the Youth Wellness Program and attend the Welcoming Fun Day Event. Over half of all students screened were found to be at risk for health problems.

The Welcoming Fun Day was planned as a way to introduce the youth and their families to the RST DPP Youth Wellness Program. The event began at 10 a.m. and went through 5 p.m. Healthy snacks including fresh fruit trays, water and veggies trays were served throughout the day. A healthy lunch of lean meat sandwiches, diet soda and baked chips was served to all who attended.

While only a handful of those invited actually showed up to the event, RST Diabetes Prevention Program Director Connie Brushbreaker said she is pleased with the outcome.

"I am very happy with the way things turned out. Those that showed up showed they are committed to their children and their health. We know those youth will be likely to adopt a healthier lifestyle through the help of the Youth Wellness Program," Brushbreaker said.

The goal of the Youth Wellness Program is to monitor the health of local youth found to be at-risk for health problems, teach them healthier ways to approach their diet and to provide guided exercise opportunities for the youth.

Once they are in the program the youth will work with RST DPP pediatric physician Tim Ryschon and nurse Buffy Grimshaw on reducing their risk factors and improving their diet. They will also work with Fitness Specialist Marc Marshall and the team of fitness assistant on implementing exercise routines.

During the summer, the youth have the opportunity to attend day camps on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The day camps offer fun fitness opportunities like kickball, baseball, golf, nature hikes, swimming, games and races. The afternoons are often a little more laid back with activities like fishing or swimming. Each day healthy snacks of fresh fruit and water are offered. Healthy lunches are provided to teach the youth how to incorporate healthy choices into their active lifestyles.

"Those youth that received invitations to the Welcoming Day that didn't attend are still welcome to join the Youth Wellness Program. It's important that we get these kids involved in healthy lifestyles now while they are still forming their life habits. That way their health becomes a priority before health problems have the opportunity set in. Youth and their parents that want to join the Youth Wellness Program just need to call us at 747-4600 and set up an appointment for the Youth Wellness Clinic," Brushbreaker said.

Any parents and guardians that are concerned about their child's health or risk of acquiring health problems like type 2 diabetes or heart disease can enroll their child in the Youth Wellness Program by request. Call 747-4600 for more information.



Stacey Two Eagle, RST DPP Fitness Assistant, gets a work out as she demonstartes to on-looking youth how to "stretch" the huge rubberband on one of the many fun attractions at the Welcoming Fun Day.

Transportation to be available for veterans attending Pierre event

PINE RIDGE - The OST Veterans office, working with the acting Chairman's office is in the process of trying to arrange transportation for Vietnam Veterans who want to attend the South Dakota Vietnam War Memorial Dedication in Pierre on Sept. 16. Those Vietnam Veterans wishing to attend this even should call the Vets Office in Pine Ridge at 867-5577 to make a reservation. Seating is limited and reservations will be taken on a first come, first served basis. Veterans should call 867-5577 to make reservations for themselves only. Seating is limited to Vietnam Vets only as there is no room for spouses or girlfriends.

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Left: Bucky Means from Cheyenne River sings a gift of song. Above: Misun Bowker from Ethete, Wyo., behind him is Jerry Iron Cloud from Porcupine, and Rocky Afraid of Hawk from Cherry Creek. Right: Oliver Red Cloud and Oglala Sioux Tribe President Alex White Plume at the camp near Bear Butte.

A series of awareness sessions will be held at the camp in the next several weeks. Camp coordinators have stressed that the camp is non violent camp and promotes awareness of the sacredness and desecration of Bear Butte. Photos courtesy of Deb White Plume.

Bear Butte NOT a battle camp:

Activities planned, including treaty rights training

BY NATALIE HAND AND DEB WHITE PLUME
Owe Aku, Bring Back The Way

STURGIS — On July 4, we declared our own sort of independence. We performed a icicuse (making a vow) ceremony to commit ourselves to the protection of our sacred Mato Paha. Many elders from various nations came to speak and share their wisdom and oral history about the significance of Mato Paha.

Throughout the day, we shared stories, laughter, and food. It was a beautiful day. Everyone worked together and spoke of good, positive things…the way it should be.

The proof lies in our children's smiles and laughter. They are at peace here. They sleep well and know that they are safe here.

Contrary to some gossip, this is NOT an armed camped. We are NOT planning a "battle" with the people of Sturgis. This began as a peaceful encampment. Since that first day, it has changed somewhat. We have had several young men hambleyca on Mato Paha from our camp. Now it is truly a spiritual camp. This camp is drug and alcohol free and tokala society is present to ensure everyone's safety.

We have erected a "cook shack" for all in our in camp to come together and share meals together. Our commitment is to minimize waste and leave this place as we found it, clean. Therefore, we use re-useable hard plastic dishes/utensils/cups and keep our camping areas clean. This temporary encampment is not only beneficial to stop the desecration, but also to teach our children and ourselves how to respect Mother Earth again.

The organizers have created a loose schedule that will include weekend activities, such as treaty rights training, traditional food training, tipi raising workshop, beading/quillwork training, hand games, elders talking circles, etc.

Tentative Schedule

(subject to change- more activities to be added)

July 15 & 16
Community Organizing Skills Training

July 22 & 23
Women Rituals by Florene DuBray
Elder Talking Circle
Treaty Rights Training by Chief Oliver Red Cloud,
Vincent Black Feather & Floyd Hand

July 28, 29, 30
Owe Aku's Unite To Fight Training (non-violent direct-action skills)

Aug. 1-4
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For more information, call Deb at 455-2155/862-1297 or Natalie at 867-5762/441-0605.

Camp out aims to relieve grief with community support, prayer

NATASHA D. BORDEAUX
Special to the Times

ROSEBUD - In an effort to help release the Sicangu Oyate of their burdens of grief and loss the Rosebud Sioux Tribe Alcohol Program along with several other programs collaborated to create a two-day camp retreat on Thursday, July 6 and 7 at the backyard of the RST Alcohol and Drug Treatment Facility in Rosebud.

The event was called the Sicangu Oyate Wiconi Yukeni Campout, which translates in English to mean, "reawakening of the good life of our people" camp-out.

Camp organizers invited the public to attend saying "The camp-out is a time to bring our people and communities together in a good way to acknowledge and show respect for the many different ways and reasons we are grieving. Whether it be death, suicide, break-up, illness or other loss, each one of us has had our burden of hardship to bear."



During the camp, each morning a spiritual walk was held from a sacred site to the camp site. Photo courtesy of Natasha D. Bordeaux.

The camp-out featured several speakers that lead discussions on traditional ways of healing from grief, to traditional roles of male and females. It also included activities like hand games, open mic, story-telling, talking circles, sweat ceremonies and a wiping of the tears ceremony.

Each morning began with prayers and a spiritual walk from a local sacred site to the camp site. The RST Diabetes Prevention Program provided a healthy brunch of fruit and water and helped with the walks.

RST Alcohol Program Director Marcida Eagle Bear called upon the local programs to get together to see what they could do to help the people get through many of the recent tragedies, deaths and suicides that have happened locally in the last few months.

Collaborators soon realized that they would have to address not only recent events but grief and hardship that some people may have been carrying for years.

The camp was designed to be a free-flowing, unscheduled and open event which would safely and positively allow the public to address and release much of the grief they have been carrying. All Rosebud Sioux Tribal Employees were granted leave to attend the event if they chose.

The ending of the event was marked by a wiping of the tears ceremony offered to the public by local spiritual leaders.

Youth photographic art exhibit July 13 at Pine Ridge

PINE RIDGE - On Thursday, July 13, there will be an art exhibit of works by youth from a four state area, at 6 p.m. at the Billy Mills Hall.

The Exposure Art Exhibit, Visions of Life, has coordinated a gallery of photography and art by youth from South Dakota, Arizona, New York and Vermont.

John Willis, who helps coordinating the project said all are welcome and there will be some food and drink available.

The group has been in Pine Ridge the last three weeks and have been working with a group of youth from the Pine Ridge area. Other youth in the group are from the South Bronx of New York and Vermont and from the Navajo Nation and they came here to Pine Ridge to work with area youth.

Willis said the art is of a photographic nature in different forms and what they have will be on display on Thursday evening. There will also be a slide show that evening. The group has worked on photographic quilts and one is currently hanging in Big Bats.

"We are hoping to have a couple of slide shows going in the room. These are done by youth of the four states. The work is not only from this year but from last year, last year we had 60 youth and we have a smaller number this year," he said. This is the fourth year the group has came to Pine Ridge.

The traveling group is 24, from the three states and during the week, they worked with area youth on photography and on weekends do some camping and traveling.

"We use old fashioned cameras and digital cameras and 19 century photographic projects. We use photography to show art communicates. We do some writing and mask making and Navajo crafts like weaving. We also try and take them to learn about Lakota culture.

He said the group has in previous years worked with youth at the Boys and Girls Club and at Red Cloud Indian School.

RST Diabetes Prevention Program Day Camp, July 13 & 18

ALL local youth are invited to attend a fun day camp sponsored by the RST Diabetes Prevention Program. Hiking and swimming activities are tentatively scheduled for Thursday, July 13. Golf and swimming activities are tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, July 18. Call 747-4600 before coming to confirm activities. Arrive at RST DPP office before 10 a.m. Participants will be transported to and from activities. A healthy lunch will be served.

Diabetes Prevention Youth Wellness Clinic, July 13 & 18

Clinic will be held on July 13, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on July 18 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at RST DPP office in Rosebud on Soldier Creek Road. Appointments will be scheduled but walk-ins are always welcome.

Antelope community powwow sees good crowd

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ANTELOPE - The 42th annual Antelope Community powwow was undeterred by the threatening thunder storms that rolled through the area on Friday night, July 7 and got off to a good start according to schedule. There was no dance contest, however, dancers were paid day money and were able to participate in a number of specials. Grace Menard sponsored a men's traditional 'winner take all' contest in memory of her father, Bill Menard, and a women's traditional special in memory of her mother, Ruby Menard.

A total of 41 tiny tots and 20 older dancers had registered as of Saturday evening and a hand drum contest sponsored by Glenn Yellow Eagle and family was to be held, while a potato dance, and a switch dance was also on the agenda. By Sunday evening, the numbers of total dancers was around 70.

The storm left a good sprinkling of moisture which settled the dust around the Rosebud. The royalty during the powwow included, Miss SGU, Michael Garneaux, the new Ms. Antelope, Chelsea Larvie, Little Miss Antelope, Asia Black Bull, Judy Shields Him, Ms. Ring Thunder and Lynssey New Holy, Ms. Oglala Nation. The Wild Horse Butte color guard from Martin posted the colors on Saturday evening.

The powwow featured a nice variety of events for the community to enjoy including, a Saturday morning road walk and road run, mud volleyball, a three-on-three basketball tournament on the outside court at Antelope, and concert on Saturday evening featuring dee jay Kevin McGowan of White River. The sound system was set up in front of the Antelope community center and a youth dance was scheduled from 8 p.m. to midnight.

A parade was held on Saturday morning and the entrants included the Boys and Girls Club, the Fire Hall, the Rosebud Ambulance, Miss Teen Rodeo, the Kiyukanpi kids, and Zintkala. The first place winner was the Boys and Girls Club, Zintkala was second and the Kiyukanpi kids were third.

Despite the daytime heat which reached into the mid 90's the Saturday afternoon powwow session went on as scheduled. Brian and Barb Herman who live on the Ring Thunder road served the community a traditional Lakota meal, while the family of Dr. Rev. Marrles Moore of the White Eagle Christian Academy provided the supper meal.

The Saturday evening grand entry saw a good crowd well over a hundred people and a smaller number of dancers. Marty Makes Room was the Emcee, while SGU Lakota Studies instructor, Francis Cutt, gave the invocation in Lakota. There were several drums registered including, Buffalo Soldier from Lower Brule, Eagle Creek, Kiyukanpi, Eagle Voice, Leca Wakan, Charging Horse, Manderson, and Mato Gleska from Corn Creek.

The lead singers from each drum group were summoned to the middle and were asked to sing several "wategli" or "victory songs" for the crowd. Makes Room noted that it was vitally important for the younger singers to work to learn and retain such songs as they give great honor to those who have served in the military.

Sage Fast Dog won the 'winnertake all' men's traditional, while Tyler Makes Room won the women's.

Those Antelope community members on the powwow committee included Lisa Beauvais, Dixie Larvie, Coni Beardt and Berdine Yellow Eagle. Grace Menard served as the arena director and Marty Makes Room was the 'eyapaha'. Stanley LaPointe served as security and LaMona Whiting and MaKayla Hesse served as the youth committee.



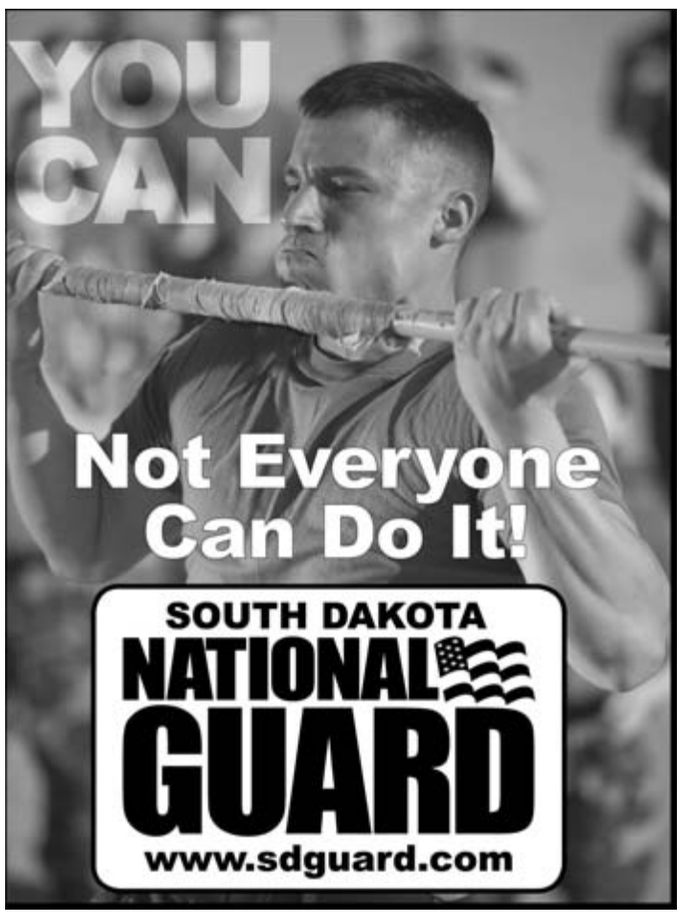
Womens traditional dancers Michelle Chekpa and Stevie Red Bird at the Antelope Pow wow. Photo by Archie Beauvais.

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A timeline of events in the U.S. government's case against John Graham

- **1973:** Anna Mae Pictou Aquash of Nova Scotia takes part in the American Indian Movement's occupation of Wounded Knee.

- **1976:** Her body is found near Wanblee, on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. A second autopsy concludes that she was killed by a gunshot wound to the head.

- **2003:** A federal grand jury indicts Graham and Arlo Looking Cloud of first-degree murder committed in the perpetration of a kidnapping. Graham is arrested in Vancouver, British Columbia, and Looking Cloud, a native of Pine Ridge, is arrested in Denver. Looking Cloud returns to South Dakota. Graham fights extradition.

- **2004:** Looking Cloud is convicted and sentenced to life in prison. Witnesses at the trial testify that Graham shot Aquash. Her body is exhumed from an Oglala, grave and reburied in Nova Scotia.

- **2005:** A Canadian judge rules that Graham should be extradited.

- **2006:** The Canadian minister of justice affirms that decision. Graham remains under house arrest in Vancouver.

Rulings go against Graham accused in Aquash killing

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - A Canadian man has lost two rulings in his attempt to avoid extradition to the United States to stand trial for the 1975 slaying of fellow American Indian Movement member Anna Mae Pictou Aquash.

Her family sees the most recent decision, from the Canadian minister of justice, as a positive step for them, but not a final judgment because John Graham will appeal.

Still, one of Aquash's two daughters, Denise Maloney Pictou of Halifax, Nova Scotia, said it made her more confident that the family someday will find closure.

"It's not a closed case, but that was the decision we were waiting for," Pictou said in a telephone interview. "You can't rush the justice system."

Graham, a native of the Yukon, has been free on bail in Vancouver, British Columbia, under house arrest.

In March 2005, a judge ordered him committed for extradition. Last month, Canadian Minister of Justice Vic Toews affirmed that decision.

After both rulings, Graham was allowed free on bail, with several conditions.

If Graham's request for judicial review, or appeal, is accepted, the British Columbia Court of Appeal would consider the rulings from the judge and the minister of justice. If Graham loses there, the only other option is the Canadian Supreme Court, said Christian Girouard, spokesman for the Canadian Department of Justice in Ottawa.

Graham's lawyer, Terry La Liberte of Vancouver, said the case is not over.

La Liberte said besides Graham's appeal, there are unrelated cases pending before the Canadian Supreme Court concerning extradition rules. Those decisions could offer Graham some rights that he does not currently have, such as the chance to cross-examine witnesses, he said.

"It would be a whole new ball game," La Liberte said.

Aquash's death came amid clashes in the mid-1970s between federal agents and AIM. Aquash was among the AIM members who occupied Wounded Knee for 71 days in 1973.

U.S. prosecutors have said AIM leaders ordered Aquash's killing because they suspected that she was a government informant. AIM leaders denied the accusation and blamed the government for her death.

Another man, Arlo Looking Cloud, was convicted in 2004 in the slaying. In a videotaped interview, he said he helped drive Aquash from Denver to Rapid City and eventually to the Badlands. Looking Cloud and others have said that's where Graham shot her.

Graham has acknowledged that he was with Aquash before she was killed but has denied having anything to do with the murder. He has said he is the victim of a witch hunt.

Pictou said closure for the family won't come until everyone involved with her mother's murder comes to justice

"It's not a matter of the jail time or revenge. It's a matter of taking responsibility for their actions," she said.

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Antone Jay LaDeaux,6 wks.....Gordon
Dianna M. Moran,44.....Edgemont

Marlene Hollow Horn Bear

RAPID CITY -- Marlene Hollow Horn Bear, 70, Rapid City, died Sunday, July 9, at Wagner Community Memorial Hospital. Survivors include seven daughters, Clara Eagle Tail, Sioux Falls, Celeste McCormack, Jamaica, N.Y., Jayette Hull and Gail McBride, both of Wagner, Denise Wiyaka, Madison, Wis., Denielle McNiel, Lake Andes, and Toni Hollow Horn Bear, Pollock Pines, Calif.; two sons, Allen McBride, Sacramento, Calif., and John Hollow Horn Bear, Sioux Falls; two brothers, John Feather, Sisseton, and Walter Feather, Florida; and one sister, Lydia, Oshkosh, Wis. Arrangements are pending with Kirk Funeral Home of Rapid City.

Wilson Kenneth Janis Sr.

KYLE - Wilson Kenneth Janis Sr., 79, Kyle, died Wednesday, July 5, in Kyle. Survivors include his wife, Peggy Janis, Kyle; one son, Wilson Janis Jr., Kyle; one adopted son, John White Eyes, Kyle; four daughters, Kennita Janis, Cheryl H. Janis and Janelle Janis, all of Kyle, and Louella Two Crow, Rapid City; one brother, Everette Janis, Kyle; three sisters, Evelyn Janis-Long Soldier, Wanblee, and Ora Janis and Mabel Janis, both of Kyle; and two grandchildren. Wake services were Sunday, July 9, at Little Wound School in Kyle. Funeral services were Tuesday, July 11, at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Kyle, with the Rev. Cordelia Red Owl officiating. Burial was at Janis Family Cemetery in Kyle. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Delores Black Bird

HOT SPRINGS - Delores Black Bird, 49, Hot Springs, died Thursday, June 29, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Survivors include three sisters, Katherine Folkers, Black Lake, Wis., and Karen Black Bird and Violet Black Bird, both of Denver. Visitation was July 7 at Wakpamni CAP Office, with the Rev. Rhoda Mesteth officiating. Burial was at Holy Cross Episcopal Cemetery in Pine Ridge. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Clifford High Bear

EAGLE BUTTE - Clifford High Bear, 65, Eagle Butte, died Wednesday, July 5, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. A wake service was Sunday, July 9, at H.V. Johnston Cultural Center in Eagle Butte.

Funeral services were Monday, July 10, at the cultural center, with the Rev. Jeffry Barnes officiating. Burial was Monday at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in La Plant. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Mark Leland Sitting Dog

MCINTOSH - Mark Leland Sitting Dog, 41, McIntosh, died Tuesday, July 4, at IHS Hospital in Fort Yates, N.D. Public visitation and a prayer service were July 7 at Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge.

Funeral services were July 8, at Blue Gym in Little Eagle, with the Rev. Leslie Bobtail Bear officiating. Burial was Saturday at Messiah Cemetery in Little Eagle.

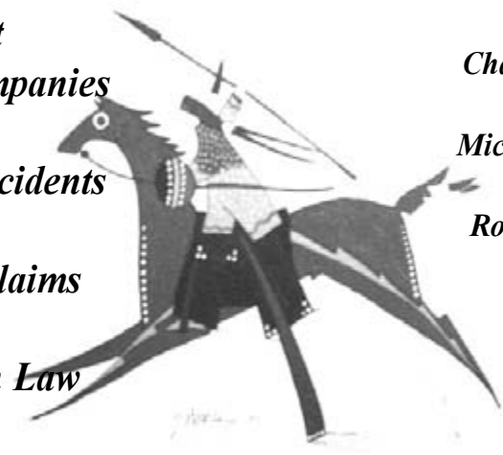
Antone Jay LaDeauX

GORDON - Antone Jay LaDeaux, 6 week infant, Gordon,NE died Saturday, July 8, of natural causes. survivirs include one sister, Lena LaDeaux, Alliance, NE, oen brother, ShaneDawn-LaDeaux, Alliance, Maternal Grandparents, Blain Dawn and Gayle Brownlow, Alliance. Wake Services were July 12 and 1:00 on July 13 at the Indian Mission Church of God in Alliance, NE. Funeral Services are also there at 10:00 a.m. Friday, July 14 with Rev. Don Mink officiating and interment at Calvary Cemetery, Alliance NE. Funeral arrangements are placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

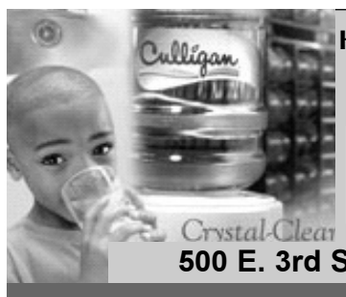
Dianna M. Moran

EDGEMONT - Dianna M. Moran, 44, Edgemont, died Monday, July 10 as the result of an accident. Survivors include one son, Keith Williams, Boise, Idaho, two daughters, Imani Williams and Amber Williams of Boise, Idaho, father, Robert Moran, Sr., Edgemont, and three brothers, Robert Moran, Jr., Ramon "Michael" Moran and Manuel Moran of Edgemont, and one grandchild.

First night wake begins 2:00 p.m. Thursday, July 13 at Wakpamni Wakpamni CAP Office, Pine Ridge. Second night wake will begin 2:00 pm, Friday July 13 at Billy Mills Hall of Pine Ridge. Funeral Services will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday, July 14 at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge. Rev. Rhoda Mesteth and Rev. Agnes Tyson are officiating. Interment is St. Matthew's Episcopal Cemetery, Slim Buttes. Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of PineRidge.

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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I have been reading your columns now for some time and I enjoy the advice you give to others. You seem like a person who cares a lot about what others think and feel. Well, I have a couple of questions, of my own, for you. I am pregnant with my third child and I really, really want another girl so that I can dress her up like I did my other daughter.

I am feeling so much like I am going to have another boy, though, because of the fact that I am getting so sick. You see with my daughter I didn't get sick and with my son I did, but with this pregnancy the sickness is so much worse than the last two.

A few family members and friends say that I am going to have twins because it's so bad and because I am starting to show already (I never show this early), but my ultrasound showed only on baby.

My questions to you are do you see me with only one baby or with twins and am I going to get my girl or is my body right and is it a boy?

Thank you for your time and may God bless you.

Wants a girl

Dear Wants a Girl:

Your body is right - another boy is on his way from the Great Beyond. This is a very special child who has many gifts.

He comes back to your family again - I see him as one of your grandfathers, so look for the little wise one and welcome him with an open heart. Another girl is not out of the question, perhaps about two years from now so save those clothes!

Try drinking sweet grass tea once a day. Pray over it for the Spirit of Wellness.

Just boil about two inches of the braid and drink it. It will settle down your tummy and help your and your baby's body as well as spirits. Good Luck!

Dear Anna,

I recently discovered my boyfriend likes to get on the internet and make contact with women. He writes intimate words to them. He said it is not bad and that he is not serious about it and he can let it go anytime but he hasn't.

He told me he does it just for fun. I don't want to be a part of it anymore and I want to move away from it.

I just want to understand why he does that, what makes him want to do email to women and make contact with them on dating services.

What makes him want to revive old friendships through email?

Confused

Dear Confused:

Brother! It is not okay and it is not all right. It is a form of betrayal. It is purely physical - for physical excitement without obligation or commitment.

Men and women that are out of balance utilize the internet to create a form of imagery that has an unhealthy energy regarding self-image, attraction and personal power.

It is a form of mental pornography and it can be a symptom of profound intimacy issues.

It is a symptom of a society that does not understand the depth of true intimacy and has forgotten the sacredness of the Creator involved in a sexual relationship between lovers.

Let him know that it is not right, and quite honestly I advise you to pull the equality card by asking him how he would like it if you did that.

Communication on the internet is not a safety net - it is the first step before meeting in person.

Sexual fantasies are part of the mind working in most healthy men and women but should never involve another real person. They should be silent and internal, never externalized because they bring an imbalance in what is real: love and along with that, the respect for the one you love.

Dear Anna,

I am 12 years old and I am in love with my first cousin. I know it is wrong and I haven't tried to kiss her or anything but I want to. Is there anyway that we can be together?

We are together every day and I want to someday marry her.

Can I be with her?

Wants to hold her hand

Dear Wants to hold her hand:

No. You cannot love her in that way, not in the man-woman way. You can love her in your heart as your sister and as your friend. You are going through a rough hormonal time.

Testosterone is racing through your body and so it excites your mind. I know you think about girls about every sixty seconds or so and I know it is driving you nuts.

Your cousin loves you like her brother but she is very strong and will not let you touch her in anyway that is not good. Please keep your love and your hands and your mouth to yourself and don't approach her and make your family worry that you cannot be trusted.

It is hard to understand but it is considered sick behavior to want a woman that is in your immediate family circle. It is against the Lakota ways, the European ways, the Red Road ways and the Christian ways.

When school starts you will find another girl to like. She will like you back so wait until then and survive this crush without embarrassing yourself and making your cousin think that she hates you. Good Luck!

Dear Readers,

Sundance season is here. A time of sacred circle connection to the Creator. Pray for each other and for your spiritual leaders who are tested everyday.

Blessings to you, I honor your way and your hearts. I honor your strength and your endurance. You are an amazing people and your spirit and bravery is impressive.

I love you all. I will join your prayers for wicozani for the People .

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication.

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The Rez Firefighter (Peta Usniyapi)

By Beaux Beauvais



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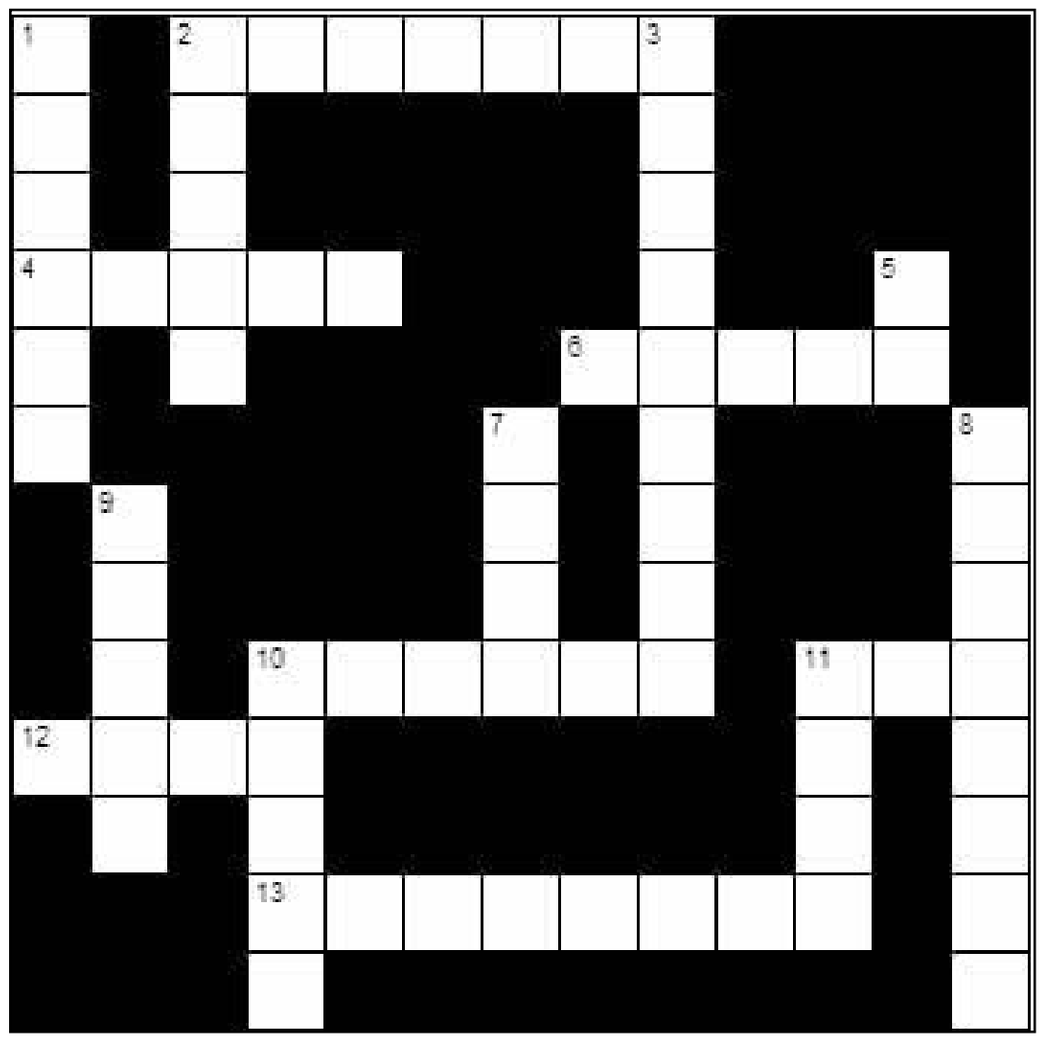


Snoman By Thom Little Moon



Lakota Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)



Across

2. star
4. people
6. forehead
10. little
11. face
12. iron
13. butterfly

Down

1. cowboy
2. sacred
3. lion
5. seed
7. butte
8. wiyawapi
9. woman
10. path or road
11. eye

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Answers from last week's puzzle



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(1)1999 Red Chevrolet Suburban, Model 1500, VIN#1GNF-K16RZXJ560131, 185,457 miles. Doors are loose, they do not close right; possible exhaust work and the air conditioner is not working.

(1)1999 White Chevrolet Suburban, Model 1500, VIN#3GNF-K16ROXG271167, 229,337 miles. Possibly needs a fuel pump and exhaust work.

Vehicles will be sold as is. Minimum bid amount is $1,000. Vehicles can be seen at the Little Wound School Bus Garage.

Sealed bids will be opened and acted upon at the regular School Board meeting on August 7, 2006. Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities and to accept the bid that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound school.

Closing date for sealed bids is 2:00 pm on Thursday, July 27, 2006. Please submit bids in a sealed envelope marked "Vehicle Bid", clearly marked on outside of the envelope to the school business office or to the following address: Little Wound School, Paula Pourier, Business Manager, P.O. Box #500, Kyle, SD, 57752.

For more information you may contact Bill Clifford at (605) 455-6180 or Wesley "Chuck" Jacobs at (605) 455-2160.

Oglala Sioux Environmental Protection Program
INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Oglala Sioux Tribe's Office of Environmental Protection program is accepting bids from qualified contractors for the overall removal transportation and disposal of the following:

1. 20 liters of various hazardous chemicals stored in a fireproof cabinet in BIA Facilities Supply building, #162.
2. Removal and disposal of 1600 square feet of mold located in the CC Yards Housing #116. Mold exists on the first floor,bathroom,basement and stairway of unit.
3. Removal and disposal of 3200 square feet of mold located inthe CC Yards Housing #280 on first floor and basement.
4. Removal and disposal of asbestos floor tiles and sub flooring (so as not to expose mastic) in building #328, located on the Pine Ridge School Campus.

Bids must be submitted to the OST/EPP office by 4:30 M.T. on 07-14-06. The OST/EPP reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Removal and disposal information specifications will be available from the Oglala Sioux Tribe's Office of Environmental Protection Program. P.O. Box 2008, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, Office phone number is (605)867-5236.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Oglala Sioux Tribe, Pine Ridge, South Dakota is seeking bids from qualified firms for a 1.26 mile street reconstruction project on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, Bennett County, South Dakota. The project includes grading, drainage and asphalt surfacing on the following streets:

Project No. 53-10(2), Sunrise Housing Streets, Route 53 located in Martin, South Dakota.

The estimated price range for this project is $ 1,000,000 to $2,000,000.

Indian Preference will apply in accordance with the Provisions of Public Law 93-638 and all Laws, Codes and ordinances of the Oglala Sioux Tribe shall apply. For information contact:

OST TERO OFFICE 1-605-867-5167

OST TRIBAL TAX OFFICE 1-605-867-5821

Interested firms may request a copy of the plans and specifications by contacting the following offices.

OST TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT
P.O. BOX 335
PINE RIDGE, SD 57770
TELEPHONE: 1-605-867-5376
FAX: 1-605-867-1737

DAKOTA ENGINEERING
330 KNOLLWOOD DRIVE
P.O. BOX 3416
RAPID CITY, SD 57709
TELEPHONE: 1-605-721-5553
FAX: 1-605-721-5575

Any questions regarding the plans and specification may be directed to personnel at Dakota Engineering.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS:

1. The Oglala Sioux Tribal Transportation Code and the Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance must be complied with.
2. The Oglala Sioux Tribe requires a 5% Bid Bond or Cashier's Check or Money Order to be attached to all bids. Bids received without a 5% Bid Bond or Cashier's Check or Money Order will be considered non-responsive.
3. Tribal licenses and all applicable taxes will be included in the bid items.
4. 4% TERO fees shall not be included in this bid as they will be paid to TERO by Oglala Sioux Tribe Transportation (Contractor). All other tribal fees, permits and taxes shall be included in the bid items and shall be paid by the Subcontractor. Wages paid to personnel working on the project shall be in accordance with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Prevailing Wages dated January 1, 2003 or the Davis-Bacon wage rates dated June 16, 2006, whichever is the highest rate.
5. A performance bond and a payment bond will be required (these shall be for 100% of the bid amount).
6. This project will be constructed in accordance with Standard Specifications for Construction of Roads and Bridges on Federal Highway Projects, FP-03, 2003.
7. The Oglala Sioux Tribe reserves the right to reject or negotiate any portion of the bid.
8. The Oglala Sioux Tribe will be the prime contractor with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and these bids are for a Sub-Contract with the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

This is considered a Fixed Price Contract. Terms in this subcontract stated as contractor shall also apply to the subcontractor.

Note: This solicitation includes a Native American Preference. If a Native American contractors bid is within 5% higher than a non-Native American contractor's bid, the contract may be awarded to the Native American contractor. Firms or individuals seeking such preference must submit evidence of Indian ownership and control.

Sealed bids to perform the work must be clearly marked as "Sealed Bids for Sunrise Housing Streets, No. 53-10(2)" and received at the following address no later than 4:00 PM on Monday, July 24, 2006 (MDT). Facsimile bids will not be accepted and bids received after this time and date will be considered non-responsive:

DAKOTA ENGINEERING, ATTENTION - GARY HEEZEN
330 KNOLLWOOD DRIVE, P.O. BOX 3416, RAPID CITY, SD 57709

Bids shall be publicly opened at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, July 25, 2006 (MDT) at the Oglala Sioux Tribe Property and Supply Office in Pine Ridge, SD.

Oglala Sioux Tribe
NOTICE OF AUCTION

The Oglala Sioux Tribe will be hosting an auction on July 22, 2006 at the Department of Water Maintenance Yard, 1 1/2 miles East of Pine Ridge, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Some of the items include program vehicles.

The Oglala Sioux Tribe reserves the right to refuse any non-responsive bid.

For more information, please contact the OST Property and Supply Department for Doreen Two Bulls, Cherise LeBeaux or Richard Randall at 605-867-2396, 867-5821 ext. 275 or 605-867-5984.

NOTICE OF HEARING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007 BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE Shannon County School District #65-1 will conduct a public hearing at the Board Room in Batesland, South Dakota, on Monday the twenty fourth (24) of July, 2006, at 5:00 pm, for the purpose of considering the foregoing Proposed Budget for the fiscal year of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2006 through June 30, 2007 and its supporting data.

MaDonna Petereson, Business Manager
Shannon County School District 65-1,
Batesland, SD

SHANNON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO 65-1
2006-2007 PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET AND MEANS OF FINANCE

Appropriations
Instruction:
Elementary Programs - General Fund-2,672,050.00, Capital Outlay-$345,000.00-Title II Part A-General Fund-736,580.33-Learning Disabilities-Special Education-1,793,001.00-Title I-3,029,067.00-Title II Part D-55,052.78;Title III-79,142.00-Early Reading First-857,409.00-Title IV-71,100.30-Title V-$4,547.00-Title VII-190,537,00-21st Century Grant-97,733.00-Total Instruction-General Fund-7,793,218.41,Capital Outlay-345,000.00,Special Education-1,793,001.00.

Support Services:
Guidance Services-General Fund-177,900.00-Speech-Special Education-337,093.00-Phsychological Services-64,264.00-Therapy-90,400.00-Health Services-90,400.00-Improvement of Instruction-28,000.00-Technology-General Fund-310,430.00-Capital Outlay-362,000.00-Board of Education-91,920.00-Executive Administrative Services-General Fund-267,500.00-Special Education-$110,535.00-Principal Services-General Fund-471,950.00-Fiscal Services-$308,300.00-Operation & Maintenance of Plant-1,335,500.00-capital Outlay-1,050,000.00-Pupil Transportation-General Fund-1,193,000.00-Capital Outlay-375,000.00-Curriculum and Assesment-7,500.00-Staff Development-9,800.00-Attendance and Social Service-42,550.00-Community Services-15,600.00-Non-Public Services-40,000.00-Total Support Services-General Fund-4,424,650.03-Capital Outlay-1,787,000.00-Special Education-689,657.00.

Non-Programmed Charges:
Contracts Outside of State-General Fund-12,000-Contracts Inside of State-General Fund-440,000.00-Special Education-175,000.00.-Total Nonprogrammed Charges-General Fund-452,000.00-Capital Outlay-175,000.00.

Co-Curricular Activities-General Fund-102,236.00

Contingency Fund-General Fund-250,000.00

Early Retirement-General Fund-102,300.00

Self Insurance Claims-General Fund-30,000.00

Operating Transfer Out-General Fund-606,082.00-Pension Fund-7,675.00-Impact Aid-5,810,036.55.

Unemployment Insurance-45,000.00

Total: General Fund-1,135,618.00

Total Appropriations-General Fund-13,805,486.44-Capital Outlay-2,132,000.00-Special Education-2,657,658.00-Pension Fund-7,675.00-Impact Aid-5,810,036.55

The Supreme Court of the Oglala Sioux Nation
Oglala Sioux Tribe
Pine Ridge Indian Reservation PO Box 127
Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770
Ph: 605-867-5266 Fax: 605-867-2171

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
Chief Justice

The Supreme Court of the Oglala Sioux Nation seeks prospective candidates for the position of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. The position is a part-time position. The Supreme Court shall have exclusive jurisdiction of all appeals from final Orders and Judgements of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Court.

Duties: The Chief Justice is responsible for the overall operation of the Supreme Court, including but not limited to designating alternate Justices to hear cases in instances of conflict or unavailability of a permanent Justice; swearing in Associate Justices and elected Tribal Officials; assigning cases to individual Justices for opinion writing; scheduling and ordering of presentation of cases; and scheduling meetings or sessions of the Supreme Court of the Oglala Sioux nation. The Chief Justice shall be subject to the OST Law and Order Codes, Judicial Code,Judicial Code of Ethics.

Compensation: Shall be fixed by the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council according to a budget of the Supreme Court. the Chief Justice shall receive compensation only for those cases in which they sit as a member of the Supreme or otherwise perform duties of the office.

Term: The Chief Justice shall be appointed by the Oglala Sioux Council and serve a four (4) year term, from the time of appointment or as otherwise fixed by the Tribal Council.

Qualifications: Is twenty-five (25) years of age or older, has never been convicted of a felony; has not been convicted of a misdemeanor within one year of assuming office; is of good moral character and eligible for admission to practice before the Courts of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, can read, write and understand the English language; demonstrates a knowledge of the Oglala Sioux Code and court procedures an understanding of State and Federal law and court procedures; graduate of an ABA accredited law school and active member, in good standing, licensed to practice before any state supreme court.

Opening Date: July 12, 2006
Closing Date: August 8, 2006

To apply: Send resume and cover letter to Clerk of the Supreme Court, P.O. Box 127, Pine Ridge, SD 57770
Att: Elizabeth Rowland

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing
P.O. Box 603 - East Hwy. 18 - Pine Ridge, SD 57770

*** Vacancy Announcement ***
TENANT SERVICES REPRESENTATIVES
Wanblee, Allen, Porcupine, Kyle

Opening Date: July 13, 2006, 8:00 am **Closing Date:** July 26, 2006 4:30 pm
- Salary As Budgeted -

How To Apply:
Submit a completed Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing employment application to the Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Manager. Attach all pertinent documents,Blood Degree if claiming Indian Preference, Veterans Discharge DD214, High School or GED Diploma, College Transcripts, College Diploma, Reference Letters, Licenses or Certifications and State Driver's License. Resumes mjust have addresses and telephone numbers of past or present employers. All information submitted will be verified.

Will be drug/alcohol tested. Selection for the position will be contingent upon a negative test result. Applicant is subject to Background investigation. Expenses are at the applicants cost. No late or incomplete applications will be accepted.

For position description and additional information please contact:
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Pine Ridge Area Chamber of Commerce

Closing Date: July 31, 2006

Position: Workforce Coordinator
Salary: Salaried
Summary:
The Workforce Coordinator will be responsible for the goals of the Chamber's Department of Labor Workforce Success Program. Duties will include coordination of skills trainings, high school career days, creation of a social resource guide and data base/web.
Reports directly to the Executive Director of the Chamber.

Submit resume, transcripts or diploma and proof of Tribal Enrollment.
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Veteran's preference will apply.
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Pine Ridge Area Chamber of Commerce
PO Box 375
Kyle, SD 57752

Contact the Chamber by phone 605-455-2685 or e-mail pracc@gwtc.net for full announcement and how to apply or view online at www.lakotamall.com/skillsbank.

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
Open June 28, 2006, review begins July 19, 2006
Job Title: Oyate Woableza Itipi Project Coordinator

Job Description: Works directly under the supervision of the Executive Director. Full-time position for three years only.

Qualifications: Documented success in similar position for at least three years. Prefer experience working in Indian country. Must have a valid driver's license.

Duties/Responsibilities:

Administration:
- Acts as a liaison between the staff and Executive Director.
- Coordinates all aspects of the projects
- Works with fiscal manager to monitor,track,and revise the budget, financial reports and draw downs.
- Prepares all reports in a timely and accurate manner
- Reports all information to the Executive Director
- Coordinates project internal evaluation
- Monitors and updates project goals and objectives
- Generally works with the Executive Director and the administrative team to bring the Lakota Funds to a high level of professionalism and performance.
- Other duties as assigned.

Personnel management:
- Assists in recruiting project personnel for all positions
- Supervises all project personnel
- Establishes and maintains training programs for new personnel
- Conducts project personnel evaluations, initiates and documents disciplinary action, reponds to personnel grievances, and dismisses personnel under ED supervision

Works closely with the Executive Director and financial manager for the project

Public Relations:
- Interacts with other organizations along with the ED as needed for project implementation
- Works with the ED and staff in developing reservation awareness and use of Lakota Funds

Apply To: **Dowell Caselli-Smith , Executive Director, P.O. Box 340, Kyle, SD 57752**

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Welcome home to our daughter & son-in-law Spec. 4 Kimberly F. Long Soldier-Omher and Spec. 4 William Omher of the 142nd Military Police Co. who will be stationed at Ft. Knox Kentucky. This has been the longest year and half in our lives, constantly worrying about your safety, but you did very good and we are so proud of you ad the life you made away from here. Congratulations on what you have accomplished so far-Welcome Home!! Gabe, Mom, Dad, Tim Tatanks, Em, Ted, Jessie & Brooke, Grandma Adelle & Family
P.S. Gabe finally has a "Boss"



We would like to wish a Happy Birthday to Christopher who will be 10 years old on 7-19 and also a belated birthday to Paul "Sonny" who is now 14 years old his birthday was June 29th We would like to say Happy Birthday and that we love them This comes from their Mom and Rod and brothers and sisters

Happy 10th Birthday
Christopher Samuel Drake Mousseau
on July 19, 2006
We hope you have a wonderful birthday
Love Mom, Rod, Ben, Jonette, LaTisha, Jesse, Sonny, Punky, Carlin, Woni and Lil' June

To my loving husband Michael Little Moon, Thanks for being there for me. I cherish each and every moment we share together. I look forward to spending our new life together. I love you very much, Your loving wife, Crystal Bell-Little Moon

To our two beautiful children: Bee Jae Bell & Bu Corey Jade Bell. We love you very much and hope you have on the 4th of July when we pop all those fireworks. Love, Mom & Dad Crystal & Michael Little Moon

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Happy 7th Birthday to our Daughter Chantee Ferguson
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Love, Mom & Dad

Happy Birthday to the following in July
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Aliyana Gay
Chas Shots
Charmayne Shots
Charlene Shots
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Brent Tallman
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Juanita Longman
From the Tallman/Longman families

Happy Birthday
Olowan Last Horse
We love you!

Good Luck to Cole "Thunder" Boomer at the National Little Britches Rodeo in Pueblo, Colorado! and Good Luck in the Bull Riding at the National High School Rodeo in Springfield, Illinois.
Love, your sister Summer & neice Jadyn.

Happy 4th of July to my neices Haley & Meadow Ripply & Valencia DuBray & Ariana Standing Bear, and to my one and only daughter who I love very much. Thea Olivia Dawn DuBray From Auntie Brooks & Mommy

After eight little boys, we finally got our first little girl- our Mother's Day baby..Welcome to:
Brooklyn Thedora Little Whiteman
May 14, 2006
Pine Ridge Hospital
7 lbs & 13 oz
We are happy you are here!!
Parents: Ted Little Whiteman, Emily Long Soldier
Grandparents: Louis Little Whiteman, Marlene (Sitting Bear) Little Whiteman
Charles Long Soldier Sr.
Eileen (Two Bulls) Long Soldier

I would like to say Congratulations to my dad on his wedding on 7-30-06
From Brittany Rose

Happy 4th of July to my one and only man, Erick W. Cottier from: Brooks A. DuBray, Love You Baby

Happy Birthday" means much more than have a happy day. Within these words lie lots of things we never get to say. It means we love you first of all, then thanks for all you do. It means you mean alot to us, and that we're proud of you. But most of all, I guess it means that we're thinking of you on this very special day. Happy Birthday MOM we love you so very much!!! Love, LaTonya, Dave, Pheobe, Delmarie and Nathan.

Happy 4th of July to my mom and dad Lorena B.H. & Brian DuBray Sr. also to my sisters, Tracy, Stacy, Eva and Sylvia and brothers Eugene & Brian Jr. DuBray. Also to my sister Eugenia who is watching over us from Heaven. From Books Ann

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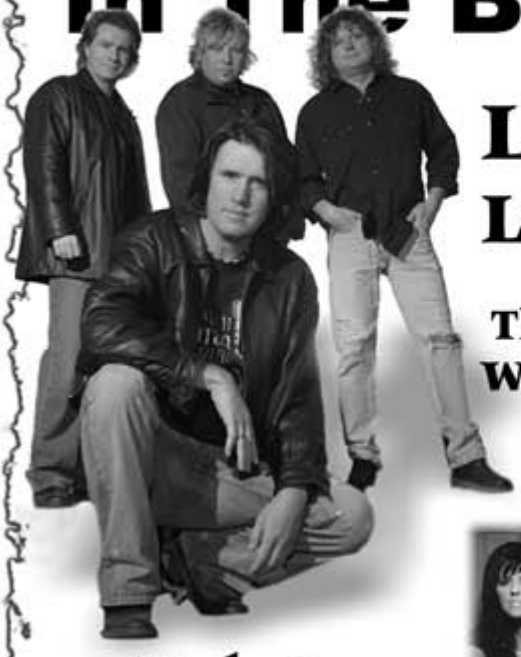
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Winning the gold!



Kyla Marshall (right), 14, of Antelope community gets a hug from Coach Tonya Whirlwind Soldier at the Indigenous Games in Denver where she won 'Gold' in cross country, the 1500 meters, and the 800 meters. Kyla's mother is Roxanne Redday and her father is Kevin Marshall who is deceased. "She has feeling of being close to her dad because he was a runner at SFIS" said Roxanne. Kyla's hero is Billy Mills and he presented her with the medals.For more on the Indigenous game see Section B. Photo by Jerry Matthews of Double M Studio.

White Plume calls for congressional hearing on Bear Butte issue

BEAR BUTTE - Oglala Sioux Tribal President Alex White Plume will hold a press conference today at the Rosebud Sioux tribal Bear Butte Lodge.

White Plume will announce the fact that his office is calling for a congressional hearing regarding the development that is occurring near Bear Butte. The historic site is a South Dakota state park and also a national landmark that is regarded in a sacred way by Lakota people.

Carter Camp and Chief Oliver Red Cloud will also announce the Summit of Indigenous Nations which will gather activists and tribal leaders on August 1-4. The Intertribal Coalition to Defend Bear Butte is working with others in calling for Senate hearings by the State of South Dakota.

Cecelia reinstated and out on same day

Court hearing set for July 28

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - On Monday, July 17 at 1 p.m. the Oglala Sioux tribal court and chief judge, Lisa Adams granted a temporary restraining order against the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council keeping them from denying Cecelia Fire Thunder the right to exercise her rights as President of the Oglala Sioux Tribe pending a hearing and Fire Thunder shall be restored to her position as president pending a hearing set for July 28 at 1 p.m.

Later on in the same afternoon, Adams vacated the temporary restraining order and reinstatement of Fire Thunder pending the hearing set for July 28 in response to a request made by tribal attorney, George Patton, on behalf of several members of the tribal council.

They cited the failure of the tribal court to provide proper notice to all parties involved before action taken or injunctive relief granted and the fact that the tribal council officials were acting in their official capacity.

Fire Thunder was suspended by the tribal council on May 30 and impeached by the tribal council by a vote of 9-4 on June 29. Will Peters,

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OST President's office: A3

Judge freezes line office closings

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

RAPID CITY - U.S. District Court chief judge, Karen Schreier, granted a preliminary injunction halting the planned restructuring of the BIA's Office of Indian Education as requested by several Great Plains tribes and tribal grant schools on July 14. The preliminary injunction effectively halts the closing of any reservation-based education line offices in the Dakotas, currently located in Mission, Eagle Butte, Lower Brule, and Pine Ridge and in Ft. Yates and Belcourt in North Dakota.

The 28 page order provides a timeline of the restructuring as envisioned by its primary architect, Ed Parisian, then-acting director of OIEP. The plaintiff tribes named in the court document include, the Yankton Sioux Tribe, Flandreau Sioux Tribe, Oglala Sioux Tribe, Cheyenne



Deb Bordeaux and Harold Frazier

River Sioux Tribe, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, Lower Brule Sioux Tribe and the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa. The tribal grant schools include, Marty Indian School, Loneman School, Porcupine School, and the Wounded Knee School District.

Attorney Charles Abourezk is the lead attorney for the tribal schools and tribes, along with Rebecca Kidder for Cheyenne River, Julian Brown for Lower Brule, Rolly Samp for the Flandreau Santee, Steve Emery for Standing Rock and Bernice Delorme for Turtle Mountain.

Parisian, who testified he has been considering the reorganization of the education line officers since 2003, said that the changes were necessary in order to accommodate the demands of the No Child Left Behind act of 2001.

Parisian noted that only 7 of the 23 tribal schools in South Dakota and North Dakota are making adequate yearly progress.

He also contended that the current structure of OIEP does not allow adequate administrative oversight of the line offices.

In his plan, he proposed reducing the number of line offices from 22 to 9 and this would allow a deputy director to spend more time with line officers and thus, improve services to schools with the greatest need. Later in 2004, the number of line officers was increased to 19 as a result of consultation with tribes.

Abourezk said, ""I asked Mr. Parisian whether he had any sci-

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TWO SECTIONS

Canyon fire causes partial evacuation of Valentine

Dry conditions cause several fires in Pine Ridge area

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

VALENTINE, Neb./PINE RIDGE - With the fire danger in the extreme category northern Cherry County in Nebraska and the Pine Ridge area have been hard hit by fires that have proven costly. A fire at Porcupine apparently burned approximately 340 acres, while a fire in Valentine, Neb. required some 400 fire fighters to contain it.

On Monday, two separate human caused fires were extinguished along the road close to the Prairie Winds casino area, while the fire in Porcupine required the services of a single engine air tanker, the BIA fire department, Kyle, Batesland, Martin, and the Green Valley volunteer fire departments to fighting it.

On Tuesday, a fire in Interior destroyed the Badlands National Historical warehouse and the Native American Outlet. The damage to the warehouse was estimated at $300,000 while the nearby post office and grocery store were spared. Fire crews from Kadoka and Wall volunteer fire departments assisted with the fire fighting.

On Sunday, a fire that started at approximately 4:30 p.m. on the northeast edge of Valentine was serious enough that many homes were





Fire burned 340 acres near the town of Porcupine. Fire lines kept the fire from structures. Fire burned 12 to 18 houses near Valentine, two towers above city park show the contrast of the burnt area.

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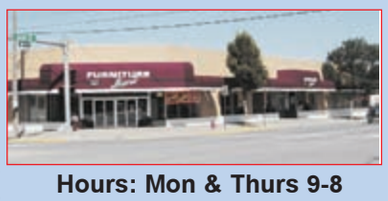
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Community Calendar

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Chinese medicine
Porcupine Clinic from Monday, July 17 through Friday, July 28, call 867-5655 for an appointment.

Four H Fashion Revue and Style Show
Thursday, July 20 at 2 p.m. at the Bennett County nursing home dining area in Martin.

Mid-Summer Dancer
Saturday, July 22 at Our Lady of Sorrows hall in Kyle with Native Diva and Snazzy Boy 8:30-11:30 p.m. For info call Trevor at 454-2066 or Serena at 455-2172.

Pass Creek District Powwow
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 21-23 in Allen with all singers dancers and visitors welcome. The host drum is the Pass Creek singers, Robert Two Crow is the eyapaha and Waylon Gaddie is the arena director. For info 441-5477.

Wolf Creek Community meeting
Monday, July 24 at 6 p.m. at Wakpamni District CAP office.

CDL Training
Tuesday, July 25 at the Shannon County school board room in Batesland from 9 a.m. to 5:50 p.m. with seating limited to 15 attendees. Call Ann at 288-1921 for information and to reserve a seat.

Bus Driver Training/In service
Wednesday, July 26, Batesland School gym from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with instructor Dan Duenwald. For info contact Ann at 288-1921 or 800 419-4023.

Men's Slow Pitch Tourney
In memory of William "Misun" Crow Eagle, Jr. "Wanbli Wayomni" set for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 21-23 at the Iver Crow Eagle Sr. memorial ball field in St. Francis. For info contact Billy Joe at 747-2074 or Mike at 685-3469.

3-on-3 Memorial Basketball tourney
In memory of Arlan "Bizkitz" Bissonette set for Friday, July 28 at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee starting at 9 a.m. sharp. For info call Pam or Reno at 462-6556.

Kicking Bear Powwow
Saturday and Sunday, July 29th and 30th at Crazy Horse Park in Manderson.

Regular Session/OST Council
Monday, Tuesday, July 31 and Aug. 1 in the council chambers of the Red Cloud building in Pine Ridge.

Education line offices

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entific research, studies, or data that showed the restructuring would help schools meet adequate yearly progress or improve literacy, and he testified he did not."

Important to the planned restructuring was the need for the government to engage the tribes in "meaningful consultation." Judge Schreier wrote, "There is evidence in the record that indicates that plaintiffs were unable meaningfully comment on the potential impact of the proposed restructuring on the tribes and the tribal schools because the BIA did not inform the schools that the money for the restructuring would come from the Indian School Equalization Program (ISEP) funds and the Early Childhood Development funds."

Abourezk said, "The 8th Circuit Court earlier ruled that in order for there to be meaningful consultation, the government has to be honest and disclose everything to the tribes." In 2005, OIEP told those at a tribal consultation that $5 million would be requested from Congress, however, months later OIEP submitted a request to reprogram $1.5 million from ISEP funds. Schreier wrote, "That is not the meaningful consultation required by BIA policy.

The defendants requested that the plaintiffs post a bond of $200,000 which would cover the cost if one of the parties were found to have been wrongly enjoined. Schrier reduced the bond to $1,000.

Abourezk said he was pleased with the testimony of CRST tribal chairman, Harold Frazier and Loneman School's Deb Bordeaux at the hearing, as it put a human face on a rather complex case.

Finally, he said that the decision was "a big step forward in the case. We have to prove a likelihood of success on the merits of the case. We are now going to move ahead with the discovery process and then to trial."

Fires across the region

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under evacuation orders north of 5th street. The canyons in and around the City Park area were burning late Sunday night, while at least two assisted living centers had also been evacuated.

The fire had burned up to the edge of 8th and 9th streets and a foundation was still smoldering the next morning, while several houses had burn marks surrounding their yards. There was also a propane tank that had burned grass marks scorched onto the tank. Early estimates revealed that 12-18 homes had been burned, including a funeral home. The Red Cross and the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency were in the area to assess the damage and financial cost to property.

By Monday morning, the number of fire departments on scene had increased to 31. The Valentine Fire Hall served as the parking lot for most of the fire trucks. There was also a Nebraska State Patrol command van stationed in the parking lot. No cause for the fire had been announced, and there were no reports of serious injury or fatalities, however, four fire fighters sustained minor injuries.

Three firefighting air planes had been ordered to assist in putting out the fire, while FEMA was also responding to the emergency. There was even a State Emergency Response Team trailer positioned across from the Valentine High School. The intensely dry weather conditions combined with the record setting heat in the sand hills made the circumstances for firefighters even more challenging.

On Monday morning, Nebraska State Troopers were posted to block off a couple of roads leading into the city park area and the fish hatchery area, which is known as the government canyons area. As "hot spots" continued to flare up throughout the morning, a couple of helicopters were seen over head dropping water out of big orange buckets.

Arlene Close, Postmistress at the Valentine Post Office said she worked until around 10:00 p.m. Sunday night to assess where mail delivery would be affected. She said the northern part of the city was glowing brightly in the night sky and there were some 400 firefighters engaged in the battle. On Monday morning, many fire trucks periodically stopped at the Shell Truck Stop to refill their fire trucks with gas. The cost of gas for the fire trucks will likely be figured into the total cost of the disaster.

Newscasters on KVSH AM were asking people to stay out of the way of the firefighters, while providing periodic updates on the fire. With the temperature in the mid 80's it was 20 degrees cooler than the day before and the humidity was also lower. Wind gusts in the teens helped to clear out some of the smoke by mid-morning, which was irritating, especially to those with upper respiratory issues. Periodic updates were issued by the Valentine Fire Hall and people were asked to donate sandwiches, Tylenol and eye drops for the firefighters.

A news conference was held by Governor Dave Heineman at the Valentine Public Library where he and the deputy director of the NEMA pledged their support. Heineman said,"I'm here to pledge all we can.., We want to continue to monitor the situation. We declared a disaster declaration in June." He continued, "Thanks to the people from South Dakota. There were slurry planes from Denver. They made a difference. The fire reminded me of a tornado and how some homes were destroyed and some were saved. It could have been worse."

Valentine is located down U.S. highway 83, some nine miles from the South Dakota border. Fire departments from Mission, White River, Winner, St. Francis, Rosebud, and Martin responded to the call and provided mutual aid. Some from far away as Sioux Falls responded, as well as many from Nebraska. The Rosebud Fire Department also sent two wild land fire crews to assist. Many Rosebud Sioux reservation residents travel to Valentine on a daily basis to conduct their business and to shop.

New casino grand opening planned
Brown Eyes under fire for no license

PINE RIDGE - "We would love to see the casino open as early as Labor Day," said Walt Big Crow, council representative from Wakpamni District, "We have set Nov. 15 as the latest possible date but we have also encouraged Peska Construction to hire more workers to speed up the construction process."

On July 10 the OST Gaming Commission voted to again to require OST casino construction project manager, Lenart Brown Eyes to have a gaming license to continue to work in his current project manager position. The following day, Daniel Hudspeth, commissioner from Oglala/Whiteclay district escorted Brown Eyes off the construction site.

A legal view was requested from the tribal attorney, George Patton, and he stated that Brown Eyes did not need a license. The gaming commission stands firm in their decision that Brown Eyes needs to apply for a gaming license to continue in his important position as project manager.

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OST President's office

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council representative from Pine Ridge Village, led the way for the council citing abortion as the issue and rationale for the impeachment, that the council had never authorized any political activity on the tribal presidents part to promote an abortion clinic on Pine Ridge reservation and that the activity embarrassed the OST and all of its members.

Fire Thunder in court briefs on Monday and in a press conference held in Rapid City on Tuesday stated the issue of her impeachment is a question of procedures and following the rules.

She stated that the complaint was not filed in a legal manner with the OST secretary before it was brought to the floor of the council, that she was not given the complaint with all documents until the day of the hearing, that an impeachment requires two thirds vote of the entire council, 12 votes not nine.

She also said that the two council members who filed the complaint should not be involved in the deliberations or be allowed to vote and that council representative Tom Poor Bear's vote should have been counted.

Following the original order of the court on Monday, Fire Thunder returned to her office at the Red Cloud building and shook Alex White Plume's hand after handing him a copy of the judge's reinstatement order.

White Plume moved from his vice president's position to the presidency after the impeachment of Fire Thunder. Fire Thunder did not hear of the judge's decision to vacate the order until after she left the tribal offices for the day.

"We will honor the chief judge's decision and prepare for the full hearing on the issues set for July 28" said Fire Thunder, "I want to emphasize that our complaints filed with the court are based on procedure not followed not on my interest in a wellness clinic for women - the council needs to follow the ordinances and fulfill their oath of office, that is what we are standing on - that does not mean that I am going to stop speaking up for the rights of women; women of all color need to have control over their bodies especially in instances of rape and incest, we are talking about basic rights here."

Fire Thunder stated that there is so much to do and so much left undone. We were in the middle of dealing with negotiating all of the disallowed costs from the Indian Health Service, BIA and BOR as well as renegotiating a new gaming compact with the state and finishing up the new casino, she added.

"It is time for all of us to move on," said Peters during his press conference in Rapid City on Tuesday at the offices of the Sacred Circle, "The council has made a decision and we need to move ahead, not look back or continue to debate issues that we have already made a decision on."

Black selected as new chief of police, John Mousseau as the alternate

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - On Thursday, the Oglala Sioux tribal council filled the chief of police vacancy with the OST Department of Public Safety by selecting Darla Black, a veteran of 16 years in law enforcement. A motion by Lyle Jack, council representative from Pine Ridge Village, to approve the selection of Darla Black who won the runoff by a vote of 8-5 over John Mousseau and to make Mousseau the alternate and to appoint Mousseau as the temporary chief of police to give Black time to deal with her background investigation, passed 9-4.

Following the removal of Ron Duke as chief of police of the tribe's Department of Public Safety by the tribal council in May, the position was advertised and 12 individuals applied. In addition to Black and Mousseau, those applying included James Twiss, acting chief, Pat Mills, Milton Bianis, Stan Star Comes Out, Grace Her Many Horses, Joe Cross, Lloyd Wilcox, Eugenio White Hawk, Daryl Mesteth and Terrance Roy.

After careful review, the Human Resource office of public safety recommended to the council that they interview Star Comes Out, Mills, Twiss, Bianis and Her Many Horses. Human Resources advised that Mousseau, Cross, White Hawk, Mesteth and Wilcox did not have enough years of service to qualify for the chief's position and Black and Roy had failed the background investigation.

The judiciary committee recommended interviewing nine of the candidates but the council voted 8-3 with one not voting to interview all 12 applicants. Ten of the applicants were interviewed with Bianis and Roy not showing.

Each council member was given two ballots in the first vote and the council would take the top four in the next go-around. Her Many Horses had six, Mills five, Mousseau four and Black and Twiss tied for fourth with three each. After the council decided to take all five into the next round, Black received four, Mousseau three and Twiss, Mills and Her Many Horses each tallied two. In the final vote, Black received eight and Mousseau five.

After completing the BIA certified police academy at Oglala Lakota College in the early 1980's, Black went to work as a patrol officer in Wounded Knee District in 1984 and over the years she has worked as a sergeant, a lieutenant, an internal affairs investigator and an internal affairs supervisor and as acting executive director.

"When I looked at the job, I knew I could do it, that I had the experience and training to prepare me for a job like this," said Black, "I am looking forward to the position and working to improve the service to the Oglala Lakota people in the coming years and to working hard on improving the budget so that we are able to hire additional officers."

Currently, John Mousseau is the acting chief of police. Black has a court hearing coming up that should clear up any problems with her background investigation.

Native Era is enjoying some recent success, Hip Hop, R& B group records

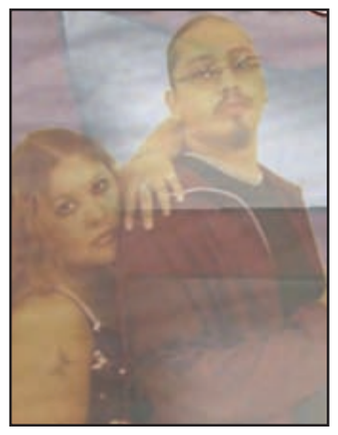
By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Billy Janis and Hope Brings Plenty of "Native Era" both Oglala Sioux, have persevered since the summer of 2002 to create a sound that some have described as hip hop, R&B, Christian Rap or even contemporary. The young couple is alcohol and drug free and got their start using a tape recorder, microphone, and speakers at a foster parent's home.

Janis said that they do their own public relations, management and setup for their performances. They have also traveled as far away as Ossenbach, West Germany. They played at the America West arena in Phoenix, AZ as well as in Colorado and many locations in South Dakota. In fact, Native Era has participated in 400 events according to Janis.

We show people that there is a way to succeed. We want to be good out there. We also represent all indigenous people of the world" said Janis. Music is apparently a way of life for Native Era as it represents an income that supports them as an independent group. They have a desire to produce other groups as well.

On July 7, the group collaborated with recording artist Bizzy Bone of Bone Thugs-n-Harmony in Columbus, Ohio. The song was entitled, "Defeat Them" and is a song about succeeding, overcoming negative obstacles and hardships.



Billy Janis and Hope Brings Plenty of "Native Era"

Janis said indigenous people sometimes live in poverty and the song was intended to assist people to "believe to achieve."

Janis feels that most Native artist are not being heard and his work is intended to bring such music and artist into the mainstream. He said, "Many young people are inspired by certain artists.

On July 15, Native Era collaborated on a song via the internet with Thin C, a member of the Mo Thugs family, according to Janis. The song was called "Within Me" and it was about the Lord God and creator.

Finally, Native Era has been invited to Seattle, WA on July 29 to perform at the Summer Jam 2006 presented by McDonalds and KUBE FM 93. Ludacris, T.I., Ray Jay, E-40 and Bow Wow. KUBE FM will interview Native Era afterward.

Contact Native Era at 605-454-1845 as they are available for banquets, weddings, programs, schools, special programs and dances.

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OPINION PAGE

Our Views

Take precaution in hot weather

We're fully immersed in the heat and humidity of the hottest of the summer months, and all around us there are reminders that we need to enjoy ourselves and at the same time, take the necessary precautions to protect ourselves.

The simplest way to protect ourselves, as most of us know, is to drink plenty of water and to stay in the shade.

Or, better yet, it would be advantageous to stay indoors by a fan or with the cooler going.

It seems like the older we get or if we are afflicted with home health issues, it is even more critical that we take care to keep cool.

As we get older our bodies simply cannot take the stress of being overheated, much less being dehydrated.

The children and animals also need to be protected as they can also easily overheat in the intense heat, especially if they happen to be left in an automobile. That is a definite 'no-no' and simply takes common sense to realize that that should never happen.

Ever so, often we see Lakota people hitchhiking during the heat of the day, and they also have a responsibility to be careful and to anticipate what their needs are.

During celebrations, sun dances, and other social gatherings there is a need to share water, information and even such things as sun blocker and mosquito repellant so that all are protected on many fronts.

Lakota people on the northern plains have always adapted to extreme environments and rarely do you ever hear of someone dying from exposure to the elements. That is the good news. Even in the dead of winter, rural and isolated folks seem to understand that Mother Nature can be 'wokokpeke' if you do not respect her power and majesty.

The media and other outlets are joining the effort to inform people that certain precautions have to be taken during the intense heat.

Everything from food safety, to avoiding the outdoors when it is lightening, to protecting oneself from the west Nile virus are all public health issues that we need to inform ourselves and our tiospaye.

Most of the precautions and warnings are simple to understand, but it takes repeated and constant reminders to all who enjoy the outdoors during the summer months.

Our sacred children, the elders, sun dancers, joggers, walkers, and powwow contestants all need to heed the warning to stay hydrated, cool and most of all stay informed as to the current climate conditions all around.

Take precaution when attending sun dance and when deciding to hanbleceya.

Remember there is always a risk during extreme hot weather and mosquitoe bites.



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Thoughts that come from the heart

Providing your child with a belief system is one of the greatest gifts you can give them



By Amanda Takes War Bonnett
EDITOR AND PUBLISHER
LAKOTA COUNTRY TIMES

Some time ago, we built a sweat behind our house in our house. At first, it was a little difficult for me to take the responsibility of doing so but in my heart I knew it was right. I needed it and my family needed it and the women society I belong to needed it.

We live on the outskirts of Martin and to go to a good sweat we usually have to travel to Wanblee or to Allen. So it was inviting to think that we could have one near and not have to travel those miles before and after a sweat.

The original intent was to acquire land nearby from the tribe, just an itty bitty sum of maybe four acres, so we could build an inipi for women to use. Some of the women in our women's society work in the healing field with healing families and in recovery, so this would be something that would be a positive influence on their work. It wasn't as easy as we thought, we ran into road blocks so that is when I decided to take that responsibility.

On the reservation, there are tona sweat lodges around.

You can find them at the sun dances and the homes of spiritual leaders and at family homes.

We live in Lacreek District and as it is, we don't get a lot of services that other districts do because of our location, so there are times we have to travel to other districts to participate in a wacipi or other cultural events. We are a border town community.

So in doing so, we knew would have a great responsibility, not only to our community in doing it in the spiritual right sense but in taking care of it.

Not in getting the material for it but in keeping it in a sacred manner. In finding and taking care of the rocks to finding wood to watching out for it and keeping the fire in a safe manner.

We live in Bennett County so we have to be respectable to the law here with open fires. So when we do a sweat, we have to notify the police department to let them that we will be having an open fire lest someone sees it and calls the fire department and causes unnecessary action.

It's a simple sweat but a great healing place for cleansing and healing and prayer. We are just glad we have it, maybe someday we will be able to have a privacy fence to shield it from the public and have lots of rocks and wood.

The point of this article is that the inipi is a spiritual connection for cleansing and we did it because it was needed

Several years ago, I worked at Little Wound School and was part of a parenting program designed to help parents become better parents.

The school developed it because they needed help from the parents to help students become better academic learners. The way I seen it, it was frenzy as schools tried to find methods to improve their adequate yearly progress as mandated by the No Child Left Behind through Congress. And helping parents enhance their parenting skills was one of those methods.

And in order for parents to help their children, they needed help with their parenting skills, especially in raising children in communities that are more violence prone.

It took some researching and designing to try to come up with a parenting curriculum that would fit the families we serviced.

As facilitators of the curriculum, we noticed that in working with parents to understand that it is important to a strong family structure to plan activities in the areas of physical, emotional, mental and spiritual.

Those four behavioral aspects are important to living healthier lives and important to teach our children how to develop these in their lives. In working with the young parents in these activities we soon noticed that a great sense of spirituality was lacking in the family structure of those young families.

Not only the sense of a spiritual connection to the Creator but lacking in the sense of more Christian activities for those who beliefs were along those lines.

From the discussions we had during the sessions, families weren't doing enough with their children to teach them to have a spiritual connection with whatever family beliefs or religious beliefs they had. And without that connection, there is a consequence. And for our youth, lack of identity can be a consequence.

So in knowing that, that is what prompted me to take that responsibility of providing a place for spiritual connection, whether it be for my own family or for those that need a place for purification and prayer closer to home.

Providing your child with a belief system in a higher power than themselves is one of the greatest gifts you can give them. That is what will give them the strength they need to have success in their life and to find the happiness they need.

Guest Editorial

Another side of Beau Merrival

Dear Editor:

Sharing tears with a mother, Darla Merrival, about her son was a 'been there-done that' experience for me. Beau Merrival faces many years in prison and Ms. Merrival wanted people to see a side of him other than that of the demon portrayed by the mainstream media.

When we arrived at the Merrival residence she was greeted by four United States Marshals and a Rapid City police officer.

They were there to search for a nephew. I accompanied them on the search and they made comments that I found quite disturbing. This was the fifth search of her home during this process.

Each time the police have made comments that are totally out of line. At one point officers commented that a "Welfare mom, could not afford to live like that." She receives no welfare.

The media and police have actually tried to pull Ms. Merrival into this as well. She was charged with receiving stolen property with the media reporting that hundreds of dollars worth of stolen property were found in her home following a search.

In truth the police took only three baseball bats and it appears that the charges will be dismissed against her because there is no evidence that the bats were stolen.

She has been portrayed as being the ring leader in a major theft ring involving her son and other young men.

But Ms. Merrival wanted to talk about her son who sits in jail charged with a house burglary, three counts of armed robbery, grand theft, nine counts of vehicular burglary and passing a counterfeit bill. Instead of the demon he has been portrayed, he is a very special young man who "kept me good."

She recalled when he entered a high school rodeo and got a bull that he was not sure he could ride. His grandmother offered him $100 to ride the bull, but he turned to his mother and said, "If you stop smoking, I will ride that bull." He did ride the bull and on the way home they threw her cigarettes out of the car.

Merrival has attempted suicide while in jail and has been placed on Zoloft as a result. The prosecutor in this case left a message with his attorney, Bruce Ellison, following the suicide attempt, saying that she wanted to discuss his client's behavior with him. Now, the prosecutor is a truly caring person who just happens to have prosecuted an innocent man in Meade County.

Merrival did not graduate from Central this year as he was arrested on these charges prior to graduation. He wants to graduate to please his grandmother who has stood by him. His grandparents, Joe Merrival and Gertie Traversie have been totally supportive of him during this trying time. Joe Merrival owns a Buffalo ranch known as the Kissing Buffalo Ranch. If bond is set he will mortgage his buffalo ranch to pay the bond.

His ninth grade English Teacher, and a vocal supporter of Merrival said that he had not done well in her English class, however "His appearance, and behavior were exemplary."

His mother actually said that he had failed 9th grade English. He now says he will graduate from Central even if he is thirty years old, because his grandmother wants him to do that.

Ms. Merrival thinks her son needs to be evaluated. She stated that he had not been any trouble until he started drinking the summer of 2005. He doesn't seem to be able to control his drinking. She is concerned that he may have a brain chemical imbalance, such as bipolar disorder.

She obtained a Title XIX card for him but was told by Ellison, that the jail said it cannot be used because he is incarcerated.

He is covered by the Indian Health Service, but the jail refuses to use that source.

Until these charges Beau had little trouble. She credits the labeling by the Central liaison officer as a main influence in his troubles. He was labeled as being a gang banger and charged with simple assault by the officer and the Rapid City Police Department. He refused to plead guilty to a reduced charge of Disorderly Conduct and the charges ending up being dismissed. This liaison officer has disliked him since that time.

After he started drinking and partying last summer she was truly concerned about him. Last December he was with a group of kids who robbed a home on the West Side. He admitted his role in that and refused to name others involved.

He bonded out of jail on the house burglary charge.

Then later he was accused of stealing lap tops from Central High School. It appears that those laptops may not have been missing at all. His car was searched and officers found nothing. The officers at the search scene and was told to have him arrested for violation of his bond.

He has been in jail since that time without any bond having been set. At a hearing last Monday, Ellison sought more information on that charge.

He worked at TGI Fridays. Two females and he were caught with counterfeit bills, apparently coming from tips from a customer in the restaurant. He, alone was charged. It appears police believe that Merrival was the counterfeiter.

His uncle is a teacher in Pine

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Northern Perspectives

How can we expect young people to learn conflict resolution?



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

The conflict in the area known as the Middle East focuses attention on the difficulty of living together on Mother Earth. As it continues to occupy the center stage of world events, the conflict is simply too far removed from us and too complex to understand.

Lakota people from way back, many years must have also shook their head and wondered about the dynamics of interacting with and dealing with different tribes and people who were moving into a land that was already occupied by our ancestors.

We surely understood in later years, the notion of 'ethnic cleansing' when the federal government sought to 'kill the Indian' in any manner possible. It is interesting that individual soldiers who annihilated women and children didn't step forward and become conscientious objectors and simply say, "I can't do this. I can't kill women and children."

As human kind, we all agree that human life is sacred, particularly that of a precious child. Yet, we see today, women and children being, inadvertently or otherwise, targeted for destruction by invading armies. It is even more ironic when you read about early cavalry soldiers who were awarded a Medal of Honor for killing old men, women and children. As a warrior, I would say that is shameful.

This state sponsored killing is just too much for me to listen to. Thank God we do not have cable television so that we can see the minute by minute changes in the conflicts around the world. As an adult, it is troubling to me to hear about the escalating conflict and I can imagine that it is something that is equally as troubling for our young also. I have not asked my son what he thinks of the increasing tensions, but then I don't want to influence him with my views. He will have to take a look back at what history did to Lakota people and make up his own mind.

How can we expect conflict resolution sessions for young people to succeed, when many countries have shown that it is better to hit back? An eye for an eye, as the old adage says. If I weren't an optimist, I guess I would say that society is spinning out of control and it is going to be interesting to see what it all looks like in fifty years or more. I thank tunkasila that I won't be here, or either that, I will be a centagenarian and that can't be much fun either.

Lakota people have a certain enduring solidarity as a people even today and we thank tunkasila that we still have our sun dance, our language and our culture that makes us unique from all other people of the world. We understand geopolitical and armed conflict all too well, as we survived many attempts at ethnic cleansing on the northern plains. I went to the sun dance this morning and prayed that other ethnic minorities around the world would be protected by tunkasila as well.

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Notes From Indian Country

Traveling the road to 'cultural suicide'



By Tim Giago

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To govern is to exercise authority, control, influence and objectivity. One of the most important elements of governance should be restraint. Too many tribal governments do all of the above, with the exception of restraint and objectivity, excessively.

On any given day one has only to go to Indianz.com, probably the best Indian online media source, and read the daily screw ups of tribal leadership and governance.

On any Indian reservation in America, and probably in Canada where they are called reserves, the weeks leading up to an election, finds the Native politicians smiling, shaking hands, waving at prospective voters, and just being gracious and hospitable to all. Several weeks after they are elected their entire demeanor changes, and not for the good I might add.

Let me just say here that I am generalizing because to every rule there is an exception. But since I have been the editor of major Indian newspapers for more than 30 years I believe I have heard it all. Letter after letter from tribal members from as far away as California or as near as Nebraska, had driven home to me the discontent so many Indians have with their elected leadership.

Oh, it is without a doubt, the nature of the beast to have political dissent on most Indian reservations. For every ruling party there is a party of discontent. For nearly every elected tribal leader there is a challenger. But that does not explain the ongoing rumble of anger I have heard across the political spectrum of Indian country.

In the 1970s the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota was torn apart by those opposed to the leadership of Tribal Chairman Dick Wilson. It didn't just end in rhetoric, but instead settled into a near bloody war between the factions. Somewhere in the argument there should have been a middle ground, but in the heat of political dissent and propaganda, none could be found.

After the turmoil and the waning interest by the national media had taken hold, many members of the opposition, the American Indian Movement, left the reservation and went back to wherever it was they came from while those who supported Chairman Wilson remained to clean up the mess. AIM had the ear of the media and the propaganda machine to go with it. Even to this day you will see movies and documentaries that tell only their side of the argument.

For the most part there is no separation of powers on most Indian reservations. I have seen tribal councils have their election board members jailed because they dared to disagree with the dictates of the council.

When an elected tribal council can arbitrarily suspend a sitting president without a hearing, things have gone totally awry. Such was the case of Cecilia Fire Thunder, the first woman, and the duly elected president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. Fire Thunder, who is legally deaf, was in Iowa for treatment of her hearing loss when the tribal council suspended her.

She was effectively denied her equal rights and protections under the Constitution of the United States, but not in the eyes of the tribal council and in their reckoning, not under the auspices of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Constitution.

Fire Thunder was then impeached for "recommending" the construction of a Planned Parenthood Clinic on the reservation in lieu of a law passed by the South Dakota State Legislature that would have banned all abortions in the state not even making an exception for rape and incest. Fire Thunder thought that this was wrong and since she is a former nurse, she immediately considered ways and means to prevent pregnancy, not to end it, and in her mind, a Planned Parenthood Clinic would be the answer.

In other words, she was impeached for her thoughts and not for her actions. This backward tribal council was engulfed in the political propaganda spewed by the rightwing legislators in state government that besmirched the reputation of the employees of Planned Parenthood and shouted religious obscenities in an effort to destroy it. And for the most part, most of the shouting was done by white males, that is until the Indian males and Christian females of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council joined the chorus.

But the tribal council of the Pine Ridge Reservation is not alone in its inadequacies. I have heard from readers in Arizona, Oklahoma, Iowa, California, Montana, North Dakota, Wyoming, New Mexico, New York, Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota condemning the actions of tribal councils ruling Indian reservations located in those states.

As long as the people of the Indian nations continue to elect uneducated dummies to serve as their governing bodies there will always be drastic problems in Indian country. As long as those politicians with the largest families of voting age are elected, not because of their qualifications but because of their family support, unqualified leaders will continue to rule.

America became a nation 230 years ago and tribal governments came into vogue 72 years ago. Authority, control and influence appear to be the factors predominant in both cultures. Restraint and objectivity have been pushed to the rear of the bus. As tribal governments move further in the direction of the mainstream, traditional systems of restraint, fair play, cultural separation, and the loss of inherent rights have been shoved aside in the name of so-called progress. And as we move into the age of "casino mentality," the situation will worsen. In the end we will have sold our very souls for money and power.

I am afraid that the Indian Nations are on the road to "cultural suicide."

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Merrival

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Ridge. He said that at first students said that it could not have been Beau involved in the armed robberies. Lately, because of the demonization by the media they have been asking, "Who would have thought that Beau would turn out like that?"

Merrival has a room full of trophies and medals from Pine Ridge High School. He seemed to throw himself into his sports. He is also an artist and a poet and his drawings fill a book in his room.

His poetry leaves his mother in tears, especially a poem he wrote after attempting suicide. Moving to Rapid City was probably a mistake.

He is the oldest child and has a 14 year old brother and 17 year old sister. His youngest brother is eight years old.

He particularly misses his youngest brother, who has basically refused to talk to him since he was put in jail. He used to have hot wheels tournaments with Beau, but now will not play with the hot wheels.

Ms. Merrival said repeatedly that her son is not the demon he has been made out to be and that she believes he may be suffering from a brain imbalance that is set off by the alcohol. No evaluation has been done on him.

She knows that her son made some poor choices but believes that alcohol played a major role. She believes that he should not spend a long time in prison and that his talents can be better used if he receives an evaluation and gets treatment.

She ended by saying, "Beau is a good, kind young man, his teachers and his real friends know that. He got involved with the wrong group and with alcohol, and a codefendant is telling police what they want to hear." She told me that she will be praying for my son and of course, I pray for hers.

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Education hump day: midway through summer vacation



By Dr. Jim Wilson

It is always astounding when Friday the 13 falls on a Thursday (or any other day but a Friday). As I arose this morning and glanced at the calendar I realized that it is July 14 and Education Hump Day.
We are halfway through the summer school vacation period.

I wanted to quickly pull on my blue coveralls, grab my straw hat and run out into the front yard yelling to my friends that we were starting the downhill stretch before school would again start.

However, my creaky bones reminded me that, like my computer, my mind was doing a 'flash scan' of its hard disk memories checking for bugs and viruses. Because I always connect the second Friday of July with being halfway through the summer I was experiencing my annual education déjà vu.

Getting my coffee (one pack of pink sweetener) and settling into my favorite chair for reading I picked up the daily newspaper, but found no interest in the headlines of fires, floods, droughts, bombings, killings, executions, uncovered plots, accusations and endless Letters to the Editor each claiming the high ground. Dropping the newspaper to the floor, I reached for my Zeroxed copy of the 1950 Oglalan Yearbook. I had lost my original and a few years ago Charles "Spit" Swallow, "Ronie" Fielder and I had borrowed Erna Belle Amiotte's copy to make copies for ourselves.

The graduating class of 1950 had actually made its own Yearbook. We did the layout, page by page. We cut and glued, we typed and fitted the pieces.

We sold enough ads to pay for copying and binding 50 copies. We did it ourselves, the twenty one of us working as a team.

Five of us had started together in Miss Christiana Hudtloff's Primary grade. We progressed through the years with one teacher (mostly dedicated Old Maids) at a time studying what was known as a "core" curriculum in which one teacher taught all subjects.

In High School we had a couple of extra teachers for math, science and vocational areas like Agriculture, wood working, baking and dairying, but even then we moved as a group or small groups.

Our class of 21 included Donald Janis, Erna Belle Amiotte, Evelyn Bad Wound, Ethel Bissonette, Leona Brewer, Benjamin Cottier, Morris Eagle Elk, Jean Harwood, Joe Hawkins, Austin Means, Phyllis Pond, Winona Cottier (Provost), Verna Roan Eagle, Lena Standing Soldier, George Twiss, Doreen Two Bulls, Delores Two Elk, Wilma Whirlwind Horse, Florence Whipple, Delores Wounded Horse and myself. Evelyn Bergen was our Senior Homeroom Teacher.

Through the years many of us crossed paths and kept in touch, but sadly every year there are fewer of us. The one thing we all remember is the unity of our class; we were like a family and Mrs. Bergen was our 'Mother away from home.'

From Hump Day until school started in late August or early September I always eagerly looked forward to seeing my friends at school.

I spent eleven years as a boarder in the dorms and always favored the steam heat, electric lights and indoor plumbing over our family's log house. Moving from the Pine Ridge Boarding School (its common name on the Rez) to the US Navy was an easy.

It was in the Navy that I discovered how good my basic education had been as I attended special schools and advanced in rank to Gunfire Control Petty Officer 2nd Class aboard a Navy Destroyer (USS Chevalier, DDR-805) and stood at the controls of all of its firepower in Wonsan Harbor, North Korea as the July 1953 Armistice was signed. Quite a big deal for an OCHS kid half way around the world from home!

Many of my classmates had similar career progressions and I mention my Navy experience to make a point; there is no limit to what a person can do IF they want to.

The actual information passed to a student in the classrooms is of little value compared to the methods of research, problem solving and coping they can develop.

I am still interested in learning and with my practiced methods can find out for myself almost anything I want to know.

Some of the readers of this paper might recall that I have written in the past about being a Social Scientist with teaching credentials. But, did any of you know that my hobby is the study of streams and rivers?

Streams and rivers were the original highways for people as the world expanded and the various groups flowed outward to create their own economies, cultures, languages and religions.

Did you realize that if you followed Wolf Creek (rising in the Sand Hills south of the Pine Ridge Airport) long enough you'd meet White Clay Creek, White River, the Missouri River, the Mississippi River and then the Gulf of Mexico, which is but a small part of the connected oceans of the world? My point here is that even the smallest stream leads to the oceans of the world!

As we look forward to another school year I hope that all of the new and returning students will realize that they are on a wonderful Journey, and preparation for the trip can be exciting and very enjoyable.

Learning is a lifelong activity and should be seen as preparation for continuing the journey we began the day we were born.

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I never want to end my journey and I would not trade my OCS/Boarding School education for anything!

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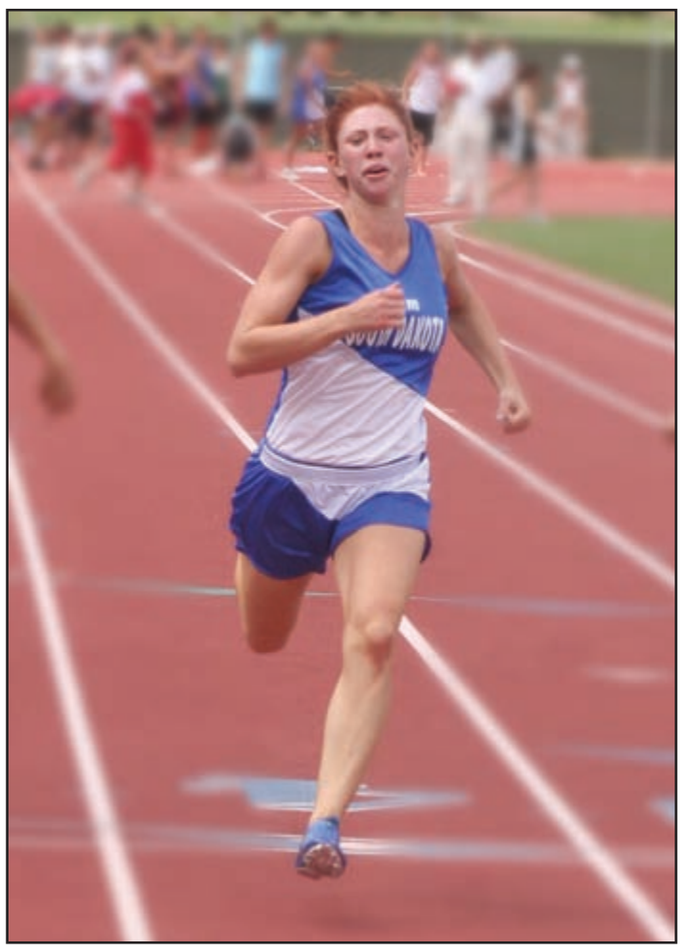
Two Sections

Team South Dakota strikes gold

O'Bryan, Weston, Marshall, White Bird, Mendoza among individual winners while midget and juvenile boys, midget girls win team basketball championships



Above: Kyla Marshall on her down home stretch for the 1500 Gold
Below: Marissa O'Bryan in the 100 meter, she won both the Juvenile 100 and 200 meter and the bronze in the 400 track.



By Tom Crash
Times Sports Correspondent



Jared Weston leads Trudell Slow Bear in the bantam cross country. Weston won the gold and Slow Bear won the silver. Photos by Jerry Matthews of Double M Studios.

Indigenous games photos courtesy of Jerry Matthews of Double M Photography.



Kiko Mendoza of Team South Dakota (right) and a North Dakota runner. Mendoza won two silvers, one in the Midget 1500 and in the 3000.

DENVER - From traditional costumes to warm-up suits of all colors, over 7,000 athletes marched onto Invesco Field in Denver, July 2nd to formally signal the opening of the 2006 North American Indigenous Games. The field, usually highlighted by the Denver Broncos football team, saw teams from 23 states and 11 provinces parade onto the field in preparation for competition in 16 different sports at a variety of venues around the Denver Metropolitan area.

Promoted as a celebration of heritage and athleticism, the athletes were led by tribal officials and in some cases traditional headsmen. Ceremonies included a traditional drum group, the Native Hip Hop break dancers, the Red Power Squad from Canada, MC's Drew Lacapa and Wauneek Cornmiller, comedian Don Burnstick and featured past U.S. Senator Ben Night Horse Campbell reading a letter from President George Bush;

Kyla Marshall, Mission, won the first gold medal of the Games with a win in the bantam cross country on Monday in Parker at the Colorado Equestrian Park; Jerad Weston, Oglala, followed it up with a gold in the bantam cross country and the games were on.

Team South Dakota competed in eight of the 16 sports of the 2006 games winning 19 medals in athletics (cross country and track and field), five golds and two silvers in boxing, two golds, a silver and a bronze in wrestling, a gold, silver and a bronze in archery and three team golds in basketball.

Juvenile boys survive tough competition, schedule changes, protest, overtime to win gold

Duran Eastman, Sisseton Wahpeton, hit four straight free throws late in the second half to seal a 72-70 win over Arizona to win the Juvenile Boy's Basketball gold medal on Friday at the Metro State College gym on the Auraria campus in downtown Denver. South Dakota weathered a two hour protest by Team Minnesota and a 64-61 hard fought overtime win against Wisconsin to get into the championship game.

"We had an awful lot of talent, many of the players had been starters on their high school teams or often the leaders and top scorers," said Dave Brushbreaker, head coach, "we sat down and discussed that the main goal was to win the gold medal and that we needed everyone to play hard and contribute what they could whether they were a starter or came in off the bench."

Team South Dakota juvenile boys opened the games with three straight wins in pool play, a 79-66 win over Arizona, an 88-27 win over Nova Scotia and a 62-46 win over British Columbia.

The schedule and bracket changed three times and on Tuesday the team found out at 7:45 a.m. that their 11:45 a.m. game with British Columbia had been moved to 8 a.m. On Wednesday, the team finished their pool play by losing to Minnesota 64-56 and beating Eastern Door 93-53.

With a 4-1 record in pool play, South Dakota moved into the medal round only to have their first round game with Oklahoma held up by a protest initiated by Minnesota because they did not make the medal round.

The organizers added Minnesota and Washington to the medal round, South Dakota promptly knocked off Washington 72-59 while Kansas Middletent hit for 19 points and Duran Eastman chipped in 18 points and five rebounds to lead South Dakota past Oklahoma 64-59.

South Dakota struggled in the semis against Wisconsin, getting 18 points down with 11 minutes to go in the second half. After putting on a full court press, they were still down 11 points with 1:54 to go in the game but went on to take the lead in the last 30 seconds only to have a last second three tie up the game at 56 all at the end of regulation. JJ Arcoren, St. Francis, hit a basket and a free throw in the overtime period, TJ McCauley, Lower Brule, hit three of four from the line and Gunner Krogman, Todd County, hit a a field goal as South Dakota pulled it out 64-61 in overtime. Arcoren finished with a team high 17 points, McCauley added 16, Eastman chipped in 14 and Krogman finished with 10 points.

In the championship game with Arizona, the lead went back and forth the entire game until Eastman hit his four free throws late in the second half. McCauley finished with a game high 22 points, Arcoren helped with 17 and Eastman added 15 or a 72-70 win and the gold medal.

Scott, McGhee lead Midget boys to gold medal in basketball

South Dakota lost their first game in pool play on Monday by four points to Oklahoma but came storming back to win six straight games finishing the championship with a 59-42 win over Oklahoma for the gold medal.

"In that first game with Oklahoma, it showed that we had not played a game yet as a team," said Alfred Leftwich, head coach, "because all of our team members were so spread out it was hard to get a feel of a team until we were in a real game; then it was a building process to see what combination worked the best together and what we needed to improve on for the next game."

Playing at Metro State College on the Auraria campus, South Dakota knocked off Arizona, Colorado and Michigan to go into the medal round on Thursday. Down by 17 points in the second half against Arizona and with the opportunity of moving to the medal round on the line, Christian McGhee and Billy Scott stepped up to lead the team to a comeback 51-49 win. Scott finished with 20 points and 14 rebounds while McGhee added 17 points and six steals. Bryer Iron Cloud hit a late three pointer that gave South Dakota their first lead, grabbed a crucial rebound and hit a late game free throw to seal the win.

McGhee and Scott led the way in the first medal round game at the Regency as SD knocked off Washington 59-47. Scott hit for 21 points and 11 rebounds and McGhee added 21 points. SD got by a tough Idaho team in the semis 67-57 as McGhee hit for 19, Iron Cloud chipped in 18 and Scott added 10 points and seven rebounds.

In the championship game, SD took the lead immediately and built on it throughout the game, winning the gold 59-42 over Oklahoma in a rematch of their first game. Scott tossed in 17 points, McGhee hit for 16 and Jay Pond grabbed eight rebounds. Team South Dakota included RJ Estes, Roman Leftwich,

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South Dakota at Indigenous games

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Tim Little Shield, Canku One Star, Henry Crow, Brandon Fast Horse, Lawyer Claymore and Cory Blacksmith.

South Dakota Midget girls blow away competition for gold

Surviving a double overtime first game win over North Dakota in the pool play, South Dakota girls go on to win the gold in the midget division with a 69-44 win over Arizona. After sweeping Michigan, Manitoba and British Columbia, SD went into the medal round undefeated.

Behind Lacey Weston's 13 points and Keisha Brewer's eight points and nine rebounds, SD defeated Oklahoma in the first round of medal play 50-38. SD rolled over Florida in the semis and bet Arizona by 29 in the finals. The gold medal team included Marque Lunderman, Christian Janis, Auriah Prue, Brianne Herman, Shaina Clifford, Danielle Locust and Pinney.

Bantam boys, girls, juvenile girls, adult men struggle in medal round

The South Dakota bantam boys went undefeated in pool play and won their first round medal game, lost the semi and lost by one point in overtime in the bronze medal game to take fourth. The bantam and juvenile girls both went undefeated in pool play but lost their first round medal games and ended up fifth in the games.

In men's basketball, the designated South Dakota team did not show up at the games in Denver, Mackenzie Casey and Mike One Star put together a team on the fly that included John Estes, Sheldon Chasing Hawk, Julio Rodriguez, Henry Brown, Dale Pine Jr. and Gilbert Bad Wound.

South Dakota was down nine points at the half and came storming back behind Casey's 30 second half points, six steals and six assists to defeat Ontario 65-53 to finish with a 3-2 pool play record. One Star chipped in 13 points and Estes added 11 points and 11 rebounds. South Dakota tangled with Iowa in the medal round and got spanked 88-70 as Casey led the way with 34 points and 15 rebounds, One Star helped with 13 points and nine boards.



The gold medal winning Juvenile boys basketball team included: Colton Douville, Lucas Good Shield, JJ Arcoren, Kansas and Kyal Middletent, Zeke Parvin, Duran Eastman, TJ McCauley, Gunner Krogman, Jeff Big Crow, Tyson Maxon and Will Edwards;
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Team South Dakota Midget girls won gold in Denver and included: Lacey Weston, Christian Janis, Keisha Brewer, Shaina Clifford, Marque Lunderman, Danielle Locust, Kristina Standing Soldier, Auriah Prue, Kenzy Pinney, Josie Stone, Brianne Herman and Mareca Riodriguez.
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Midget boys won the gold medal in Denver at the 2006 North American Indigenous Games and included: Christian McGhee, Billy Scott, Bryer Iron Cloud, Henry Crow, RJ Estes, Roman Leftwich, William Pond, Lawyer Claymore, Tim Little Shield, Canku One Star, Jeremy Blacksmith and Brandon Fast Horse.
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Marshall, O'Bryan, Mendoza, White Bird set pace in Cross Country and Track

Right after Kyla Marshall won the first gold medal of the games, Jerad Weston won the bantam cross country gold and Trudell Slow Bear took the silver. Nicholas "Kiko" Mendoza won the silver in the midget boys and South Dakota won the team silver in cross country taking second behind New Mexico.

Kyla Marshall followed up on her gold medal in bantam cross country with two more golds in the bantam 800 meter and the 1500 meter. Marshall will be a freshman at Todd County this fall.

Red Cloud valedictorian, Marissa O'Bryan, won both the Juvenile 100 and 200 meter and took the bronze in the 400. O'Bryan is set to attend the University of South Dakota this fall and run track for the strong NCAA Division II school.

Kiko Mendoza added two more silvers to his treasure chest with a second in the Midget 1500 and a second in the 3000; Mendoza will be a sophomore at Takini high school this fall.

Jerod Weston added a bronze in the bantam 1500 to go with his cross country gold, Trudell Slow Bear took fourth, just out of the medals. Weston and Slow Bear teamed with Christian Tobacco and Delane Ten Fingers to take third in the bantam 4X400 relay. Kylie Wilson, Julie Bernie, Brittney Larvie and Emma Her Many Horses teamed up for a bronze in the Midget girls 4X400 and Annerika White Bird, Tonya Whirlwind Soldier, Lisa High Wolf and Doni DeCory took the silver in the women's 4X400.

White Bird added another silver in the women's 1500 and gold in both the 5000 and 10,000 meter runs to run her medal to four, two gold and two silver. Brittney Larvie took in the midget girl's high jump.

DeCory added silver in the women's javelin and a bronze in the discus.

Archery, wrestling, boxing bring South Dakota medals

Wrestling earned South Dakota two gold, a silver and a bronze. Chris Rahn won gold in heavyweight, Lawrence Ford, Jr. won a gold while Albert Her Many Horses grabbed a silver and Cody Denoyer finished with a bronze.

In archery, Josh One star took first in the bantams, Flora Miller was second in the juveniles and Kevin Ford was third in the midgets.

Boxing turned out eight medal winners with gold going to Dustin Ferguson/midget 132, Bradley Hussman/bantam 114, Coren Clown/midget 189 and Caitlin Little Eagle/juvenile 152. Silver medals went to Josh Steele/men's 178 and Benny Kasto/men's 201 with bronzes going to Levi Apple/midget 138 and Gatlin Little Eagle/midget 154.

South Dakota finished with 39 medals and as a team ended up in a tie with Wisconsin for 11th place. Saskatchewan earned 194 medals, Ontario finished with 90, New Mexico had 75, British Columbia with 69 and Alberta with 59.

Shannon County School District Vacancy

Updated: July 10, 2006

The Shannon County School District 65-1 is accepting applications for the following certified and non-certified positions.

All positions are OPEN TILL FILLED unless indicated

Batesland School

1-Part time Cook (6 hours a day, experience preferred)

2-Custodians (1 fulltime and 1 part-time position experience preferred)

1-Aide (48 passing college credits or the ability to pass the State Paraprofessional test prior to employment.

Rockyford School

1-Preschool Aide (48 passing college credits or the ability to pass the State Paraprofessional test prior to employment.)

1-Special Education Aide (48 passing college credits or the ability to pass the State Paraprofessional test prior to employment)

1-Custodian (experience preferred)

1-Busdriver (CDL required)

2-One on One Special Education Aides (48 passing college credits or the ability to pass the State Paraprofessional test prior to employment.

Wolf Creek School

2-Busdriver (CDL required)

1-PM Run/Activity busdriver (Class B required)

1-Custodian

1-Cook

2-One on One Special Education Aides (48 passing college credits or the ability to pass the State paraprofessional test prior to employment)

4-Special Education Aides (48 passing college credits or the ability to pass the State paraprofessional test prior to employment)

3-Preschool Aides (48 passing college credits or the ability to pass the State Paraprofessional test prior to employment.

Red Shirt School

1-Busdriver (CDL required)

1-Maintenance Mechanic (2 years experience experience with Maintenance,boiler, air conditioning, refrigeration and carpentry certifications preferred, other duties to be established Closes 7-21-06)

For more information contact:
Ann Red Owl
Phone: 605-288-1921 Fax: 605-288-1814

The Shannon County School District provides equal opportunity in employment to all persons regardless of age, race, creed, color sex, national origin, religion or disability.

Back ground checks: SDCL: 13-10-12 The Shannon Country School District requires a pre-employment pending receipt of negative results of the criminal background check and pre-employment drug tests.

David J. Whipple Sr, 21 .....Wanblee
Loracita He Crow, 41.....Pine Ridge
Deanna Faith Loafer, 28.....Kyle
Max J. Mesteth, 78.....Manderson
Dell Yellow Head, 70.....Eagle Butte
Brother C.M. Simon S.J.,69.....Pine Ridge
Antoinette C. Black Bear, 47.....Manderson
Gladys Josephine Ecoffey, 90.....Pine Ridge
Daryl Blaine Little, 21..... Red Shirt
Elfrieda C. Pourier Amiotte, 79..... Rapid City
Thelma M. Pourier, 74..... Interior
Frank Cournoyer, 87..... Sisseton
Harlan Wade Red Elk, 35.....Wanblee
Jeanette V. Tallman, 55..... Allen
Antone Jay LaDeaux, 6 weeks..... Gordon, Neb.

David J. Whipple Sr.

WANBLEE - David J. Whipple Sr., 21, Wanblee, died Sunday, July 16, in Omaha, Neb. of a lengthy illness.

Survivors include his wife, Rhonda (Apple) Whipple, Martin; one son, David J. Whipple Jr.; his parents, Tracy Whipple, Wanblee, and James Booth, Flint, Mich.; two brothers, A.J. Caddell, Ypsilanti, Mich., and Donovan Ashley Jr., Wanblee; and three sisters, Sarah Hunt, Omaha, Jasmine Caddell, Ypsilanti, and Aijenea Everett, Detroit.

Wake services started Wednesday at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 21, at the school, with John Around Him officiating. Burial will be at Hisle Cemetery.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.

Loracita He Crow

PINE RIDGE - Loracita He Crow, 41, Pine Ridge, died Monday, July 17, as a result of an automobile accident on Red Shirt Table. Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Deanna Faith Loafer

KYLE - Deanna Faith Loafer, 28, Kyle, died Saturday, July 15, at Bennett County Nursing Home. Survivors include her father, Ben Loafer Sr., Wanblee; her mother, Anita Brave Heart, Kyle; one son, Terrell Janis, Kyle; four brothers, Mike Loafer, Shawn Brave Heart, Jamie Brave Heart, and Ben Loafer Jr., all of Kyle; and two sisters, Trisari Loafer, Kyle, and Santana Loafer, Wanblee.

A two-night wake was Wednesday, July 19, at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Hall in Kyle.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 21, at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Hall in Kyle, with the Rev. Cordelia Red Owl officiating. Burial will be at St. Stephens Catholic Cemetery in Kyle.

Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.

Max J. Mesteth

MANDERSON - Max J. Mesteth, 78, Manderson, died Friday, July 14, in Manderson.

Mesteth was a rancher who assisted and provided services to ranches on the Pine Ridge reservation. He participated and was an active supporter of the Sitanka Wokiksuye Okolakiciye Ride which began in 1986 for four years and wopila in 1990 in commemoration of the Wounded Knee massacre.

He was a member of the Oglala Sioux Public Safety Review Board and on the tribal election board for 20 years and was long time employee of the Wounded Knee District School.

Survivors include one daughter, Christine Mesteth, Manderson; four adopted sons, Bluch Fire Thunder and A.V. Fire Thunder, both of Manderson, Michael Marks DeMartino, Florida, and Harlen Fire Thunder, Pierre; three adopted daughters, Leah Fire Thunder and Lucy Fire Thunder, both of Manderson, and Lita Running Hawk, Pine Ridge; one brother, Jay Mesteth, Manderson; four sisters, Lula Two Bonnett, Manderson, Freda Mesteth-Goodsell and Shirley Scherer, both of Custer, and Opal Callander, Gillette, Wyo.; 15 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Wake services were at Wounded Knee District School in Manderson. Funeral services were Thursday, July 20, at Wounded Knee District School in Manderson, with the Rev. Bill Pauly officiating.

Traditional Lakota services were provided by Wilmer Mesteth and Pete Catches. Burial was at the Mesteth Family Cemetery in Manderson.

Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge as in charge of arrangements.

Dell Yellow Head

EAGLE BUTTE - Dell Yellow Head, 70, Eagle Butte, died Sunday, July 16, , at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Wake services were Thursday, July 20, at H.V. Johnston Cultural Center in Eagle Butte.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 21, at the cultural center, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat, the Rev. Gerald Yellow Hawk and Danny LaPlante officiating. Burial was Friday at Eagle Butte Cemetery.

Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge is in charge of arrangements.

Brother C.M. Simon S.J.

HOLY ROSARY MISSION - Br. Simon, 69, died suddenly on Friday, July 14, at the Jesuit residence at Angostura.

Brother C.M. Simon, S.J., was born on Nov. 23, 1936, in Spring Valley, MN, one of ten children of Hugh and Ellen Simon. Five years after completing high school, he entered the Society of Jesus as a Jesuit brother, at the age of 22.

In 1964, after some years of spiritual formation and further studies, Br. Simon was assigned to Holy Rosary Mission/Red Cloud Indian School on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota.

He spent the rest of his life at Holy Rosary, working among the Oglala Lakota people he so loved. Until 1982 he worked in the Business Office, but early on became interested in Native American traditional and fine arts and the culture and history of the Lakota people. In 1969 he helped organize the first annual Red Cloud Indian Art Show. He slowly began to build the collection of Native American art objects that eventually became the permanent collection of the Red Cloud Heritage Center.

As the years passed, he learned more and more about beauty seen through Lakota eyes. From 1982 until his death, Br. Simon devoted all his considerable talent and energy to building up both the Heritage Center and the Red Cloud Indian Art show. He stepped down as Director in 2004 but remained very active as Curator of the permanent collection. Over the years, Br. Simon helped any number of young Native American artists gain recognition.

He had a wide circle of friends and colleagues, both among the Lakota people of the Pine Ridge and elsewhere. He was active in a number of professional organizations, including the Native American Art Studies Association, the Northern Plains Indian Art Market, and the South Dakota Arts Council. Historians and art critics frequently consulted him in connection with research on the history of the Lakota people, Catholic missionary activity among the Lakota and contemporary Native American art. He had been a Jesuit brother for 47 years, and had served the Lakota people on the Pine Ridge for 42 years. He is mourned by his Jesuit brothers; his remaining three brothers, Eugene Simon and Jeremiah Simon, both of Spring Valley, MN, and Theodore Simon, Menomonie, WI; two sisters, Helen Eggler, Cameron, WI, and Ann Marie Heppleman, Bellechester, MN; and by the many, many people whose lives he touched in his passionate effort to make known the beauty of the Lakota people as this is reflected in their traditional and fine arts. A wake-visitation begins at 3 p.m. Wednesday, July 19 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Pine Ridge. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 20, at Holy Rosary Catholic Church north of Pine Ridge, with the Jesuit Fathers concelebrating. Interment will be at Holy Rosary Mission Catholic Cemetery. Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge. In leiu of flowers, gifts can be sent to the Br. C.M. Simon, S.J. Memorial Endowment Fund at The Heritage Center, Red Cloud Indian School, 100 Mission Drive, Pine Ridge, S.D. 57702-2100.

Gladys Josephine Ecoffey

PINE RIDGE - Gladys Josephine Ecoffey, 90, Pine Ridge, died Wednesday, July 12, in Pine Ridge.

Survivors include four daughters, Sissy Eagle Bull, Lindy Trueblood and Darrelyn "Tinky" Steele, all of Pine Ridge, and Gloria Goggles, Ethete, Wyo.; 13 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

A one night wake was Sunday, July 16, at Sacred Heart Catholic Hall in Pine Ridge. Funeral services were Monday, July 17, at Holy Cross Episcopal Church in Pine Ridge, with the Rev. Ben Tyon and the Rev. Larry Peterson officiating.

Burial was at Holy Cross Episcopal Cemetery in Pine Ridge. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Antoinette C. Black Bear

MANDERSON - Antoinette C. Black Bear, 47, Manderson, died Wednesday, July 12, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include two sons, Corwin Black Bear and Philip Black Bear, both of Manderson; two brothers, Antone Black Bear and James Black Bear, both of Manderson; one sister, Betty Black Bear, Manderson; and one grandchild. Wake services were July 16 at St. Agnes Catholic Hall, Manderson.

Funeral services were Tuesday, July 18, at St. Agnes Hall, with the Rev. Bill Pauly and Roberta Spencer officiating.

Burial will be at St. Agnes Catholic Cemetery in Manderson. Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Daryl Blaine Little

RED SHIRT TABLE - Daryl Blaine Little, 21, Red Shirt Table, died Wednesday, July 12, in Red Shirt Table.

Survivors include his parents, David Little Sr., Red Shirt Table, and Gloria Little-Mercado, Rapid City; three brothers, Eugene Little, Curtis Little and David Little Jr., all of Rapid City; and three sisters, Sophia Little and Stella Little, both of Rapid City, and Virginia Mercado, Prineville, Ore.

Wake services were Monday, July 17, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall in Oglala with the second night at Tuesday, July 18, at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Hall in Kyle.

Funeral services were Wednesday, July 19, at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Hall, with the Rev. Rob Kroll officiating.

Burial will be at St. Stephan's Catholic Cemetery in Kyle. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Elfrieda Christine Pourier Amiotte

RAPID CITY - Elfrieda Christine Pourier Amiotte, 79, Rapid City, died Friday, July 14, 2006, at Bennett County Health Care in Martin.

Survivors include three children, Patty Conroy, Batesland, Mike Amiotte Sr., Tucson, Ariz., and Robert Lieberman, Arizona; one sister, Ramona LaPointe, Rapid City; one brother, Ira Colhoff, Tucson; one stepsister, Ann Schreiner, Pine Ridge; two stepbrothers, Leonard Richards, Oregon, and LeRoy Richards, Pine Ridge; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Delbert Amiotte.

Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., with a 7 p.m. Rosary service, Tuesday, July 18, at Mother Butler Center in Rapid City with Deacon LeRoy DeCory officiating.

Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 19, at St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church in Rapid City, with Deacon LeRoy DeCory officiating.

Burial will be at a later date at Holy Rosary Catholic Cemetery in Pine Ridge.

Thelma M. Pourier

INTERIOR - Thelma M. Pourier, 74, Interior, died Tuesday, July 11, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Survivors include one son, Harold Pourier, Albuquerque, N.M.; one daughter, Tina Rowland, Sand Point, Idaho; one brother, Lionel Bordeaux, Mission; one sister, Mae Whirlwind Horse, Interior; nine grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

A memorial wake service was Friday, July 14, at Rockyford School.

Memorial services were Saturday, July 15, at the school, with the Rev. Bill Pauly officiating.

Burial was at Christ the King Catholic Cemetery in Porcupine. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Frank Cournoyer

SISSETON - Frank Cournoyer, 87, Sisseton and formerly of Fort Pierre, died Tuesday, July 11, at Tekawitha Nursing Home in Sisseton.

He served in the U.S. Navy from 1944 to 1946. Survivors include his wife, Joan Cournoyer, Sisseton; one brother, Charles, Lowell, Ind.; and two granddaughters, Rene and Leslie Dennett.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Luella Armell Cournoyer.

Funeral services were Tuesday, July 18, at Lutheran Memorial Church in Pierre. Inurnment will follow at Riverside Cemetery in Pierre.

Harlan Wade Red Elk

WANBLEE - Harlan Wade Red Elk, 35, Wanblee, died Tuesday, July 11, in Wanblee.

Survivors include four brothers, Roger Red Elk, Ernest Red Elk, Calvin Red Elk and Howard Red Elk, all of Wanblee, and three sisters, Lydia White Feather, Marlene Tools and Roselie "R.E." Little Thunder, all of Wanblee.

Wake services were Saturday, July 15, at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee.

Funeral services were Monday, July 17, at the school, with the Rev. Cordelia Red Owl officiating and traditional Lakota services by James Charging Crow Sr. Burial was at Gethsemane Episcopal Cemetery in Wanblee.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Jeanette V. Tallman

ALLEN - Jeanette V. Tallman, 55, Allen, died Tuesday, July 11, in Rapid City.

Survivors include two sons, David Tallman and Nathan Wounded Head, both of Allen; three daughters, LaTonya Ferguson, Kyle, and Pheobe Tallman and Delmarie Wounded Head, both of Allen; two brothers, Egan Longman and Darwin Longman, both of Allen; four sisters, Pheobe A. Tallman, Florence Shots, Lynore Longman and Wilma Tallman, all of Allen; and 15 grandchildren.

Wake services were Saturday, July 15, at Inestimable Gift Church in Allen.

Funeral services were Monday, July 17, at the church, with Daniel Makes Good officiating.

Burial was at Inestimable Gift Cemetery in Allen.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Antone Jay LaDeaux

GORDON, Neb. - Antone Jay LaDeaux, 6 weeks, Gordon, died Saturday, July 8, in Gordon.

Survivors include his father, Cameron LaDeaux, Gordon; his mother, Amanda Dawn, Alliance; one brother, Shane Dawn-LaDeaux, Alliance; one sister, Lena LaDeaux, Alliance; his maternal grandparents, Blaine Dawn and Gayle Brownlow, Alliance; and his paternal grandparents, John and Cleo No Leaf, Gordon.

A one night wake was Wednesday, July 12, at the Cameron LaDeaux home in Gordon.

A second-night wake was at Indian Mission Church of God in Alliance.

Funeral services were Friday, July 14, at the church, with the Rev. Don Mink officiating.

Burial was at Calvary Cemetery in Alliance. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT
Open June 28, 2006, review begins July 19, 2006
Job Title: Oyate Woableza Itipi Project Coordinator

Job Description: Works directly under the supervision of the Executive Director. Full-time position for three years only.

Qualifications: Documented success in similar position for at least three years. Prefer experience working in Indian country. Must have a valid driver's license.

Duties/Responsibilities:

Administration:
- Acts as a liaison between the staff and Executive Director.
- Coordinates all aspects of the projects
- Works with fiscal manager to monitor,track,and revise the budget, financial reports and draw downs.
- Prepares all reports in a timely and accurate manner
- Reports all information to the Executive Director
- Coordinates project internal evaluation
- Monitors and updates project goals and objectives
- Generally works with the Executive Director and the administrative team to bring the Lakota Funds to a high level of professionalism and performance.
- Other duties as assigned.

Personnel management:
- Assists in recruiting project personnel for all positions
- Supervises all project personnel
- Establishes and maintains training programs for new personnel
- Conducts project personnel evaluations, initiates and documents disciplinary action, reponds to personnel grievances, and dismisses personnel under ED supervision

Works closely with the Executive Director and financial manager for the project

Public Relations:
- Interacts with other organizations along with the ED as needed for project implementation
- Works with the ED and staff in developing reservation awareness and use of Lakota Funds

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ASK ANNA

Psychic - Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I am having a lot of problems and I need your advise. I have four babies and I am single I work at a place that doesn't pay to much and I am making ends meet and my ex is trying to get back with me and I don't know what to do.

I think about it sometimes because when I was with him I didn't have it so hard but I think about how jealous and stuff he is and I have another ex that I sometimes wish that we could make it but I know that there will be alot of outside trouble. I was thinking about going back to school but I think I don't have time to do that.

Do you see anything happen better in my future? Do you see me and my ex getting back together do you know which one I mean?

Dazed and confused

Dear Dazed and Confused:

The struggles you are having will not be resolved by going back to any of your exes. The same reasons that it did not work out then would happen again. I know how hard you have it financially - and how you want to be rescued.

Unfortunately, there is no prince charming that will bail you out. I know you don't think you have time to go to school - but each year you will be getting older, struggling harder without resolution until you get it together and go to school.

When you finally make up your mind to return to school you will see that you can make a good living when you complete a certification program. I see you finally organizing yourself to go into a medical technical program. It looks like it may be an x-ray tech certification program, or possibly a dental tech program (I see x-ray machines). You can go to school part time and still work 75 percent of the time.

There is more help for you economically when you go to school than if you do not go. Please change your financially dismal future by going back to school sooner than I see you going.

The path that I see you on is returning to your ex, going through the same struggles, crying and depression, and unfair stress on your children because of your struggles before you finally understand that the only person responsible enough to take care of you is you - so please don't delay and investigate financial help - a PELL grant and other subsidies and start taking care of your future. Good Luck and blessings to you.

Dear Anna,

I've read about you and the stories you write and heard stories about you. I read them every week, but what I want is to ask you for your help or what you see for me. Anyways I moved around alot (I've been in more that 14 placements) See I'm a foster kid and living with a very nice home but before this home I was in a treatment place for ten months.

I was placed there because my so called aunt didn't want me any more. You see I was with her and her family for almost three years and I became very attached. I really thought that that was my last move and that I would get adopted. I was accused of killing her pet dog and other stuff too, but this is what bothers me the most now, well I don't know if it's true but I was told that she don't want anything to do with me any more.

I still can't get over it. Are pets more important than family is? See I went to treatment and none of it helps because they made me believe that I did it and now people don't believe me anymore. The other thing is my biological mom had ten kids and she was an alcoholic and five or seven got put in foster care. What bothers me the most is that I only know two sisters and one brother. Where are the rest and will I ever see them?

Right now my mom is working on getting me and my older sister back. My other sister and brother are 19 and soon to be 18. My mom already got them. geez.....what do you see for me?

Tired of Homes

Dear Tired of Homes:

I do see you returning to your birth mother soon. Your aunt believes that you are responsible for the death of her dog, and yes, dogs are considered by many people to be equal members of a family.

Time is the only thing that will help your aunt heal her sorrow over her pet and remember that you are a loving being that searches for a place to belong and a loving home. She became afraid that if someone could harm a pet then they are also capable of harming a person.

It is time for you to let go of what happened with the dog, it no longer serves your life in any constructive way. I don't, quite honestly, see what happened there clearly, but "feel" as though it was almost a "blackout" situation - a complete shut down of consciousness due to fear; fear that you would lose your home. Life, especially in the form of pets, is to be honored and respected as they are loyal to their owners and do not hold grudges, they are an example of pure love and devotion. I see the Job Corps in your future - probably one located near Missoula, Mont. You will, over time be able to locate all of your brothers and sisters. Your mother is also searching and she is very determined to reunite her family.

I am so sorry that you have had such a rough life and also proud that you are trying so hard to be a good person and a strong man. You have had a rough time, and that rough time can either make you wise with compassion for all other living beings or mean and corrupt. You can use your experience to stay away from drugs and alcohol (because you know what they do) or as an excuse to drink and do drugs and end up in prison. It would be to your benefit to find a strong spiritual path, either a good interpreter man (medicine man) or a good church that is not filled with judgment. I ask that everyone that reads this to pray for you, and I will pray for you too.

You have a good heart and with a little love and understanding from others and from yourself you can grow up and help other children that have it so rough.

God be with you. You deserve a good life.

Dear Anna,

I have a question for you. Will my son's operation actually happen? He sustained an injury back in November of 2005 we went from doctor to doctor everyone with a different diagnosis and a time frame for healing. Finally, in April the neurologist said: You have done damage to the nerves (he didn't mention the extent) and they will probably heal in a couple of years. I asked if there was the possibility of surgery he didn't feel it would be beneficial and it would be costly and he didn't think medicaid would pay for it.

The diagnosis of two years didn't sit well with me, my son cannot wait two years!! So I got on-line and found a nerve specialist whom I sent my sons records for evaluation to see if he was a likely candidate.

Sure enough the next day he e-mailed me back and said yes he is and mentioned a time frame for effectiveness of the surgery (within a year) Now I've contacted the right people to help finance the surgery as Indian Health Service won't help with a DIME but we are waiting approval. I have been stressed for a month and a half I've been working on the project. Please give us some insight as hopefully next week we will be reading your response as my son leaves for his surgery. God Bless You; and please pray for us as I know your prayers are powerful.

Worried mom

Dear Worried Mom:

Please don't waste any time to call and write your Senators and Congress people. Make a loud plea. If you need to, got to Pierre and speak on your son's behalf in front of the legislature.

Also, please try the Shriner's Hospital. They may not be the place that handles this sort of thing but they can help direct you to who can help. The plea that I want to make at this time goes out loudly to the BIA, Congress, the Senate, and IHS.

When the treaty agreement was made for health service for the Indian people, it did not say "less-than" the rest of the population receives with good health insurance. It did not exclude permanent disability operations because maybe one part of the body is less-valuable or one person is less-valuable than any other part or person.

A child deserves to be whole, to have a good life, to be healthy, pain free and be able to have a life equal to any other child's life. Lower quality of health care is not acceptable, and lower quality of equipment, physician specialists, and expertise is not acceptable either.

I know, because of practicality, that it is not possible for every kind of specialist to be found and employed by IHS, but referral services need to be afforded. Where is the conscience of our country's leaders?

Each child needs to be treated as though that child were a Senator's child, a Congressman's child, or even the President's child.

It is a small price to pay for invading a country, conquering the people, and stealing their land. It is the price of conscience.

Please understand that the only way things will change is if each concerned person takes the time to make a plea and allows their voice to be heard. The people of the United States need to demand that whatever money is dedicated to war - an equal amount should be pledged to the health of our sacred children. I do see your son having the operation, therefore a way will be found.

I also offer the services of my business partner and myself to do healing work with your son (for free).

Please email your phone number. Ceremony will, I also see, help your son heal. I have already prayed for your son, and will continue to do that, especially hard in an Inipi. Mitakuysin

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests maybe subject to publication.

Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

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The Rez Firefighter (Peta Usniyapi)

By Beaux Beauvais



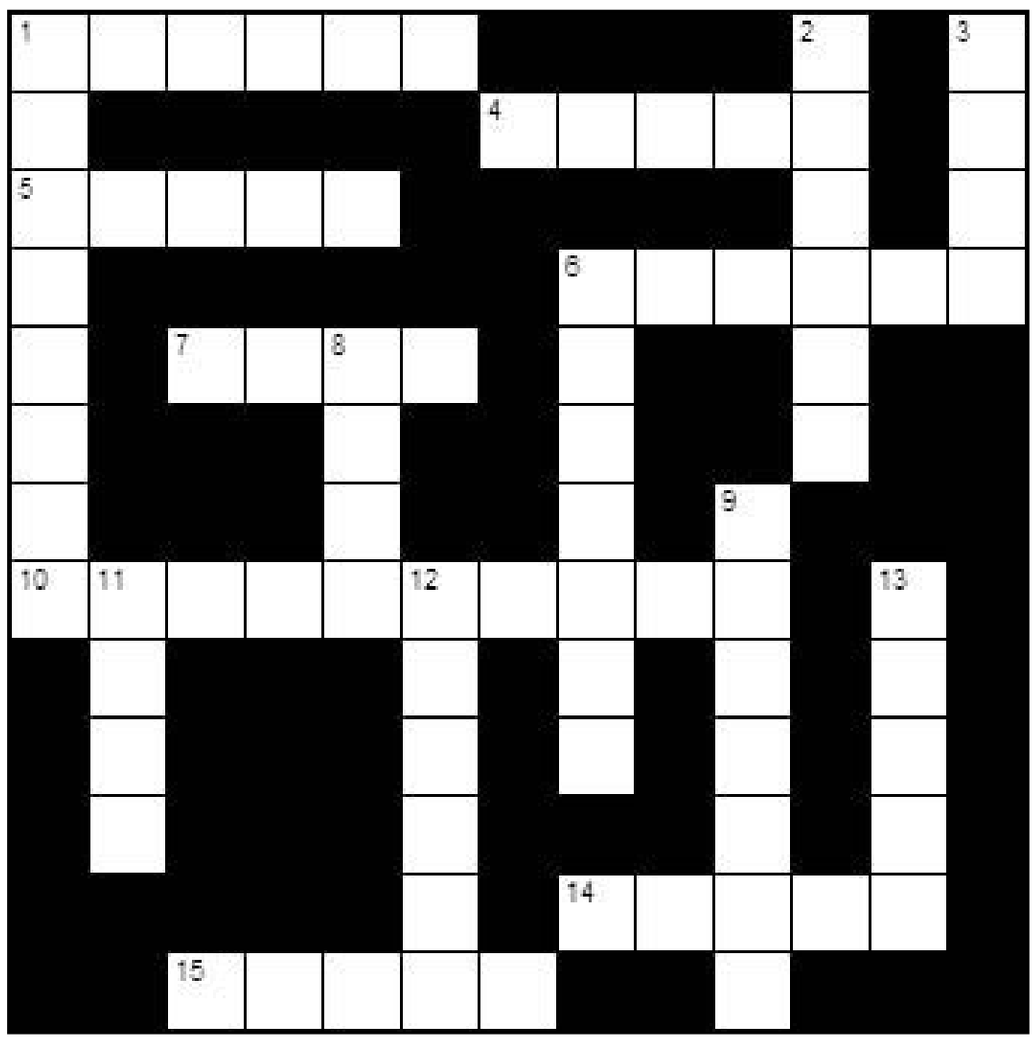
Frybread

By Thom Little Moon



Lakota Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)



Across

1. female to male cousin
4. stone
5. lost something
6. to fish
7. he or she is reading
10. nine
14. female to female friend
15. both

Down

1. eight
2. we are coming
3. male to male friend
6. in the morning
8. I live
9. male to female cousin
11. dawn
12. you all are here
13. cut something

The words for the Lakota Crossword Puzzle is from the text of *Everyday Lakota, An English-Sioux Dictionary for Beginners*.

Answers from last week's puzzle



LEGALS

LITTLE WOUND SCHOOL ADVERTISEMENT FOR ELECTION COMMITTEE
Box 500
Kyle, S.D. 57752

Please submit your credentials and identify experience in working with School Board Elections to Little Wound School Superintendent's office by August 1, 2006.

Little Wound School Policy and Procedure Manuals are out at the District CAP Offices for review.

Any comments please contact Linda Hunter, Superintendent at Little Wound School 455-6174.

INVITATION FOR BID FOR SURPLUS VEHICLES
Little Wound School
Box 500
Kyle, S.D. 57752

The Little Wound School Board is accepting bids on the following surplus vehicles:

(1)1999 Red Chevrolet Suburban, Model 1500, VIN#3GNF-K16RZXG262020, 175,355 miles. It needs a transfer case and possible exhaust work.

(1)1999 Red Chevrolet Suburban, Model 1500, VIN#1GNF-K16RZXJ560131, 185,457 miles. Doors are loose, they do not close right; possible exhaust work and the air conditioner is not working.

(1)1999 White Chevrolet Suburban, Model 1500, VIN#3GNF-K16ROXG271167, 229,337 miles. Possibly needs a fuel pump and exhaust work.

Vehicles will be sold as is. Minimum bid amount is $1,000. Vehicles can be seen at the Little Wound School Bus Garage.

Sealed bids will be opened and acted upon at the regular School Board meeting on August 7, 2006. Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities and to accept the bid that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound school.

Closing date for sealed bids is 2:00 pm on Thursday, July 27, 2006. Please submit bids in a sealed envelope marked "Vehicle Bid", clearly marked on outside of the envelope to the school business office or to the following address: Little Wound School, Paula Pourier, Business Manager, P.O. Box #500, Kyle, SD, 57752.

For more information you may contact Bill Clifford at (605) 455-6180 or Wesley "Chuck" Jacobs at (605) 455-2160.

Oglala Sioux Environmental Protection Program
INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Oglala Sioux Tribe's Office of Environmental Protection program is accepting bids from qualified contractors for the overall removal transportation and disposal of the following:

1. 20 liters of various hazardous chemicals stored in a fireproof cabinet in BIA Facilities Supply building, #162.
2. Removal and disposal of 1600 square feet of mold located in the CC Yards Housing #116. Mold exists on the first floor,bathroom,basement and stairway of unit.
3. Removal and disposal of 3200 square feet of mold located inthe CC Yards Housing #280 on first floor and basement.
4. Removal and disposal of asbestos floor tiles and sub flooring (so as not to expose mastic) in building #328, located on the Pine Ridge School Campus.

Bids must be submitted to the OST/EPP office by 4:30 M.T. on 07-14-06. The OST/EPP reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Removal and disposal information specifications will be available from the Oglala Sioux Tribe's Office of Environmental Protection Program. P.O. Box 2008, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, Office phone number is (605)867-5236.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Oglala Sioux Tribe, Pine Ridge, South Dakota is seeking bids from qualified firms for a 1.26 mile street reconstruction project on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, Bennett County, South Dakota. The project includes grading, drainage and asphalt surfacing on the following streets:

Project No. 53-10(2), Sunrise Housing Streets, Route 53 located in Martin, South Dakota.

The estimated price range for this project is $ 1,000,000 to $2,000,000.

Indian Preference will apply in accordance with the Provisions of Public Law 93-638 and all Laws, Codes and ordinances of the Oglala Sioux Tribe shall apply. For information contact:

OST TERO OFFICE 1-605-867-5167

OST TRIBAL TAX OFFICE 1-605-867-5821

Interested firms may request a copy of the plans and specifications by contacting the following offices.

OST Transportation Dept.
P.O. BOX 335
Pine Ridge, SD 57770
TELEPHONE: 1-605-867-5376
FAX: 1-605-867-1737

Dakota Engineering
330 Knollwood Dr.
P.O. BOX 3416
Rapid City, SD 57709
TELEPHONE: 1-605-721-5553
FAX: 1-605-721-5575

Any questions regarding the plans and specification may be directed to personnel at Dakota Engineering.

Special Provisions

1. The Oglala Sioux Tribal Transportation Code and the Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance must be complied with.
2. The Oglala Sioux Tribe requires a 5% Bid Bond or Cashier's Check or Money Order to be attached to all bids. Bids received without a 5% Bid Bond or Cashier's Check or Money Order will be considered non-responsive.
3. Tribal licenses and all applicable taxes will be included in the bid items.
4. 4% TERO fees shall not be included in this bid as they will be paid to TERO by Oglala Sioux Tribe Transportation (Contractor). All other tribal fees, permits and taxes shall be included in the bid items and shall be paid by the Subcontractor. Wages paid to personnel working on the project shall be in accordance with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Prevailing Wages dated January 1, 2003 or the Davis-Bacon wage rates dated June 16, 2006, whichever is the highest rate.
5. A performance bond and a payment bond will be required (these shall be for 100% of the bid amount).
6. This project will be constructed in accordance with Standard Specifications for Construction of Roads and Bridges on Federal Highway Projects, FP-03, 2003.
7. The Oglala Sioux Tribe reserves the right to reject or negotiate any portion of the bid.
8. The Oglala Sioux Tribe will be the prime contractor with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and these bids are for a Sub-Contract with the Oglala Sioux Tribe.

This is considered a Fixed Price Contract. Terms in this subcontract stated as contractor shall also apply to the subcontractor.

Note: This solicitation includes a Native American Preference. If a Native American contractors bid is within 5% higher than a non-Native American contractor's bid, the contract may be awarded to the Native American contractor. Firms or individuals seeking such preference must submit evidence of Indian ownership and control.

Sealed bids to perform the work must be clearly marked as "Sealed Bids for Sunrise Housing Streets, No. 53-10(2)" and received at the following address no later than 4:00 PM on Monday, July 24, 2006 (MDT). Facsimile bids will not be accepted and bids received after this time and date will be considered non-responsive:

DAKOTA ENGINEERING, ATTENTION - GARY HEEZEN
330 KNOLLWOOD DRIVE, P.O. BOX 3416, RAPID CITY, SD 57709

Bids shall be publicly opened at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, July 25, 2006 (MDT) at the Oglala Sioux Tribe Property and Supply Office in Pine Ridge, SD.

Oglala Sioux Tribe
NOTICE OF AUCTION

The Oglala Sioux Tribe will be hosting an auction on July 22, 2006 at the Department of Water Maintenance Yard, 1 1/2 miles East of Pine Ridge, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Some of the items include program vehicles.

The Oglala Sioux Tribe reserves the right to refuse any non-responsive bid.

For more information, please contact the OST Property and Supply Department for Doreen Two Bulls, Cherise LeBeaux or Richard Randall at 605-867-2396, 867-5821 ext. 275 or 605-867-5984.

Shannon County School Board Meeting
June 30,2006
Minutes

The Shannon Country School Board held a special meeting on Friday, June 30,2006, via conference call for the purpose of certifying election results of the June 13, 2006 school board meeting. President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m.

Members present: Angie Eagle Bull, Todd O'Bryan, Melvin Cummings

Members absent: Laticia DeCory, Ruth Cummings

Others present: MaDonna Cummings, Business Manager, Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

6343: Certification of Election Results The Business manager presented the board with results of the election, as follows: Chuck Conroy, 93 votes; Gerald Big Crow, 73 votes; Joe Corrisette, 57 votes; tom Vaughn, 70 votes; Angie Eagle Bull, 112 votes; William L. Lone Hill, 46 votes; and Sharon Cuny Martin 40 votes. Motion by M. Cummings to certify the election results. Motion carried.

Adjournment: President Eagle bull adjourned the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

Signed MaDonna Peterson
Business Manager

Minutes

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Request for Proposals

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing ("OSLH") is requesting a proposal for Attorney Services. Attorney will act as General Counsel for OSLH and will assist OSLH in meeting compliance requirements including but not limited to policy, ordinance, and occupancy agreement development, staff and Board training, development and review of contract documents, and other services as deemed necessary.

OSLH is the Tribally Designated Housing Entity for the Oglala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, located in South Dakota. OSLH manages approximately 392 Mutual Help and Occupancy Units and 1150 Low-Rent Units constructed under the Housing Act of 1937 ("37 Act") and 45 Lease Purchase Units constructed under the Indian Housing Block Grant program developed pursuant to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act ("NAHASDA"). OSLH operates under a budget in excess of nine million dollars per year.

The work to be performed under the proposal is on a project subject to section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e(b) and section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968. Section 7(b) required that to the greatest extent feasible (1) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indian organization and Indian-owned Economic enterprises. All entities submitting proposals and claiming Indian Preference must include documentation satisfactory to show that they are Indian owned. Section 3 requires that to the greatest extent feasible opportunities for training and employment be given to lower income residents of the project area and contracts for work in connection with the project be awarded to business concerns that are located in, or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the areas of the project. All subcontracts executed between the proposer and its subcontractors, if any, also are subject to those provisions and language requiring such compliance will be included in all subcontracts.

In addition to the SS7(b) and 3 compliance requirements, the successful proposer must comply and ensure subcontractor compliance with the Copeland Act Requirements(29 C.F.R.Part 3); 24 C.F.R. part 85 Certifications, including but not limited to mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency contained in the state energy conversation plan issued in compliance with the energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub.L. 94-163), and HUD requirements related to reporting patent rights, and/or copyrights and other rights to data; HUD procurement regulations; OSLH Procurement Policy; and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations.

the selection of a qualified attorney will be based on the following evaluation criteria with established point rating for each category:

1. 20 points: Past successful performance and experience providing services to Indian Housing Authorities under the 37 Act and to TDHEs after the adoption of NAHASDA.

2. 20 points: Capacity and experience in providing policy and ordinance development. Interested firms must submit a sample procurement and personnel policy.

3. 20 points: Experience in providing staff and Board training in NAHASDA-related issues.

4. 10 points: Experience and professional qualifications of key personnel including specialized skills, project coordination, management skills, and experience in working together as a team.

5. 10 points: Specialized experience and technical competence (including fiscal capacity) of the firm. The firm and/or its attorneys should have had a minimum of fifteen (15) years experience with projects of this type. Volume and nature of present workload and availability of additional personnel and consultants to accelerate services required, if necessary.

6. 5 points: Indian Preference. Pursuant to S 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, 25 U.S.C. '450e(b), points shall be given for Indian ownership and participation, and/or evidence that a proposing firm is committed to the hiring of and does hire persons enrolled in federally recognized tribes, descendants of members of federally recognized tribes, or persons who are actively involved in the Indian community.

7. 5 points: Minority Preference. Pursuant to Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. ' 170lu, points shall be given to minority-owned firms, including women-owned firms, and firms that show evidence of commitment to hiring minorities and women.

8. 5 points: Cost, based on hourly rates.

9. 5 points: Because of fluctuating needs in Indian housing and demands for changes in NAHASDA, the firm must exhibit capacity to represent OSLH's interests in Washington D.C.

Inquiries related to submittal of proposals may be addressed to Ken Lone Elk, OSLH Executive Director at (605)867-5161. Proposers shall submit an original and four (4) copies of the proposal in a sealed envelope clearly marked Proposal for Attorney Services. All proposals shall be submitted to Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing, Attn: Ken Lone Elk, P.O. Box 603, East Hwy 18, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, and received no later than 4:30 p.m. on August 17, 2006. Proposals not received by that time and date shall be rejected. OSLH reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive any and all deficiencies.

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Hope you have a
Good Day!
From your
Family

Happy Birthday to our grandma in Heaven,

Velma Rose Janis on July 24, 2006

Happy Birthday Grandma, we love you and wish you were here with us, we know you are watching us from Heaven, we think about you everyday and wish yo didn't have to leave so soon. We were so blessed to have you in our lives, grandma we are all growing up now Shanay is in High School now and mom got her a car, Jordan is in 2nd grade not and he is really smart, and I'm going into 4th grade, we wish you wee here to watch us grow up. Just keep watching over us you're our Guardian Angel now, take care of Baby Everett for us. We miss both of yo so much, Happy birthday Grandma
Love always
Shantay Rose, Shanay Rose, and Jordan Rashawn

Happy Birthday to my beautiful daughter Shantay Rose Janis on July 21, 2006. You're 9 years old already, you're growing up so fast. I remember all the fun times I had watching you grow up, all the crazy things you did and the funny things you said. You always put a smile on your grandma's face. I'm glad you had a grandma in your life that cared for you and always took up for you, you have a lot of people in your life that love you very much so always remember that, love you always and 4-ever. Happy Birthday
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Happy Birthday to
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Have fun on your day and I hope you enjoy it.
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Memorial Birthday Wishes
Happy 1st birthday in heaven to a special little boy, Baby Everette, it's been ayear since you left us, you were only a month old, but a lot of people loved you, I'll never forget the first time I saw you and held you in my arms, you were this tiny little guy with the biggest eyes I fell in love with you from that moment on. The day you left us was so sad, I'll never forget seeing you like that, you looked like a little angel sleeping, every day I think about you and when I get lonesome I go visit you at your grave. Today you would have been 1 year old, you would have been walking and talking, but God had other plans for you, now you are his special angel. Now you're in heaven at grandma's house, you will always be remembered and I will always love you and treasure the short time I had you in my life.
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Bans attack dogs from reservation

Attempt to terminate Chief Judge fails, hearing set for Friday

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - On Tuesday, the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council used a two thirds vote to add the question of filling the vacant vice president's position to the agenda and just after the lunch break, voted 11-1 to fill the vacancy with Eileen Janis, the second highest vote getter for vice president in the 2004 tribal election.

"We are not leaving this position empty one more day," said Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge Village, "We need a person here at the Red Cloud building on a day to day basis, Alex has been focusing a great deal on Bear Butte and is not always in the office."

Janis, a single parent with two boys, is a past tribal council representative from Pine Ridge and in the last administration served as assistant treasurer to Dave Rabbit. Janis was the top vote getter in the primary election in 2005 for vice president then lost to Alex White Plume in the general.

After impeaching Cecelia Fire Thunder as tribal president and moving White Plume into the presidency on June 29 in Porcupine, the council voted to leave the vice president's position vacant for the remainder of the term. During a special session of the tribal council on July 13 in Pine Ridge, the council passed a resolution to refer the decision on the vice president's position to the OST Supreme Court on an initiative from Lyle Jack, council rep from Pine Ridge.

During a flurry of motions that flooded the council floor in the council chambers in the Red Cloud building, Ruth Brown, council rep from Wanblee and Eagle Nest



Eileen Janis

District, demanded that the council terminate the services of Lisa Adams, the OST chief judge and black ball past chief judge and current private attorney, Robert Grey Eagle.

"At this time we do not have separation of powers and when the tribal council makes a decision as we did with the past tribal president then that's it, the chief judge and the tribal court have no business over ruling us or bringing us into court," said Brown; "we are tribal government and the council has the final say."

When Brown's motion finally hit the floor, no one could remember

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Three couples celebrate 60 years

60th wedding anniversaries, getting more rare by the year

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - On Saturday, July 8 just outside of Pine Ridge Village, family and friends gathered to honor two couples who were celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary, Vincent and Alvina Brewer and Seth and Frieda Irving.

On June 17 George and Carol Drapeaux also celebrated their 60th anniversary.

"It was just awesome," said Frieda Brewer, Vincent and Alvin's daughter who was named after Frieda Irving, "All of the kids planned it out and coordinated the event, it was really special."

Frieda, Bryan, Joy, Vincent Jr., Harold and Allie worked with Jodene Smith, Seth and Frieda's daughter to put the special event together.

"It was all about family and in both families the focus was about the family not going out to the bar and partying, it was about doing things with each other and the children," said Frieda, "They went hunting and fishing together and with the children when they were old enough, canned and dried corn and we all went out as a family over the weekend. We went to the badlands and roasted hot dogs, they made it fun for everyone."





Three couples who were married 60 years are (Left) standing: Seth and Frieda Irving and sitting is Vincent and Alvina Brewer. Photo courtesy of Jerry Matthews. (Right) Carol and George Drapeaux of Martin.

Vincent Brewer, 80, worked all of his life as a police officer and criminal investigator, ran the Honor Farm, was Housing director, and served as both associate and chief judge and retired while Alvina worked in the dormitory at Oglala Community school and retired after 30 years as the dorm manager.

"They were kind to each other, there was respect for one another," Frieda said, "Now don't get me wrong, they had their disagreements, I remember when mom got really mad and she said you take the boys and I'll take the girls you so and so - I made her mad when I said I wanted to go with my dad, but they always found a way to work it out because they were real-

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TWO SECTIONS

RST says no to beer sales at fair

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - During the RST tribal council meeting on Thursday, July 20 and aired over KINI FM, the council addressed a number of issues related to the upcoming annual Rosebud Fair.

They turned down beer sales permit and heard the RST tribal president read a statement that a suit against BBC Entertainment that was ruled against the tribe earlier was reversed.

Representative Stephanie Herseth will apparently attend the fair as it is her election year, according to comments by RST president Rodney M. Bordeaux.

The rest of the congressional delegation has been invited as well as the Governor.

The tribal building had also been the object of a "bomb threat" as tribal employees could be seen waiting outdoors for a half hour while Rosebud Law Enforcement Services cleared the building.

The RST tribal council debated the merits of making alcohol sales legal. Rosebud community brought a resolution to approve beer sales at the annual Rosebud Fair. Antelope council representative Robert Moore went on record as being opposed to such alcohol sales. He noted that there are many elders and children walking around at the fair.

Marion Young-One Star said that approving alcohol sales would necessitate more security in the event the beer sales are allowed. Rosebud council representative Fern Bordeaux-Boltz said that the community wanted to present a resolution banning all 'dance permits' in the boundaries of Rosebud community. She cited several incidences of gang fights, and violence from dances that had gone on longer than approved.

Moore said "The law and order code says it is against the law for public consumption"

The motion to sell beer at the Rosebud Fair with ten percent going to Rosebud Community was presented and the roll call vote was 4 yes and 10 no and the motion was defeated.

Rosebud community member, Cliff Marshall, addressed the council. He said "Think before you speak…,I submitted our application and $1,800 will go to the tribe and the community can have 10 percent. The dances are not gang-related or knock down fights. I want you guys to reconsider so we can get our permit. We have our own security. No disrespect to the guy up behind us. I have been watching him for 15 years."

The tribal council apparently was facing deficit funding for the Rosebud Fair budget and were discussing ways in which to cut items previously added to the budget or discussed levying fees in order increase the budget, i.e. stock fees. They discussed removing the cost for committee member jackets. Council representative, Steve Denoyer of Okreek said "If you want to take out the jackets for those who do hard work then contract it out."

Denoyer said. "We turned in $16,000 to the tribe last year (ball tournament.) Nobody is looking at that. The revenue brought in. Take a look from last year, instead of cutting. We can guarantee we can bring in over $10,000. We can't pass a budget with a deficit as Ken LaDeaux said. No reason to be nitpicking about star quilts, light bulbs, it is

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Saturday and Sunday, July 29 and 30 at Crazy Horse Park in Manderson

Regular Session/OST Council
Monday, Tuesday, July 31 and Aug. 1 in the council chambers of the Red Cloud building in Pine Ridge.

Summit of Nations
Tuesday through Friday, Aug. 1-4 at Bear Butte, hosted by the Black Hills Sioux Nation Treaty Council.

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20th Annual He Sapa Wacipi Na Oskate
Oct. 6-8 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City, championship powwow, fine arts and games.

Additional Indigenous gold medal games winners

DENVER, COLO. - Austin Sanchez, 165 lbs in the juvenile class won gold in boxing for Team South Dakota as listed in their official website www.naig.com.

According to Annie Ferguson, her son James Dean Ferguson, 145 lbs in the men's class also won gold and was featured in the *Denver Post*. James' mother and aunt had made him a warm up robe with the name "Destroyer" and it apparently was unique as he was the only boxer to wear a robe.

Team South Dakota finished with ten medals in boxing and a total of 39 medals overall at last count, unofficially.

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who had seconded it and no one volunteered to provide a second until Ruth's colleague from Eagle Nest district, Tom Poor Bear, made the second. Citing Section 19, political interference in the court, Craig Dillon, council rep from LaCreek, led a delegation off the floor of the council refusing to participate in the discussion or vote. When the vote was finally run, Brown's motion failed, two in favor and eleven against.

Although tensions ran high during a good portion of the council meeting, emotions of every council representative in the room were tugged at as young Braedon Rodriguez and his mother Em Fills the Pipe presented a proposed Braedon's Law for consideration by the tribal council.

"Three years ago, my son was five years old and was driving a four wheeler in a field north of Sharp's Corner, the vehicle ran out of gas and a short while later, a pregnant female pit bull pulled Braedon off the four wheeler and started to maul him; a short time later, a male pit bull joined in and started to maul my son," said Fills The Pipe; "by the time the dogs were pulled off my son, he was ripped and bleeding from his head, shoulders and back and it took more than 200 stitches to close up the wounds and several surgeries over the last three years to repair the damage. Nothing ever happened to the dogs or to the owners and Braedon is here today to support legislation to protect children and adults from dog attacks in the future."

After an emotional discussion, the council voted unanimously, 14-0 to ban pit bulls, Rottweilers and Doberman pinschers from Pine Ridge reservation and provided criminal penalties for those who own dogs who bite, attempt to bite or attack individuals. The law goes into effect in 30 days giving current dog owners time to comply with the new legislation.

Michael Fairbanks, a member of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa and a past BIA superintendent on Pine Ridge from 1985-1991, addressed the council and stated that he would be willing to come out of retirement to return to Pine Ridge as a BIA superintendent. The council voted 15-0 with two not voting to request the BIA to support this action.

The council vote 14-0 to accept the resignation of Jane Colhoff as juvenile judge and temporarily appoint Sydney Witt to take her place and 14-0 to advertise the position for 30 days. By a vote of 11-3, the council amended the charter of Lakota Oyate Wakanyeja Owicakiyapi from a four year duration to a perpetual duration.

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ly all about the family. That was the bottom line."

Three couples within weeks of celebrating their 60th anniversaries, that is something, it is going to get more and more rare for that to happen, added Frieda.

"People have lost respect, there is just pure no respect today," said Brewer, "No respect for themselves and for others and I don't know if parents revere their children today as my parents did raising all of us."

Another thing, it seemed that my dad and uncle Seth seemed to enjoy it so much, they couldn't quit talking about it and sharing it with their family and friends, it was just so awesome, concluded Frieda Brewer, a very proud adult child of parents married for 60 years.

George and Carol Drapeaux of Martin celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on June 17 at the Fort Randall Casino with an open house with family and friends. They were married on March 29, 1946.

The live in Martin and are originally from the Yankton Reservation and have five boys and two girls. Their children are George Jr. from Yankton, Roger from Alaska, Danny from Iowa, Brian from Pierre and Jason from Martin. Their daughters are Monica Drapeaux-Misher of Maryland and Suzanne Blue Star Boy of Washington, D.C. They have 16 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren.

They have lived in Martin for 16 years.

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absurd. We need to look at what we have before we start cutting."

After discussion was completed on the fair budget, there was a motion to re-consider and amend RST resolution 05-254. The fair budget resolution was approved with 12 for and 0 opposed. The budget was approved and set for the 2006 RST Fair and Rodeo.

St. Francis council representative Patsy Valandra made a second motion that would have given the RST Fair Board and Special Events, if approved, a permit to conduct beer sales and the tribe would retain all profits. The motion was seconded by James Henry and questioned by Mike Crow Eagle. The motion was defeated by a margin of 9 no votes and 4 yes votes.

Denoyer said, "It's been a long time since a fatality at the fair. If that happens we are going to catch it here. We don't need to add fuel to the fire."

RST president Bordeaux then read a statement, "RST won a reversal against BBC Entertainment. It was filed against BBC Entertainment which is owned by Charles Colombe. The $415,000 that was paid to BBC in 1999 from casino funds. In a trial in RST court B.J. Jones ruled against the tribe. He said the tribe was not entitled.

The tribe appealed to the tribal Supreme Court and in an order and opinion dated July 26 the tribal Supreme Court reversed and vacated Jones ruling and remanded the case back to tribal court. The tribe was represented by RST Attorney General, Dana Hanna and attorney Judith Shapiro of Washington, D.C."

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Justina George, of Basketball Divas protects the ball from a defender on the Lady Wild Cats during the championship game of the Native American Basketball Invitational. Photo by David Calvert/The Arizona Republic.

S.D. Divas take second in Phoenix

PHOENIX - Keisha Brewer, Lacy Weston, Christian Janis and Marque Lunderman wrapped up the midget girls championship and grabbed the gold medal in the North American Indigenous Games on Friday in Denver and on Saturday they left for Phoenix where they led the South Dakota Basketball Divas to the championship game of the Native American Basketball Invitational at the U.S. Airways Arena where they lost to the Northern Navajo Lady Cats 53-51 on a buzzer beating shot.

With little time to rest, the Divas opened pool play on Monday with a 64-50 win over the New Mexico Lady Chiefs, added an 84-53 win over the Arizona Lady Wildcats and finished pool play undefeated with a 62-53 win over Salt River. Sadie In the Woods and Robyn Webber played for the Team South Dakota juvenile girl's team and along with Sophia Janis rounded out the Divas lineup.

Out of 31 girls teams entered the top 16 entered the single elimination tournament on Thursday. The SD Basketball Divas ended up with the number six seed and faced Comanche Nation out of Oklahoma in the first game. Down 38-22 at the half, the Divas stormed back to win it 69-64 with Keisha Brewer knocking down 21 points, Lacey Weston added 14, Sadie In the Woods helped with 12.

"This tournament was just awesome, the girls really did well," said Monica Weston, Lacey's mother and half of the coaching team with Will Good Eagle, "We had some easy games in the pool play but in the tournament, they were all tough."

In the quarterfinals in the arena, the Divas clobbered the Rez Girls 84-59 with Brewer leading the way with 25 points, Sadie chipped in 21, Webber added 14 and Weston helped with 12. It was the Lady Eagles in the semis and the Divas proved too strong on the front line as they won the right to play in the championship game 58-46. Weston was the high scorer with 17 points, Brewer tossed in 16 and In the Woods added 10.

In the championship game, the Divas were up at the half over the Lady Cats 32-28 in a game that saw the lead go back and forth throughout the entire game. Down by two with 16 seconds left in the game, Sadie was fouled and calmly went to the line and sank both shots to tie the game at 51 all. After two blocks by In the Woods, Good Eagle felt it was going into overtime but Talisha Joe came off of a double screen on top and as she was falling down put up a last second shot that gave the Lady Cats the championship.

"We struggled holding Joe down the first half as she scored 13 but in the second half we played a box and one and put our youngest player on her, Christian Janis and she held her to four points," said Good Eagle, "the game could have gone either way, the girls played great and next to LNI, it was the best tournament I've ever been in."

Weston finished with 18 points, Brewer added 16 and Webber helped with nine. In The Woods and Brewer were named to the all tourney team.

"When the championship game started, the Lady Cats had a lot of fans and we probably had about eight fans," said Monica Weston, "by the end of the game many of the fans had started cheering for us and Diana Taurasi, an all star from the Phoenix Mercury, was cheering for us and really enjoyed the play of Sadie and her shot blocking impact. At first the girls were getting nervous but Sadie calmed them down and told everyone it was just like playing in the Lakota Nation in Rapid City at the civic center."

Brewer and Weston arrived in Australia on Tuesday this week and will be participating in the Down Under Bowl basketball tourney, Brewer will be a junior at Pine Ridge this year and Weston will be a sophomore. Webber will be a senior and Sophia Janis will be a sophomore while Christian will be a freshman, all at Pine Ridge. Sadie In The Woods will be a freshman at Duke University this fall and Lunderman is set for her sophomore year at Red Cloud.

$8 billion settlement appears close on Indian trust lawsuit

WASHINGTON, DC - American Indians suing the government over billions of dollars in lost royalties say they are contemplating an offer by members of Congress to resolve their lawsuit for $8 billion.

The offer is considerably lower than the $27.5 billion plaintiffs offered to settle for a year ago. But plaintiffs say they are considering it seriously, bringing them closer than ever to ending the lawsuit, which has bogged down the Interior and Justice departments for 10 years.

``Eight billion dollars is something I wish was higher, but I'm glad they were able to bring something forward that was equitable,'' the lead plaintiff, Blackfeet Indian Elouise Cobell, said in an interview. ``Can we ever get near the total fair amount that should be given to individual Indians? I don't think so. I think individual Indian account holders would support $8 billion.''

Cobell filed the class-action lawsuit in 1996, accusing the government of mishandling more than $100 billion in oil, gas, timber, grazing and other royalties from Indians' lands dating back to 1887.

In what has become a messy, protracted court battle, the plaintiffs have won a series of district court victories. U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth held interior secretaries Bruce Babbitt and Gale Norton in contempt and ordered the Interior Department to disconnect its computers from the Internet to secure Indian trust data.

But the plaintiffs were dealt a blow earlier this month when the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit ordered Lamberth removed from the case, saying he had lost his objectivity.

Plaintiffs offered a settlement package last year, and Senate Indian Affairs Committee Chairman John McCain, R-Ariz., and House Resources Committee Chairman Richard Pombo, R-Calif., have introduced bills that would resolve the case.

But the settlement amount has been a sticking point.

Cobell and one of her attorneys, Keith Harper, said Monday that officials for the two committees suggested the $8 billion figure almost three weeks ago.

Spokespeople for McCain and Pombo said they could not comment on the settlement and that committee meetings to work out the details would be held in the next two months.

Interior Department spokesman Shane Wolfe said department officials are continuing to work with the plaintiffs, but he also declined to talk about specifics.

Cobell said the Indian plaintiffs want to settle and move on.

``A settlement is a way of moving forward to get justice to the many Indian account holders who are elderly and in need of justice,'' Cobell said Monday.

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OPINION PAGE

Our Views

Living in a drive thru era of relationships

This week, we focus on three couples that spent that spent 60 years together, that is more than 180 years of experience in relationship. How rare of an occurrence is that today and how rare will it be for us to see it in the future.

We congratulate the three couples as they celebrate that milestone. The couples are Vincent and Alvina Brewer, Seth and Frieda Irving and George and Carol Drapeaux.

We seem to live in a McDonald's Drive thru era of relationships, at the first time of trouble in a relationship, we split, we do not seem to be able to sit down and work things out. Why don't we invest in relationships anymore and what impact does that have on our children today and our overall society. How many children are being raised without a father?, How many without a mother? And what impact does that have on the children nd our overall society?

Lakota society is like many other collective communities across our global village.

There are desirable qualities and characteristics which we all wished we could emulate. We all know Lakota couples who have managed to stay together for decades and wished we had the wisdom to know what that magic something is.

For certain, we know that as the foundation of family and Lakota society, such couples have endured because they worked very hard.

Somewhere in their lifetime they also witnessed the good role modeling that someone else demonstrated to them as an example of longevity and integrity in a relationship.

Some couples say they never go to bed angry or that there are no secrets held between them. Whatever the ingredients that create that certain magic, the lessons that we learned from that are no longer being retained by contemporary society.

Young Lakota people appear to spiral through this 'drive through' type of mentality when it comes to creating a solid foundation for family. "Drive through' meaning that in our 'throw away' society everything is disposable and that same notion extends to marriage and long lasting relationships. Relationship counseling and therapy has surely progressed over the last 40 years and gotten more sophisticated in its approach, however, the availability of such services are limited on the reservation.

What if such counseling needs had the same weight and emphasis as drug and alcohol counseling?

If agencies were to view relationship and family therapy equally as important, the *tawahi* would have a greater chance to succeed and it would be a signal to our younger Lakota that they, indeed, should be the foundation of the contemporary societal demands that are now confronting Lakota life.

Too many times, people find themselves unable to reconcile with those they were attempting to build a foundation with and this in turn might lead to new families with new moms and dads. Such families are now called 'blended families' and sometimes called *wojapi* present a new challenge for all involved.

There is a severe need for strong, traditional family structures for our children to feel secure and wanted.



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Things to empower yourself

Are you a taker or a giver?



By Patty Pourier

There is an old board game called "LIFE." Many of you may have played it. The objective of the game is to get the most you can. Relationships are really nothing in the game, except to get what you can out of them. The one with the most toys wins. The game is based on self-ishness and self-reliance. It's all about "ME" mentality. It's about MY money. It's about what I can get for MY family. It is a game called life that is about ME, ME, ME.

There is no sacrifice for others in this game. There can be words of kindness, but they are never followed through with action. In other words, like in real life, it really isn't the thought that counts, but the action that follows the thought that really counts.

Selfish thoughts behind actions to get what you want is called manipulation. Do you sit and think about "if I act out this, or if I do that, then they will do _____or feel that way and I will get I want. This is manipulation of others to get your own selfish desires. It's the all about me mentality. Some of us even set it up - using a series of actions to set up a manipulation "play" to get what we want. In the game of manipulation it appears we sacrifice nothing. But this in not true.

We sacrifice a lot to get what we want. We sacrifice the love of a brother or sister to get or to try to manipulate to get what we want. When what you want has to focus on others and others actions, this is manipulation to receive what you want. It can be big or little.

Seeing others try manipulation after manipulation to get what they want, at any cost is prevalent today on a huge basis. Sometimes we have done things in the past we wish we wouldn't have, and the outcome of those actions resulted in something we don't like. Then in the game of life we have a choice, to repent, admit our wrongs, and accept the consequences of the bad behavior, or set up manipulation to get what you want. Again, "it's all about ME."

Have you ever noticed the person with a guilty conscience or selfish motives, always tries to focus on the other persons behavior, rather than their own. This is the first sign of manipulation with guilt.

Honest relationship with equal desire for the well being of all involved- not just themselves or their immediate family, their district, their tribe, their race or their country, is in short supply today. Few stop to think of the bigger picture. That when they manipulate to get what they want, they are really taking the freedom of another to do what they have the right to do.

Being a long term loving, unselfish, not manipulative friend or brother, is a reward above all monetary rewards you could have. They are relationships that last that are more precious than gold.

It really is not the thought that counts. It is the action behind the thought that counts. For instance, a cowboy comes home from roping and says, "Honey I thought about bringing you home a bouquet of flowers today." She responds with pleasantries. The next week same thing…cowboy goes roping…comes home…says he thought about bringing home flowers to his wife…third week same thing. The fourth week, same thing----the thought of bringing home flowers isn't going to go far, the action of bringing home flowers is probably the ONLY thing that what will count at this point.

Giving and accepting of another's heart is rewarding. That is EQUALLY giving and taking. Not about "what can I get out of this?" that is the thought of an unhealthy thinker. Giving and taking, allowing others freedom to make choices they have the right to make without trying to manipulate the outcome, is healthy thinking. Thinking about other people, giving to other people. Life that is not about ME, ME, ME and what I WANT is healthy thinking.

Self-reliance, the thought of not needing anyone, I am the end all and be all of all-not needing others is not a fulfilling life.

Life is not about getting all we can. We need to practice not being selfish and arrogant. It is hard to change. It is not fun. It is a sacrifice. It is self-sacrifice. It does not come naturally to most people.

Start to practice and think thoughts of humility, love, and gentleness. But just as mentioned above, it is not the thought that counts. These actions must be put into practice. And for most of us that is exactly what it will take, practice, practice, practice. Sitting down and playing a piece of music one time one a piano does not produce beautiful music. But given a mediocre pianist and enough practice, and a lovely piece of music can be played.

Beautiful people and relationships are not produced by one or two unselfish acts, but many over a period of time. Start by asking yourself; honestly, are you a taker or a giver? Do you think of yourself and your feelings before all others?

As odd as this may sound, the hardest people to be selfless with are our families and those closest to us. Start with your school, your district government, your sun dance group, and then go on to your family.

Sacrifice and practice can start to make broken relationships heal. Manipulation can break strong people. It's your choice. Choose to win at YOUR "Game of Life".

Other Views

Totally disgusted at adult males for living with parents

Dear Editor:

I'm totally disgusted with the adult male population on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Whatever happened to Native American adult male values, his ethical standards, and his pride?

How could a so called Native man, his old lady and kids live off AFDC welfare monthly checks or even B.I.A. Grant, and to boot still live with this man's parents, this is embarrassing, to be in your 20s, 30s and 40s and still live with your parents.

I know individuals in the Porcupine District in Porcupine, S.D. who have college degrees and yet still live with their parents. Grow up!!.

I've had relatives of mine who lived off the Rez and had a great paying job, made really good money, weekly.

After a month or two, guess what?

They quit their jobs, packed up their belongings and went back to the rez because they were homesick and they thought everybody missed them, what a joke.

In my own opinion, every Native American individual has the potential to become what they want to become, everything is possible, and there is nothing that's impossible.

Take me for an example; I left my mom's house when I was 18 years old and never looked back. Since that time I've been honorable discharged from the United States Army, graduated from Southwest Indian Polytechnic institute in Albuquerque, N.M. in restaurant management.

Just recently on April 16, 2004. I graduated from Southeast Technical Institute in Sioux Falls, in heavy equipment operation. At the present time, I work here full time (60 hrs a week) as a heavy equipment operator here in Sturgis, I'm so glad that my mother (Porcupine District) taught me to look at the world with a positive attitude because if she didn't I'd be just like you, still living with your parents.

Today, I am very proud of my mother, a retired school teacher and single parent who raised eight children by herself, I know she sacrificed everything for us, she taught us that working for ourselves and out families should be very important to us.

We Native American have the potential to become the best we can be, so let's get with it people.

One should get out there in the world in the world and do something positive if not for yourself then do it for your kids, because they deserve the very best that you can provide for them, think about it.

Jon Bissonette
Vale, S.D.

Commenting on Giago's column

Dear Editor:

In reference to the article in Native American Times on Christianity. I read Tim Giago's column with a lot of attention. I live in Europe (Switzerland) and over here the opinion on America's action in Iraq is very different then the one in the USA. I am so amazed to hear that some Native people can talk about crusaders and such things like this. Christianity has destroyed the European original culture and then, spread everywhere in Africa, Asia and Americas and caused many troubles, destroyed many culture and still continue so. America is not a country of so called peace teachings of the Christ if you believe in them. America is a country of war and shame. How can this woman talk like this about a country where the first writings were made more than 6,000 years ago. Iraq is an old country with history older than Christianity and which teachings inspired most of the rules of the Bible. I just wanted to tell Giago that I support his opinion and that we have to remember what Christianity has brought to the First Nations in America and what it still continue to bring in terms of Human Rights, acceptation of the difference and respect of other's culture.

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A Lakota riddle for you

The following a Lakota riddle, the answer will be in next week's paper. Submit your answer to the *Lakota Country Times.*

1. Hosila, yuhu otala icu wo.

2. Paha Ki akotahan sunk hinhota wan kaska najin, ca he yaki luskin nan kaska luzin kte.

3. Ho, he tanyan ecanu hantas nitunkasila taha ogle wan tanyunhuntapi sni ca e nan wapaha hota wan uniciyin Kta keye.

Hoha, mitakuya Oyasin.

Rev. Francis C. Apple
A sa Kuwapi
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Northern Perspectives

Slowowa keyas owakahnige sni
I know, but I don't understand



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

My son's aunt, Sandra Black Bear-White, comes from the highly regarded late Ben Black Bear, Sr. tiospaye and I had the honor of listening to her at the sun dance last week at leksi Roy Stone's. She told the people that there are traditional Lakota songs for the inipi, wiwang wacipi, and the uwipi and even the lowanpi. She made the point that each ceremony used to have its own set of songs, but now days the singers sing many of the same songs no matter what the setting and do not differentiate.

There is a "language gap" that is beginning to show itself and I will explain. There are many young singers who are doing a very admirable job of singing in Lakota, but it seems like some may have learned the proper pronunciation of the words, without understanding what they mean. They learn the songs by ear and don't really have the understanding of the words. That is not an easy task either, as it takes a bit of memorization ability to even learn to sing a traditional Lakota song. My friend, Harold Charging Hawk, is fluent but swears he cannot understand what is being sung in Lakota.

I used to sing powwow songs, but never was able to sing traditional songs because I didn't make a very strong effort to learn and so I can attest to the fact that it is no easy task.

As an educator and someone who studies Lakota very intensely, it took me a long time to learn basic Lakota and now I study more advanced Lakota words. It is a very beautiful and complex language that is quite descriptive. English isn't nearly as descriptive. One Lakota word can be broken down into 3-4 syllables and each will have meaning. A good example of that is the word *iyomakisice* which is "I am sad." Iyo refers being in a state of feeling something, maki refers to the self, and sice refers to the poor feelings. Another example is one which comes from Albert White Hat, Sr. and it is *omahlecahe* which is "I am really angry." Oma refers to I am really, hleca means basically 'torn up' and he refers to the condition that is.

That kind of word study and actually having to write down words and see their accompanying meaning takes a lot of time and effort even if one learns Lakota growing up. It is an exercise that high schools and colleges have to do in order to properly learn and retain the language. I am aware that much of that is done by the staff at SGU as Duane Hollow Horn Bear, Albert White Hat, Russell Eagle Bear and Francis Cutt and the rest of the staff are very good instructors.

Whether we are teaching Lakota in the elementary school or at home, or even to young singers, we have a responsibility to do the nitty-gritty work and demonstrate how Lakota can be broken down into its component parts. It's not an easy task as the young people have a lot of competing interests that seem to interfere. I know that because my own son is interested in fire science, so he would be interested in anything that had to do with fire in Lakota. Words like peta- fire, oceti-camp fire, kata-hot, usni-extinguish, sota-smoke, gu-burnt, or even oile-it is burning.

*Excerpt taken from Albert White Hat's book "Reading and Writing the Lakota Language."

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Wiyukcan Wica Cante Ogna Heyu
Thoughts that come from the heart

How youth deal with the pain of loss



By Amanda Takes War Bonnett

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Recently I had an experience that gave me some thought of dealing with loss. I live near an asphalt highway on a gravel road and really don't care for the speed of the traffic flow on the highway. Vehicles come out of the town and have a tendency to pick up speed. I worry about kids walking on the road and getting hurt and also the animals.

My youngest daughter Vanessa, 20, is a cat lover and since she was a little girl, she has always had to have a cat. We have owned so many cats, from the names Midnight to Doujah to Stash.

The cats that have come in and out of her life have gone well past their nine lives. I doubt she can even remember the cats she has had in her life. The latest cat she has in her life is a beautiful black and white fluffy cat. It was a gift from her cousin, who paid near the sum of 300 bucks for it.

His name is Stash, actually his full name is Johnny Cash, the man in black, and he was probably named this because of the way he looks. I think that is why this cat grew on me. When I look at him I think of Cash and his song Ring of Fire which reminds me of my mother and my oldest brother Ron, who have both gone to the spirit world. It was one of their favorite songs.

I not only got attached to this cat because of his name but because he just seems a lot smarter than the rest of the cats that were in my daughter's life. Because of that, he added an entertainment value to my life. Actually, he listens to me when I talk to him and if I tell him to go outside he does it, without me having to actually physically boot him out. His favorite place to sleep is on the back of the love seat, he sleeps on the top like a cat doily, his body and his legs flatten and draped over the top. Every time I see him sleeping that way, I laugh.

Last week, we had a late night sweat and I gave one of the ladies a ride home and just as we got to the highway, there was a dead cat in the middle of road and my heart just sank when I realized it was Stash.

So there we were in the late of the night, me still in my sweat dress, scraping a dead cat off the highway, fitting him in a box, so he could have a proper burial the next day.

I commented to my friend about how many times my daughter went through this and each time it was an emotional hurt for my daughter because she gets attached to these creatures and when she would lose them she would feel the loss and in dealing with it, she would immediately want to replace them.

This time, I felt the loss and it wasn't a good feeling. Poor Stash, and I knew when I told my daughter she would be hurt and she would process it and soon there will be another. But this time, I felt so sad. I knew it was because I got too got attached to this cat. It just hurt me to see him dead on the road that way, I felt for Vanessa and I felt for the poor thing.

The next morning, I woke up and was drinking my coffee knowing I had to tell my daughter about Stash and thinking about her loss, her experience in her life with loss and realized how simple it seemed as she went from one cat life to another. I realized she experienced that so much, she learned how to deal with it and here I was, hurting for her and not wanting her to hurt, to feel that loss.

There were times we would be in Rapid City scouring the classifieds with a cell phone and she learned how to be a sales person in selling people that she had a good home to provide for their kitties or cats.

She learned not to let the wasicu families know that their kitty or beloved cat may be a mouser someday.

One time she wanted a black male kitty and we found one after a search. The owner lived in a trailer which we finally found in a big trailer court east of town.

He obviously was a cat man as he had them all over the place. He needed to get rid of some of the latest litter and so there was my baby girl finding just what she was looking for. It was a little, skinny black kitty, something she could baby and would soon be her companion. It didn't take her long to have the kitty healthy and active.

It was those experiences that made her strong in her ability to handle loss.

When I was an adolescent and the first time I lost my puppy, I vowed never to experience that again and never did have a personal pet again.

Grief is an emotion that can take its toll if you don't process it in a good way. We love our children and want the best for them and that means protecting them from getting hurt and feeling loss.

But in teaching our children, we need to teach them how to process grief so when it happens, they will have the strength and the wisdom to handle it in a good way.

I was pondering these thoughts about loss in life and hurting for my daughter and feeling sad about Stash, when I heard that distinctive meowing and opened the door and in he comes running. He was still alive and the cat we scraped from the road was a look-alike. I could have sworn that cat on the highway was our Stash.

This week there is a conference in Rapid City sponsored by the Aberdeen Area Tribal Chairmen's Health Board and the U.S. Public Health Service, "It takes a Whole Tribe … Preventing Suicide: Community Driven Strategies to Save Our Youth," and the article I read it from states that there is a high number of young people who have recently taken their lives, often after episodes of depression, drug and alcohol use, job and disruptions in home life. The bottom core of dealing with these issues is the feeling of loss, dealing with negative emotions and knowing how to process those emotions.

When we were young and if we had a good perspective of dealing with loss and negative emotions, we were able to handle those sort of hurdles in our life and be able to move forward in a positive way.

In being older, we have a lifetime of experiences and skills that we acquired in dealing with loss.

But our youth are still in those tender years, where sometimes they dont' have those skills or expriences to draw from... so when they face loss, they see that "hopelessness."

And where do those skills come from? Our tiwahe, our parents, our aunties and uncles and grandparents, our teachers, our mentors and those that help structure us as we develop in life.

So where are you at in your child's life? Where are you at in your nephew and nieces life?

Where are you at in your grandchildren's life?

Notes From Indian Country

Debunking the myth of Christianity



By Tim Giago

(Nanwica Kciji)

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A letter from an angry reader from Oklahoma chastised me for attempting to explain why the Iraqi people hate America. She wrote, "Tim Giago should realize that America is a Christian nation. Jesus Christ appeared to Black Elk, not to the Muslims."

I wonder how many Indian nations consider themselves to be "Christian nations." The two most potent weapons brought to the Western Hemisphere by the European invaders were disease and the Church. While the diseases unknown to the indigenous population destroyed millions of lives, the Church destroyed cultures, religions, traditions, languages and customs. The early demise of the Indian people can be equally attributed to both.

The letter writer, an Indian woman, continued, "We as Americans are crusaders. We bring democracy to a dark and ignorant country." Is that what the "crusaders" brought to the Indian people? Native Americans did not become included in America's form of "democracy" until 1924, nearly 150 years after America's settlers signed the Declaration of Independence. The "independence" and "democracy" was for white Americans only. It was not until 1946 when Arizona and New Mexico finally ratified the Constitutional Amendment that made Native Americans United States citizens. For the first 30 years of his life, my father, born and raised on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota, a fluent Lakota speaker, was not a citizen of the United States.

The settlers who came to America in pursuit of religious freedom outlawed most religious rites of the Indian people. The Sacred Sun Dance of the Great Plains Indians was banned and its practitioners subject to arrest and incarceration.

The Church created the myth that Jesus appeared to Black Elk in order to convince other Lakota that Black Elk had seen the light and had become a Christian in the end. His own family members dispute this outlandish claim. As a matter of fact, Black Elk faced prosecution for practicing the traditional spirituality of his ancestors. He had to perform some of the sacred rites of the Lakota in secret.

The revival of the traditional religious practices of the American Indians has grown stronger over the years and came out in the open after passage of the American Indian Freedom of Religion Act was passed in 1978. Can you imagine that "Freedom of Religion" was finally granted to the Indian people 202 years after the Declaration of Independence?

There are those Native Americans who have attempted to integrate their Christian roots and beliefs with Native spirituality. Can this happen? Would the practitioners of the ancient Indian religions allow this? I think not. First off, Christianity is foreign to the Native people of this Hemisphere. It was brought from across the sea by the invaders. For the most part Christianity is based on the teachings of a Jewish rabbi named Jesus.

Whereas, the traditional spirituality of the Native people has existed long before the settlers landed on these shores. One Wicasa Wakan (Holy Man) named Rick Two Dog, an Oglala Lakota, can trace his spiritual family and advisers back more than 500 years. That even pre-dates the coming of the Pilgrims with their overly righteous views of Christianity.

Let's face it. The early settlers found the religious practices of the Native people difficult to understand and distasteful and they dismissed them, with a wave of the hand and a prayer, as heretical. Since the Native people did not, according to the settlers, have a religion, they were therefore pagans that had to be converted.

For an Indian man or woman to say that Jesus Christ is their Savior and Lord is to deny thousands of years of the inherent spirituality and religious customs of their own people. And to believe that they can incorporate this foreign religious concept into their traditional beliefs is now being discarded by many Indians that have returned to their own traditional customs and beliefs. They see with eyes wide open what Christianity has done to their ancestors and to themselves and they reject it.

I would like to hear from the Indian nations and have them tell me how many of them consider themselves to be "Christian nations."

I have no bone to pick with Christians or their beliefs as long as they practice those beliefs without interfering with my own beliefs and with the beliefs of those who are not Christians. I attended an Indian mission boarding school where Christianity was crammed down my throat from the minute I awoke to the minute I went to sleep. It's not that this was bad enough, but to debunk and criticize the traditional beliefs of my ancestors in order to implant this new religion into my young mind was outrageous. If the Church cannot apologize for the atrocities committed against the Native people how can I be expected to forgive them and least of all participate in their religious hypocrisy.

The Founding Fathers of the Indian nations will not be found carved on Mount Rushmore. Instead their bones will be found in the dust of the land walked upon by they and their ancestors for thousands of years, long before the settlers came. And in the space of a short 500 years the newcomers have brought this continent to the brink of self-destruction.

America may well consider itself a Christian nation, but please do not willfully discard those of us who are not. We are also Americans and we are also citizens of our own nations.

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Children's Village sponsors Wounded Knee memorial motorcyle ride Aug. 1

WOUNDED KNEE - The first annual Wounded Knee Memorial Motorcycle Ride honoring the trail of Chief Big Foot will be held Aug. 1 and 2. The ride will begin in Fort Yates, N.D., traverse through sections of the Standing Rock Cheyenne River, and Pine Ridge Indian Reservations, and end at the Wounded Knee Massacre Site, Wounded Knee.

The purpose of the Wounded Knee Memorial Motorcycle Ride is to remember and honor the Lakota people who suffered and died in December of 1890. The organizers of the ride, Wakanyeja Tiospaye O'Tipi (children's Village, Inc.), feel it is important to educate and raise awareness of all people of the terrible tragedy that happened. By remembering the past and by paying respects, healing and unity can be achieved.

The ride will begin at the Prairie Knights Casino and resort located at 7932 Highway 24 in Fort Yates, N.D. at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 1. Opening ceremonies will be officiated by Ron His Horse Is Thunder and other spiritual leaders and dignitaries from the Standing Rock Reservation. Riders will have the option of arranging for their own lodging or by camping at the powwow grounds and will be officiated by dignitaries and spiritual leaders from the Cheyenne River Reservation. The ride will culminate late in the afternoon at the Wounded Knee Massacre site where closing ceremonies will be lead by spiritual leaders and dignitaries representing the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Registration will be open Aug. 1 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Prairie Knights Casino in Fort Yates and again on Aug. 2 at the Eagle Butte powwow Grounds from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. There will be a registration fee. Commemorative t-shirts will be available at a nominal fee and donation to Children's Village are always welcomed. This ride is drug and alcohol free and riders ride at their own risk. For pre-registration material or other information, call Louis or Melvina Winters at 605-867-5416 orr Bruce Hansen a 262-903-0869.



Computer services opens in Mission

MISSION - Ray Stewart officially opened the doors to the "Computer Lighthouse" on Main Street on April 3. He sells computers, provides technical assistance and contracts with a number of local businesses to do their information and technology support. Stewart says his 16 years working with the Department of the Navy and a two year course from Bell and Howell has prepared him for the challenges of being an entrepreneur. His number one objective is to provide 'service' to the area. What is even more unique is the fact that he will make house calls to service computers. Photo by Archie Beauvais.

RST council discusses concerns of Sicangu athletes at 2006 Indigenous Games

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The RST council returned during the afternoon session on Thursday, July 20 and spent a fair amount of time discussing concerns regarding Sicangu athletes who participated in the 2006 Indigenous Games held in Denver. The afternoon session was also carried live on KINI FM radio of St. Francis.

After hearing that some parents had called their council representatives to lodge their concerns and complaints while the games were in progress, the tribal council made a commitment to set aside a day to honor the Sicangu athletes and their coaches with a special day of recognition, while they listened to some of the concerns.

Some of the concerns that were brought forth while RST youth affairs director, Mike One Star, Sr., had the floor surrounded complaints that the athletes had crowded sleeping conditions and many only ate two meals a day. The fundraising that was conducted in preparation for the games was also the focus of some discussion. Each coach had conducted their own fundraising for the trip.

The need for accountability of the funds was something One Star, Sr. said he was very much in support of. He noted that he attempted to establish a line item for the Indigenous Games a couple of years ago, but it did not occur. RST treasurer James Wike said that it was important that any funds collected on behalf of the tribe needed such accountability. Antelope council representative, Jo Colombe, noted that the policy manual required the tribe to terminate those individuals who fundraised on behalf of the tribe and who did not administer the funds through the tribe's finance office.

Rosebud council representative, Ken LaDeaux said he was appreciative of the fact that fellow council representative, Steve DeNoyer, had traveled to Denver and had acted on behalf of RST in resolving some of the issues which had arisen. LaDeaux said that with respect to some of the concerns, it was difficult to defend some of the concerns without knowing all the facts. Denoyer said there was a need for better planning next time and that the tribe needed to do the coordination and fund the Sicangu athletes at the next games which will be held in Canada.

RST president Rodney M. Bordeaux encouraged the tribal council to begin planning for the next Indigenous Games in two years.

South Dakota: stigma should be removed to encourage assault reports

PIERRE (AP) - The social stigma needs to be removed from sexual assault so more victims will report crimes and law enforcement can arrest the offenders, Hughes County Sheriff Mike Leidholdt says.

Sexual assault and family violence have existed since time began, but the crimes always have been underreported, Leidholdt said. ``It's one of those deep, dark secrets. Sexual assault is one of those things as well. The more light you can shine on it, the less of a stigma it becomes,'' he said.

If the stigma can be overcome, more people will report it, Leidholdt told a legislative task force studying sexual assault in South Dakota.

The panel will gather information about such assaults, including treatment for victims, prevention efforts and law enforcement. The committee then will make recommendations to the governor and Legislature by Dec. 1.

Thirty-four percent of American Indian women will be raped during their lifetime, Charon Asetoyer, executive director of the Native American Women's Health Education Resource Center, told the committee.

Steve Feimer, director of the University of South Dakota's Government Research Bureau, told the committee Indians suffer three times more aggravated assault than the general population.

He also said domestic violence and sexual assault are hard to handle in rural areas, partly because of the isolation. Feimer said that plays into the abuser's ability to assert power and control over the victim.

``It's hard to get help'' because shelters and other resources are far away in rural areas, Feimer said. ``Women in many of these areas feel isolated. There's nowhere to go.''

Recent studies say anger management training is ineffective in dealing with abusers, he said. ``The batterer gets some sense of relief out of the battering, if that makes any sense,'' Feimer said.

Declaration of drought declared by Rosebud

Rosebud fire fighters honored

BY ARCHIE BEAUVAIS
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - During its regularly scheduled July council session the Rosebud Sioux Tribe honored the Rosebud fire fighters in recognition of their efforts to fight area fires and keep the Rosebud reservation safe. An Executive Proclamation was issued by RST President, Rodney M. Bordeaux.

As if to highlight the importance of the work that fire fighters regularly engage in, both structural and wild land, Russell Eagle Bear of the RST Land and Natural Resources committee sponsored a resolution to declare Rosebud a drought area.

The Rosebud Sioux reservation was designated as a drought area during the afternoon session on July 20 with the motion as brought on Eagle Bear. RST resolution 2006-182 read, "The lack of rainfall and extreme heat has caused dry conditions which have resulted in extensive damage to pasture, hay lands, grazing conditions and crops. Therefore be it resolved that the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council hereby declares the Rosebud Sioux Indian reservation to be in state of disaster and emergency arising from the lack of rainfall and drought conditions."



Rosebud BIA fire fighters: Back row: (L-R), Chad Boyd, Mark Iyotte, Sr., Bert Shields, Walt Hernandez, Steve Her Many Horses, Chris Menard, Keith Robertson, Marshall Pearman, "Smokey the Bear." Front row l-r, Joe Espinosa, Jim Meek, Gene Emery, Arnold Jordan, Bob Oliver and William Lafferty. The group was honored by the tribal council last week with an executive proclamation. Photo courtesy of Rosebud BIA Fire Department.

The Rosebud Sioux reservation is in a state of drought and is designated as a disaster area and, as such, is eligible for aid from the state of South Dakota and FEMA. Also, the RST president was directed to contact federal and state authorities.

Robert Moore, District 3 Antelope council representative said, "The Rosebud Sioux Tribe is considered a local government and we have to be named in the declaration. The Governor has to work with the state to notify FEMA." Moore said he would work closely with the tribal administration in facilitating the proper transmission and disposition of the drought declaration as he had worked in the FEMA office in Denver, Colo. previously and is familiar with the process.

The motion was voted on and there were 14 in favor and 0 opposed with 4 council representatives not voting. "This Activates BIA Resources" said Eagle Bear.

Pine Ridge diabetes prevention sponsors 'traditional' dance July 27

PINE RIDGE - The Diabetes Prevention Program is sponsoring a healthy meal at 5 to 6 p.m. and from 6 to 8 p.m. there will be a "Traditional Dance." It will be held at the Pine Ridge Hospital employee parking lot located behind the hospital. No dance regalia is required and the whole family is invited. For questions call 867-3137.

Oglala Lakota Nation 3 on 3 basketball and volleyball

Saturday, August 5 at 1 p.m. at YO Park in Pine Ridge. For info call Alfred 454-1746 or 867-5821.

School/Sports Physicals

Monday, Aug. 7 at the Pine Ridge Clinic, 4-8 p.m, Aug. 14 and 15 at Pine Ridge Clinic from 4-8 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 16 in Manderson at the clinic from 3:30 p.m.-7 p.m. and in Porcupine at the clinic on Thursday, Aug. 17 from 3:30 p.m.-7 p.m.

One Spirit-Concert in the Park

Thursday, Aug. 10 at the City Park in McLaughlin from 6 p.m. until midnight with great music and free admission. For info call Jerry Good House at 823-2387.

Community to walk for Bear Butte July 30

BEAR BUTTE - On Sunday July 30, the Christian and wider community will walk in solidarity with indigenous nations' right to preserve Bear Butte as a sacred place. They will measure with their feet the distance between Jay Allen's new Sturgis County Line bar and amphitheater and the base of Bear Butte.

The walk will begin at 5 p.m. on Sunday, July 30 at the Gathering of Nations encampment (Rosebud Sioux Tribe Bear Butte Lodge, Coyote Place, ast side of Hwy 79 next to Bear Butte).

V.A. to hold women's retreat Oct. 20 to 22

FORT MEADE - The Specialized Outpatient/Post Traumatic Stress Disorder treatment program of the VA Black Hills Health Care System is hosting its semi-annual Women's Retreat Oct. 20-22 at the Fort Meade VA Medical Center, two miles east of Sturgis.

The program is intended for women veterans (all eras) and collaterals (wives, significant others, mothers, etc.) of male veterans traumatized by experiences during military service. The weekend retreats are offered in the Spring and Fall of each year, beginning at 12 noon on Friday and ending at approximately 1 p.m. on Sunday.

The major objectives of the retreat, said Cathy Edler, addiction therapist and retreat coordinator, "The opportunity to understand themselves better and a better understanding of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder

"The chance to develop new perspectives in relationships with their Higher Power, family, friends, and the broader world in which they live," she said.

All meals and lodging are provided at no cost to eligible participants.

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Loracita He Crow, 41.....Pine Ridge
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Florence Edna Larrabee, 73.....Rapid City
Randy James Brown, 48.....Rapid City
Alissia Hawk Bear, 24.....Mobridge
Richard Grass Jr., 30.....Eagle Butte
Hazel Garreaux, 90..... Rapid City
Theresa 'Dena' Provencial, 64..... Rosebud
Jarred Bordeaux, 22..... St. Francis
Daryl Peneaux, 43..... Rosebud
Maria Peneaux-Two Elk, 21..... Rosebud
Harold 'Mike' Eagle Pipe, 49..... Mission
Inez Bordeaux Duran, 50..... Horse Creek

Orson Cuny

PINE RIDGE - Orson Cuny, 29, died July 23 at Rapid City as the result of an auto accident.

Survivors include his Father Orson Cuny, Manderson; a son Enoch Two Bulls of Pine Ridge; brothers George Cuny of Pine Ridge, Tony Stewart of Oglala, Arlin Cuny of Manderson; sisters Autumn Conroy of Allen, Stephenie Cuny and Lindy Jo Cuny of Manderson.

A one-night wake begins on Thursday, July 27, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall in Oglala.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m., Friday, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall in Oglala.

Officiating is Pastor O'Hare with traditional Lakota services by John Red Feather

Burial will be at the Two Bulls Family Cemetery, No. Four Community, North of Pine Ridge.

Funeral Arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Loracita H. He Crow

PINE RIDGE - Loracita H. He Crow, 40, Pine Ridge, died Monday, July 17, as the result of a car accident near Red Shirt.

Survivors include her parents, Frances and Lema He Crow, Pine Ridge; two daughters, Angie Good Crow and Shawna Good Crow, both of Pine Ridge; two brothers, Greg He Crow, Portland, Ore., and Michael He Crow, Rapid City; two sisters, Lupita He Crow, Martin, and Lucinda He Crow, Pine Ridge; and one grandchild. Wake services were Tuesday, July 25, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall in Oglala.

Funeral services were Wednesday, July 26, at the Hall, with the Rev. Paul Steinmetz officiating. Burial was at Two Bulls Family Cemetery in Red Shirt. Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Lynn M. 'Murphy" Janis

PINE RIDGE - Lynn M. "Murphy" Janis, 49, Pine Ridge, died Wednesday, July 19, in Rapid City.

Survivors include one daughter, Daphne Janis, Pine Ridge; one brother, Gerald D. Janis, Pine Ridge; one stepbrother, Kevin Merrival, Rapid City; four sisters, Melissa Rasmussen, Rushville, Neb., Cindy Burchfield, Dupont, Ind., Robin Shields, Denver, and Melissa Janis, Pine Ridge; one stepsister, Helen Richards, Pine Ridge; and two grandchildren.

Wake services were Sunday, July 23, at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services were Monday, July 24, at Billy Mills Hall. Burial was at Christ the King Catholic Cemetery in Porcupine. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Florence Edna Larrabee

RAPID CITY - Florence Edna Larrabee, 73, Rapid City, died Thursday, July 20, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Survivors include her husband, Kenneth Prairie Chicken, Rapid City; two sons, Robert D. Long Soldier, Sioux Falls, and Randolph Larrabee, Rapid City; four sisters, Audrey Dupree, Fayetteville, N.C., Victoria Davis, Hot Springs, and Josephine Ryan and Pauline Scheutzow, both of Rapid City; two brothers, Josh Long Soldier and Ben Long Soldier, both of Wanblee; three grandchildren; and 19 stepgrandchildren. Visitation was Sunday, July 23, with a prayer service at Serenity Springs' Chapel of Light. Wake services were Monday, July 24, at Wanblee CAP. Funeral services were Tuesday, July 25, at Wanblee CAP, with Deacon Gerald Bush officiating. Burial was at St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery in Hisle. Serenity Springs Funeral Chapel in Rapid City was in charge of arrangements.

Randy James Brown

RAPID CITY - Randy James Brown, 48, of Rapid City, died at Rapid City Regional Hospital on Monday, July 17.

Our much loved son, brother and uncle, Randy was born on Aug. 13, 1957, in Chicago, Ill., to Myra Edna (Witt) Brown and the late William James Brown. Randy attended school at Holy Rosary Mission in Pine Ridge. At age 17 Randy enlisted in the U.S. Navy, where he proudly served his country.

He also attended college at Oglala Lakota College in Rapid City. Randy was very active in the lives of his nephews and nieces and his great-nephews and great-nieces. Randy has left behind his mother, Edna Brown; his stepfather, James Anderson, both of Rapid City; his hunka brother, Earl Wilcox of Rosebud; his two brothers, Reed (Anita) Brown, Wambli, and Terry Brown, Rapid City; his four sisters, April (Gary) Obr, Billie Jo Brown, Erna (Erik) Ghost Dog, and Julie Mohney, all of Rapid City; his special friend, Connie Lawerance, Houston, TX; his uncle, Ron Taylor, Elk Hart, IN; and his hunka uncles, William Wilcox, Rapid City, and William (Poncho) Zimigia, Wambli; his hunka aunts, Geneva Gonzales, Rapid City, Zona Brown, Pine Ridge, Florence Dillion, Denver, Colo.; 17 nephews and nieces; and 13 great-nephews and great-nieces. Randy was preceded in death by his father, William; two sisters; one great-nephew; and his dog Sugar. Randy loved the outdoors, camping, and fishing.

He especially loved going to the Sturgis Rally. Randy is loved by all that know him. Wake services were July 23, with a Rosary at 7 at St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church, then proceeding to Mother Butler Center.

Funeral services were July 24, at St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church with Deacon LeRoy DeCory officiating. Interment was at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis. Military honors was provided by Sicangu Lakota Warriors.

Alissia Hawk Bear

MOBRIDGE - Alissia Hawk Bear, 24, Mobridge, died Wednesday, July 19, at Mobridge Regional Hospital. Wake services were July 21, at Blue Gym in McLaughlin.

Funeral services were Saturday, July 22, at Blue Gym, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat and the Standing Rock Episcopal lay ministers officiating.

Burial was Saturday at Pipe Bear Cemetery in rural Wakpala.

Richard Grass Jr.

EAGLE BUTTE - Richard Grass Jr., 30, Eagle Butte, died Sunday, July 23, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Arrangements are pending with Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge.

Hazel Garreaux

RAPID CITY - Hazel Garreaux, 90, Rapid City, died Sunday, July 16, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Wake services were Sunday, July 23, at the cultural center in Eagle Butte.

Funeral services were Monday, July 24, at the cultural center, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat and Richard Charging Eagle officiating.

Burial was Monday at Congregational Cemetery in La Plant. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Theresa 'Dena' Provencial

ROSEBUD - Theresa Dena Provencial, 64, died July 8, at St. Mary's Hospital in Pierre after a long struggle with diabetes and its complications.

Born Sept. 2, 1942 in Arvada, Colo. to Elizabeth Bridgeman and Felix Walking Eagle, Dena grew up in Denver, but lived a majority of her life in Rosebud. She lived out her years at the Beverly Health Care Nursing Home in Pierre.

One of her accomplishments throughout her life included being crowned Miss Indian Colorado in 1956. She also participated in one of the first Sun dances held on the Rosebud Reservation. Dena was one of the first female police officers to serve the Rosebud Reservation and she was very active in the community as a community chairperson and other offices. She also served the Episcopal Church as lay reader for the Church of Jesus and Grace Chapel.

Because of her generous and caring nature she would welcome friends, relatives and anyone in need at her home. They never left hungry or without a good story to tell. She also ran a food pantry from her home with the help of the Redeemer Temple out of Denver. She will be remembered by her family and friends for her great compassion and generosity.

Wakes were held July 11 and 12 at Clark Hall.

Funeral services were Thursday, July 13, at the Church of Jesus in Rosebud. Burial was at Rosebud Spotted Tail Cemetery, according to her wishes. Pallbearers were Norman Wilson, Ron (Beanie) Valandra, Lino Spotted Elk, Tony Long, Dennis Youngman and William (BeBe) Long. Holmes Funeral Home of Valentine was in charge of the arrangements.

Survivors include her children: Andrew Lewis, Jr. of New Mexico, Teddy Lewis of Winner, Kenneth (Sweety) Provencial of Rosebud, Vernon Provencial (Ranita Fernon) of Mission, Byron (Carole) Provencial of Rosebud, Loretta (Roger) Bartels of Ft. Pierre, SD, Marie Provencial (Stanley Krogman) of Mission, Herman Haukaas (Nicole Burrow) of Okreek; and 17 grandchildren, all who will greatly miss her.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother Teddy Connors; sisters: Clara Ferguson, Marie Hardwick and Loretta Walking Eagle; and two grandchildren.

Jarred Bordeaux

ST. FRANCIS - Jarred Dallas Bordeaux, 22, died in Sioux Falls on July 9. He was born in Rosebud on May 16, 1984 to Vernon Dean and Dawn Marie (Spotted Calf) Bordeaux, Sr.

Wake services were July 11 at his home (Sicangu Village) and July 12 and 13 at the St. Francis Community Center.

Funeral services and burial were Friday, July 14, at St. Charles Borromeo and St. Charles Catholic Cemetery in St. Francis. Holmes Funeral Home of Valentine was in charge of the arrangements.

Jarred is survived by his spouse Robbi Two Eagle and their two children Angel Sarah Bordeaux and Jaren Clarence Bordeaux; parents Vernon and Dawn Bordeaux of St. Francis; siblings Vanessa Bordeaux of St. Francis, Shannon Picotte of Rosebud, Vernon Bordeaux, Jr. of St. Francis, Ryan James Bordeaux of St. Francis and Shane Richard Spotted Calf of St. Francis; numerous aunties, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by grandparents Abraham and Sarah Bordeaux, Stanley Spotted Calf, Sr. and Marie Iyotte; and unclues Stanley, Jr and Steven Spotted Calf and Abraham Jr and Dallas Bordeaux.

Daryl Peneaux

Maria Peneaux Two Elk

ROSEBUD - Daryl Manley Peneaux, 43, and Maria Peneaux Two Elk, 21, died July 8 10 miles south of White River on Highway 83 as a result of an auto accident.

He was born in Rosebud on February 28, 1963 to Cleveland Calvin 'Smokey' and Rita (Little Brave) Peneaux.

Maria was born in Rosebud on October 14, 1984 to Daryl and wife Maxine (Plumman) Peneaux.

Wake services were July 12 at the SGU Mulitpurpose Building in Mission and July 13 and 14 at the Corn Creek Community Building. Funeral ceremony and burial were Saturday, July 15, at the Native American Church Cemetery north of Corn Creek. Holmes Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Daryl is survived by his wife Maxine Peneaux of Mission; children Faith, Conan, Daryl, Jr. and Mercy Peneaux; mother Rita Iron Shell of Mission and his brother Mario Peneaux of Mission.

Maria is survived by her husband Aubrey Two Elk of Mission and their children Justin and Kaylee; mother Maxine Peneaux; siblings Faith, Conan, Daryl, Jr. and Mercy Peneaux; and grandmother Rita Iron Shell.

Harold 'Mike' Eagle Pipe

MISSION - Harold Michael Eagle Pipe, 49, died at Sioux Falls on July 9. He was born in White River on Oct. 2, 1956 to Owen Eagle Pipe and Viola Little Cloud.

Wake services were July 13 and 14 at White Eagle Christian Academy in Antelope and funeral was held at Saturday, July 15, at Christian Life Fellowship in Mission.

Burial followed at Rosebud Lakota Cemetery north of Mission. Holmes Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Mike is survived by his father Owen of White River; siblings Shirley Moran of White River, Conrad (Carmen) Eagle Pipe of St. Francis, Carol Eagle Pipe of Sioux Falls and Sonja White Horse of Mission; and The Poormans: John, Clarence, Trudy, Ruby, Viola and Virginia; and many nieces and nephews.

Inez Bordeaux Duran

HORSE CREEK - Inez Bordeaux Duran, age 50 of Horse Creek, died July 18 at Rosebud Hospital.

Wake services were Saturday and Sunday and funeral services were Monday, July 24, at Horse Creek Community Center. Interment followed at Rosebud Lakota Cemetery north of Mission.

Survivors include boyfriend Howard Sharp Butte Jr of Horse Creek; seven children: Ruben Duran Jr of North Carolina, Miguel Duran of Tulsa, OK, Waylon Duran, Candida Duran Black Bear, Kimberly Duran, KeyaTo Duran and Wasu Duran, all of Horse Creek; and five siblings: Ricahrd Briggs of Gregory, Adam White Wing of White River, Martina Richards of California, Casey Briggs of Horse Creek and Lavonne Bordeaux of Horse Creek. Holmes Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

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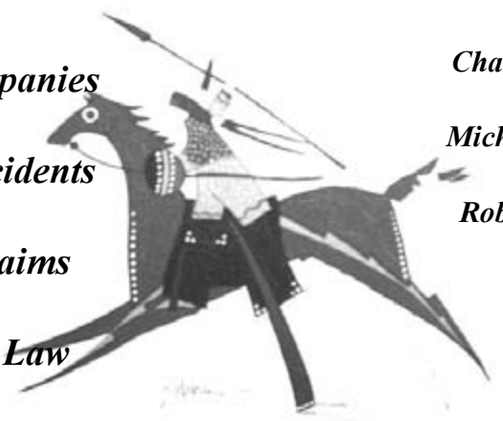
For more information please call Olivia at 455-2363 or Carmelita 455-1474.

In memory of Stephan Paul Patton

A blessing of the headstone and a memorial dinner will be held in memory of Stephan Paul Patton on Sunday, July 30.

The blessing of the headstone will be at 3 p.m. at the St. Andrew Cemetery at Wakpamni Lake, with the dinner to follow at the East Wakpamni College Center. All friends and relatives are invited and welcome to attend.

For more information call the Blue Bird residence at 288-1838 or Sara at 441-0314.

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Feeling Terrible About This

Dear Feeling Terrible:

Your money is not going to be returned. It was not stolen, it was accidentally "taken" with a pile of stuff (clothing?) that was removed from your home.

When it is located it will not be associated with you enough for you to be notified. Please don't worry, things will work out. I see you borrowing some money and being given a little money by a friend.

I know how it feels. The only message is to be more careful and pay attention to what you do with your money.

Develop a pattern of handling it - i.e.: always put it in the same place (in my case I have a place I put it at work and a place I put it in the car and a place I put it at home, and best of all a place I put it in the bank).

Money eases up for you in September when a constant income begins.

Dear Anna,

I am a young Lakota man, who recently met a wonderful woman and we have a beautiful son and we now live in Alaska. What do you see for my future in three years?

Would I have my own business as I desire?

Wondering From Up North

Dear Wondering up North:

That seems to be the direction you are headed. I see a rather large metal building (quonset hut shape) and a sign on the road. I see BIG HUGE wrenches and bookkeeping. I also see horses out back.

It seems to me that the reason you are in Alaska is to be able to open your own business in the future. I see your relationship as thriving and another child (I see pregnancy in December). You are headed in the right direction. Good Luck!

Dear Anna,

Help! I just can't stop thinking about my exboyfriend! It's an every day thing, I just stop what I'm doing and wonder or think of how things were when we were together and if they would of been the same or any better. Then I find myself missing him and being lonely for him wondering if he feels the same about me.

We broke up long ago and I've went out with other guys but it seems like I always compare them with him. It bums me out because when I see him he looks happy and that makes me more sad. He moved on but I always wonder if he thinks about me the way I think of him?

Will I ever meet someone that is right for me and who likes me for who I am and how I look? Or will I continue thinking of him and wondering if we will ever get back together?

Sincerely Bummed Out

Dear Sincerely Bummed Out:

Well, what you think about is determined by you. You have a romantic version of that past relationship that would be hard for any real person to beat. You past boyfriend is happy and he has moved on.

He was a powerful lesson in your life not to be too much of a complainer or in other words a nag. When you were together you did not recognize what you had and continually searched for more from him than he could give. Understand there is a new man coming for you, who will love you and that you will love

He is coming in about seven or eight months. Please enjoy this new relationship and accept him for who he is rather than comparing him to the past - which is not who he is. That will create a situation where he also accepts you and loves you too. Life will not exclude you from the love you are waiting for.

Dear Anna,

I am a good Christian woman. I have a son who is 19-years old and he has made the decision to Sun Dance and carry a Pipe. I am alarmed and upset that he is deciding to return to the old ways and not honor the good Catholic life that he has been brought up in. What can I do to change his mind and save him from the dangerous so-called Red Road?

Concerned Mom

Dear Concerned Mom:

Nothing. You can and should do nothing. Religious freedom is a fundamental right of each human being - the right to pursue a relationship with the Creator is a very personal right.

Very interestingly, I know several people that carry a Pipe and Sun Dance that also consider themselves Catholic. The Red Road does not exclude Catholicism, it is Catholicism that tries to exclude the Red Road. Your son is a man of good heart and I hope you will find it in yours to honor and respect his choices, it will make the difference in whether he choses to remain close to you or closes the door and walks away from you.

Good luck in finding harmony in your heart with his decision.

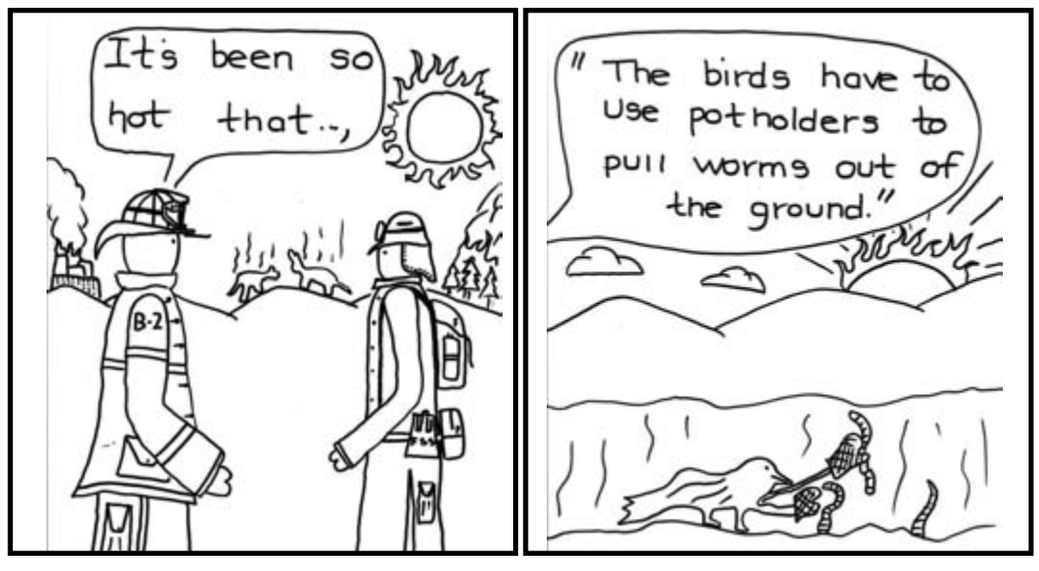
You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests may be subject to publication.

Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

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The Rez Firefighter (Peta Usniyapi)

By Beaux Beauvais



Frybread By Thom Little Moon



Lakota Crossword Puzzle

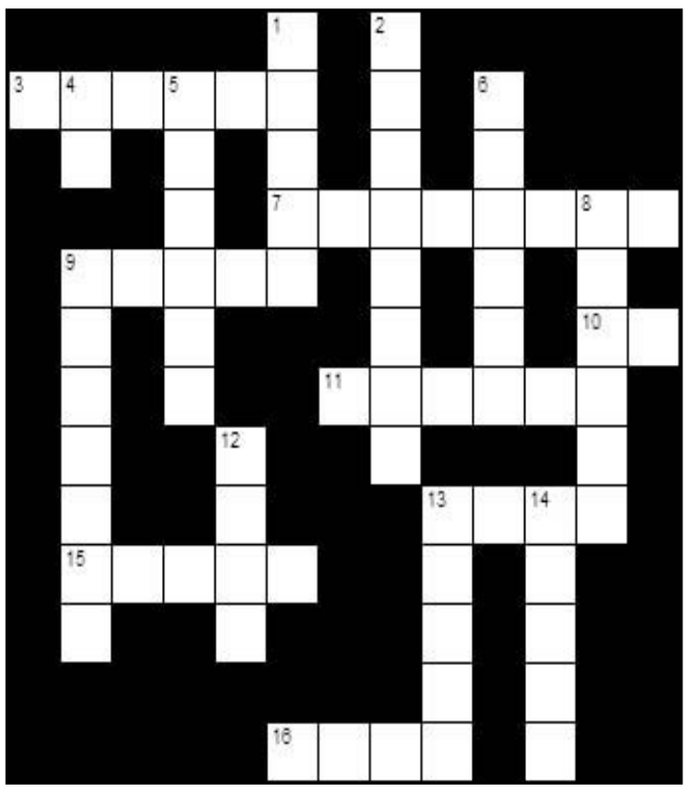
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

3. snow
7. steady rain
9. hot
10. foggy
11. breezy
13. hail
15. chilly
16. win

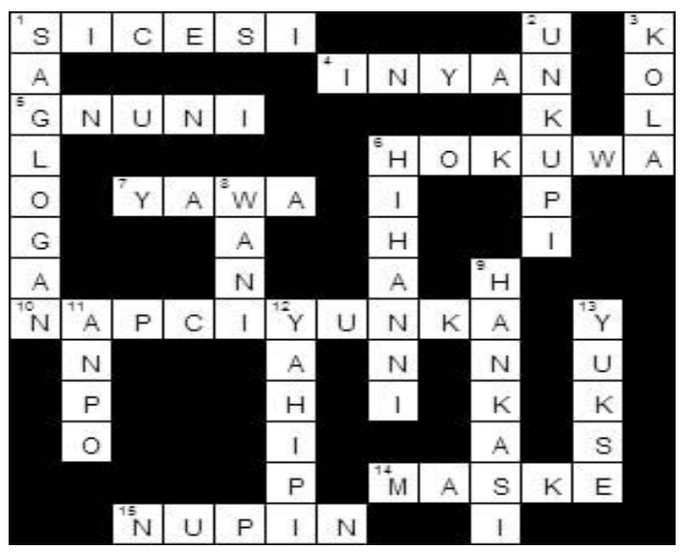
Down

1. snow is deep
2. thunder
4. dew
5. rain
6. storm
8. day
9. conditions not good
12. cold
13. good
14. wet



The words for the Lakota Crossword Puzzle is from the text of *Everyday Lakota, An English-Sioux Dictionary for Beginners*.

Answers from last week's puzzle



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Little Wound School Policy and Procedure Manuals are out at the District CAP Offices for review.

Any comments please contact Linda Hunter, Superintendent at Little Wound School 455-6174.

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing
Request for Proposals

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing ("OSLH") is requesting a proposal for Attorney Services. Attorney will act as General Counsel for OSLH and will assist OSLH in meeting compliance requirements including but not limited to policy, ordinance, and occupancy agreement development, staff and Board training, development and review of contract documents, and other services as deemed necessary.

OSLH is the Tribally Designated Housing Entity for the Oglala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, located in South Dakota. OSLH manages approximately 392 Mutual Help and Occupancy Units and 1150 Low-Rent Units constructed under the Housing Act of 1937 ("37 Act") and 45 Lease Purchase Units constructed under the Indian Housing Block Grant program developed pursuant to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act ("NAHASDA"). OSLH operates under a budget in excess of nine million dollars per year.

The work to be performed under the proposal is on a project subject to section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e(b) and section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968. Section 7(b) required that to the greatest extent feasible (1) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indian organization and Indian-owned Economic enterprises. All entities submitting proposals and claiming Indian Preference must include documentation satisfactory to show that they are Indian owned. Section 3 requires that to the greatest extent feasible opportunities for training and employment be given to lower income residents of the project area and contracts for work in connection with the project be awarded to business concerns that are located in, or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the areas of the project. All subcontracts executed between the proposer and its subcontractors, if any, also are subject to those provisions and language requiring such compliance will be included in all subcontracts.

In addition to the SS7(b) and 3 compliance requirements, the successful proposer must comply and ensure subcontractor compliance with the Copeland Act Requirements (29 C.F.R.Part 3); 24 C.F.R. part 85 Certifications, including but not limited to mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency contained in the state energy conversation plan issued in compliance with the energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub.L. 94-163), and HUD requirements related to reporting patent rights, and/or copyrights and other rights to data; HUD procurement regulations; OSLH Procurement Policy; and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations.

the selection of a qualified attorney will be based on the following evaluation criteria with established point rating for each category:

1. 20 points: Past successful performance and experience providing services to Indian Housing Authorities under the 37 Act and to TDHEs after the adoption of NAHASDA.

2. 20 points: Capacity and experience in providing policy and ordinance development. Interested firms must submit a sample procurement and personnel policy.

3. 20 points: Experience in providing staff and Board training in NAHASDA-related issues.

4. 10 points: Experience and professional qualifications of key personnel including specialized skills, project coordination, management skills, and experience in working together as a team.

5. 10 points: Specialized experience and technical competence (including fiscal capacity) of the firm. The firm and/or its attorneys should have had a minimum of fifteen (15) years experience with projects of this type. Volume and nature of present workload and availability of additional personnel and consultants to accelerate services required, if necessary.

6. 5 points: Indian Preference. Pursuant to S 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, 25 U.S.C. '450e(b), points shall be given for Indian ownership and participation, and/or evidence that a proposing firm is committed to the hiring of and does hire persons enrolled in federally recognized tribes, descendants of members of federally recognized tribes, or persons who are actively involved in the Indian community.

7. 5 points: Minority Preference. Pursuant to Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. ' 170lu, points shall be given to minority-owned firms, including women-owned firms, and firms that show evidence of commitment to hiring minorities and women.

8. 5 points: Cost, based on hourly rates.

9. 5 points: Because of fluctuating needs in Indian housing and demands for changes in NAHASDA, the firm must exhibit capacity to represent OSLH's interests in Washington D.C.

Inquiries related to submittal of proposals may be addressed to Ken Lone Elk, OSLH Executive Director at (605)867-5161. Proposers shall submit an original and four (4) copies of the proposal in a sealed envelope clearly marked Proposal for Attorney Services. All proposals shall be submitted to Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing, Attn: Ken Lone Elk, P.O. Box 603, East Hwy 18, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, and received no later than 4:30 p.m. on August 17, 2006. Proposals not received by that time and date shall be rejected. OSLH reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive any and all deficiencies.

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Happy Anniversary July 26th, Honey! Love, your wife, Latrell

Jeremi "Clyde" Blacksmith
"There is nothing so strong as gentleness-nothing so gently as real strength'
Son, I wish you the best today & Always-congratulations on your great achievement & Graduation from Artesia-I'm glad you made it home safely, always know that I love you and Happy birthday on July 23rd.
Mom & (Pops)
Latrell & Albz



Happy Belated Birthday
on July 11th
to my sweet daughter
Sarah Blacksmith
with love to a wonderful daughter, like the beauty of freshly picked flowers you have blossomed into a beautiful woman-know that you are loved everyday. Mom



I Would like to correspond with a nice Lakota Woman. I am a single, retired, elderly gentleman who would appreciate some old fashioned letters. Please write to this address: Thank you.

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Memorial Birthday 7/21/06 to my #1 mother Jean Marie Tail-Iron Boy. I'd never forget the day you left, you are never forgotten. I just wish you were here to see your first takoja's. Some times I think about all the times we shared and I know it wasn't enough time. All the people who have parents are really lucky to have a mom to talk to and laugh and joke around but not me. Mom I love you so much just think how long its been since you left to that great world up there. One of these days I shall see you. Love your only daughter Pearl Marie Tail.

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL - PROJECT MANAGER-

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing is requesting proposals from qualified entities for Project Management Services (Project Manager) relating to the OSLH Force account construction of up to forty-five (45) scattered site residential units ("Project")

Firms wishing to submit proposals may request additional information from Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing by calling 605-867-5161 or by faxing to 605-867-6355. Inquiries about the Project or proposal process should be directed to Ken Lone Elk, Executive Director.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL - EMPLOYEE DESK AUDIT-

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing is requesting proposals from qualified entities for Employee Desk Audit for approximately 135 employees.

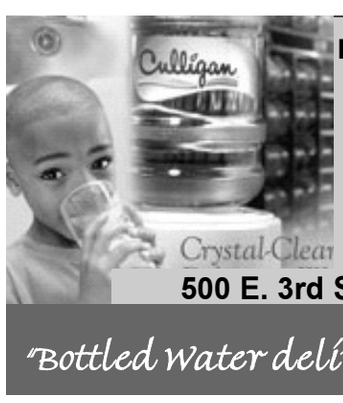
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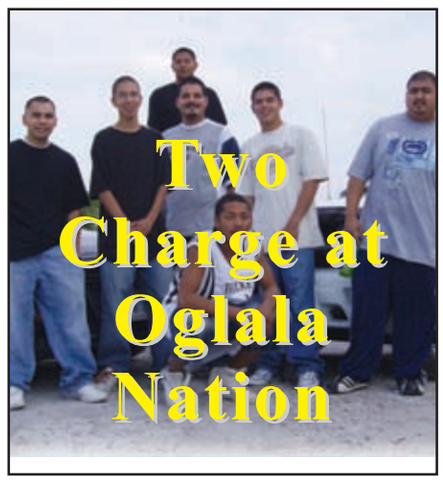
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New election board selected, election court of appeals chosen

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Following the end of an executive session that wrapped up a one day session, the Oglala Sioux tribal council voted unanimously, 13-0, to rescind the council action selecting Darla Black as chief of police and John Mousseau as alternate and voted to re-advertise the position with interviews and selection set for Aug. 21; Mousseau will remain as acting chief until a new person is selected.

The council met Monday of this week in the council chambers of the Red Cloud building in Pine Ridge to deal with as much of a long agenda as they could fit into one day as the annual Oglala Nation festivities loomed on the horizon.

On July 13, after interviewing 10 applicants, the council filled the chief of police vacancy with the OST Department of Public Safety, by selecting Darla Black, a veteran of 16 years in law enforcement and chose John Mousseau as the alternate. Moussau was made the acting chief to give Black time to clear up a problem with her background investigation.

Black had originally hoped to clear up her background investiga-

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Anna Diaz finds year as Oglala Nation ambassador challenging

Red Cloud graduate ready for next challenge at BHSU

OGLALA - "Sometimes its just overwhelming," said Anna Diaz, Miss Oglala Nation and recent Red Cloud high school graduate," you are at a pow wow and a large group of tourists come up to you and surround you and start asking questions all at once; sometimes you just want to turn around and leave but instead you do the best you can, answer every question you can and remind yourself that you represent the Oglala Lakota Nation."

A year ago, Diaz, only 16 at the time, went to the Oglala Nation royalty committee and asked if the rule that you had to be 18 to compete for the title could be waived.

" I told them that I was going to be a senior at Red Cloud and that I felt that I could do the job, that I had always looked up to previous Miss Oglala Nations and that I knew I could represent our nation throughout Indian Country," said Diaz.

After writing a paper about who she was and why she wanted to be Miss Oglala Nation, preparing a traditional meal (papa soup), giving a speech at the pow wow, introducing Marty Stuart at the concert and facing a panel of judges and their questions, Diaz was selected as the 20th Miss Oglala Nation during last year's Oglala Nation celebration.

"Denver March was the best," said Diaz, "it was a lot of fun, I saw a lot of old friends, met tons of new people, some really good drum groups, you got to announce yourself instead of having the eyapaha do it and I won the jingle dress competition."

In addition to Denver, Diaz traveled to Black Hills in Spearfish, Cody, Wyo., Red Earth in Okla., the Black Hills Expo in Rapid City, Shakopee in Minnesota, a traditional pow wow in Odessa, Tex. as well as local traditional pow wows and the teca wacipi okolakiciye school pow wows around Pine Ridge Reservation.

"Odessa was the toughest, it was by far the longest trip, my auntie took me," said Diaz, "we

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Above: Anna Diaz, served at the 20th Annual Miss Oglala Nation. Story by Tom Crash and photo by Jerry Matthews of Double M Photography.

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TWO SECTIONS

RST liquor commission tables approval of liquor license

Tribal members provide passionate testimony

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - In a scheduled hearing at the Rosebud Sioux Tribal council chamber on July 27, Thursday the RST Liquor Commission held a hearing on the request from Syd Colombe for approval of a tribal license to sell beer off-sale. The hearing was carried live over KINI FM radio in St. Francis and as promised by Chairman Gerald Eagle Bear, a decision was to have been on the request in a closed door session immediately following.

In a brief interview with Colombe on Saturday, she confirmed the fact that the liquor commission had tabled a final vote on the issue until Tuesday or Wednesday.

On Monday, KINI FM carried an announcement that the RST Liquor Commission hearing had been moved to August 9 at 5:30 p.m.

The RST council adopted a liquor ordinance in 1977 and it delineates the terms for the sale of beer and the creation of the RST liquor commission. This ordinance apparently supersedes any subsequent resolutions which may have been passed since. The ordinance defines 'package dealer' as any person or corporation that sells or keeps for sale any alcoholic beverage for consumption off the premises where sold.

Several tribal members provided some rather passionate testimony for and against granting a liquor license citing a variety of personal and societal issues due to alcohol abuse. Colombe said, "I'm glad so many people came out. It shows growth on the reservation. You can't complain unless you are active."

Those who were in favor of granting the liquor license cited the fact that the tribe has already granted liquor licenses to two other businesses on the reservation and that Colombe should not be singled out and discriminated against. Yet, others noted that in the interest of promoting economic development, liquor sales would result in a portion going back to the tribe. In turn, this money could be used for a variety of programs, including alcohol treatment and youth facilities.

Yet, other people who testified said that the Rosebud Sioux Tribe should become a distributor and sell alcohol and that the profits of such a venture would go directly into the tribal budget.

Grass Mountain resident, Claudette Sabors, said she was on the RST council when a resolution was passed addressing the alcohol issue. She said, "We were going to be alcohol free by 2000. It's my fault, it's your fault." Marcelle Prue of Antelope community said, "I understand the council passed a resolution to ban alcohol. Is it still in place? I don't know we are doing this if there is something already in place. I'm against it too. Why don't the tribe do it."

One unidentified community member said, "This is our house. Don't bring it in our boundary lines. If you live outside you live by a different set of rules."

Adam Little Elk spoke in Lakota and then switched to English. He began, "Yunkan, Adam Little Elk. Dakni mni wakan wanice. Kola ota wicagnuni. Tuweni wahokokinyepsni. Tiwahe nitawa awankciyapo. Ihanni ota wablatke. Lehunhiya makakize. Dona upiya woaglake, wopila eciciyapo."

Little Elk said, "I drank for 16 years after Vietnam. The lady I love very much. I told her, 'Mom, I am going to stay drunk until I die. She said, that okay, I won't be here to see

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21st Annual Oglala Lakota Nation Fair to kick off on Aug. 3

PINE RIDGE - The Oglala Nation Fair will begin slowly at first on Thursday with the 12th annual Health Fair triathlon, walk and run. On Friday, August 4 a full slate of events will kick off the annual affair in full force. The horseshoe games, volleyball tournaments, slow pitch softball, rodeo, golf and traditional hand games will begin.

Spectators and participants, alike, are encouraged to contact the respective individuals in charge of each event in order to find out their time and location.

The event which is the big draw, the powwow, will have the usual five sessions beginning at 7 p.m. on Friday and at 2 p.m. on Saturday and at 7 p.m. On Sunday, the grand entry will began at 1 p.m, and then at 7 p.m. The MC's are Pat Bad Hand of Two Strike community on the Rosebud and Chris Eagle Hawk. The theme for the powwow is "Ipseca Wacipi", "Honoring our Mothers."

The standard dance categories will be in effect amounting to over $50,000 prize money, while the drum split for five sessions will be $25,000.

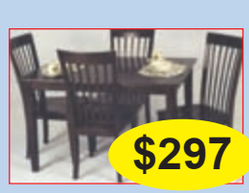
Meals will served daily with a flag raising held each day at 9 a.m. The parade will be held on Saturday, Aug. 5 at 11:00 and points will be awarded for dancers. See Oglala Lakota Nation poster for contact information and dates.

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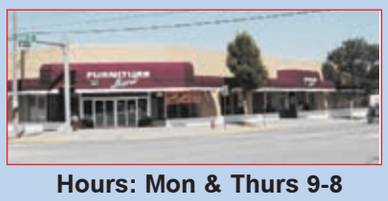
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Diaz: ambassador for tribe

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left on Wednesday and went through Albuquerque; it was mostly southern style with an emphasis on traditional with little or no fancy or jingle dress events but on the plus side I was able to meet with Dine code talkers and I was presented with a medal because of the long trip I had made to the pow wow."

"That's one of the reasons that I have the utmost respect for her," said Chris Eagle Hawk, long time eyapaha and singer, "Anna went to some of the larger pow wows but also attended the smaller and more traditional events and she continued to participate in the school pow wows."

Diaz started dancing as soon as she started walking. Originally a fancy shawl dancer, today, Anna is a jingle dress dancer. Currently, she travels with a sets of beadwork and five dresses so that she is able to wear a different dress for each session.

"While we are on the road, my mother is always stopping at the fabric shops and looking for new material for dresses," said Diaz, "its always a good feeling to be dancing in a beautiful dress."

Diaz loves the competition and challenge of the jingle dress category. Each pow wow brings different competitors, new outfits, somebody with new steps, said Diaz.

"More than anything else, I love the sound of the jingles," added Diaz, "and its not all about the competition or prize money but you dance for the people, they come to watch you dance and when you dance it makes you feel good."

Looking back at all of the requirements of the position, Diaz said that you have to feel good about who you are and where you are from and be ready to answer any question that they throw at you. Diaz grew up in her grandparents home, Pedro and Lillian Sharpfish, where they spoke Lakota all of the time. She feels very good about being a Lakota and being part Spanish, that her family means so much to her.

"My mother is Lexie Shield, a Lakota, and my father is Tim Diaz from Corpus Christi, Tex.," said Diaz, "I see my dad every few years and I talk to him on the phone regularly but my mom is always there for me and my brother and my family, if I run into problems they are there with words of strength or a hug or whatever I need."

"Anna has good rapport with all of the young people out on the pow wow circuit," added Eagle Hawk," all of the young singers look out after her on the road, they have a lot of respect for her and watch over her."

Diaz admitted that the position carried a lot of responsibility, there are a lot of girls and young women that look up to her as a role model and you are expected to be almost perfect when you are in the dance arena, you need to greet and interact with everyone, all kinds of people and to remain composed in the face of all diversity.

"It was really hard juggling my school with traveling to the pow wows, my teachers at Red Cloud were really helpful," said Diaz, "and you have to have the support of family and friends; when you are on the road you are trying to do homework when you are tired and when you go to school on Monday, you are tired."

People assume that as a representative of the Oglala Lakota Nation that the tribe would be there to support the travel to the various pow wows throughout the year. Diaz admitted that over the past year she received no support from the tribe that even one time she was asked to submit a budget for her trip, an itinerary and an event poster yet she received no assistance when it was time to leave.

The responsibility of the role also requires being responsible in your day to day life behaviors such as staying away from alcohol an drugs and acting in a mature manner.

"This fall I am going to school at Black Hills State University in Spearfish and major in dental hygiene and for me if I decide to have my own family it will be after I complete my schooling," said Diaz, "I know there are many young Lakota women who are having children at a young age and I want to give them a big hug, they need it and they need the support from their mothers and their families, they need to keep their heads up and there will be someone there to help them and they need to find something they like to do and stick with it."

Looking back on the year, Anna would like to give special thanks to Chris and Joyce Eagle Hawk, John and Monica Whirlwind Horse, Gloria Two Crow and Brandy Shortman, Lois White Whirlwind and Tyler Yellow Boy, Leets Yellow Boy and family, Myron Chavez and her family.

"The year changed me, it was a lot of responsibility and I learned to be a better person, to carry myself in a good manner in front of a lot of different people, all of the challenges that I faced will help me in the years to come and I am very thankful for that," concluded Anna Diaz, the 20th Miss Oglala Nation.

Liquor

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it." Little Elk said he had counted the number of signs from Oelrichs to Rosebud where someone had died in an accident and there were 97.

Rosebud council representative, Stephanie Sully, was in favor of beer sales. She said, "Why can't the tribe be a distributor and re-program the money into programs. We still owe money from clothing orders last year. Alcohol is here, it is legal. Our community will bring on a resolution for a feasibility study."

Poncho Lone Dog said, "Regardless if we have a liquor establishment here. It is not going to increase or decrease alcohol use."

Sara Reynolds said, "I don't oppose or support liquor here. It is not a right, not a privilege. Two families have sweats. There is a three mile buffer zone them."

Stanley Red Bird, Jr. of Spring Creek community said, "I would like to see it tabled. Let's ask the people. Who's to benefit? The council voted their conscience before. Let the tribe sell liquor."

Colombe said that she is proposing to sell off-sale liquor in a location between the previous R&R liquor establishment, which is no longer operational, and east before the White River junction on U. S. highway 83. One concern as discussed during the hearing was the safety concerns of traffic entering in and exiting such an establishment. Colombe noted that she had hired an expert from the Aaron Swan engineering firm of Pierre and they had conducted an assessment of the line of sight that drivers would have of the road leading into the establishment. The engineer established the fact that the location would afford greater visibility and line of sight than the other two liquor establishments licensed on the reservation.

OST council rescinds

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tion through a court hearing in Kyle on July 20; it was postponed until July 27 where the judge granted a permanent protection order against Black to an individual claiming her safety was threatened by Ms. Black.

After hearing about Ms. Black's failed attempt to clear up her background investigation, feedback about their choices for chief of police and complaints about the interview process, the council decided the best course of action was to re-advertise the position.

With the upcoming tribal elections rapidly approaching, the council chose an election board to coordinate the process. Six candidates submitted their applications by the deadline. Charlene Black Horse received nine votes, Sandra Bettelyoun had nine, Maretta Champagne had seven; all three earning positions on the election board with Black Horse getting the nod as chair. Irene Sorbel with 5 votes and Norman Under Baggage with four votes were named alternates; Sidney Witt withdrew his application. The new election board takes over the position and duties from Melanie Janis, John Eagle Bull and Connie Brewer who coordinated the last election.

Selecting an election court of appeals was not originally on the agenda but after a two thirds vote to put it on the agenda, the council nominated Vincent Brewer, Cornel Conroy, Richard Little Hawk, Vernona Kills Right, Delores Whitehead and Melanie Janis.

Conroy with 10, Brewer and Little Hawk with nine each were chosen to the election court of appeals with Kills Right and Whitehead earning four votes and the alternate designations.

Eileen Janis, the new vice president, chaired the meeting and gave the opening prayer.

The council struggled to get a quorum and following a discussion on how long to wait for enough council reps to arrive, the meeting opened with a discussion on the need to re-evaluate the allocation of $275,000 into the purchase of civil defense sirens for each of the districts. The council voted 9-3 to rescind their earlier support for the purchase and decided to put that money into land acquisition.

A report given by tribal treasurer, Crystal Eagle Elk which included budget revisions for the general fund was passed 12-0 with an amendment to add to the TERO budget.

Eagle Elk's overall report was approved 14-0 and a resolution to approve the expenditure of $1.6 million from the Shakopee loan package in three drawdowns passed 11-2.

A motion to approve a memorandum of agreement with the Indian Health Service to clean up open dumps in Porcupine and Allen and a sanitary landfill in Buffalo Gap passed 14-0.

A resolution requesting that all pregnant women seeking prenatal care on Pine Ridge Reservation be tested for alcohol, methamphetamine, cocaine and other related illegal substances to protect the health of the pregnant woman and the future life of the unborn child was tabled 12-3.

After a discussion about a code of ethics for tribal council reps, the council voted 14-1 to get additional input from the community and have the code include district officials and representatives from chartered organizations.

During the first day of the council's regular July session, the council honored Lyle "Dusty" LeBeau, a long time coach on Pine Ridge reservation for his committed service to the Oglala Lakota youth and to Oglala Lakota spirituality; Dusty has taken boys and girls basketball teams from Red Cloud, Little Wound and Pine Ridge to the state tournament and winning a state championship with the Red Cloud boys in 1995.

The council also honored Marissa O'Bryan, a recent graduate and valedictorian of Red Cloud high school who excelled in both the classroom and on the athletic field. Marissa has earned the Gates Scholarship, plans to attend USD in the fall.

O'Bryan took third in the 100 and fourth in the 200 in this years State A track meet and most recently won the 100 gold, 200 gold and 400 bronze during the 2006 North American Indigenous Games in Denver in early July.

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Johnson to Attend Oglala Pow Wow

PINE RIDGE - U.S. Senator Tim Johnson (D-SD) as will attend the evening grand entry at the Oglala Nation Pow Wow on Saturday, Aug. 5, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

For more information, please contact Senator Johnson's press office at 202-224-1770.

AA Meetings

Every Sunday at 6:30pm in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Grief Support Group

Meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30pm at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888

Porcupine AA meeting

Every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30pm at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine, for info call Janice at 867-5404

Co-dependency Support

Meets on Tuesday from 5-6pm in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841.

Community Calendar

Pine Ridge School Registration
Through Friday, Aug. 11, school begins Aug. 14, for info call 455-6500

Mobile Digital Telemammography Unit
Aug. 3 at the Kyle Health Clinic, for info call 462-6156 or 455-8246

Summit of Nations
Tuesday through Friday, Aug. 1-4 at Bear Butte, hosted by the Black Hills Sioux Nation Treaty Council

Men's Fast Pitch
Aug. 3-6 in Pine Ridge at the Pine ridge School ballfield, double elimination, $1,000 guaranteed first place, call 441-7075 or 867-2430

Broadway in Batesland
Saturday, August 5th in Batesland at St. Paul's Lutheran Church on Highway 18 for children ages three through ten with a drop off of children set for 12:30 p.m., activities and entertainment at 1 p.m. and a 4 p.m. showtime with a dinner served - an interactive production for the whole family

Oglala Lakota Nation 3 on 3 basketball
and volleyball
Saturday, Aug. 5 at 1 p.m. at YO Park in Pine Ridge for info call Alfred 454-1746 or 867-5821

21st Annual Oglala Nation Gathering
Thursday through Saturday, August 3-6 in Pine Ridge

7th annual Black Elk Memorial Motorcycle Ride
Saturday, Aug. 5 at 10 a.m. at Camp Justice and finishing at Swett Bar in Swett, , honoring the memory of Wilson"Wally" Black Elk, "Riding until justice is served" hosted by the Ghost Dance Motorcycle Club, for info call 867-2449 or 441-8598

In Loving Memory
Saturday, Aug. 5 a memorial for Thomas "TJ" Pulliam from 9 a.m. until 12 noon at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall in Pine Ridge for info call 303 447-8830

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Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 5 and 6 with Saturday the 5th at Whiteclay Dam and Zunday the 6th at Oglala Dam, register at Cubby's Store in Oglala with info available at 867-2370 or 381-0823

Wounded Knee Oshkate and Wacipi
Monday-Sunday, Aug. 7-13 honoring Chief Big Foot an all the victims of the Massacre with a motorcycle ride from Crazy Horse Memorial to Wounded Knee with grand entry at 7 p.m. on Aug. 7-11 and 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Aug. 11-13, concerts every night after pow wow, supper daily at 5 p.m., host drum-Porcupine Singers, eyapaha-Kelly Looking Horse, for info call 867-2228 or 867-2852

School/Sports Physicals
Monday, Aug. 7 at the Pine Ridge Clinic, 4-8 p.m., Aug. 14 and 15 at Pine Ridge Clinic from 4-8 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 16 in Manderson at the clinic from 3:30 p.m.-7 p.m. and in Porcupine at the clinic on Thursday, Aug. 17 from 3:30 p.m.-7 p.m.

One Spirit-Concert in the Park
Thursday, Aug. 10th at the City Park in McLaughlin from 6pm until midnight with great music and free admission, for info call Jerry Good House at 823-23887

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Aug. 10th through the 13th at Byron Bible Camp in Huron, SD, for info call 1 888 -0637.

Fire Thunder files with Supreme Court looking for relief and a fair judicial process

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - On Tuesday, Aug. 1, Cecelia Fire Thunder filed a legal brief with the Oglala Sioux Tribal Supreme Court in Pine Ridge requesting that the Court reinstate the lower court's temporary order reinstating Fire Thunder to office pending a hearing and that the court order the lower court to immediately appoint a special judge to hear the case and to direct the tribal council to stop interfering in the judicial process underway to resolve this case.

Fire Thunder was suspended by the tribal council on May 30 and impeached on June 29 following a hearing in Porcupine. The chief judge of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Court, Lisa Adams, reinstated Fire Thunder on July 17 and set up a hearing on July 28 only to vacate the order later on that same day. Adams left the hearing date in place but recused herself from future hearings in the case. Subsequently the hearing date was postponed because a special judge had not been appointed as of yet.

"The system is broke and not working very well, this is a procedural question and a constitutional question," said Fire Thunder as she filed the brief, "my right to due process is in question, are they just stalling and choosing not to select a special judge and having a hearing on my case just to keep me out of office."

Since the original suspension and subsequent impeachment, Fire Thunder has questioned the lack of a complaint duly filed with the secretary before it was brought onto the council floor, the lack of supporting documents that should have been fuiled with the original complaint and not given to her until the hearing on impeachment, the two thirds vote based on two thirds of the entire council not just those present, allowing the two complainants to participate in the debate and impeachment vote and the refusal to allow her legal counsel.

Fire Thunder states in her brief that she was duly elected by a vote of the membership of the Oglala Lakota Nation and the wishes of the tribal membership should not be circumvented by unconstitutional measures taken by the tribal council.

"As far as we are concerned, this issue is dead, the council is the power, there is no separation of powers and we have made a decision that is final," said Ruth Brown, council representative from Eagle Nest District.

Oglala Nation sponsors Youth Funday rodeo

The 21st annual Oglala Nation will host a youth fun day rodeo on Aug.3 at 6 p.m. Entries will be taken from 4:30-5:30 p.m. at the rodeo grounds. There is a $3 entry fee per event and a parent or guardian is needed to sign a permission waiver.

Events being offered are: Jr. and Sr. Bull Riding, Jr. and Sr. Bareback Riding, Sr. Saddle Bronc Riding, Barrel Racing, Pole Bending, and Flag Race in three age groups, Pee-Wee (7 years and under) Junior (8-13 years of age) and Senior (14 to 18 years old).

A Boot Scramble, Watermelon and Pop Races will also be offered with no registration or entry fee.

Killer heat causes third worst drought and prompts safety tips on northern plains

By Times staff and AP reports

PIERRE - The forecast for August appears to be headed for above-normal temperature nationwide. The years 1999-2006 represented the third worst drought on record. In north central South Dakota the area has been described as a literal wasteland. Many cattle owners are selling off their herds in increasing number compared to last year.

An area stretching from southern North Dakota to central South Dakota has been identified as one of the hardest hit area in the nation. Mark Svoboda of the National Drought Mitigation Center said, "It's the epicenter. It's just like a wasteland in north central South Dakota."

Increased temperatures are apparently due to a jet stream that is being prevented by the upper atmosphere from making it into the west. This is creating more night temperatures which are hotter than normal and which causes problems for people who may not have air conditioners. Elders and others who cannot afford air conditioning are especially at risk as they need to keep cool even at night. People who experience excessive heat need at least three hours to cool down at night.

During the current summer heat nationwide, 150 have died, and this has prompted public health officials to issue warning about the need to watch for signs of heat stroke and other heat related illnesses.

Farmers and ranchers in 24 South Dakota counties affected by a variety of weather related issues are now eligible for a Farm Service Agency emergency loan which carries a 3.75 interest charge. Another 24 adjoining counties are also eligible for loans, provided that the applicants have a good credit history and have suffered a loss of at least 30 percent in their crop production of loss of livestock. In a recent Associated Press report by science writer Seth Borenstein, in Fresno, Calif., the morgue is full of victims from a California heat wave. A combination of heat and power outages killed a dozen people in Missouri. And in parts of Europe, temperatures are hotter than in 2003 when a heat wave killed 35,000 people.

Get used to it.

For the next week, much of the nation should expect more "extreme heat," the National Weather Service predicts.

In the month of August, most of the United States will see "above normal temperatures," forecasters say.

For the long-term future, the world will see more and worse killer heat waves because of global warming, scientists say.

The July burst of killer heat waves around the world can't be specifically blamed on global warming. And they aren't the worst ever - they still can't quite hold a melting candle to the scorching heat of America's 1930s Dust Bowl.

Heat waves and global warming "are very strongly" connected, said Kevin Trenberth, climate analysis branch chief at the National Center for Atmospheric Research in Boulder, Colo. The immediate cause of the California heat wave -- and other heat waves -- is day-to-day weather, he said.

A persistent high pressure system in the upper atmosphere prevents cooler jetstream air, from making it into the West, said National Weather Service meteorologist Dennis Feltgen. "You can't tie global warming into one single event," he said.

But what global warming has done is make the nights warmer in general and the days drier, which help turn merely uncomfortably hot days into killer heat waves, Trenberth said in the AP report.

Much of global warming science concentrates on average monthly and yearly temperatures, but recent studies in the past five years show that climate change is at its most dangerous during extreme events, such as high temperatures, droughts and flooding, he said.

"These (heat) events always occur. What global warming does is push it up another notch," Trenberth said.

And the computer models show that soon, we'll get many more -- and hotter -- heat waves that will leave the old Dust Bowl records of the 1930s in the dust, said Ken Kunkel, director of the Center for Atmospheric Sciences at the Illinois State Water Survey.

In the past 25 years most of the world, has seen summer nights getting much warmer with far less evening heat relief, according to a study published earlier this year in the peer-reviewed Journal of Geophysical Research.

Another study this year by the Climate Research Unit in East Anglia, Great Britain, concluded that European summer heat waves "have increased in frequency at most stations since 1880" and will continue to increase with man-made global warming.

George Luber, an epidemiologist who studies heat wave deaths for the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, says the current situation is on track to be "the most active one that I can recall" in terms of heat deaths.

A new analysis by Luber this week shows that between 1999 and 2003, the United States averaged nearly 900 heat-related deaths each year. This year, with 132 reported in central California alone, could be worse, he said.

One way heat waves cause so much death is that people - especially the elderly staying in their homes -aren't able to get cool at night when temperatures remain high after sundown.

"The deaths are really related in urban areas to nighttime temperatures," said Stan Chagnon, a retired Illinois meteorology professor who did some of the earliest research on killer heat waves. Luber, the CDC doctor, says a body needs at least three hours of cooling -- preferably by air conditioning - to survive excessive heat.

Cities are worse for heat deaths because they remain hotter at night from the "heat island effect," Chagnon said. And older northern cities -- where many homes lack air conditioning -- are worse off than Sunbelt cities where most people have cooling.

There is some good news in all this. Cities, such as St. Louis, New York and Philadelphia, have learned how to prevent heat deaths. And as heat waves worsen, the U.S. rate of heat deaths per population has not risen, because cities have created cooling centers and systems to check on the vulnerable elderly and poor, the CDC's Luber said.

"Everything with heat death can be prevented," Luber said.

The South Dakota state Health Department is reminding people to take certain precautions in order to protect themselves and their loved ones. People should stay inside in an air conditioned place and drink plenty of fluids, especially water. Limit the time spent outdoors and cool down as needed. People without air conditioners are advised to seek out public places to keep cool, such as libraries and the shopping mall.

Infants and the elderly should be checked on at least twice a day as they can be especially sensitive to high temperatures. People who over exert or who are overweight tend to be susceptible to extreme heat. Also, people with heart disease high blood pressure, insomnia and poor circulation may also be affected by temperature extremes.

Heat stoke is a serious illness and occurs when the body is unable to regulate its temperature. Warning signs may include, dizziness, nausea, confusion, throbbing headache, red, hot and dry skin, extremely high body temperature (above 103 degrees orally) and unconsciousness.

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Our Views

Resurgence of the sun dance

As one of the seven sacred rites of the Tetonwan Lakota, the sun dance or *wiwang wacip*i is one which has had a history of having been banned and gone underground during the coming of the white man.

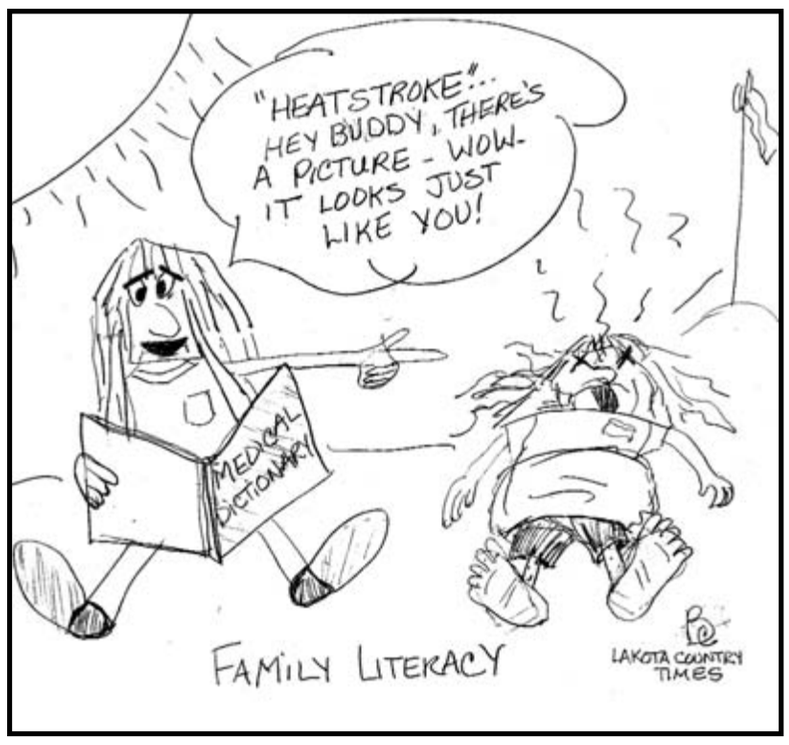
Despite that fact, the practice of the sun dance is an integral part of Lakota culture and has remained so. There have been many Lakota people who can be credited with keeping it alive and even practicing it when the government banned such practices in an effort to mainstream Lakota people and diminish all evidence of their spirituality.

In a day and age when society at large is being assaulted by an ever changing population base and never ending wars, the sun dance appears to be experiencing a 'resurgence' on the northern plains in the last 10 years. The fact that there are now so many sun dances being held appears to be somewhat controversial given the total number. However, when you tally up the number of sun dancers, helpers and visitors who combine their efforts to sponsor the sun dance, it is apparent that there is a deep commitment and spirituality that is increasing among the people and other Native nations.

It is estimated there is an average of 50 or so sun dances on the Pine Ridge and about 18 on Rosebud. And usually there is about 40 to 50 men and women that commit to dance at each, so that would mean there is an average of 2,500 people that seek prayer and healing during the sundance time.

The resurgence of the spiritual quest of many Native and white people, seems to point to a world that is troubled by the increased tensions and stress of overcrowding, territorial disputes, hunger, poverty and increased gas prices to name but a few of the issues that mankind seems to be confronting together.

We still seem to live in a "Jerry Springer Society" where we savor the nasty, vicious, underbelly of our society and enjoy or relish in sharing the most negative stories of our community; let's hope we aren't becoming like the *wasicu* religious community where we go to church each Sunday but let loose throughout the week Are we practicing the sacrifices and goals and prayers and thoughts during the sundance throughout our life or is it just happening during that week? The extreme heat on the northern plains has not dampened the spirit of those who have endured and managed to uphold their sun dance vows. Keep them in prayer.



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Notes From Indian Country

Living in a nation of hypocrites



By Tim Giago

(Nanwica Kciji)

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Ok now, let me get this straight. Gambling was once a crime punishable by a prison sentence. Ministers of the church stood at the pulpit and preached against gambling because the Holy Bible said it was a sin.

The only state in the Union to license legalized gambling was Nevada and its major city, Las Vegas, was often called Sin City. So not only was gambling a crime, it was also a sin. When did all of this change? When did sin become no sin? When did gambling as a crime become gambling as no crime?

I think it all started to change when the state and national governments discovered that collecting taxes (or fees as they are euphemistically known when collected from Indian tribes) on gambling revenues was an easy and painless way to raise money.

I remember when it was illegal to advertise legal gambling and legal gambling establishments in a newspaper or on television. Did that change or has the advertising industry just found clever ways to get around it?

And then the state governments themselves started to get into the gambling industry with all sorts of legal lotteries. Of course they found a hundred reasons why the revenues they collected from state licensed casinos and lottery games were an important addition to the state's economy. Education? Yeah, that was the ticket.

Simply say that 90 percent of all revenues collected from gambling will go to education.

Property taxes? Wow, there's another good one. State people are always complaining about their rising property taxes so just tell them that 10 percent of all gaming revenues will go to reducing their property taxes.

These reasons alone can sure lend a tone of legitimacy to open gambling. I'm surprised that some of the state governments including that of Governor Mike Rounds in South Dakota didn't come up with schemes to give a percentage of gaming revenues to the Church.

Now I read that Indian casinos brought in $23 billion dollars in revenues last year.

Delving into the minds of state officials I would surmise that they are not only considering more and better ways to skim off some of these revenues for themselves, but are also looking at ways to drastically reduce aid to needy Indian families.

Lord knows the federal government is already hatching secret schemes about how to reduce federal funding to Indian tribes.

As is often muttered in the dungeons of the Secretary of the Interior's office, "Hey, since those Indians are all so damned rich, let's start cutting their budgets. A nip here and a tuck there and we will soon be able to wean them from federal money entirely."

Of course, that would leave more money for the Interior Department's land, water, trees and natural resources agencies. Interior's thinking is that Indians still have a lot of control over these things and the budget cuts will give them the money to allow the federal government to take more land, water, trees and natural resources from them. Hey, their rich now and really don't need all of that land, water, trees and natural resources anyhow. They're too busy buying 5,000 square foot homes, Cadillac cars, yachts, video games and 52-inch television sets. And, of course, many of them are much too busy putting their casino money back into their own casinos.

In fact, the Indian nations are getting so rich that they will hardly miss the things the government is about to take from them.

Let them rest on their casinos. That's poetic justice. What the Church has chosen to look at approvingly, the crimes and sins of gambling, has found a home in Indian country and Atlantic City. Or as Vice President Cheney would add, "Big time."

But, of course, the Church is much too busy worrying about abortion, gay marriage, flag burning and stem cell research to give any time or thought to the sin of gambling. Hell, if you will pardon the expression, they would probably build casinos of their own if they could find a way to do it.

If Oral Roberts could build a casino in Oklahoma he wouldn't have to worry so much about dying prematurely if church going people don't send him their hard earned dollars. And just think how much more Pat Robertson could do with his Christian Broadcasting Network if he had his own casino. Sin does pay handily.

The point of all this nonsense is how can the religious right or as it used to call itself "The Moral Majority," raise its voice against every other sin but gambling? In my mind that has got to be the pinnacle of hypocrisy.

It is hypocritical for the Church ministers to preach selectively about sin and then pander and approve of a sin that is historically and biblically a sin and a crime. It is doubly hypocritical for state governors like Mike Rounds of South Dakota to approve legislation attempting to quash legalized abortion while raking in money from the casinos that can be found on nearly every street corner in his state.

It's all about the money, baby, not the morals. "And that's the way it is," as Walter Cronkite used to say.

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Other Views

An open letter from Elouise Cobell

Dear Editor:

The summer of 2006 has been an extremely volatile one for our cause.

On July 11 the U.S. Court of Appeals removed U.S. District Judge Royce C. Lamberth from our case. In so doing, we lost the services of a dedicated and fair jurist who had presided over our case since its inception in 1996.

All individual Indian trust account holders should consider Judge Lamberth's removal a travesty of justice. It is, as columnist Suzan Shown Harjo said, yet another rebuke to one of the "good people" who is trying to change the way the U.S. Government deals with Native People.

Because the appeals court removed the judge at the same time that it was finding the government's conduct in our case deplorable, we plan to appeal his removal. We will argue that the removal of a judge from a case he has faithfully presided over for 10 years is itself without precedent.

We will also tell the Supreme Court that the very conduct that made Judge Lamberth so troubled with the government was, in fact, well documented by the appeals court.

The decision of the three-judge appeals court panel was as strong a denouncement of the trustee-delegates' conduct as we have ever seen: "To be sure, Interior's deplorable record deserves condemnation in the strongest terms," the court said. "Words like 'ignominious" and "incompeten[t]'...and 'malfeasance' and 'recalcitrance' are fair and well-supported by the record." It reinforced earlier rulings by the appeals court that the government has abused its trust obligation and has failed to fulfill its most basic responsibilities to the individual Indian trust beneficiaries.

It should be stressed that, according to the court of appeals, the removal of our judge in no way exonerates the Departments of Interior and Justice. Most importantly, the decision reaffirms the merits of our case (a "worthy cause") and it underscores the core theme of Judge Lamberth's most recent decisions.

His removal was unusual because the appeals court noted approvingly that Judge Lamberth's strong language was based properly on irrefutable evidence of government misconduct. Indeed, Judge Lamberth's order of July 12, 2005, was "nothing more than the views of an experienced judge who, having presided over this exceptionally contentious case for almost a decade has become exceeding ill disposed toward [a] defendant that has flagrantly and repeated breached its fiduciary obligations."

As we have learned from the past decade, the United States government resists change fiercely. That's even when the need for that change is well documented and punctuated by a century of malfeasance and continuing abuse.

We expect they will fight our effort to get the Supreme Court to review both the judge's removal and the vacation of the injunction he had issued on the Interior Department's computer system.

Even the appeals court acknowledged that fact. "To be sure," it said, "we have no doubt Interior's trust account information has serious reliability problems." That makes the need for an injunction even more pressing.

Finally, the appeals court ruling urged the parties "to work with the new judge to resolve this case expeditiously and fairly." Of course, this is precisely what we have engaged in for the last 10 years only to be thwarted time and again by the Department of the Interior and its Department of Justice attorneys who would rather delay a resolution of this matter and leave it to the next administration.

Even now, less than a month after the July 11 decisions, we are aware that mid-level bureaucrats in Interior and Justice are urging members of Congress to reject legislation that would resolve the case. As usual, the government has no interest in a resolution that is "expeditious and fair".

This is not to say that my attorneys and I believe these decisions will further delay a resolution of this case. Indeed, there are reasons to be hopeful that a new judge will not wait another 10 years (or more), as the government now proposes, to render an historical accounting. Especially since the material facts are not even disputed by the government.

Moreover, various media outlets are now reporting that Senator McCain is pressing legislation that would settle the case for $8 billion. This is a far cry from the over $27 billion we proposed last summer, but after bearing personal witness to the hardship and abuse that continues to be heaped upon the individual Indian beneficiaries after 10 years of hard-fought, acrimonious litigation I have directed my attorneys to seriously consider this offer.

This nation's first citizens are also its poorest and any resolution that is "expeditiou and fair" should be seriously and thoughtfully considered. We will be examining this legislation to make sure it is just that.

If you are an account holder or a trust beneficiary, now is the time to express your concerns and hopes about a possible settlement to your member of Congress. It's time for Indian Country to speak. The bureaucrats have had their say.

Elouise Cobell

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Northern Perspectives

Etiquette and other practical considerations



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

The sun dance setting and all the mystique surrounding it is the center piece of Lakota spirituality and as I comment on some aspects of it I do it very respectfully. Respect and etiquette are two things that all who take part need to attend to.

The sacrifice that is seen at such spiritual gatherings is overwhelming when you observe the energy and commitment of those who have made a vow to dance for some special reason. As I get older I heed the warnings and spend only a couple of hours now attending the sun dance and I am able to pray and support those who are in the sacred circle. The heat has been so unbearable on the northern plains that I cannot even imagine how the people have managed to meet their commitment. There are concerns that we need to all drink a lot of water and to keep hydrated whether we dance or not.

I have a nephew who just finished the sun dance and I didn't talk with him, but the fact that he danced in the intense heat for four days is something that is incomprehensible and admirable at the same time. His partner, my niece, also camped out and supported him for four days and that was equally as wonderful.

The other day I was at another sun dance and I didn't stay very long due to the heat, but it occurred to me that those who participate must undergo some kind of orientation about how to conduct themselves when they come to our homeland.

It should be a privilege and not a right. That must be true of those who simply observe or dance on the sideline in support of the dancers.

We have many visitors to Lakota country and I think we treat them very well as one never hears of any altercations or disputes out on the road. Contrary to some belief, Rosebud is a fairly safe place to visit. You've heard the expression, 'Rosebud is a nice place to visit, but I wouldn't want to live there.' My sentiment might be along the same line of thought, but reversing it I would say that Rosebud is, in fact, a good place to live.

Getting back to the sun dance I attended on Saturday for a brief period. As I was standing outside of the arbor, a young white man came and stood directly in front of me obscuring my already obscured line of site. I was having trouble seeing the dancers already as the pine boughs were hanging down and I had to position myself so that I could see through and around the hanging branches. Anyway, I tapped him on the shoulder and asked him to move over which he did. After awhile, as he was dancing he gradually danced back in front of me, once again interfering with my line of vision. I then took off my head cover and moved partially in front of him.

As I was thinking about the incident, it occurred to me that the young man looked like a foreigner and being a visitor to the Rosebud, he probably should have had a teeny tiny orientation on sun dance etiquette. Even I know not to so rude to step in front of someone and interfere with their participation in a sacred event.

It's funny, right after I left the sun dance, I got on the highway headed for home and a pickup proceeded to tailgate me. It was a vehicle from Oklahoma and I said to myself, "I said, self, yup, another one who could use a bit of visitor orientation and etiquette when visiting our homeland."

Such gatherings sometimes present an opportunity for someone in charge to tell the visitors how to conduct themselves and I especially like it when that occurs. We have many elders and humble people who wouldn't protest when someone interferes with their line of vision, but I chose not to.

Dr. Archie Beauvais (Sicangu) resides on the Rosebud with his son, Beaux. He earned a Doctor of Education (Ed.D) from Harvard University and is a 2006 Harvard AOCC Award recipient. A decorated Vietnam Veteran, he is functionally literate in Lakota and worked at Sinte Gleska University for 20 years as Dean/Chair of Tribal and Graduate Studies.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Sicangu Owayawa Oti is accepting applications for the 2006-2007 school year. Applications will be accepted on a daily basis Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Returning students who had finished the 2006-2007 school year at S.O.O. will need to fill out the whole application and submit updated immunizations and complete a physical. Registration will be held on the following dates for new and returning student from 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on the following dates:

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Sicangu Owayawa Oti will be opening on Sunday, August 20, 2006 at 3:00 p.m. There after the doors will open at 4:00 p.m. on Sundays.

First day of school August 21, 2006 for both Todd County and St. Francis Indian Schools. Transportation will be provided for the students on August 20, 2006. Transportation schedule will be available and announced at a later date.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding enrollment into Sicangu Owayawa Oti feel free to call (605) 856-4486 for Joleva Wike or Roxanna Marshall.

A column for and about women veterans

She also served

Dear SAS:

I had a frightening thing happen a couple weeks ago. I was working in the yard and looked out over the prairie. The next thing I know I am huddled under a table we have outside our house. I know that I saw Iraq just like it was yesterday, even though it's been a year since I returned home. I felt scared. What is happening?

Dear reader:

It sounds as if you had a strong memory that is often called a flashback. There are many reasons why this may have happened to you. If the day was hot, your body may have associated that feeling with the climate you experienced when deployed in Iraq. For some, the rolling brown prairie reminds them of the landscape of brown sand they worked in when overseas.

If this is the first time this has happened to you, you probably are wondering if you are losing your mind. You may feel self conscious and even a little embarrassed that you were huddled under the table. However, this is an example of a normal response to a fearful time you experienced while deployed. You are not losing your mind.

Although it is a delayed response, this can happen when a person has spent a great deal of time in a life-threatening situation.

Uninvited memories like this can cause a person to feel afraid. Part of the fear is associated with reliving what happened to you in Iraq. Some of the fear will be associated with not knowing what this experience is all about.

Your mind and spirit may still be trying to heal from a trauma. You are not alone in this. Others are having experiences such as yours and many are asking for help. You might not have anything like this happen again for a long time, but it is hard to predict. It might be a good idea for you to seek the advice of a counselor at a Vet Center or VA. Staff at the VA, or Vet Center are trained to help you understand what has happened to you. They can offer you ways to manage the flashbacks and other memories.

(Here is another letter on an associated topic. Elements of the dream have been modified for the purpose of this news article).

Dear SAS:

I am hoping you can give me some advice because I am afraid to talk about this with my family. I have bad dreams. I have had them for a long time. The dreams are alike in the fact that they have to do with being in the Army again. In my dream I am running from something and I realize I don't have my rifle. All of a sudden I come up on a dead body and when I look at the face, I see the face of my son. I wake up at this point, crying.

This freaks me out. None of it makes sense to me and I think I might be going crazy. If I told this to my family they would never understand.

Dear Reader:

First of all, you are not going crazy. Nightmares such as yours are common for individuals who have experienced some type of traumatic event.

The actions in the dreams vary, but some themes are the same. Themes include feelings of vulnerability, flight from something, and/or having faces of family or friends show up in unexpected contexts. Often, dreams like these come when a person is feeling stress in their life.

For some, dreams will occur after watching a TV show or movie that has a military theme. Our mind has the power to dump a lot of stuff into our dreams that might not make sense to us.

Since you report that the dreams have been happening for a long time, you would benefit from talking about them with a spiritual leader or a counselor.

That person will be able to work with you to determine what might be causing the dreams.

If it is due to watching too many military movies or TV programs, the first action is to reduce the amount of time spent in this activity. If the dreams appear to be related to stress in your life then the healing process will need more attention. Contact your local VA or Vet Center for help.

If you have a question, please write a letter to one of the following individuals:

Dr. Sally Weyer at the VA Black Hills Health Care System
3625 5th St., Rapid City, SD 57701
Arvine Standing Elk at the Martin Vet Center
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Cobell settlement bill pulled

WASHINGTON, DC - The ten year old Cobell case which was scheduled to be heard by the Senate Indian Affairs Committee as S. 140 was abruptly taken off of the hearing agenda yesterday, August 1. No explanation was given. Lawmakers will go on a one month break and once they return they will take up other pressing matters. Senator John McCain as the chair of the Senate Indian Affairs Committee will be stepping down at year's end.

Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne and Attorney General Alberto Gonzalez have said they will work with the committee to work to resolve the issue. The committee will work over the August break with Cobell plaintiffs, the administration and others in Indian Country to create a bill that addresses a comprehensive settlement.

Elouise Cobell, plaintiff named in the class action suit on behalf of thousands of individual account holders said, "I think the administration, the White House, made McCain pull the bill."

Originally, lawyers in the litigation case representing Indian tribes alleged that as many 500,000 Native people are owed royalty payments that have been mismanaged. Cobell's lawyers said that a figure amounting to $100 million was owed for grazing, farming, mining, logging and other activities on tribal lands.

In recent months, the plaintiffs in the case said they would consider settling the case for $25 billion; however, Senator McCain has been quoted as saying that he would put the figure much lower at approximately $8 billion.

Others in the administration have also been reluctant to settle the case and say that tribes are owed much less than the figures that have been discussed. Jim Cason, the associate deputy secretary, David Bernhardt, deputy solicitor and Ross Swimmer, the Special Trustee for American Indians have remained on board after the departure of Interior Secretary Gale Norton.

Dennis Giengold, lead attorney for Cobell believes there still is a chance to settle the issue, despite the administration's reluctance. He said, "My guess, though, is that Senator McCain could do it even if the administration wasn't on board. And, if he did, we would be behind him all of the way."

McCain has devoted much of his energy toward the Abramoff scandal and Indian gaming while on the Senate Indian Affairs Committee.

Carl Artman to be nominated Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The White House announced on Wednesday, Aug. 2 that President Bush intends to nominate Carl Joseph Artman to be the next Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs, replacing former Assistant Secretary Dave Anderson.

Artman, an enrolled member of the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin, currently serves as associate solicitor for Indian Affairs at the Department of the Interior.

He previously served as chief counsel of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin. Artman has extensive experience in Indian affairs, including land-to-trust, land claims, taxation, gaming and education. He also worked as a legislative assistant for Rep. Michael Oxley from 1991 to 1994 and served as director of federal affairs for the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin from 1994 to 1995.

His business experience includes serving as general counsel and vice-president of Business development at CorAcess Systems, LLC, in Denver.

He also served as chief legal counsel for Qubit Technology. Artman earned a LLM in Natural Resources and Environmental Law from the University of Denver School of Law, a master's degree in business administration from the University of Wisconsin in 1999, a J.D. degree from Washington University Law School in 1991, and a bachelor's degree from Columbia College in 1987.

With a deep background in tribal issues on his side, Artman has ties to the Republican party and the Bush administration.

In 2002, he was appointed by President Bush to serve on the White House Advisory Board on Tribal Colleges and Universities.

And like his predecessor, the famed entrepreneur Dave Anderson, the new nominee has a background in business as well.

Since the 1990s, he has served as a top executive for companies in the telecommunications and technology fields.

Artman now must fill the void that left the Bureau of Indian Affairs without a leader for nearly 18 months. Anderson, who was also from Wisconsin, resigned in February 2005 after his unconventional ideas to transform the agency failed to gain traction among senior aides, according to an article posted on Indianz.com.

"We look forward to a rapid confirmation and are anxious to get Carl on board," said Nedra Darling, a spokesperson for the BIA. "We look forward to working with him and working together for Indian Country."

Congress will recess at the end of this week for the remainder of August, so his confirmation hearings and consideration by the Senate likely cannot take place until after Labor Day.

The President also plans to appoint him to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the American Folklife Center, for the remainder of a six-year term expiring June 1, 2010.

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Federal help sought to save native languages

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) - Federal grants can help keep some rarely spoken American Indian languages from disappearing, tribal and Indian education officials say.

Of about 500 American Indian languages that existed before European immigration to North America, only about 100 still exist and 20 are spoken by American Indian children, said Ryan Wilson, president of the National Indian Education Association.

Wilson said the federal government discouraged the teaching of Indian languages years ago in an attempt to force cultural assimilation.``We're not playing the role of victims. We don't believe in that," Wilson said. ``But the U.S. government made the biggest investment in the destruction of the languages, and it should make a commensurate investment in helping to bring them back."

He is supporting legislation in Congress that would provide grants for ``immersion schools" that would teach Indian languages. In immersion schools, students learn traditional languages and are taught other subjects in those languages as well.

He estimated the bill would cost about $8 million annually. Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., is a co-sponsor.

Tex Hall, chairman of the Three Affiliated Tribes, which includes the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara, said only eight people are still fluent in the Mandan language.

``If we don't do this now, it will be gone," Hall said. ``These speakers are passing on. When they pass, they take a wealth of knowledge with them."

Hall and Wilson spoke during a summer institute on Indian education, held this week at United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck.

United Tribes President David Gipp said there is evidence that language programs can help students improve their overall academic performance.

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Weston new chairman of Flandreau Santee Sioux tribe

FLANDREAU - Joshua Weston is the new tribal chairman of the Flandreau Santee Sioux tribe as decided in tribal elections held on Tuesday, Aug. 1. Weston won a relatively close election over Mark Allen with a vote total of 122 votes to Allen's 109. Eloise Drapeau was voted in with a total of 152 votes to 81 for Cindy Weston for secretary of the tribe.

In the tribal council race, Christine Payer won over Leah Flynn with a vote tally of 121 to 109 votes. In the other council race, Darlene Barnard beat Andrew Weston with a vote total of 124 to 108 votes. There are four council seats and two are up for re-election every two years.

New chairman-elect will be sworn into office on Saturday, Aug. 5, while the Weston family will conduct a wopila ceremony on Sunday.

CRST to receive $4 million for roads

EAGLE BUTTE - River Sioux Tribe will receive $4 million for its roads as part of 2007 legislation passed last week by the Senate Appropriations Committee. The money is included in the Transportation, Treasury and Housing and Urban Development spending bill for 2007, according to a news release.

The funding will support two road projects, including the upgrade of 17 miles on Bureau of Indian Affairs Route 12 from the intersection of S.D. Highway 63 to Cherry Creek. It will cost $2 million. Another $2 million will upgrade 12 miles of BIA Route 6, which leads from S.D. Highway 73 to Red Scaffold. The upgrades will resurface and grade the roads. This project will be matched with bridge improvements, the release said.

The Cheyenne River reservation is one of the largest reservations in the United States, with a total area of 2.8 million acres.

Three on Three

Saturday, Aug. 12th in Martin hosted by the Martin Area Chamber of Commerce at 1pm on Main Street in Martin. For info call 685-1221

20th Annual He Sapa Wacipi Na Oskate

Oct. 6-8 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City, championship pow wow, fine arts and games.

Martin Luther King III skips visit to Pine Ridge

PORCUPINE - In a *Rapid City Journa*l article recently, Oglala Sioux Tribe members and families were more insulted than disappointed Tuesday after the eldest son of civil-rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. skipped the South Dakota leg of a Learning and Listening Tour of the "Realizing the Dream" movement.

Russell Means said his staff had to contact officials in Chicago Tuesday morning to find out what had happened when Martin Luther King III did not arrive on his flight at Rapid City Regional Airport.

As part of the "Realizing the Dream" movement, Means had arranged meetings with several families and a tour of Pine Ridge Reservation.

"I think Indian people have been insulted; I think this is a flagrant example of racism," Means said in a telephone interview Tuesday afternoon to the Rapid City Journal from his T.R.E.A.T.Y. School office in Porcupine.

King's staff told Means that the civil-rights activist had only one day available for himself and that Tuesday's planned reservation tour had been deemed overambitious. So, King decided to cancel his visit, Means said.

But his office failed to notify Means of the change Monday night.

Means said it was unconscionable and unacceptable that they would not notify them that King was going to cancel.

Means said Chief Oliver Red Cloud, an 83-year-old elder who uses a wheelchair, was waiting to meet King. "He had other things he could have been doing than waiting for that guy," Means said.

There are no plans to reschedule a tour, Means said.

USD conference to highlight author Joseph Marshall

CUSTER - Author and actor Joseph M. Marshall III will be featured at the Mount Rushmore Leadership Conference Aug. 14-18, the W.O. Farber Center for Civic Leadership announced.

Marshall has written several screenplays and books, including ``The Journey of Crazy Horse: A Lakota History," and ``The Lakota Way: Stories and Lessons for Living."

The audio version of ``The Lakota Way" won a 2003 Native American Music Award in the ``Best Spoken Word" category and a 2004 Audio Publishers Award for ``Best Inspirational/Spiritual Audio Book".

Marshall is the recipient of the Wyoming Humanities Council Award and starred as ``Loved by the Buffalo" in Steven Spielberg's TNT miniseries ``Into the West". He also served as technical advisor for the film.

The Mount Rushmore Institute is a trademarked program sponsored by the W.O. Farber Center for Civic Leadership at USD and it will be held at Sylvan Lake Resort in Custer State Park.

21st Annual Oglala Lakota Nation Gathering

"Honoring Mother Earth with Respect"

August 3-6, 2006

Pine Ridge, SD

Pow Wow, Rodeo and Fair

Wtith Traditional Horse Games & Hand Games

Events

Traditional Horse Games
Friday, August 4th, beginning at 10 am - $3,500 in PRIZES

Handgames
1st Place $2,000; 2nd $1,000; 3rd $500; 4th $250 - Wimer Mesteth

Parade
Saturday, August 5th, at 11:00 am (points for dancers)
For more info contact Joy Hill 867-1470

Grand Entry
Friday, August 4th, at 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, August 5th, at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 6th, at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Announcers Chris Eagle Hawk and Pat Bad Hand
Arena Director Chico Her Many Horses
Drum Keeper Emmanuel Black Bear
Head Contest Judge Wesley New Holy
Specials Coordinator Harold Salway
Registration Bernadine Blue Bird
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Royalty Melanie Two Eagle 867-5821 ext. 229
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Golden Age Categories
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Sr. Women's Traditional
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Men's Traditional, Grass & Fancy Bustle
Women's Traditional, Jingle, Fancy Shawl
$1,000-$800-$700-$600-$500

Teen Categories
Boy's Traditional, Grass & Fancy Bustle
Girl's Traditional, Jingle, Fancy Shawl
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Girl's Traditional, Jingle, Fancy Shawl
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3 on 3 Shoot Out
In Memory of Kevin Bordeaux
Saturday August, 5

Traditional Horse Games
Alex White Plume - 867-5821 x 211

Traditional Hand Games
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Men's Slow Pitch
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Woodz Two Lance
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Women's Slow Pitch
Delmer Brewer Field
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Wesley Bettelyoun
867-5172/867-2182

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Francis Big Crow 867-5914
Wesley Bettelyoun
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or fax 867-2087

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Friday, August 4
Sk8board Competition
& 3 on 3 Basketball
Jeanne 867-1786

Golf
Joe Blue Horse - 867-5511

Rodeo
Babes Runnells, Toni Montileaux, Stacey Dewolf, Ella Carlow, Kathy Janis & Ruth Brown

Showers will be available

24 hr Security on Grounds
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Mission Statement

The Pine Ridge School strives to empower all students to become successful, life long learners in a culturally diverse, changing and technological world reflecting the Lakota values as the foundation for enhancing the well being of self, family and community.

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School Board
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Sandy Two Lance
Tom Conroy

Volleyball 2006

Aug. 25-26	Custer Tourney	Away	5:00
Aug. 31	St. Francis	Home	5:00
Sept. 7	Todd County	Away	5:30
Sept. 19	Little Wound	Away	5:00
Sept. 21	White River Tri.	Away	3:00
Sept. 23	Triangular-R.C.,C-EB	Home	1:00
Sept. 29,30	Lakota Nation Invitational	Away	3:30
Oct. 5	Edgemont	Away	6:00
Oct. 10	Little Wound	Home	5:00
Oct. 13	Crow Creek	Home	4:30
Oct. 14	Douglas Tournament	Away	9:00
Oct. 17	Red Cloud	Home	5:00
Oct. 20	Edgemont	Home	6:00
Oct. 24	St. Francis	Home	5:00
Nov. 1	District 14A	TBA	2:30
Nov. 10	Regional	TBA	TBA

Boy's Golf 2006

Aug. 17	West River Open-	Meadowbrook	10:00
Aug. 18	West River Open-	Spearfish	8:00
Aug. 22	Pierre Invitational-	Pierre	10:00
Aug. 29	Triangular-	Douglas	4:00
Aug. 31	Todd Country Invite	Mission	9:00
Sept. 7	St. Francis Invite	Spotted Tail	8:30
Sept. 12	Douglas	Prairie Ridge	4:00
Sept. 14	Martin Triangular	Markota Acres	10:00
Sept. 21	Regional-	Red Rocks	1:00
Oct. 2-3	State-	Spearfish	8:00

Cross Country 2006

Aug. 25	Fri.	Douglas		3:00
Aug. 31	Thur.	Red Cloud		3:30
Sept. 5	Tues.	Jim Thorpe Invite	(Home)	3:00
Sept. 7	Thurs.	Bell Fourche		1:30
Sept. 9	Sat.	Chadron Invitational		9:00
Sept. 14	Thurs.	Custer		3:00
Sept. 16	Sat.	All Nations(Flandreau)		10:00
Sept. 19	Tues.	Hot Springs		3:00
Sept. 26	Tues.	Pre-Region@Lead		1:30
Sept. 28	Thurs.	Sturgis		3:00
Sept. 30	Sat.	Lakota Nation Invite @ Rapid City		10:00
Oct. 14	Sat.	Regional - Lead		10:00
Oct. 21	Sat.	State - Huron		12:00

Football 2006

Sept. 1	Hot Springs	Home	7:00
Sept. 8	Bennett County	Away	7:00
Sept. 15	Red Cloud	Away	3:00
Sept. 22	Cheyenne-Eagle Butte *(Homecoming)*	Home	7:00
Sept. 29	Todd County	Home	7:00
Oct. 6	Little Wound	Away	1:00
Oct. 13	Crow Creek	Home	6:30
Oct. 20	St. Francis	Away	6:30
Oct. 24	First Round Playoffs Top Seed	TBA	7:00

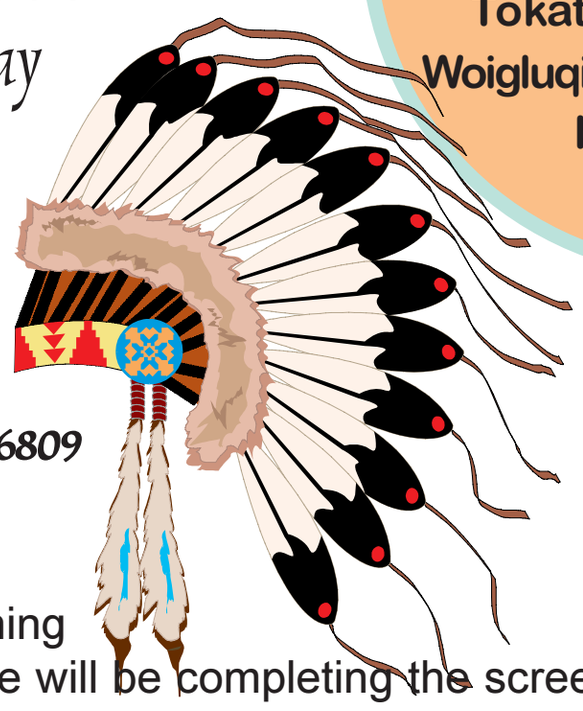
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  (Kindergarten Teachers will be completing the screening)
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- Dental Cleaning
  (Staff from WHC will be providing information on dental care)
- Kid Printing (optional)
  (An Officer will be on site to provide fingerprinting to all interested parents.)

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Words for the People

SECTION B

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Two Sections

Two Charge Entertainment to perform at Oglala Nation



Top row: Josh Whirlwind Soldier; Mid row: Kyle Rosario, Wade Two Charge, Jerrod Mendoza, Matt Scott, Ken Richards and front row: Kris Leroy. Story by Archie Beauvais

Two Charge Entertainment of the Rosebud Reservation is a collection of young men who are on a mission to create a hip-hop sound that is acceptable to all. The small, independent company has a tribal license to sell their posters and CD's that are produced locally and which are available online at www.myspace.com/twocharge. "A lot of elders are judgmental and my vision is to see it more modern" said one of the group members as he noted that the older generation also had their particular brand of music that appealed to them and now their turn has arrived.

The members of Two Charge entertainment include, Matt Scott who is headed to South Dakota State University next month, Kyle Rosario of Rosebud, Wade Two Charge who is the group spokesman, Ken Richards, Oglala/Rosebud, Richard Running, Rosebud, Kris Leroy, Rosebud, Josh Whirlwind Soldier, Rosebud and Jerrod Mendoza, Pine Ridge. Most of the group has some form of university or post-secondary training or have been accepted for college and that in itself is an attractive and desirable feature for any young group that are "representing" the people.

Rosario, Running and Two Charge go back a few years to high school when began saving money to undertake their own music production business.

The group has been writing and recording their songs using their own equipment since 2000 and do their own distribution online, in stores and during their performances. They have performed in-state three times this year and welcome the opportunity to perform their mixtape from "Tha Camp" in a free performance at the Oglala Nation Fair on Friday, August 4 after the 3-on-3 tournaments at the park. They will also give any local emcees "the opportunity to shine on the mic, freestyle, battles, etc."

One of the young men said, "The music comes from our experiences both positive and negative. The lyrics are as true as possible."

The group describes their music as Native American hip-hop and often collaborate with local talent in creating their work. One of the group said, "We are all individuals with our own mind. We respect each other's stuff." Another young man in the group said, "My mom loves it. She respects me and wants to know that it is respectable."

Kyle Rosario of the group provides the technological 'know how' as he produces the recordings, designs album covers and generally assists with the public relations aspect of the group's performances. The business end of Two Charge Entertainment is interesting and challenging also as they are also in a position to produce the work of other groups for a set

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Wild Horse Butte Pow Wow Aug. 11

MARTIN - The Wild Horse Butte Powwow east of town will begin with registration on Aug. 11, Friday at 1 p.m. with supper served at 5:00 p.m. The first grand entry will begin at 7:00 p.m. Four other sessions will be held on Saturday and Sunday at 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Other Bennett County Fair events include a variety of 4-H dog shows, exhibit judging, livestock weigh-ins and horse competitions will be held during the country fair. An appreciation breakfast will be held at 6:00 a.m. at the Fire Hall, sponsored by the Martin Volunteer fire department.

Health screenings will be also held on Friday with blood pressure, sugar and oxygen screenings in the morning and the afternoon sponsored by the B.C. Hospital and Nursing Home and the B.C. Extension Service.

There will be a parade on Main Street at 12 noon on Saturday sponsored by the Martin Chamber of Commerce. A food booth will be hosted by the Chamber at 11:00 a.m.

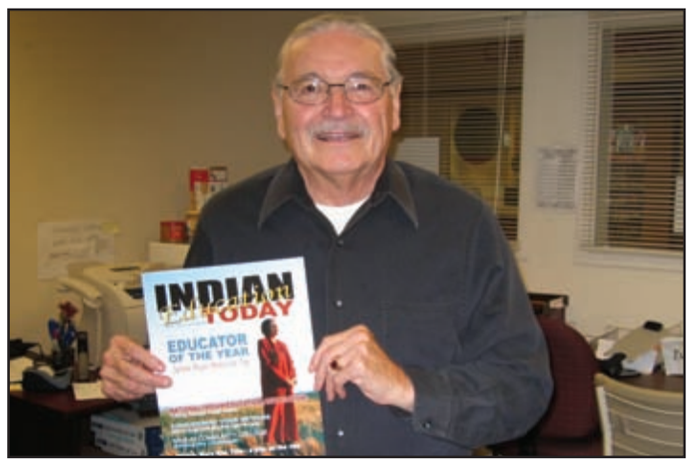
There will also be a 3-on-3 basketball tourney on Main Street sponsored by the Chamber. A free barbecue will be held on Saturday from 5:00 - 7:00 at the fair building.

Giago retires from magazine and foundation

RAPID CITY - Tim Giago, an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, announced his retirement as president of the Native American Journalists Foundation, Inc. and publisher of *Native American Review Magazine*, which was orginally *Indian Education Today.*

He will continue to write his weekly column for McClatchy News Service

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Tim Giago with the debut of his magazine.

Crow Creek Tribe $30 million in debt

PIERRE (AP) - The Crow Creek Sioux Tribe is $30 million in the hole and desperately in need of a cash infusion to beef up its anemic police force in the face of a surge in drug-related crime, Chairman Lester Thompson Jr. says.

Thompson, who took office in May, recently issued a report to tribal members outlining the severity of the tribe's financial woes.

It included notice that the tribe owes the Internal Revenue Service almost $4 million in unpaid taxes and penalty fees.

The Crow Creek reservation has consistently ranked among the top five poorest areas in the United States. Unemployment tops 70 percent. Alcohol and other drug abuse is rampant. Education is sorely lacking.

The tribe has long had money trouble as a result.

Thompson blamed the latest crisis, however, on the tribe's fiscal ineptness.

"Our tribe is broke, due to excessive spending," he wrote in the report dated July 16. "All together, the tribe as a whole owes close to $30 million."

That's a problem Thompson and tribal council members must work quickly to address, possibly by realigning or closing programs, cutting payroll and getting a loan to pay off existing debt, the chairman said. But he acknowledged that creditors are leery because of the tribe's financial past.

He said his most immediate concern, though, is what he sees as a need for more police officers and access to a jail.

"The jail has been shut down for quite a while, and there's no communication with the tribe," Thompson said. "I'm chairman of a tribe in the poorest county in America. We don't have the money to operate it, and the Bureau (of Indian Affairs) apparently is unable to do it."

He said the BIA police department is down to two patrol officers, "and that isn't enough to give us coverage for public safety, especially when the officers sometimes must transport prisoners to Eagle Butte or Chamberlain."

The federally funded BIA is in charge of law enforcement and other services on Indian reservations.

In a letter to the BIA Washington office in late June, Thompson said, "Crow Creek Agency being inadequately staffed subjects our community to be treated less than other citizens of the state. We, too, are entitled to live in safe communities."

Reliable crime statistics were not available, but tribal school officials and drug treatment staffers have said that methamphetamine is among major law enforcement problems on the reservation. Meth is a highly addictive drug, and its users often turn to burglary and drug dealing to feed their habits.

Thompson said the federal government has a trust responsibility to provide for public safety in Indian Country.

Calls to the BIA's public information office weren't returned.

The tribe has written to the state's congressional delegation to ask for intervention in the issue, Thompson said.

Spokespeople for both Sen. John Thune, R-S.D., and Sen. Tim Johnson, D-S.D., said they have received the letter and intend to help, but neither senator has found a solution yet.

Donald McGhee, a longtime tribal council member and former Crow Creek chairman, said the closing of the jail puzzled many reservation residents.

Although it was identified in a federal report in 2000 as being seriously overcrowded - operating at 200 percent of capacity, in fact - improvements had been made, McGhee said.

"The jail was in good shape after that," McGhee said. "Without it, and without more law enforcement, we have a lot of concerns around here."

Thompson said some BIA officials suggested that the tribe should "638 it," a phrase that refers to the process by which a tribe runs its own program with federal funds.

A study of Indian Country jails, "Neither Safe Nor Secure: An Assessment of Indian Detention Facilities," done in 2004 by the Interior Department's Office of Inspector General, concluded: "BIA has failed their responsibility for providing safe and secure detention facilities."

That study said there were 72 detention facilities in Indian Country in August of 2004.

BIA law enforcement services ran 17 of those, tribes ran nine, and 46 operated under the 638 contracts.

Two Charge

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fee. In fact, they recently produced a CD recording of the drum group Eagle Creek from Antelope community on the Rosebud reservation.

The group has realized a bit of financial success that has helped them to purchase the production equipment that is vital to their ability to work out of their home locally. In fact, there is a desire to earn more income through their performances, CD's and posters so that their efforts are financially rewarded. They are available for special occasions, weddings, dances and so forth.

What is interesting about the group's music and subsequent performances is that immediate feedback can be left at myspace.com for their review. They note that they also receive verbal feedback on their music after their performances.

Giago

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(formerly Knight Ridder Tribune News) of Washington, DC. He has been writing a syndicated column for more than 25 years and it appears in newspapers all across America.

Giago started the *Lakota Times* weekly newspaper on the Pine Ridge Reservation in 1981.

He built it into the largest weekly newspaper in South Dakota and the largest independently owned Indian newspaper in the United States.

He later changed the name of the paper to *Indian Country Today* and it is still published every week by the Oneida Nation of New York State.

Giago was only the second journalist in the history of South Dakota to be awarded the prestigious Nieman Fellowship to Harvard University for the school years of 1990 - 1991.

He has won many journalism awards in his 30 years in the newspaper business including the H. L Mencken Award from the Baltimore Sun and the Distinguished Journalism Award from the School of Journalism at the University of Missouri.

Giago was also one of the original founders of Native American Journalist Association, which is now based out of Brookings and is the Indian journalism association of the nation.

He will be moving to Albuquerque, NM next week where he will work with some of the area schools and colleges there to promote Indians into journalism. Clear Light Books of Santa Fe, NM will publish his new book, "Children Left Behind" next week.

Giago said, "After more than 35 years in the newspaper business I think it is time to put away my beat up typewriter and move on to other endeavors. I hope to have more time to devote to my weekly column and to continue working on another book."

He said that the *Native American Review Magazine* and the foundation will be left in the capable hands of his daughter Denise, his niece Christy Tibbitts, sales manager Jackie Jordan and in the able hands of the new managing editor Collette Keith. "I will be only an email away if they need my help," he said.

Giago had open-heart surgery last year and has been recovering from that operation since that time.

He will be autographing his new book at the Santa Fe Indian Market starting August 18.

For more information please call Christy Tibbitts at 605-721-2983.

School Registration

Our Lady of Lourdes in Porcupine on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 14th and 15th with entrance exams for 2nd through 8th grade on Monday and Tuesday from 1-4pm and for 1st grade on Tuesday, Aug 22nd from 9asm to 4pm, for info call 867-2801

Miss Indian Nations Pageant

Sept. 6-9 at the United tribes International Pow wow at the United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck

United Tribes International Pow wow

Sept. 7-10 in Bismarck at the United tribes Technical College

RST awarded predevelopment funds

A $15,000 grant assists with engineering and environmental study

ROSEBUD - USDA Rural Development Acting State Director Tim B. Potts presented Rosebud Sioux Tribal Chairman Rodney Bordeaux with a ceremonial check representing water and waste disposal grant funds in the amount of $15,000 to be used for an engineering and environmental study to relocate the waste water disposal lagoon for the Rosebud community.

Potts said, "USDA Rural Development funds will assist the Rosebud Sioux Tribe in accomplishing their goals and reinforces our agency's commitment to work with other government agencies to serve the community of Rosebud, the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and their tribal membership."

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe is proposing to build a runway to enhance healthcare services in the area. The selected location for the proposed runway is near the existing sewer lagoons for the Rosebud Community are located. The Federal Aviation stipulates that bodies of water should not be within 5,000 feet of the runway. Also, at present the lagoons are leaking, in addition to needing extensive repairs, the tribe felt this was an opportune time to conduct a study to identify whether or not relocating the sewer lagoons is feasible. This $15,000 of federal funding will be leveraged with Indian Health Services funding in the amount of $60,000.

"With the assistance of Rural Development and HIS, we are well on our way toward the establishment of a local airport in the Rosebud Community. This is necessary to provide air ambulance service to the patients at the IHS Hospital. This runway will improve emergency services to the Tribal members and to all others who are utilizing the hospital," said Rodney Bordeaux, Rosebud Sioux Tribal Chairman.



L-R: Tim Potts, Acting State Director for USDA Rural Development Rodney Bordeaux, President of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe James Begeman, Field Engineer for IHS in Rosebud David Adrian, Manager for USDA Rural Development.

USDA Rural Development Acting Area Director David Adrian from Rapid City also attended the event along with James Begeman, Field Engineer for IHS in Rosebud. USDA Rural Development has ten offices in the state that assist rural communities. Office locations include a state office in Huron, along with area offices in Aberdeen, Huron, Mitchell, Pierre, Rapid City, Sioux Falls, Sturgis, Watertown, and Yankton. Further information on rural programs is available at a local USDA Rural Development office or by visiting USDA's web site at http://www/rurdev.-usda.gov.

Showers available for campers

The Pine Ridge School showers will be available for campers during the Oglala Nation Fair and Pow Wow on August 4 to 6 from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

'Oppressionism' opening reception at Shaman Gallery in Hot Springs

HOT SPRINGS - Russell Means and James Starkey, two political leaders and American Indian artists of our time, along with a surprise guest Santa Fe artist, will present art and literature highlighting challenges faced by American Indian cultures at an opening reception on Saturday, Aug. 5, from 3 - 6 p.m. at Shaman Gallery in Hot Springs. The prize-wining documentary film, "Riding With Ghosts", produced and directed by Joe Hubers and James Starkey, will also be shown during the reception. Refreshments will be served while guests enjoy a rare opportunity to visit with the artists.

The film, "Riding With Ghosts" will again be shown at the Gallery on Sunday, Aug. 6, at 1 p.m.

For more information, call 605-745-6602, email the Gallery: shaman@gwtc.net, or stop by at 405 N. River St. in Hot Springs between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m., every day.

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Marjorie Schmidt, PA-C, Physicians Assistant
To make an appointment to see one of the above, call Gordon Clinic, daily 308-282-1442 or Rushville Clinic at **308-327-2757.**

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To make an appointment call **1-800-343-3009**

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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I have a question?! I was at Sun Dance a couple weeks ago and I was told that there are two medicine men that are trying to use "bad medicine"!! I was told one of the names but not the other.

I have a feeling about who the other one is, his Sun Dance is going on now. I have a family mentor dancing there. Is it him?

I am feeling really confused and scared. If it is him, what do I do?

Can you help me?

Confused about bad medicine

Dear Confused:

I too have had run-in's with "bad" medicine, at Sun Dance as well as just in life. What I know is that it is an area "outside" of what any of us, except medicine men and pipe-carriers, can usually handle.

I am not a pipe-carrier (except in my heart) but feel the strength and courage to face bad medicine with the help of the interpreter man that I love and trust.

Prayers for protection and various tobacco ties placed within a home that is under attack do help. Your own medicine man can advise you of what to do to protect your family. Please understand that your own medicine man is aware of what is going on and he will know what to do to handle it. Many times, however, there is no bad medicine at all...just a series of events based on the people present - their "karma" being returned to them.

Gossip often enhances the belief and increases the effect of "bad medicine" when it is being used. I don't see your family mentor being directly involved with "bad medicine" being thrown at you or your family. Your family mentor may be jealous or uncomfortable with your medicine man's power and hocaka...these feelings unfortunately do add to the power of any negative medicine that is stirring as it tends to feed it.

There is a severe price to pay for the use of "bad medicine," and any informed person would be more than terrified to use it. The price is personal and heavy. I am always saddened by the mis-use of medicine, as now is the time for the Lakota people to come together in unity.

The reunion of all into one Sun Dance (in my "visions") is going to happen at some point in time. These individual struggles with jealous hearts will fade away as the strength of the Creator unites all hearts into one circle.

It is man-kinds' insecurities and jealousies and fear that one medicine man has more "power" than another that tear people apart. This is the work of fear manifest (it has many names) to dis-empower the Indian people and tear them into pieces versus the powerful Reunion-Unity Spirit that will save The People in the future.

Whenever there is great spiritual drama on the earth there is always a play of "good vs. evil." If you watch enough movies, and witness enough life then you know that eventually good will win, because that is ultimately the power of the Creator.

Only a fool would continue on the side of darkness, because it just takes one light to eradicate it.

Good will always win in the long run, because the Creator is that. Who wants to wage a war with God...and if they do, how can they be such fools of darkness that they think they will win?

What is truly sad to me is that a good medicine man will always tell you that he doesn't have any power; it is the Spirits that he works with which are part of the Creator.

It is, in other words God's power. I have seen the Spirits leave more than one medicine man because of mis-use of that power. This is an ancient religion, with many plays to upset it, but ultimately the healing power of the Spirits and the strength of love of the people for each other will prevail.

Don't worry, you are safe within the love and protection of your hocaka.

Dear Anna,

The main subject or question I would like to ask you Anna is: will my husband's ex-girlfriend who is still in the middle of I and my husband's relationship ever leave me alone? She fought with me twice and I want to know the truth why she don't like me and why she fought with me because I never met her but I know who she is. Is she ever going to be out of our lives?

I love my husband and I don't want any more problems can you help me? And will I ever get out of this financial rut I'm in? I work so hard but yet I'm left without a job.

What do you see in the future for myself, my husband, my daughter and my step-daughter? I know there's so many question's right now I need guidance and a job to pay my bills.

Please help

Dear Please help:

Your husband's ex girl-friend has what I like to call "emotional issues" that are not included in good mental health. She is obsessed with you and your husband. Her own life's frustration is out of hand.

Just ignore her. Eventually she will have to find another focus besides the man she didn't "get." Many people will tell her to forget it and back off. For her own sake she will understand that I am directing this letter to her (she reads the *Lakota Country Times*) and will begin to see that attacking you or your husband's reputation is stupid, shallow and insipid. I would like to remind her that any relationship that doesn't work out isn't meant to...that the Creator has something and someone else in store for her.

She doesn't like you because you are with her ex. No other reason but that one. It really has nothing to do with you, just the shadows in her own mind.

You do need to work, and I see you working about the end of summer in an organization that sponsors the welfare of children. You will be helping in many capacities; working internally with some help in record keeping, driving children around, visiting homes and other tasks.

Once you get a paycheck begin to pay your past debts in small increments and plan how to spend your money. It is hard to live on the money that most of us make, but it is easier if you pay your bills, buy what you absolutely need, and don't spend too much money frivolously.

Every once in a while, about once every six weeks or so, allow yourself a little extra money for a treat.

Drugs and alcohol are not included in that treat, as they will defeat any home's financial security. You will be all right in a little time (about 6 to 8 months).

Good luck with your new plans.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests may be subject to publication.

Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

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The Rez Firefighter (Peta Usniyapi)

By Beaux Beauvais



Frybread

By Thom Little Moon



Lakota Crossword Puzzle

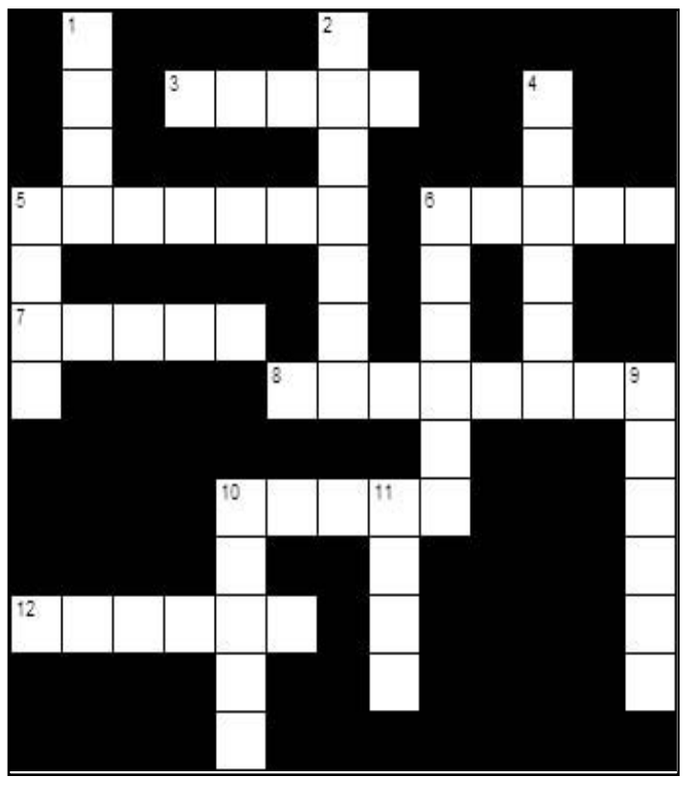
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

3. porcupine
5. angry
6. one
7. three
8. butterfly
10. play
12. drunk

Down

1. hill
2. star
4. eagle
5. cry
6. thanks
9. day
10. dog
11. house



The words for the Lakota Crossword Puzzle is from the text of *Everyday Lakota, An English-Sioux Dictionary for Beginners.*

Answers from last week's puzzle



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PG
You, Me and Dupree
PG13
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Thomas E. Cuny, 29.....Pine Ridge
Elsie Slides Off, 85.....Eagle Butte
Gladys Bird Horse, 74 .....Wakpala

Thomas E. Cuny

PINE RIDGE - Thomas E. Cuny, 29, Pine Ridge, died Sunday, July 23, in Rapid City as a result of an automobile accident. Survivors include his father, Orson Cuny, Manderson; one son, Enoch Two Bulls, Pine Ridge; three brothers, George Cuny, Pine Ridge, Tony Stewart, Oglala, and Arlin Cuny, Manderson; and three sisters, Autumn Conroy, Allen, and Stephenie Cuny and Lindy Jo Cuny, both of Manderson.

Wake services were Thursday, July 27, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall in Oglala.

Funeral services were Friday, July 28, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall, with the Rev. O'Hare officiating and traditional Lakota services by John Red Feather. Burial was at Two Bulls Family Cemetery, No. 4 Community, north of Pine Ridge. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Elsie Slides Off

EAGLE BUTTE - Elsie Slides Off, 85, Eagle Butte, died Wednesday, July 26, at Indian Health Service Hospital in Eagle Butte.

Wake services were Wednesday, Aug. 2 at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Thunder Butte.

Funeral services were Thursday, Aug. 3, at St. Peter's Episcopal Church with George Medicine Eagle, Mother Marian Rectenwald and Sister Carline Eultgen officiating.

Burial was at the church cemetery.

Gladys Bird Horse

WAKPALA - Gladys Bird Horse, 74, Wakpala, died Tuesday, July 25, at Mobridge Regional Hospital.

Funeral services were Wednesday, Aug. 2, at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church in Wakpala, with the Rev. Phillip Allen, the Rev. Leslie Campbell and the Standing Rock lay readers officiating.

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MINUTES

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Shannon County School Board MINUTES July 24, 2006

The Shannon County School board held their annual meeting and budget hearing on Monday, July 24, 2006 at Bateland, South Dakota.

President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

Board members present: Angie Eagle Bull, Melvin Cummings, Ruth Cummings, Todd O'Bryan, Chuck Conroy. Members absent: Laticia Decory

Others present: Dr. Margo Heinert, Superintendent, MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager, Vickie Grant, Assessment Coordinator, Robert Two Crow, Lakota Studies Director, Ted Hanson, Special Education Director, J. Wayne Goff, Batesland Principal, Loretta Giago, Wolf Creek Principal, Marlene Stout, Red Shirt Principal, Bob Hall, Rockyford Principal, Monica Whirlwind Horse, Rf Dean of Students, Darrell Eagle Bull, Wolf Creek Dean of Students, Karen Bowman-Raymond, Curriculum Coordinator, Myron Pourier, Facilities & Maintenance Director, Dana Christensen, Technology Director, Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary, Norma Cummings, Devona Pourier, Juanita Scherich.

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

7000 Approval of Agenda:

Motion by M. Cummings to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

7001 Approval of Minutes:

Motion by O'Bryan to approve minutes of the June 26, 2006 regular meeting and the June 30, 2006 special meeting. Motion carried.

7002 Executive Session:

Motion by R. Cummings to go into executive session at 5:15 p.m. to discuss personnel issues. Motion carried.

President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 6:09 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

7003 Civil Defense Siren Systems:

Juanita Scherich was in attendance to discuss the possibility of the school district contributing toward the cost of a siren system for severe weather warnings to the reservation communities, particularly Red Shirt Village.

7004 Financials:

Motion by M. Cummings to approve disbursements, financial report, payroll expense and fund-transfers for June, as listed. Motion carried.

7005 Personnel:

Motion by O'Bryan to approve all personnel recommendations, as listed; also, to assess fines for release from contracts from two certified staff members, as per negotiated agreements; also, to approve the release from contract from one special education teacher, provided a doctor's statement is provided or assess other penalties as afforded by SDCL. Motion carried.

7006 8th Grade Sponsor:

Motion by M. Cummings to approve a position for 8th grade sponsor in each school, advertise the positions, and compensate in accordance with the certified staff extra curricular assignment schedule, Motion carried.

7007 School Resource Officer:

Motion by M. Cummings to authorize administration to proceed with development of a job description for School Resource Officer. Motion carried.

7008 Oath Of Office:

The Oath of Office was recited by Charles Conroy and Andrea Eagle Bull, who were elected as board members for three-year terms, beginning July 24, 2006 through the July annual meeting date, 2009.

7009 Election of Officers:

Motion by M. Cummings for Angie Eagle Bull to continue serving as President of the Board. R. Cummings seconded the motion. Motion carried, four voted yes, none opposed.

Motion by O'Bryan to nominate Chuck Conroy for the position of Vice-President of the Board. Board member Conroy declined. Motion died.

Motion by M. Cummings to nominate Ruth Cummings for the position of Vice-President of the Board. Conroy seconded the motion. Motion carried, three voted yes, R. Cummings not voting.

7010 Designation of School District Attorney:

Motion by R. Cummings to authorize the Superintendent to designate Charles Abourezk as the school district's official attorney, with licensed tribal attorney appointed as local representative. Further, to authorize the Superintendent to obtain other legal counsel, as necessary. Motion carried.

7011 Designation of Official Legal Newspaper:

Motion by Conroy to remain with Lakota Country Times as the school district's official legal newspaper for the 2006-07 school year, provided prices are not increased. Motion carried.

7012 Renew Employee Bonds:

Motion by O'Bryan to authorize a blanket bond for all employees and fidelity bonds as follows: Marilyn Halverson, Accounts Payable Clerk; Dawn Lonberger, Payroll Clerk; Maurice Twiss, Federal Programs/-Special Services; Jackie Roth, Federal Programs Bookkeeper; Carol Reitz, Food Service Director; and Margo Heinert, Superintendent, in the amount of $50,000.00 each; and MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager, in the amount of $500,-000.00. Motion carried.

7013 Establish Board Meeting Date, Time & Place:

Motion by R. Cummings to designate the fourth Monday of each month for the regular school board meeting. Meetings will be held in the conference room/-training center in Batesland, South Dakota beginning at 5:00 p.m., unless otherwise specified, with the exception of the July meeting, which will be held on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of July. Motion carried.

7014 Authorize Petty Cash Fund:

Motion by M. Cummings to authorize revolving petty cash funds in the amount of $500.00 each for Wolf Creek, Batesland, Rockyford Schools, and the administrative office, and a $250.00 account for Red Shirt School. Motion carried.

7015 Authorize Trust & Agency Funds:

Motion by Conroy to authorize trust and agency funds, as listed, and appoint MaDonna Peterson as custodian: 71; Impact Aid (expendable trust fund); 72: Special Ed Activity (expendable trust fund); 73: Community Activities (agency fund); 74: Supplemental Retirement (non-expendable trust); 75: Wolf Creek School (agency fund); 76: Batesland School (agency fund); 77: Rockyford School (agency fund). Motion carried.

7016 Designation of Purchasing Agent:

Motion by O'Bryan to authorize the Superintendent, or designee, to act as the school district's purchasing agent. Motion carried.

7017 Investment Resolution:

Motion by Conroy to authorize the Business Manager to invest or reinvest funds in the institution which serves the greatest advantage to the school district. Motion carried.

7018 Authorize Travel for School Business:

Motion by M. Cummings to authorize the Superintendent to approve travel for school business. Motion carried.

7019 Authorize Use of School Vehicles: Motion by O'Bryan to authorize the Superintendent to approve use of the school vehicles for school business. Motion carried.

7020 Designate Representative for State and Federal Programs: Motion by R. Cummings to authorize the Superintendent to act as the district representative for all state, private and federal projects, with authority to sign appropriate claim vouchers, reports and other documents. Motion carried.

7021 Authorize Closing of School: Motion by Conroy to authorize the Superintendent, or designee, to close schools in cases of emergency or inclement weather. Motion carried.

7022 Establishment of Advisory Committees:

Motion by M. Cummings to authorize R. Cummings and Conroy to serve on the policy committee. Motion carried.

7023 Establishment of Mileage/Meal Rate:

The Board approved mileage and meal rates at the state rate and requested administration to bring a recommendation to the August board meeting in regard to possible increases.

7024 Assignment of Credit Cards:

Motion by M. Cummings to authorize the Business Manager to assign credit cards to authorized personnel and board members. Further, to assign Conoco & Amoco gasoline credit cards to the Superintendent or designee(s). Motion carried.

7025 Establish Food Service Price/Adult Meals:

Motion by O'Bryan to establish the food service price for adult meals at $3.00 per individual meal, $2.50 with a meal ticket for the 2006-07 school year. Motion carried.

7026 Adoption of Policy Manual:

Motion by R. Cummings to adopt the current school district policy manual. Motion carried.

7027 Establishment of School Board Per Diem:

Motion by O'Bryan to establish $75.00 as the school board per diem rate per assignment. Motion carried.

7028 Set Administrative Fee:

Motion by M. Cummings to establish the administrative fee for contracts involving Title VIII, Section 8003-tuition funds at 12% (twelve percent). Motion carried.

7029 Designation of Official Depository:

Motion by Conroy to continue to designate Wells Fargo Bank of Hot Springs, South Dakota, as the official depository for General Fund, Captial Outlay, Special Education, Food Service, Insurance, Trust & Agency and Support Service funds. Further, to designate Security First Bank, Martin, South Dakota, as official depository for Food Service cash deposits. Motion carried.

7030 Authorize to Advertise for Bids:

Motion by Conroy to authorize administration to advertise for bids to supply propane and fuel to the school district for the 2006-07 school year. Motion carried.

7031 Workmens Compensation Insurance:

Motion by R. Cummings to authorize Workmens Compensation Insurance coverage for all employees. Motion carried.

7032 Title I Program Certification:

Motion by O'Bryan to authorize administration to make application to participate in the Title I Program. Motion carried.

7033 High School Tuition Rate:

Motion by R. Cummings to approve the out-of-district high school tuition rate at a maximum of $6,000 per year. Motion carried.

7034 July Dis-bursments:

Motion by M. Cummings to approve July disbursements, as listed. Motion carried.

7035 Red Shirt Pavement Bid Authorization:

Motion by M. Cummings to authorize advertising for price quotes for the pavement project at Red Shirt School. Motion carried.

7036 Dress Code:

Motion by R. Cummings to authorize an administrator from each building and the central offices, and the presidents of SCEA and SCCEA to serve on a committee to develop an employee dress code and bring to the Board for action at the August board meeting. Motion carried.

7037 August Board Meeting:

The August regular board meeting will be held on Monday, August 28, 2006 at Red Shirt School, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

7038 Principals and Administrators Reports:

Principals and Administrators updated the board on aspects of their programs and progress of summer school and status of back-to-school readiness at each site.

7039 Work Session:

The Superintendent, Federal Programs Officer, building principals and school board will meet on August 7, 2006 from 9:00 a.m. until noon for discussion and a work session.

7040 Adjournment:

Motion by O'Bryan to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m. Motion carried.

Signed by MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Resignation:

Lynn Hernandez-Rockyford Special Education Aide effective 7-30-06, Donovan Youngman-Wolf Creek School Maintenance/-Bus driver effective 7-17-06.

Request for Release from Contract: Chuck Turnbull-Wolf Creek Middle Grade Teacher effective 7-11-06, Vicki Turnbull-Wolf Creek Middle Grade Teacher effective 7-11-06, Jean Heier-Rockyford Special Education Teacher effective 6-27-06.

Classified Termination:

Rockyford Bus Driver effective 7-13-06, Rockyford Special Education Aide effective 7-19-06.

Batesland School Recommendation: Amie Kuxhaus, Preschool Teacher.

Wolf Creek School Recommendations: Wilbur Buckman Jr. - Alternative K-4 Teacher, Shawna Pourier-Preschool Teacher, Jodi Kauffman-3rd Grade Teacher, Joan King-Woods 4th Grade Teacher.

Contracts for Approval:

Rena Conroy, Records Clerk from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$30,159.25, George Cummings-Maintenance from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$26,719.25, Mark Donovan Social Worker from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$43,919.25, Marilyn Halverson Accounts Payable Clerk from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$30,675.25, Michael Lawrence Maintanence Coordinator from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$32,100.40, Dawn Lonberger Assistant Business Manager from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$27,579.25, Andrew Martinez Groundskeeper from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$18,876.15, Patti Neslon Administrative Secretary from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$29,591.65, Ann Red Owl Human Resouces from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$29,935.94, Carol Reitz Food Service Director from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$34,-861.24, Robert Rosane Mechanic from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$25,026.00, Jackie Roth Federal Programs Assistant Secretary from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$27,630.85, Nancy Shedeed Receptionist from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$17,630.00, Greg Steele Mechanic-/Maintenance from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$20,559.76, Tom Vocu Activities Coordinator Alertnative ISS from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$34,091.92, Rory Williams Maintenance Groundskeeper from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$23,220.00, Evans Youngman Groundskeeper from 7/1 to 5/3007-$12,-203.40, Wilmer Youngman Mechanic from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$32,-320.00.

Special Service Agreement:

Don Wince, Facility Security for Wolf Creek School from 7/1 to 5/30/07-$250 per month.

June Disbursements

AUL $46.80, SPED Parent $55.04, Wellmark $726.92, Vision Service Plan $34.51, Dawn Lonberger $110.-00, SPED Parent $401.92, SPED Parent $73.60, Reinhart Food Service $105.00, SPED Parent $293.44, SPED Parent $70.40, SPED Parent $200.96, Autism Society $200.00, AUL $122.12, Total $2,-440.71.

General Fund

Abourezk & Zephier PC Attorney fees $281.83, ALSCO supplies $448.03, $894.-44, $928.87, $59.32, Vendor Total $2330.-66, Armstrong Extinguisher fire inspects $708.00, $143.88, $133.67, $133.67, Vendor total $1119.22, BHSU tuition $2524.-50, Black Hills Electric utilities $424.93, Blacksmith Sandra Kay supplies $38.80, Borders Inc supplies $562.40, $359.40, $314.40, $359.40, $312.60, $314.40,

Vendor total $2222.-60, BPgasoline $327.96, Childcraft Education Corp supplies $514.99, Classroom direct $74.44, Cole Pest Control $110.00, $204.00, $138.00, $303.00, $325.00, Vendor Total $1080.00, Corporate Card charges $14,589.88, Cummings Melvin mileage $33.28, DR Service Inc repairs $515.84, Developmental studies center supplies $245.-25, Diamond R Enterprises parts $15.00, Eagle Bull Andrea mileage $80.64, Evergreen Office $43.70, $50.51 $479.92, $162.54, $439.87, $29.58, Vendor Total $1206.-12, Family Thrift Center supplies $122.-79, Fast Wolf Antionette-supplies $40.00, Florida Department of Education math $429.85, $41.35, Vendor total $471.20, Foltz Hall Candance supplies $149.00, Foreman Sales and Service parts $104.55, Godfrey Brake Service $59.04, Gordon Rush School $14,000.00, Great Western Tire Company $1966.10, %521.88, Vendor total $2487.98, Harlow's Bus Sales $255.07, $40.29, Vendor total $295.36, Harvey's Lock shop $44.04, Hauff Mid America sports $609.50, $1201.25, $747.00, $747.00, $747.00, $747.00, $747.00, $747.00, Vendor Total $7039.75, Hills Tire and Supply $133.00, $665.00, $436.00, Vendor Total $2077.-90, Hillyard supplies $203.39, $808.49, $1066.02, Vendor total $2077.90, Homestead Building supplies $42.-50, Husker Auto Parts $947,91, $39.14, Vendor total $987.05, Ideal Supermarket supplies $836.57, Inland Truck Parts $132.84, $158.46, $43.10, $51.66, Vendor total $386.06, Johnson Machine $684.35, Kaplan Early Learning Co $722.95, Kelly Inn $550.00, Lacreek Electric $11,-844.83, Laker Team Chemical $665.00, Lakeshore Learning Materials $342.01, $447.35, $226.65, Vendor total $1016.01, Medical Technologies $95.00, Mikes Heating City $53.02, Minerva's Rapid City $47.50, Mt Rushmore Telephone $158.10, $244.00, Vendor total $402,10, Muddy Creek Oil and Gas $3970.57, National School Products $144.55, Nelson Patti $28.16, Norm's Carquest Auto Parts $321.52, OST Water & Sewer $105.00, O'Bryan Todd $53.12, Office Max Credit Plan $77.12, $412.07, Vendor total $489.19, Oglala Lakot College $195.70, Pearson Education Inc $2941.72, $237.66, vEndor total $3179.38, Penguin Group USA $339.08, $9.97, $9.97, Vendor total $359.02, Petty Cash REs Shirt $249.90, Pine Ridge Village garbage $2000.00, Pizza Hut of Chadron $93.10,Plains Trading Co $1537.30, Plumdone Company $93.40, Prentice Hawl Pearson $4496.84, PRO ED $33.00, Quality Inn-Rapid City-travel-$2,479.75;Ramkota-Rapid City-travel-$60.00;$60.00-$60.00;$60.00;$60.00; $43.00; $45.00-Vendor Total-$388.00. Renaissance Learning, Inc.-supplies-$147.95-vendor total-$147.95;S&S Arts & Crafts-supplies-$163.73; SD Dept Revenue-Motor Vehicle-license-$26.00;Scholastic Inc $1812.-13, School Speciality $97.03, Shannon County School. District mileage $1,872.32, $1,483.20, Vendor toal $3,355.52, Shannon County School Lunch $6,146.-44, $1,957.50, Vendor Total $8,103.94, Sign and Trophy WeStex $56.25, Singing Horse Trading post $184.50, Sioux Nation Shopping Center $102.90, Stein Marcia supplies $24.-75, Super Duper $205.54, Technology for Education, Inc.-supplies-$23,570.00;Three Rivers Special Services $1,725.00, Tieszen Law Office $175.00, True Value $211.94, Valentine OfficeSupply $405.00, WESTCO $10,973.95, Fund total $145,643.92.

Outlay Fund

Best Business Products $506.69, Corner Construction Corp $46,583.00, Foreman Sales and Service $35,850.00, $77,288.00, Vendor total $113,138.00, SD Federal Property Agency $18,250.00, $17,500.00, Vendor total $35,750.00 Fund Total $195,977.69,

Special Education Fund

Black Hills Special Services $3,009.90, $2,733.00, Vendor total $5,742.90, Childrens Care & rehab $3,330.00, Childrens Home Society $1,533.-63, Kratovils True Value $25.99, Shannon County School District $11,809.60, Sioux Nation Shopping Center $41.61, Wellspring Inc $284.40, Fund Total $22,-768.13.

Food Service Fund

Food Services of America $1,728.88, $3,196.83, $1,143.17, Vendor total $6,068.88, Harkers' food service $1,935.29, $206.95, Vendor total $2142.24, Hillyard $151.58, Ideal Super market $95.14, Kemps GilletteDairy $277.68, $279.37, $147.28, Vendor total $704.33, Reinhart Institutional Foods $2,911.18, $791.78, $359.17, Vendor total $4,062.13, Shannon County School District $1,205.44, Fund Total $14,429.74.

Federal Programs Special Serv

Best Business Products $1,217.32, Corporate Card $517.-84, Debbies Cakes & Floral $27.00, Hart, Bonnie $15.00, Hauff mid America sports $747.00, Occupational Health Nework $230.00, Shannon Country School lunch $1,872.98, Checking account total $383,446.62.

July Disbursements

General Fund

A&B Welding supply $176.00, $405.20, Vendor total $581,20, ASBSD wkshp $20.00, ASCD $39.00, AT&T $804.02, Advanced Busines Computing $4745.00, AHA Process $5,670.00, ALCO store $35.49, Bennett County Booster II $245.00, $408.00, $85.00, vEndor total $738.00, Bowman Jiles $160.40, Chris Supply CO $381.92, $38.60, $630.43, Vendor total $1050.95, Christensen Dana $81.28, $241.68, vendor total $1050.95, Computers Etc, Learning centers $699.95, Debbies cakes and floral $27.00, Decory Yvonne $2000.00, EBSCO subscription $414.26, Evergreen Office $260.00, $170.-44, Vendor total $430.44, Family Thrift Center $22.91, Fedex $14.27, Fribley Jonathan $2,500.00, G&R Controls $806.43, Gibbons Bill $200.00, Golden West Tech $485.10, $485.10, $485.10, $485.10, Vendor Total 1940.40, Golden West telephone $1,497.87, Grant Vickie $124.80, Great Plains communication $684.43, Great Western tires $431.80, Grocery Mart $50.36, Halverson Marilyn Travel $34.56, Hamton Inn $924.00, Heartland Paper Comapany Supplies $1,222.65, Heathershaw Marquittee $1368. 50, Hill yard $1,253.80, Inland Truck parts $50.68, International Laser group $287.90, $159.00, Vendor Total $446.90, Laker team chemicals $2,042.50, Lakota Country Times $368.64, $2.48, $200.00, $19.84, Vendor total $640.96, Lecture Management $1200.00, $1,200.00, vendor total $2,400.00, McDonalds $139.79, Menards $643.65, Midcontinent testing $18.00, Middle Size school oganizations $600.00, Mikes Heating and Air Condioning-$21.00, $350.30, Vendor total $371.30, Murdocks Electrical $160.68, NAFIS $8403.00, NABE $125.00, Natinoal INstitue Bus mgnt $96.00, Peterson MaDonna $320.16, Postmaters-Pine Ridge $84.00, Ramkota-Rapid city $693.00, $75.99, $75.99, $109.00, $158.00, $135.00, $179.00, $46.00, Vendor total $1,471.98, Rapid City Journal $95.00, Rockhurst University $499.00, $499.00, Vendor Total $998.00, SDSTE $30.00, Salomon Sanitaion $1,210.00, $260.00, $780.00, $780.00, Vendor total $3,030.00, Sams Club $428.92, $200.05, $33.18, Vendor total $62.15, School Speciality $37.00, SDN Communications $1,870.22, Shannon County School $1.-090.39, Skateland of Chadron $326.25, Steam Cleaning $1250.00, Tatonaka Corporation $564.00, $275.00, Vendor total $839.20, TEECO Products $118.50, Tieszan Law Office $125.00, Town of Batesland $500.-00, -Whalen Carol $2000.00, Youth Basketball $25.00, Fund Total $61,746.48.

Captial Outlay Fund

GE Capital contract $329,049.65, Mills Roger $100.00, Mills Tyson $100.00, Tatonka Corporation $4186.00, White Robert $900.00, $900.00, Vendor total $1800.00 Fund Total $335.235.65.

Special Education Fund

Donovan Mark $70.40, PARENT $73.40, Mcdonalds store $80.00, mileage $89.60, Shannon County School $1240.32, mileage $71.04, Fund Total $1624.76.

Food Service Fund

BTU Services $701.88, Reitz Carol $104.00, Fund Total $805.88.

Federal Programs Special Services

Bowman Brenna $400.00, Shannon County School $110.00, Fund Total $510.00, Checkin Acct. total $399,922.77.

Shannon County School District Transfers for 2005-2006

Transfer $2,085,000.00 from Impact Aid Account to General Fund

Transfer $285,000.00 from General Fund to Food Service

Transfer $2,600,000.00 from Impact Aid to Capital outlay.

A transfer will not be needed for $155,518.00 to Special Education, the SPED Fund did not go over its budget this year.

Shannon County School District Disbursment Report June 30, 2006

Fund/Account	Amount
General Fund	$1,933,963.67
Capital Outlay Fund	$333,652.94
Special Education Fund	$309,845.09
Impact Aid Fund	$4,685,000.00
Food Service Fund	$126,342.77
T/A Support Service	$10,080.73
T/A Wolf Creek	$60.36
T/A Batesland	$0.00
T/A Rockyford	$0.00
Total of All Funds	$7,398,945.56

Shannon County School District Payroll Report June 30,2006

Types of Services	Salaries	Benefits	Total
1000 Instruction Service	$547,425.67	$117,963.78	$665,389.45
2000 Support Service	$192,926.88	$42,226.86	$235,153.74
3000 Other Community Serv	$12,400.46	$1,195.43	$13,595.89
6000 Co-Curricular	$5,191.44	$425.53	$5,616.97
General FundTotal	$757,944.45	$161,811.60	$919,756.05
Special Education	$142,268.17	$30,677.66	$172,945.83
Food Service	$23,626.81	$4,676.61	$28,303.42
Total All Services	$923,839.43	$197,165.87	$1,121,005.30

Shannon County School Distric 65-1 REVENUE REPORT June 30, 2006

Revenue Sources	General Fund	Capital Outlay	Special Education Fund	Pension Fund	Food Service	T/A Service	Impact Aid
Local sources							
Taxes	$11,117.19	-$17,256.94	$4,008.46	$-1,725.78	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Other	$85,153.83	$10.31	$705.00	$0.0	-$24,611.48	$850.00	$0.0
County Sources							
County Apportionment	$0.00	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
State Sources							
State Aide	$336,067.66	$0.0	$107,544.56	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Other	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$2,706.57	$0.0	$0.0
Federal Sources	$1,957,955.31	$0.0	$7,797,56	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Other		-$102,566.00	$0.0	$0.0	$79,905.42	$0.0	-$29,196.00
Operating Transfer In	$2,085,000.00	$2,600,000.00			$285,000.00		
Total Revenue For Fund	**$4,475,293.99**	**$2,480,187.37**	**$120,055.58**	**-$1,725.78**	**$343,000.51**	**$850.00**	**-$29,196.00**

LEGALS

Little Wound School Board
P.O. Box 500
Kyle, SD 57752
Ph: (605) 455-6150
Fax: (605) 455-2340
INVITATION TO BID

The Little Wound School Board is seeking bids or proposals for copy paper and Goldenrod Business Envelopes for the 2006-07 School Year.
400 cases of 20 lb. 8 ½ x 11 white copy paper
20,000 no. 10 Business Envelopes (Goldenrod color)

The copy paper will be delivered to Little Wound School on a as needed basis.

Contact Delores Pourier, Communication Coordinator at 455-6160 for further information.

Sealed bids will be opened and acted upon during the School Board Budget meeting on Monday August 21, 2006 at Little Wound School.

Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any informality, and to accept the bid that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound School.

Closing date for sealed bids is 1:00 p.m. on Friday August 18, 2006. Please submit bids in a sealed envelope marked "Copy paper Bid" on the face of the envelope with the bidders name and address.

If bid is sent by mail, actual bid should be enclosed in a separate envelope marked "Copy paper bid". Bid should be submitted to the Little Wound School Business Office or to the following address: Little Wound School Business Office, Attn: Business Manager, P.O. Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752.

Little Wound School Board
P.O. Box 500
Kyle, SD 57752-0500
605-455-6150
Fax: 605-455-2340
NVITATION FOR BID
Gasoline and Diesel

The Little Wound School Board is seeking bids for the supplying of gasoline and diesel for the Little Wound School buses and vehicles for the period of August 22, 2006 to June 30, 2007. The School is looking for fixed price per gallon or a minimum per gallon price mark up. The estimated number of gallons needed for the year is as follows:
Unleaded Gas
20,000 gallons
#2 Diesel
17,000 gallons
#1 Diesel
17,000 gallons

Sealed bids will be opened and acted upon at the Budget meeting on Monday August 21, 2006. Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any informality, and to accept the bid that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound School.

Closing date for sealed bids is 1:00 p.m. on Friday, August 18, 2006. Please submit bids in a sealed envelope marked "Gas & Diesel Bid" to the school Business Office or to the following address:

Little Wound School, Paula Pourier, Business Manager, P.O. Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. For more information you may contact Bill Clifford at (605) 455-6180 or Wesley "Chuck" Jacobs at (605) 455-2160.

Little Wound School Board
P.O. Box 500
Kyle, SD 57752
(605) 455-6150
Fax: (605) 455-2340
INVITATION TO BID FOR HEATING FUEL

The Little Wound School Board is seeking bids for a service contract for supplying heating fuel for the Little Wound School tanks. Estimated amount will be around 50,000 gallons for the 2006-07 School Year.

Contact Clint May, Facilities Manager at 455-6181 or Wesley "Chuck" Jacobs, Support Services Director at 455-2160 for further information.

Sealed bids will be opened and acted upon during the School Board Budget meeting on Monday August 21, 2006 at Little Wound School.

Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any informality, and to accept the bid that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound School.

Closing date for sealed bids is 1:00 p.m. on Friday August 18, 2006. Please submit bids in a sealed envelope marked "Heating Fuel Bid" on the face of the envelope with the bidders name and address.

If bid is sent by mail, actual bid should be enclosed in a separate envelope marked "Heating fuel bid". Bid should be submitted to the Little Wound School Business Office or to the following address:

Little Wound School Business Office, Attn: Business Manager, P.O. Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752.

Little Wound School Board
P.O. Box 500
Kyle, SD 57752
(605) 455-6150
Fax: (605) 455-2340

INVITATION TO BID FOR JANITORIAL SUPPLIES

The Little Wound School Board is seeking bids for Janitorial Supplies such as rugs, mats, mop heads, dust mops, toilet tissue, paper towels, trash can liners, facial tissue, etc. for the 2006-07 School Year. A complete list of products can be obtained from the LWS Facilities Manager.

Contact Clint May, Facilities Manager at 455-6181 or Wesley "Chuck" Jacobs at 455-2160 for further information.

Sealed bids will be opened and acted upon during the School Board Budget meeting on Monday August 21, 2006 at Little Wound School.

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Closing date for sealed bids is 1:00 p.m. on Friday August 18, 2006. Please submit bids in a sealed envelope marked "Janitorial Supplies Bid" on the face of the envelope with the bidders name and address. If bid is sent by mail, actual bid should be enclosed in a separate envelope marked "Janitorial Supplies bid". Bid should be submitted to the Little Wound School Business Office or to the following address: Little Wound School Business Office, Attn: Business Manager, P.O. Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752.

Little Wound School Board
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Kyle, SD 57752
(605) 455-6150
Fax: (605) 455-2340

INVITATION TO BID FOR PROPANE

The Little Wound School Board is seeking bids for a service contract for supplying propane for the Little Wound School tanks. The School Board is seeking a fixed price per gallon or a minimal mark up price per gallon. Approximate amount will be around 22,000 gallons for the 2006-07 School Year.

Contact Clint May, Facilities Manager at 455-6181 or Wesley "Chuck" Jacobs, Support Services Director at 455-2160 for further information.

Sealed bids will be opened and acted upon during the School Board Budget meeting on Monday August 21, 2006 at Little Wound School.

Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any informality, and to accept the bid that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound School.

Closing date for sealed bids is 1:00 p.m. on Friday August 18, 2006. Please submit bids in a sealed envelope marked "Propane Bid" on the face of the envelope with the bidders name and address. If bid is sent by mail, actual bid should be enclosed in a separate envelope marked "Propane bid". Bid should be submitted to the Little Wound School Business Office or to the following address: Little Wound School Business Office, Attn: Business Manager, P.O. Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752.

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Request for Proposals Attorney Services

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing ("OSLH") is requesting a proposal for Attorney Services. Attorney will act as General Counsel for OSLH and will assist OSLH in meeting compliance requirements including but not limited to policy, ordinance, and occupancy agreement development, staff and Board training, development and review of contract documents, and other services as deemed necessary.

OSLH is the Tribally Designated Housing Entity for the Oglala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, located in South Dakota. OSLH manages approximately 392 Mutual Help and Occupancy Units and 1150 Low-Rent Units constructed under the Housing Act of 1937 ("37 Act") and 45 Lease Purchase Units constructed under the Indian Housing Block Grant program developed pursuant to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act ("NAHASDA"). OSLH operates under a budget in excess of nine million dollars per year.

The work to be performed under the proposal is on a project subject to section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e(b) and section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968. Section 7(b) required that to the greatest extent feasible (1) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indian organization and Indian-owned Economic enterprises. All entities submitting proposals and claiming Indian Preference must include documentation satisfactory to show that they are Indian owned. Section 3 requires that to the greatest extent feasible opportunities for training and employment be given to lower income residents of the project area and contracts for work in connection with the project be awarded to business concerns that are located in, or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the areas of the project. All subcontracts executed between the proposer and its subcontractors, if any, also are subject to those provisions and language requiring such compliance will be included in all subcontracts.

In addition to the SS7(b) and 3 compliance requirements, the successful proposer must comply and ensure subcontractor compliance with the Copeland Act Requirements(29 C.F.R.Part 3); 24 C.F.R. part 85 Certifications, including but not limited to mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency contained in the state energy conversation plan issued in compliance with the energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub.L. 94-163), and HUD requirements related to reporting patent rights, and/or copyrights and other rights to data; HUD procurement regulations; OSLH Procurement Policy; and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations.

the selection of a qualified attorney will be based on the following evaluation criteria with established point rating for each category:

1. 20 points: Past successful performance and experience providing services to Indian Housing Authorities under the 37 Act and to TDHEs after the adoption of NAHASDA.

2. 20 points: Capacity and experience in providing policy and ordinance development. Interested firms must submit a sample procurement and personnel policy.

3. 20 points: Experience in providing staff and Board training in NAHASDA-related issues.

4. 10 points: Experience and professional qualifications of key personnel including specialized skills, project coordination, management skills, and experience in working together as a team.

5. 10 points: Specialized experience and technical competence (including fiscal capacity) of the firm. The firm and/or its attorneys should have had a minimum of fifteen (15) years experience with projects of this type. Volume and nature of present workload and availability of additional personnel and consultants to accelerate services required, if necessary.

6. 5 points: Indian Preference. Pursuant to S 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, 25 U.S.C. '450e(b), points shall be given for Indian ownership and participation, and/or evidence that a proposing firm is committed to the hiring of and does hire persons enrolled in federally recognized tribes, descendants of members of federally recognized tribes, or persons who are actively involved in the Indian community.

7. 5 points: Minority Preference. Pursuant to Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. ' 170lu, points shall be given to minority-owned firms, including women-owned firms, and firms that show evidence of commitment to hiring minorities and women.

8. 5 points: Cost, based on hourly rates.

9. 5 points: Because of fluctuating needs in Indian housing and demands for changes in NAHASDA, the firm must exhibit capacity to represent OSLH's interests in Washington D.C.

Inquiries related to submittal of proposals may be addressed to Ken Lone Elk, OSLH Executive Director at (605)867-5161. Proposers shall submit an original and four (4) copies of the proposal in a sealed envelope clearly marked Proposal for Attorney Services. All proposals shall be submitted to Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing, Attn: Ken Lone Elk, P.O. Box 603, East Hwy 18, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, and received no later than 4:30 p.m. on August 17, 2006. Proposals not received by that time and date shall be rejected. OSLH reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive any and all deficiencies.

Little Wound School

Kyle, South Dakota

JOB VACANCIES
(08-01-06)

The Little Wound School Board is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2006-2007 school term:

High School Dept.
Instructional Services Director
LSAPP Assistant
SAC Counselor
(Closing Date 8-4-06)

Middle School Dept.
SPED Student Assistant

Elementary Dept.
P.E. Teacher
Lakota language Teacher

$1,000 Sign On Bonus to all new certified teachers!

OTHER DEPARTMENTS

School Improvement Curriculum Specialist

Extra-duty positions Open until filled (21)

High School: 1)Freshmen Boys Bball Coach 2)Freshmen Girls Bball Coach 3)Girls Bball Cheerleading 4)Boys Golf Asst. 5)Wrestling Asst. 6)Yearbook Sponsor 7)Yearbook Sponsor

Middle School: 8)Boys Bball Cheerleading sponsor 9)Girls Bball Cheerleading Sponsor 10)Wrestling Coach 11)C Team Volleyball Coach 12)Hand game Sponsor 13)Head Football Coach 14) Head Basketball Coach 15) Head Track Coach

Elementary: 16) Wrestling Coach 17)Wrestling Asst. 18)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 19)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 20) K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 21)Handgame Sponsor.

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a completed LWS employment application to: Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD-214 to claim Veteran's preference, official college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials.

For more information, call: (605) 455-6179 or 455-6178.
www.lws.k12.sd.us

>>> NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS <<<

It is the policy of the Little Wound School to provide an alcohol and drug-free workplace. All appointments for employment are contingent upon receipt of a verified negative drug test through pre-employment drug testing, receipt of a favorable background investigation and the availability of federal funds. The legal policy of Indian preference will be followed to qualified applicants. Veteran's preference shall be applied to qualified Veteran applicants.

www.lws.k12.sd.us

SEE What's in "Our" Classifieds Classifieds Classifieds

Fireside Inn
Full Breakfast & Lunch Menu
"Home of the Breakfast Burrito"

"Enjoy the Pow-Wow" Pow wow Hours:
Open this Saturday-7am to ???-
Open Possibly on Sunday

Monday - Friday 7:00 am - 2:00 pm
White Clay, Nebraska

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing

P.O. Box 603 - East Hwy. 18 - Pine Ridge, SD 57770

*** Vacancy Announcement ***

Executive Secretary - Administrative Office

Opening Date: July 25, 2006 8:00 am **Closing Date: August 7, 2006 4:30 pm**

- Salary Salary is as budgeted -

How To Apply:

Submit a completed Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing employment applications to the Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Manager. Attach all pertinent documents,Blood Degree if claiming Indian Preference, Veterans Discharge DD214, High School or GED Diploma, College Transcripts, College Diploma, Reference Letters, Licenses or Certifications and State Driver's License. Resumes must have addresses and telephone numbers of past or present employers. All information submitted will be verified.

Will be drug/alcohol tested. Selection for the position will be contingent upon a negative test result. Applicant is subject to Background investigation. Expenses are at the applicants cost. No late or incomplete applications will be accepted.

For position description and additional information please contact the Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Office at 605-867-5161, ext. 104 or ext. 136

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Reserves The Right To Reject All Applications

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing

P.O. Box 603 - East Hwy. 18 - Pine Ridge, SD 57770

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL - PROJECT MANAGER-

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing is requesting proposals from qualified entities for Project Management Services (Project Manager) relating to the OSLH Force account construction of up to forty-five (45) scattered site residential units ("Project")

Firms wishing to submit proposals may request additional information from Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing by calling 605-867-5161 or by faxing to 605-867-6355. Inquiries about the Project or proposal process should be directed to Ken Lone Elk, Executive Director.

All proposals must be received at Oglala Sioux (Lakota Housing, Attn: Ken Lone Elk, Executive Director, PO Box 603, Hwy. 18, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, no later than 4:00 pm, Friday August 7, 2006.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL - EMPLOYEE DESK AUDIT-

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing is requesting proposals from qualified entities for Employee Desk Audit for approximately 135 employees.

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Love mom & dad**



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Rosebud Chief Red Crow and officers honored

Lack of seat belts, alcohol lead to injuries

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Rosebud Law Enforcement Services and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe honored their own when Chief Red Crow and Ben Estes were recognized for completing criminal investigator (C.I.) training. Officer "Hawkeye" Waln was honored for completing K-9 training while officer, Robert Sedlmajer, was recognized for completing accident reconstruction training. Most of the law enforcement officers appeared to be present; however, Officer Ginsbach was on assignment with the park service.

RST President Rodney M. Bordeaux was on hand to lend some moral support to the department. He said, "We are proud of you guys. The appreciation is there. You are making the department look professional. We are showing Indian Country, the state and the federal government that we can be on our own. We are a sovereign nation and as things come to fruition, we can be a stronger nation. Keep up the good work and a job well done."

Red Crow thanked his officers, his wife and remaining staff, dispatcher Daisy Wright, Troy, Emily and Collette, for their work in sponsoring the honoring dinner which was accompanied by a couple of homemade cakes. RST vice-president, Wayne Boyd, was also in attendance for a brief period.



Charles Red Crow

Red Crow and Estes completed 12 weeks of criminal investigator training sponsored by the Federal Law Training Program center of Glencoe, Ill. Red Crow who holds a bachelors degree in criminal justice said, "About a third of the training was a refresher. It helped me understand the elements of criminal investigation. In five years, I would like to attend the FBI's National Academy which is 12 weeks. It is something that helps for those in upper management."

Red Crow admitted that one day when he retires he would like to teach criminal justice at Sinte Gleska

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Document to go to Pope at Vatican

By Amanda Takes War Bonnett
Times Editor

STURGIS - Last Friday, a couple of hundred Lakota people and their supporters marched into Sturgis to rally at the Meade County Law Enforcement Center. The heat of the day was intense, however, it did not dampen the efforts of Native people to ask bikers not to drive down highway 79 which leads to Bear Butte. The Lakota people, Northern Cheyenne and numerous other Native tribes hold the mountain sacred.

The gathering was complete with signs urging bikers to forego highway 79, while the intent was to urge county officials to create a five mile buffer zone around the sacred site. The annual affair is firmly embedded in the social and economic lifestyle of Sturgis and its size is threatening to forever change the foundation of the community, not to mention its impact on the future of the sacred Bear Butte. Bikers apparently spend an inordinate amount of money during the rally and its many venues and traffic congestion is becoming an obstacle to the local community who remain long after the crowd has dispersed.

The Northern Cheyenne have purchased 700 acres of land around Bear Butte and set up a temporary roadside booth today to hand out pamphlets explaining their efforts at keeping Bear Butte sacred. Rufus Spear and Raymond Limpie of the Northern Cheyenne were to hold a news conference to get their information out to

Rally to protect Bear Butte



Above: Natalie Hand, one of the rally coordinators, holds a sign to the passing bikers "Don't ride 79" referring to the highway79 that leads past Bear Butte and to the biker bar near Sturgis County Line. Below: A sign directing bikers to the Sturgis County Line campground.
PHOTOS BY AMANDA TAKES WAR BONNETT.



bikers, residents, and tourists.

During the rally, organizers worked with law enforcement to provide additional security known as the Warrior Society. Vic Camp of Manderson was a spokesman for the security and said the fact that they wore bandanas over their faces represented the invisibility of Native people for centuries because of colonization.

Natalie Hand said that Native protesters were treated with disrespect and snide remarks during the march, but were encouraged to continue. Carter Camp of the Coalition to Defend Bear

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TWO SECTIONS

The perfect Indian taco on east North

By Amanda Takes War Bonnett
Times Editor

RAPID CITY - Frybread has been considered traditional delicacy in Indian country and in the mainstream for quite some time. In fact, it was declared the official bread of South Dakota.

The art of making fry bread is something that is considered a talent.

When you have perfected your frybread skills to that utmost mouth watering taste, you surely have something valuable.

In Indian Country frybread is considered a staple of many diets and in recent years, there have been many suggested ways to create such delicacies with certain healthy cooking oils, while enjoying it in moderation. Frybread is often seen at powwows, celebrations and other gatherings as a traditional food of Lakota people.

And that is what Carlita and Fred Bush



Jr. did, they perfected their frybread to make a one delicious Indian taco and are now marketing it and have been successfully at doing so.

They opened C.J.'s Indian Taco restaurant on east North Street in Rapid City on July 7 and are now selling an average of 150 Indian tacos a day. The C.J. stands for Carlita Jeanette, whose nickname is C.J.

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Above left: The large Indian taco that goes for $6.50. The Bush family, (L-R) Fred Bush III (Yamni), Fred Bush Sr., Ethan, Corisa, Katlyn and Carlita (C.J.). Photo by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.

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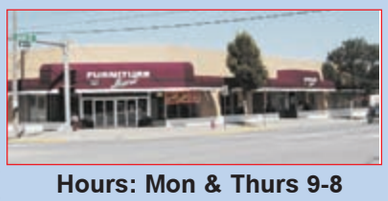
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Rally to protect Bear Butte

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Butte also said marchers were the targets of disparaging remarks during an interview over South Dakota Public Radio on August 9 at 11:00 a.m. Nancy Pile of Bear Butte International Alliance also was interviewed along with Camp and noted that the issue represents a clash between urban and rural environments. Pile said, "There is a need for education. There are huge gaps around the legal history of land, the cultural history, medicine recover. The land north of Bear Butte was stripped and covered with asphalt. It is a rural, urban clash, but the rural identity is not going away."

Camp said that the South Dakota congressional delegation has virtually ignored the protest efforts. He said, "We need everyone in South Dakota to support Bear Butte International Alliance. I want to appeal everyone. The local people will stay here. Anne White is running for county commissioner." Representative Stephanie Herseth did meet with Native people camped at the base of Bear Butte, however, it was primarily a listening session.

Jay Allen, the owner of the Broken Spoke Saloon in downtown Sturgis has been at the heart of the concerns over development. His new concert venue, Sturgis County Line, two miles north of Bear Butte has been a most visible symbol of protest by Native people who are concerned over the close proximity of the huge structure and the noise which is disrespectful to Native people who wish to pray in peace.

Allen was also interviewed over SD public radio this morning. He said, "The issue between myself and the Native Americans has created curiosity and it has gotten more people to come to this place.., the economy has taken a toll with these gas prices." Allen's projected a sharp attitude when he said, "I don't know why they targeted me.., They have banded together.., and the accusation isn't even real. In a screwed up way, I have been partially part of getting people together."

Debra White Plume of the Inter-Tribal Coalition to Defend Bear Butte has been visibility in the forefront of the effort to protect the sacred Bear Butte. The group is holding a month long camp in protesting ongoing develop around the sacred site. Alex White Plume, President of the Oglala Sioux Tribe has been supportive of their efforts as well as the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and many other Lakota tribal governments and entities around the state.

The Summit of Indigenous Nations which was convened on August 1-4 at Mato Paha drafted a resolution calling for a "Rescission of the Conceptual Doctrine of Discovery and related documents, specifically the Inter Caetera Bull (Papal Bull) of 1493 and the 1496 Royal Charter of the Church of England."

According to the resolution, the discovery doctrine as adopted by the United States contained the legal basis and rationale for extinguishing aboriginal title to Indian land in the United States. Indian lands were able to be confiscated without the permission of the Indian Nations and summit representatives appealed to the Pope who is the governmental head of the Vatican to rescind the papal doctrine. It read, "The summit of Indigenous Nations at Mato Paha hereby urges that the Pope of the Roman Catholic Church and the Queen of England and Archbishop of Canterbury for the Church of England disavow and rescind the claimed validity of the doctrine of discovery against all people..,and all other doctrines that have been relied upon thereon for the dispossession of lands and the subjugation of non-Christian peoples."

On Monday, four U. S. postage stamps were unveiled in a ceremony at the Sturgis Community Center attended by Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne, Governor Rounds and the South Dakota congressional delegation. The stamps carried a motorcycle theme, while protestors outside of the building carried signs which asked bikers not to travel highway 79 to Bear Butte.

Kempthorne met with tribal leaders in Rapid City on Sunday, but did not meet with those camped at Bear Butte. Carter Camp and others said that he should have met with them. Camp said, "This man has never taken the time to learn about Indian Affairs, and he's in charge of all our affairs."

Red Crow

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University, but for now his mind was on the more immediate upcoming "Labor Day Drunk Driving Campaign." The campaign is intended to reduce the number of drivers who might be impaired by alcohol use, by targeting highly populated areas and conducting spot checks.

The police department is short seven officers in all; however, the five who are certified as criminal investigators serve as a back-up for regular patrol officers, according to Red Crow and also enforce any moving violations. Red Crow noted that with his newly certified role as a C.I. he will be on call with the others investigators when crimes that are committed appear to fit into a federal definition of a major crime.

Officer Robert Sedlmajer explained that his certification in accident reconstruction will eliminate the need for the South Dakota Highway Patrol to send officers to assist in accident reconstruction.

The Rosebud police department will be able conduct such assessment on their own. His training unfolded in three parts; basic, advanced and a final phase which was taught by the Institute of Technology and Management of the University of Northern Florida.

Sedlmajer explained that accident reconstruction has to be an exact science in order to hold up in a court of law. There can be no room for "reasonable doubt" as the discipline is based upon scientific and mathematical theory when calculating distances traveled by vehicles which crash.

Sedlmajer cited some alarming statistics with respect to life in Indian Country. He said, "In Indian Country, you are five times more likely to be in killed in an accident that involved alcohol."

He noted that when a car is involved in a crash and it is a "roll over" it is especially dangerous when the occupants are ejected. He said, "Every crash that is a roll over the number one cause of injury is being ejected from the vehicle."

Last year there were more than 500 automobile accidents on the Rosebud reservation, and 90 percent of those involved alcohol. Sedlmajer also said that Charles Mack of the Rosebud I.H.S. hospital Environmental Health office is conducting a study on the use of seat belts on the Rosebud and that an unofficial estimate is that only 10 percent of drivers use seat belts.

Sam Two Bulls is inspired by great Native artists

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

SCENIC - Oglala Lakota artist, Sam Two Bulls graduated from the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, NM in 1991 and some of the renowned artists which the institute has produced have been a great inspiration for Two Bulls.

He grew up in the Red Shirt Table area and his family moved to Rapid City but moved right before the flood in 1972 to Slim Buttes.

"I look up to some bigger artists, like R.C. Gorman for example. My motivation is the conditions on the reservation and I want to improve myself and the reservation" he said as he described his primary motivation.

With his Associate of Arts degree in two dimensional art in hand and many years of experience, Two Bulls has opened the Two Bulls Gallery in Scenic and is determined to make his life better and in the process be a role model and inspire others to improve conditions on the Pine Ridge reservation.

The gallery is a rather subdued setting that can easily do with a more prominent sign announcing the gallery. Scenic is a small town and it is a good find when one discovers its location as it contains some beautiful Lakota works that Two Bulls has been inspired to create through blues, aqua, white, red, green, and yellow colors. Paintings, horse sticks, buffaloes, and other intricate carvings are displayed for purchase at the gallery and the prices are very reasonable considering that the designs are reflective of the Lakota culture.

His work is also prominent in many schools, businesses and private homes on Pine Ridge as brother, Curtis Two Bulls, has been a very active salesman in promoting his work. Sam said, "Curtis is a good salesman.

He has a good sense of humor and relates well to people."

The Two Bulls Gallery is located on rented property owned by the Merrles in Scenic who also own the Long Horn Store across the street.

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3 on 3 Basketball Tournament

Saturday August 12, 2006

1:00 pm - Main Street

Bad weather location: Legion Auditorium

Must be 18 & Over
Limited to 8 Teams
4 person roster
1 point scoring to 11 (win by 2)
single elimination
$150.00 / Team

Prizes include:
(but not limited to)
1st Place - $ 400.00
2nd Place - Trophy

3 Point Shoot-Out & Slam Dunk Contest also!

For information or to register
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Rally to protect Bear Butte

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Butte also said marchers were the targets of disparaging remarks during an interview over South Dakota Public Radio on August 9 at 11:00 a.m. Nancy Pile of Bear Butte International Alliance also was interviewed along with Camp and noted that the issue represents a clash between urban and rural environments. Pile said, "There is a need for education. There are huge gaps around the legal history of land, the cultural history, medicine recover. The land north of Bear Butte was stripped and covered with asphalt. It is a rural, urban clash, but the rural identity is not going away."

Camp said that the South Dakota congressional delegation has virtually ignored the protest efforts. He said, "We need everyone in South Dakota to support Bear Butte International Alliance. I want to appeal everyone. The local people will stay here. Anne White is running for county commissioner." Representative Stephanie Herseth did meet with Native people camped at the base of Bear Butte, however, it was primarily a listening session.

Jay Allen, the owner of the Broken Spoke Saloon in downtown Sturgis has been at the heart of the concerns over development. His new concert venue, Sturgis County Line, two miles north of Bear Butte has been a most visible symbol of protest by Native people who are concerned over the close proximity of the huge structure and the noise which is disrespectful to Native people who wish to pray in peace.

Allen was also interviewed over SD public radio this morning. He said, "The issue between myself and the Native Americans has created curiosity and it has gotten more people to come to this place.., the economy has taken a toll with these gas prices." Allen's projected a sharp attitude when he said, "I don't know why they targeted me.., They have banded together.., and the accusation isn't even real. In a screwed up way, I have been partially part of getting people together."

Debra White Plume of the Inter-Tribal Coalition to Defend Bear Butte has been visibility in the forefront of the effort to protect the sacred Bear Butte. The group is holding a month long camp in protesting ongoing develop around the sacred site. Alex White Plume, President of the Oglala Sioux Tribe has been supportive of their efforts as well as the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and many other Lakota tribal governments and entities around the state.

The Summit of Indigenous Nations which was convened on August 1-4 at Mato Paha drafted a resolution calling for a "Rescission of the Conceptual Doctrine of Discovery and related documents, specifically the Inter Caetera Bull (Papal Bull) of 1493 and the 1496 Royal Charter of the Church of England."

According to the resolution, the discovery doctrine as adopted by the United States contained the legal basis and rationale for extinguishing aboriginal title to Indian land in the United States. Indian lands were able to be confiscated without the permission of the Indian Nations and summit representatives appealed to the Pope who is the governmental head of the Vatican to rescind the papal doctrine. It read, "The summit of Indigenous Nations at Mato Paha hereby urges that the Pope of the Roman Catholic Church and the Queen of England and Archbishop of Canterbury for the Church of England disavow and rescind the claimed validity of the doctrine of discovery against all people..,and all other doctrines that have been relied upon thereon for the dispossession of lands and the subjugation of non-Christian peoples."

On Monday, four U. S. postage stamps were unveiled in a ceremony at the Sturgis Community Center attended by Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne, Governor Rounds and the South Dakota congressional delegation. The stamps carried a motorcycle theme, while protestors outside of the building carried signs which asked bikers not to travel highway 79 to Bear Butte.

Kempthorne met with tribal leaders in Rapid City on Sunday, but did not meet with those camped at Bear Butte. Carter Camp and others said that he should have met with them. Camp said, "This man has never taken the time to learn about Indian Affairs, and he's in charge of all our affairs."

Red Crow

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University, but for now his mind was on the more immediate upcoming "Labor Day Drunk Driving Campaign." The campaign is intended to reduce the number of drivers who might be impaired by alcohol use, by targeting highly populated areas and conducting spot checks.

The police department is short seven officers in all; however, the five who are certified as criminal investigators serve as a back-up for regular patrol officers, according to Red Crow and also enforce any moving violations. Red Crow noted that with his newly certified role as a C.I. he will be on call with the others investigators when crimes that are committed appear to fit into a federal definition of a major crime.

Officer Robert Sedlmajer explained that his certification in accident reconstruction will eliminate the need for the South Dakota Highway Patrol to send officers to assist in accident reconstruction.

The Rosebud police department will be able conduct such assessment on their own. His training unfolded in three parts; basic, advanced and a final phase which was taught by the Institute of Technology and Management of the University of Northern Florida.

Sedlmajer explained that accident reconstruction has to be an exact science in order to hold up in a court of law. There can be no room for "reasonable doubt" as the discipline is based upon scientific and mathematical theory when calculating distances traveled by vehicles which crash.

Sedlmajer cited some alarming statistics with respect to life in Indian Country. He said, "In Indian Country, you are five times more likely to be in killed in an accident that involved alcohol."

He noted that when a car is involved in a crash and it is a "roll over" it is especially dangerous when the occupants are ejected. He said, "Every crash that is a roll over the number one cause of injury is being ejected from the vehicle."

Last year there were more than 500 automobile accidents on the Rosebud reservation, and 90 percent of those involved alcohol. Sedlmajer also said that Charles Mack of the Rosebud I.H.S. hospital Environmental Health office is conducting a study on the use of seat belts on the Rosebud and that an unofficial estimate is that only 10 percent of drivers use seat belts.

Sam Two Bulls is inspired by great Native artists

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

SCENIC - Oglala Lakota artist, Sam Two Bulls graduated from the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, NM in 1991 and some of the renowned artists which the institute has produced have been a great inspiration for Two Bulls.

He grew up in the Red Shirt Table area and his family moved to Rapid City but moved right before the flood in 1972 to Slim Buttes.

"I look up to some bigger artists, like R.C. Gorman for example. My motivation is the conditions on the reservation and I want to improve myself and the reservation" he said as he described his primary motivation.

With his Associate of Arts degree in two dimensional art in hand and many years of experience, Two Bulls has opened the Two Bulls Gallery in Scenic and is determined to make his life better and in the process be a role model and inspire others to improve conditions on the Pine Ridge reservation.

The gallery is a rather subdued setting that can easily do with a more prominent sign announcing the gallery. Scenic is a small town and it is a good find when one discovers its location as it contains some beautiful Lakota works that Two Bulls has been inspired to create through blues, aqua, white, red, green, and yellow colors. Paintings, horse sticks, buffaloes, and other intricate carvings are displayed for purchase at the gallery and the prices are very reasonable considering that the designs are reflective of the Lakota culture.

His work is also prominent in many schools, businesses and private homes on Pine Ridge as brother, Curtis Two Bulls, has been a very active salesman in promoting his work. Sam said, "Curtis is a good salesman.

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Triathlon, walk and run highlight health and fitness during 13th OST Health Fair

More than 200 participate in walk,run or triathlon

By Tom Crash
Times Sports Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Close to 20 tribal groups, agencies and organizations set up booths in Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge for the 13th annual OST Health Fair but a highlight for over 200 youth, men and women was the walk and run and the third annual triathlon.

For the third year the health fair sponsored a triathlon which required teams or individuals to complete a four mile bike ride, a 75 yard swim and a two mile run. A total of 27 individuals competed in the triathlon with Ken Starr of Ft. Yates the overall winner completing the course in 29 minutes; Matt Rama was second in 37:23 and Bull Dawg Michaud was third in 38:58. In the women's category, Tatewin Means was first in 39:40, Tanya Whirlwind Soldier was second in 45:00 and Patti Yellow Boy was third.

In the triathlon youth division Desiree Blacksmith was first in 42:29, Aimee Pond took second in 53:41 while Cheyenne Ten Fingers was third in 55:00. In youth boys James Pine took first in 46:55, Boo Boo Jacobs took second in 47:33 and Tyrell Sitting Holy was third in 51:17.

In the team division, Shawn Keith Sr. and Jr. and Terry Friend took the championship with a time of 30 minutes, Alex Pine, Wes Yellow Horse and Doni DeVory took second in 32:00 while Rick Barry, Dawn Frank and Jeff Pourier finished third with 33:00.

"The walk and run and triathlon are growing each year," said Mary Tobacco and Karen Red Star, OST health educators, "it is neat to see more and more people taking an active role in staying physically fit."

Booths lined the walls and open spaces in Billy Mills Hall as hundreds of community members filed through the fair to gather health information and handouts and take in the meal prepared by Sis Martin. Booths included representatives from Public Health nursing, OST Employee Assistance Program, OST Ambulance, Anpetu Luta Otipi, OST Health Education, Oral Health Education, I.H.S. Diabetes Prevention, CHR Program, Oyate Blehilya Program, Pine Ridge Extension and 4H, OST Early Intervention, Walking Forward Program, OST Special Education, Tokahe Wounspe and Oglala Lakota CASA.



Christy Webber out front, lead the runners, she won the women's three mile run and last year ran cross country at Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell.

In the walk and run on Thursday morning, there were 13 women runners, 12 male; there were 76 women walkers and 37 men.

In the men's walk, Irv Provost was first in at 25:24 followed by Collins Gay at 26:15 and Bim Pourier in 27:26. For the women, Angie Janis was first with 26:15, Irene Tuttle was second with 26:37 and Robin Tapio was third with 27:41.

Christy Webber won the three mile run in 22:29, Bobby Jo LeBeau was second in 23:06 while Julie Bernie was third in 23:23. Ken Starr won the men's three mile run in 17:20, Wes Yellow Horse was second in 21:16 and Matt Rama and Alex Pine tied for third with a 22:41.

All around award went to Cheyenne Ten Fingers for the youth, Tanya Whirlwind Soldier for the women and Ken Starr for the men.

"It was a great day and a great way to open another Oglala Nation celebration," said Tobacco; we wanted to thank a number of individuals and groups including Dr. Butterbrodt, Patty Conroy, Evelyn Weston, Tom Ritterbush, Florence Martin and the Oral Health Project, Billy Mills Hall staff, SuAnne Center, Oyate Blehilya, Elaine Yellow Horse, Rayevon Stover, Ezra Zephier, I.H.S. dental staff and OLC Diabetes Prevention."

Schools and local athletes prepare for Fall sports

Volleyball jamboree scheduled for St. Francis

By Tom Crash
Times Sports Correspondent

PINE RIDGE/ROSEBUD - Golfers opened practice on Monday while football, cross country and volleyball at local schools open practice on Monday, Aug. 14.

"Most student athletes who plan to participate in a sport this school year will need a current physical before they are able to even practice," said Jen Schaer, athletic director at Red Cloud high school outside of Pine Ridge, "physicals are being offered at the hospital in Pine Ridge and in the clinics in the districts" she added.

Little Wound has a new athletic director, Wilbur Ferguson, Dana Brave Eagle is back as volleyball coach, Darrell Hunter returns for football, Steve Elwood had cross country and Arlin Whirlwind Horse is the golf coach.

Pine Ridge welcomes Nellie Long back as volleyball coach after some time off, Dave Michaud returns for football, Dale Pine is the cross country coach and Smiley Sierra is taking golf.

Crazy Horse is co-opting football with Little Wound with Jerry Slade coordinating the Crazy Horse side, Elizabeth Mathias is doing volleyball and Boyce Upholt is doing cross country.

Nick Dressel is juggling his dean of students position again at Red Cloud with being the football coach, Robin Johnson returns for volleyball, Lenny Clifford is doing golf and the school does not have a commitment as of yet for cross country.

In conjunction with the SD High School Activities Association and the SD Volleyball Officials Association, St. Francis high school is sponsoring a volleyball jamboree to train volleyball officials on Friday, Aug. 18 at the school in St. Francis.

"The need for volleyball officials today is so great," said Dani Walking Eagle, St Francis volleyball coach and Ruth Rehn, SDHSAA, "we are offering a basic training course for officials here at St. Francis, the training is free but we ask you to pre-register if you can so we have an idea of how many are coming."

The training starts at 9 a.m. central with actual matches running from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.. If you are interested in the training contact Dani at 605 747-2297 or dweagle@sfisk12.org or call Ruth at 224-9261. If you are interested in bringing your high school volleyball team for the jamboree, contact Dani.

Suspended OST Public Safety staff receive extension for civilian hearing

PINE RIDGE - On Thursday, the Civilian Review Board met in Pine Ridge to hear an appeal from seven OST Department of Public Safety staff members who had been terminated in late May. The OST Council passed a resolution to change their status to suspended with pay until a hearing. Public Safety on the advice of their attorney changed it to suspended without pay because of potential disallowed costs rulings.

The attorney hired by the DPS staff, on Thursday asked for a 30 day extension to review the findings of the investigation, it was granted. Pat Ross is the chair of the Civilian Review Board and its members include: Sandra Old Horse, Karla Cuny, Arlene Pourier and Jean Whirlwind Horse who represents Public Safety on the board.

The seven employees who the council changed from terminated to suspended include Rick Mousseau, Betty Black Crow, Carla Apple, Priscilla He Crow, Deb Jensen, Millie Richards and Debbie Mousseau.



Two Sicangu males die in car wreck over weekend

ROSEBUD - According to Rosebud Law Enforcement Services officer, Robert Sedlmajer, two young Sicangu males, George Guerue, Jr., 34, and Homer Two Teeth,. Jr., 37, died when their automobile failed to stop at the junction of BIA road 1 and 7 which is located on the top of the hill proceeding west out of town. The road intersects with the road which goes south to St. Francis.

There was no sign of any braking as the vehicle was traveling north and failed to stop as it plunged over the hill, became airborne, and went into a ravine traveling an approximate distance of 187 yards before coming to rest. According to Officer Sedlmajer, the vehicle, a 2000 Chevrolet Camaro, was traveling at a speed of 82 miles per hour.

The funeral for both tribal members will be on Aug. 10.

Community Calendar

"Rez Happenings"

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Grief Support Group
Meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888

Porcupine AA meeting
Every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine, for info call Janice at 867-5404

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital, coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841

Life after death class
Developing a better understanding of the journey of the soul, Fridays at 7 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Village College Center

Weight watchers class
Large conference room at the Indian Health Service Hospital in Pine Ridge, weigh in at 5 p.m. and meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Summer Food Service Program
Through Aug. 18 at the Mother Butler Center in Rapid City from Monday through Friday with breakfast from 8:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. and lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for area children from 2-18 years of age for info call Rose Torres at 343-2165

Pine Ridge School Registration
Through Friday, Aug. 11, school begins Wednesday, Aug. 16, for info call 455-6500

Wounded Knee Oshkate and Wacipi
Monday-Sunday, Aug. 7-13 honoring Chief Big Foot an all the victims of the Massacre with a motorcycle ride from Crazy Horse Memorial to Wounded Knee with grand entry at 7 p.m. on August 7-11 and 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on August 11-13, concerts every night after powwow, supper daily at 5 p.m. host drum-Porcupine Singers, eyapaha-Kelly Looking Horse, for info call 867-2228 or 867-2852

School/Sports Physicals
Aug. 14 and 15 at Pine Ridge Clinic from 4-8 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 16 in Manderson at the clinic from 3:30 p.m.-7 p.m. and in Porcupine at the clinic on Thursday, Aug. 17 from 3:30 p.m.-7 p.m.

Vacation Bible School
Thursday, Aug. 10 at the Messiah Church in Wounded Knee from 1-3 p.m. with a revival at 5 p.m. featuring games, music, lessons, crafts, singing and food.

OPINION PAGE

Our Views

'Buckle up'

With the close of summer being marked by the Labor Day weekend soon, it brings to mind the energetic and sometimes futile effort, of public safety awareness programs everywhere to promote 'seat belt use.'

Recently, Adam Little Elk told the Rosebud's liquor commission that between Oelrichs and Rosebud he counted some 97 signs that marked the spot where someone had been killed in an automobile accident.

It is a terrible reminder that alcohol is, indeed, prevalent amongst the population and cans of beer are being consumed by the millions each year between Rosebud and Pine Ridge alone.

It is an alarming statistic that further points to the need for seat belt use among Lakota driver and passengers.

However, the awareness campaigns are not enough. Overwhelmingly, those who are involved in an accident and who are unbuckled are being ejected from their vehicles and suffer serious injury and even death. One statistic says that in Indian Country, one in five are likely to be killed in accidents which involves alcohol and an impaired driver.

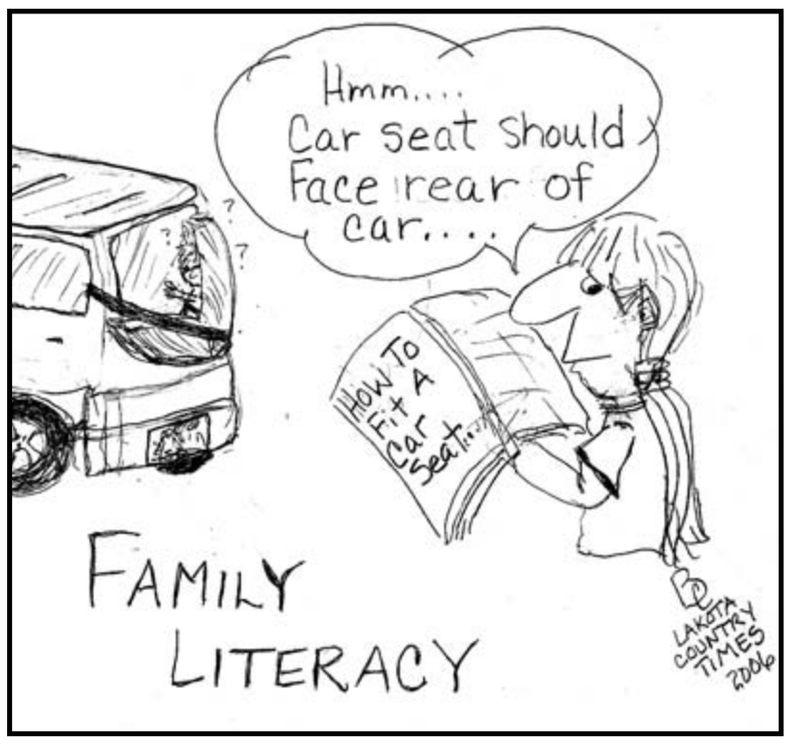
The fight must go on against the senseless deaths of Lakota people.

Many of those who are dying are young because they tend to speed, and combined with alcohol is a deadly combination. The reality of alcohol abuse is that it is literally killing our people, right up there with diabetes, cancer, and other deadly diseases. Prevention and educating Lakota people needs to be an ongoing campaign with more frequent spot checks.

Unannounced spot checks are also needed so people do not simply put on their seat belts when approaching a safety road check.

More resources and awareness obviously has to go into the prevention of alcohol related deaths.

There needs to be incentives for people who wear seat belts or punishment for those who do not. The states all have seat belt laws and all reservations should follow suit as it is literally a matter of life and death.



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Thoughts that come from the heart

Dealing with truancy



By Amanda Takes War Bonnett
EDITOR AND PUBLISHER
LAKOTA COUNTRY TIMES

Truancy has been an age old problem for educational systems for many years. In the last ten years, Congress has tightened the regulations on the nation's education institutions calling for more accountability through mandates in the No Child Left Behind law.

Every school is affected in the nation in some way and it really affects our tribal schools, which already have problems, such as funding and a need for new facilities. The government is striving for a better education system in the nation, because we are a leading nation and in order to remain a leading nation, we need to produce successful leaders by providing successful education systems to all children across the board.

In the last ten years, mandates have been handed down to schools to improve student achievement in reading, science and language arts.. And in order to do this, one has to be there to learn and so attendance has become an issue. Aside from those mandates, schools must have policies regarding student attendance.

And many schools across the country, not only in public schools but in tribal schools face attendance problems and truancy problems. Last year, Tom Crash did several articles on the schools on the reservations and their attendance regarding their improvement status.

Schools review and try different proven methods to improve their deficiencies. It's been a hard road to follow to keep up to par, when there really isn't enough money to improve schools. Education seems to be slowing sliding down the importance totem pole. And of course that is because this is a nation at war and issues like that come with war.

Education is important to our youth and it is important to our tribal nations. We need to get our youth educated so they can take over those leaderships roles.

This week, 24 Bennett County families had their initial appearance in court for truancy because their children weren't in school the required amount of days according to policy. In speaking to Pam Hein, Bennett County's state prosecutor, the charge is a Class II misdemeanor and punishable of up to 30 days and or a $200 fine. She said that is the worst case scenario.

The families will have another court appearance with legal counsel. Basically, it sounds like the action is being taken to bring awareness to the problem, that parents and guardians need to send their children to school. She said a lot of people think there is other judicial problems such as alcoholism, domestic violence and other issues that should be in the forefront but we don't pay attention to the kids and this is an issue that needs awareness.

Then there is the other side of the story and that is of the parents and guardians. Some of them probably have some really good reasons to why their children weren't attending school as they should have and I am sure they can show that in court.

There are several reasons why education doesn't seem important in Indian country or why parents don't send their kids to school.

The top priority in that is the poverty status and when that key factor is rearing it's ugly head all over Indian country, then so many other social issues follow.

And when we have those issues, we are going to have problems with our family structures, with our health and with our economic status.

A good question is why isn't education important and put on high on the family totem pole?

In thinking about this, I thought of my mom and how she thought of education. She was educated in a Bureau of Indian School at Pine Ridge and had to live there for most of her school life. I asked her one time if she regretted it. She told me the experience took her from her mother and not having such a close bond may have hindered in her own parenting but that she also learned many things that taught her how to survive.

Education was important to her, I knew that first hand. I attended a public school and after I got in the higher grades I hated it. Mainly because of our poverty. I hated that fact that I was poor and didn't have good clothes and I was uncomfortable because most of my friends and cousins left high school, they either quit or went elsewhere.

So I would play hookey and after awhile it got to be a game I would play with my mom BUT she always managed to get the best of me and would make me go to school, even if she walked me to my desk. That was so embarressing, that it got to a point where I just went to school and learned to focus on the reason I was there and make the grade.

She would tell me over and over that I needed to get my education in my life to get ahead.

So my mom was my mainstay in my education endeavors. She was my mentor in that and so was her sister, my Aunty Pearl Cottier.

She encouraged me and guided to get what I could of a college education. And all of that did help me in my life.

It took my oldest sister to help me make that transistion into college. They were there for support and encouragement.

My *tiwahe* was my support system in getting an education.

If we want our children to complete school, if we want our families to be involved in being part of a good education system, don't you think we need to develop stronger family structures.

It takes a stronger family structure to overcome truancy, it takes a stronger family to overcome alcoholism, to overcome our health problems.

How do we get a stronger family core and where do our families go to get that resource?

At some point we absolutely have to come to some sort of positive strength. Basically, those that send their kids to school will make it.

Guest Column

Woster: Whalen camp draws fire for farce

By Kevin Woster
Rapid City Journal
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Hey, have you heard the one about Stephanie Herseth?

Rumor has it she's pregnant, engaged to her chief of staff and is now a pro-lifer opposed to abortion rights.

Baloney, you say? Well, sure. It's also a sign of how wacky things get when you mix politics into that cascading avalanche of information - some of it true, much of it not - that lands in your personal computer every day.

The Herseth story landed last week by way of Wikipedia, a free, online encyclopedia that offers a little information about a lot of subjects. It's also a place that polices itself for accuracy, since readers can edit the data - and apparently do.

Somebody did some creative editing in Herseth's biography page on Wikipedia. They inserted a wild bit of fiction, crediting the Democratic congresswoman with a sudden change of heart on abortion, a sudden engagement to her chief of staff (identified with a fictitious name) and a sudden pregnancy.

Pretty goofy, huh? That's probably all it would have been, too, except for that pesky "send" button on Lee Breard's computer.

Ever had a time when you regretted hitting that button? Yeah, me too. Breard, too, I'm guessing.

As campaign manager for U.S. House candidate Bruce Whalen, Herseth's Republican opponent, it's Breard's job to make his candidate look good and Herseth look - well, not so good. That's the way the game is played.

But Herseth fans say Breard violated even the nebulous rules of political engagement by e-mailing the Wikipedia farce to a number of political Web logs, or blogs, including the Journal's own Mount Blogmore. Reporter and Blogmore creator Bill Harlan received Breard's e-mail, which noted the Wikipedia piece, saying that Herseth was "engaged to her chief of staff, pregnant and pro-life."

Then, in closing, Breard added: "This is a big change from being a home-wrecker with a Texas congressman two years ago. I look forward to your thoughts and verification of the claims."

That "home-wrecker" reference was aimed at Herseth's relationship with former Texas Rep. Max Sandlin, which began after Sandlin was divorced.

Harlan posted Breard's e-mail on Mount Blogmore, and it attracted a peppery exchange of more than 50 messages, some of which accused Breard of playing dirty politics. Reached by telephone Saturday night, he rejected that charge.

Breard said he was doing some research on Herseth for a fundraising letter for Whalen when he ran across that odd entry on her biography page. Breard said he didn't know that readers could edit Wikipedia, although an option line above Herseth's photo on her profile page is marked with an "edit this page" notice.

"I personally don't know a lot about Wikipedia, so I sent it to the blogs to find out if it was legitimate or if it wasn't," he said.

Breard said his own "home-wrecker" comment was intended to emphasize the extreme nature of the Wikpedia claims.

"That was just a follow up to how outlandish the quotes of her being pregnant and changing to pro-life were," Breard said.

He maintains that it wasn't trying to assail Herseth's character.

"No, that was just showing how serious I took the statements on Wikipedia," he said. "I thought it was all ridiculous."

Herseth spokesman Russ Levsen doesn't buy it. Levsen said Sunday that it was clear that Breard was intentionally trying to circulate false rumors to damage Herseth's reputation.

"I think he sent it around knowing it was a lie and I think that's the worst kind of dirty politics," Levsen said. "This speaks volumes about Bruce Whalen's campaign if he's willing to spread lies about Stephanie Herseth's personal life."

Breard's "home-wrecker" comment at the end of the e-mail was an even more transparent and mean-spirited attack on Herseth, Levsen said.

"That goes even further, and I think it's beyond the pale," he said. "He sent around an e-mail to reporters passing along information that he found on the Website, and he took it a step further in adding a completely false assertion that attacks Stephanie Herseth's character.

"I think we can look for more of this kind of garbage in the future," Levsen said. "Maybe it's not just a coincidence that it comes right after the release of a poll that shows Whalen down by 34 points."

A scientific poll released by the Argus Leader and KELO-TV in Sioux Falls showed Herseth with 60 percent of registered voters, and Whalen got 26 percent with 14 percent undecided.

Breard said Whalen had nothing to do with the e-mail and believes the whole issue is being overblown.

"Mr. Whalen was not involved," Breard said. "I think people are making entirely too large a deal out of it. It was a ridiculous comment to have on Wikipedia in the first place. Somebody was playing a joke on Herseth, it seems now."

It seems so. But nobody's laughing.

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Northern Perspectives

Competition makes you better

Competition makes you better' is certainly an old saying that is true in every walk of life. It's as true on the playing field as it is on the landscape that is education, business and politics.



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

It seems like when we are engaged in some pursuit or perfecting the discipline we are working at, experience and dedication are ways in which we do what we do 'better.'

The business of trying to make a buck is mighty tough out there in the world and it's something that small businesses must understand and find somewhat exciting. I think if the education field understood that competitive nature of preparing a young mind for a lifetime, our schools would be much better off.

Our students do not work hard enough to absorb all they need to when it comes to doing daily homework and I would venture to say that is also true during the actual instruction time.

I used to tell my college students that they needed to develop a 'killer instinct' when it comes to learning and experiencing and it really is true.

Instead of hanging in the back, it takes someone with foresight and ambition to get out there in front and show others what competition is all about.

It was exciting to see all of the young Lakota graduating seniors qualify for a Gates Millennium scholarship this spring.

It was great news and many will go far and hopefully use their university training to make our communities better.

There is so much to be done and it is going to take young minds that are forever on the move to solve some of the political, schooling and economic development needs of our Lakota communities.

In the white world, young men or women in their twenties are easily installed in some of the leading corporate businesses and trusted to do a job and make a difference. That is not true in the Lakota world, as the elders are entrusted with the role of leading us.

Maybe, just maybe, we should take a chance on the young minds in our midst and ask them what they think.

Let's give them a chance to assist in transforming Lakota society into a viable and exciting creation that will not only maintain our culture and language, but also be competitive with the outside world.

That 'wasicu' world is awfully competitive and it will eat you up if you make excuses and lay blame on someone else.

Let's be competitive too, and demonstrate that we know how to respond to competition.

Life itself is about competing to care for one's family and the ability to gather the resources in order to protect our children and to provide for their comfort.

Caring for our family is a very basic function and it could possibly be the only reason we were put on mother earth.

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Answer to Lakota riddle

Dear Editor:

The following is the answers to the Lakota riddle that was published two weeks ago.

1. Be vigilant, be on the watch.
2. The old ones need help. If you are helpful to them.
3. Tunkasila the Creator will give you a long life.

Why are we to help the elderly?

1. Because there is an elderly in your family.
2. Because you're gonna be old someday.
3. They may be gone tomorrow.

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Notes From Indian Country

The 'domino effect' in Indian country



By Tim Giago
(Nanwica Kciji)

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Denying the authority of the National Labor Relations Board to impose its rules, regulations and laws upon the Indian nations, Joe Garcia, President of the National Congress of American Indians said, "A tribe is a government. Tribal policies must come from within the tribe's government, rather than being imposed from outside." Oh really?

When the Indian nations started to sign compacts in order to gain a license to build gaming casinos on their lands, they exposed their government to "outside" policies. By signing the compacts the tribes allowed an "outside" government to tell them how many slot machines they could have in their casinos, what games they could have, and finally risk losing their gaming licenses for infractions real or imagined to the state government.

The Hoopa Tribe of California is considering joining the Humbolt County Association of Governments prompting former supervisor Harry Prichard to say, "If they want to be members of HCAOG, the first requirement should be a waiver of their immunity as a sovereign nation."

Eureka Times Standard columnist Leo Sears wrote, "I agree with Harry, but I don't see it happening. Tribes have a history of wanting to have things both ways depending on what benefits them most in a given circumstance. On the national level the tribes have a friendly lawmaker, Rep. J. D. Hayworth, R-Ariz., who has introduced legislation specifically exempting them, as sovereign nations, from the National Labor Relations Board's jurisdiction. In 1987 Hoopa had a friendly lawmaker, Assembly member Dan Hauser, D-Arcata, who pushed through legislation conferring public agency status which would allow their membership in HCAOG with the approval of the member municipalities, the county and seven cities."

The county is now looking for ways to change the rules that would allow Hoopa to join their organization.

So what is going on here? Since when did sovereign tribal governments consider it imminent that they join county organizations? What is happening in California on several fronts is indeed frightening to tribal governments across America.

California is a powerful union state. The gaming tribes of California employ more non-Indians in their casinos than they do members of their own or members of other Indian nations. It should have been evident to them at the beginning that a state with a strong union representation would want to strengthen their union ties to the employees of the casinos. Sovereignty be damned in their minds.

When the California tribes invoked their sovereign status in the suit brought against them by the labor unions, the NLRB snickered and was victorious. Introducing legislation to the contrary is still an uphill battle. Getting that legislation passed is the next vital step. If it fails the sovereign status of the Indian nations will take another pounding. Labor unions will then have the authority to come on to the Indian reservations and impose their labor standards and wages upon the employees of the Indian-owned casinos. So much for sovereign immunity.

It seems to me, and to other Indians to whom I have spoken, that the erosion of tribal sovereignty was a precursor of Indian gaming. Every time a tribe had its sovereign status challenged in state court, whether it involved hunting and fishing or legal boundaries, a little bit of sovereignty went by the wayside. The tribes always had to give up something in order to gain something.

The creeping colonization of the Indian nations is not only ongoing, but appears to be winning the 500-year battle. One need only look at the Christian led council of the Oglala Sioux Tribe to realize that colonization is nearing victory.

In their haste to gain sudden wealth, tribes signed away much of their sovereignty beginning in 1988 with the introduction of the National Indian Gaming Regulatory Act. If the tribal leaders from those early days thought everything would come out all right in the end, they were wrong. The key word here is "Regulatory." Not only did the regulation of gaming start on the federal level, the clause that forced tribal governments to get state approval prior to getting a gaming license placed tribes under the direct control of state governments. This was a horrifying thought to most tribal leaders even 25 years ago.

If labor unions gain a foothold on tribal lands and if tribes continue to join organizations that place them under even tighter control of counties or cities, they will have completed the "hat trick" that will eventually totally diminish their imagined status as sovereign nations.

The colonization of the Indian nations that started with the incursion of the settlers and the formation of new governments outside of tribal governments followed by the religious and educational immersion intended to mold minds has, for the most part, been a resounding success.

The rich gaming tribes are now held captive to their own success and the less fortunate tribes are simply caught up in this tangled web over which they have little or no control. When longtime tribal members find themselves kicked from the tribal rolls in order to increase the per capita payments to those still on the rolls and when tribal leaders lose all sense of fair play and objectivity in order to line their own pockets, the erosion of the Indian nations then is not from the outside, but from the inside.

The colonization of the Indian nations will be complete when tribal governments topple themselves.

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Peacemaking Project a success for high school students

ROSEBUD - The Rosebud Sioux Tribal Court has worked successfully to complete the Peacemaking Training Project which was conducted over the summer for area high school students.

With financial support from the First Nations Development Institute, Peacemaking Training was conducted for 9th - 12th grade students from St Francis, Todd County and White River high schools on the Rosebud Reservation. Ten students from each high school were selected by their school's Peacemaking Mentor. High school Peacemaking mentors from each school are: Charlene LaPointe from St Francis, Alicia Dickson-Boyd from Todd County and Peri Strain from White River. Each high school also was assisted by elders from their respective community. Marie Kills Plenty from St Francis, Pansy Schmidt from Todd County and Hazel Marshall and Freemont Fallis from White River contributed traditional wisdom and support for the youth. Sharon Swift, Director of the RST Care Givers Program also provided support with hopes of future collaboration between the elder program and high school students.

The purpose of the training was to offer education and awareness about Wahwala Wiconi (pronounced "wok-wala" "wee-choe-knee") translated to "living a peaceful life." A Peacemaking Wheel demonstrated how traditional Lakota values are meaningful and how these values provide a foundation to use today, even and especially, in difficult situations. Students also learned that conflict is present in everyone's lives and managing conflict is a personal responsibility. In addition, students learned how to better utilize communication skills to enhance peacemaking with self and others.

Training sessions took place at each of the high schools with the final session conducted at the Rosebud Casino. Certificates of participation were awarded by Rosebud Sioux Tribal President, Rodney Bordeaux and RST Chief Tribal Judge Sherman Marshall who commended the students, mentors, elders and project staff for their work and commitment to build more peaceful homes, schools and communities. Future goals of the Peacemaking Project are build support for a Peacemaking Project within each high school to decrease student conflict and promote traditional Lakota values within the high school.

For more information on the Peacemaking Project, please contact Nora Antoine of Sinte Gleska University, Peacemaking Project Coordinator/Trainer for the RST Court at nantoine@sinte.edu or (605) 856-8150.



Rosebud Sioux Tribe President Bordeaux and Chief Judge Marshall awarding certificate. Photo courtesy of Skye Bordeaux.

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REVA - Nearly 40 years ago, a number of open pit uranium mines and prospects were dug in the scenic and historic area of Slim Buttes in the northwestern part of South Dakota.

They were abandoned when the push for uranium development diminished. However, the after effects of those efforts are still felt today in the form of radiation in the water and air.

On Aug. 17 and 18, Defenders of the Black Hills is hosting an informational meeting called a Uranium Summit in the Slim Buttes area. The two day meeting will be held at Reva Gap Campground located on SD Highway 20 just 4 miles west of the town of Reva.

The event is scheduled to run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (MT) on both days, and the agenda includes:

Geology of the Slim Buttes Area: Pat Pierson, Custer National Forest Minerals Staff

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Laurie Walters-Clark, CNF Sioux Ranger District Resource Staff

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For more information contact Charmaine White Face, Coordinator, at 605-399-1868, or email bhdefenders@msn.com.



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Pine Ridge and Rosebud receive COPS grants

WASHINGTON, D.C.- Pine Ridge and Rosebud have been awarded Community Oriented Policing Services grants. Oglala Sioux Tribal Department of Public Safety will receive $400,000 and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe Law Enforcement Services will receive $225,038.

"The public safety challenges Pine Ridge faces make it vitally important that there are a sufficient number of well-trained law enforcement personnel on the reservation" said Sen. John Thune. "This COPS funding will strengthen tribal law enforcement's efforts to prosecute criminals and ensure a safer environment for all of the families on the Pine Ridge reservation.

The COPS Office will make the grant awards under the 2006 Tribal Resources Grant Program. The purpose of these grants is to improve the law enforcement infrastructure of Tribal police agencies.

Twiss pleads guilty to involuntary manslaughter of Shelly Poor Bear

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) _ A Rushville, Neb., woman has pleaded guilty to involuntary manslaughter for using her vehicle to hit a woman.

Jessica Lou Twiss, 25, could get six years in federal prison and a $250,000 fine upon sentencing. No sentencing date has been set yet.

U.S. Attorney Marty Jackley said the charge relates to a Nov. 3 incident on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

Court papers indicate Twiss, while driving a vehicle, got into a fight with passenger Shelly Poor Bear, shoved her from the vehicle and drove away _ running over her in the process.

Twiss knew she had struck Poor Bear but left the scene without reporting it to authorities or getting medical help, court papers said.

Twiss entered her plea on Tuesday in U.S. District Court in Rapid City.

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Bikathon raises money for KILI

Attracts 11 teams for the 24 mile jaunt from Pine Ridge to Porcupine

By Tom Crash
Times Corresponent

PORCUPINE - Hot Springs Wells Fargo, the Lays Bad team, David, Ella, Michael, Napoleon and Randy, rolled in first on Saturday, July 29 in the 24 mile KILI Radio Fundraiser Bikathon; they were quickly followed by the Big Crow Boys and Girls Club with Will Good Eagle, Jeff Pourier, Shawn and Michelle Keith and Rick Barry while three individuals, Nate Ritterbush, Tatewin Means and Mary Tobacco did the course solo.

"So many people jumped in to help out and make this first bikathon a success," said Mary Tobacco, Oglala Sioux Tribe health educator, "we were asking groups, organizations and businesses to help sponsor teams that would overall support KILI Radio in getting back on the air - we were able to raise close to $3,500 and involve a number of teams racing across the reservation to have fun, get in some exercise and to support our community radio station."

In order to beat the heat, teams rolled out of the Oglala Lakota Housing parking lot in Pine Ridge just after 8am. Other teams participating included: Prairie Wind-Alex Wilson, Darby Steele, Doni DeCory, Karla Cuny and Dale Pine; Wiconi Teca Waste-Angela Sam, Andrew Condon, Katie Returns from Scout and Farrah Big Crow; Arobba/Higher Ground-Aimee Pond, Dusti Michaud, Maurei Kingi, Wayha Janis and Marlin Kingi; Pathstar-Arlene, Maya, Arlo, Lyle and Phillip Iron Cloud; Arroba 1-Mary, Country and Arlene Weasel Bear, Jake Two Bulls and Ken Franks; Third Dimensions and Mike Fredenberg-Tatewin Means and All Season's Screen Printing-Nate Ritterbush.



Alex Wilson Pine and David Lays Bad make the hard climb up the Wounded Knee hill towards Porcupine. Photos courtesy of OST Health Education.



Hot Springs Wells Fargo with David, Randy, Napoleon, Ella and Michael Lays Bad were the first team to arrive in Porcupine.



SuAnne Big Crow Boys and Girls Club rolled in second with the team wearing bike helmets and including Will Good Eagle, Michelle Keith, Jeff Pourier, Shawn Keith and Rick Barry.



Tom and Nate Ritterbush of All Seasons Screen Printing.

Sponsors included Pathstar/$200, Wacante Kiyape/$400, Higher Ground/-$50. Two Wheeler Dealer/-$200, Jamie Arroba/$300, Lil Angels/$200, 3rd Dimensions/$100, Mike Fredenberg/$25, Brunsch Propane/$100, Fireside Inn/$20, SuAnne Boys and Girls Club/$300 and University of Colorado/$200.

Tom Ritterbush of All Seasons Screen Printing in Hot Springs hustled up support from that community including Prairie Wind Casino/$300, Hot Springs Best Western/$200, BW Insurance/$200, Bank of the West/$150, Wells Fargo/$150, Maverick Junction/$100, Southern Hills Chiropractic/$50, Winners Circle/$50, Golden West/$100 and Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce/$100.

"You know a lot of people both in and out of the community believe in KILI and they showed it by helping to support this event," said Tobacco, "Alicia Mousseau pushed us and kept us going when we thought about postponing the event until next year."

Mary added that All Seasons and Subway donated the t-shirts, Sioux Nation chipped in 200 pieces of chicken, Whiteclay Grocery and Pine Ridge Oil donated water, Oyate Blehilya shared their bikes for the event, OLC Diabetes Prevention helped with manpower, planning, set up, first aid and bike repair while OST Health Education contributed manpower, refreshments, planning, set up and first aid kits.

Lyle Mousseau helped with set up, transportation and bike repairs; Lynette Yellow Horse aided with set up and food preparation, Jen Franks, Indian Health Service injury prevention gave up her Saturday and provided bike helmets; water stations were provided by KILI Radio, Health Education, Jen Franks/I.H.S. and Tom Ritterbush of All Seasons while Lena Charging Crow provided gift packs for all participants.

Energy chipped in $1,000 for coordinating marathon, gas and bike rentals, Porcupine Clinic donated their facility and Elaine Yellow Horse hustled all week in an awesome manner to get things ready, said Tobacco.

"For two years in a row, we did a relay marathon race and last year we didn't get an event done" said Tobacco, "so this year we really wanted to help KILI again and decided on a bikathon, it went well and next year it will go even better - in our own way we are helping get KILI Radio get back on the air, stronger than ever."

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3. Social Security number must be on the enrollment packet
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5. Free & Reduced Meals Application

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August 28-30
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SECTION B

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Two Sections

Oglala Nation Wacipi highlights





Left: The 2006 selected Oglala Nation royalty *Little Miss* Two Lance, *Junior Miss* Vonna Blacksmith and *Miss Oglala Nation* Stacee Pleasant. The three young women will represent the tribe for the next upcoming year. Photo courtesy of Jerry Matthews of Double M Photography. Right: Chief Oliver Red Cloud leads Saturday evening's grand entry with Adolph Bull Bear. Also in Saturday's grand entry was Sen. Tim Johnson and Elli Wicks, Eric Abrahanson, candidate for South Dakota's Lt. Governor, Bruce Whalen, Republican candidate for state representative and tribal council members.

By Amanda Takes War Bonnett
Times Editor

PINE RIDGE - The extreme heat that has been occurring lately didn't heat up the annual Oglala Nation Fair festivities too much. The three day event produced many events to participate in from a walk and run to a sobriety horse ride to sports events.

There were many campers and the dry dust didn't hinder activities from happening. The list of winners from the dance contest shows a majority of more local winners.

More than $50,000 was given out in prize money for the dancers and drum money. Melanie Two Eagle, royalty coordinator submitted the dancer winners.

Activities included contests in handgames, horseshoe and volleyball tournaments, traditional horse games, hand games, softball game and specials.

Prize money for the golden age categories was $1,000 for first prize, $800 for second, $700 for third, $600 for fourth and $500 for fifth.

Prize money for the adult categories was $1,000 for first prize, $800 for second, $700 for third, $600 for fourth and $500 for fifth.

Prize money for the teen categories was $350 for first prize, $325 for second, $300 for third, $275 for fourth and $250 for fifth.

Prize money for the junior categories was for $200 for first prize, $175 for second, $150 for third, $125 for fourth and $100 for fifth.

Women's Fancy

1st, Helene Gaddie, Wanblee; 2nd, Aspen Rendon, Pine

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Left: Elli Wicks and Sen. Tim Johnson sport KILI Radio fundraiser tshirts. Photo by Amanda Takes War Bonnett. Right: Ashley Phelps and baby Naveah, both jingle dress dancers at the pow wow. Riders during the sobriety ride. Photos by Jerry Matthews.





Below left to right: A traditional dancer in regalia representative of historical regalia. Calsee Has No Horse, a freshman and a contest participate, daughter of Hope Cross and Delane Has No Horse, is from Batesland. Ed Young Man Afraid of His Horse, of the Medicine Root District is a traditional dancer, who attends wacipis as a dancer only, not in contests. Photos by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.

The parade float of Stands Gardens in Saturday morning's parade. Photo by Jerry Matthews of Double M Photography.









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Ridge; 3rd, Gracie Tyon, Lakewood, Colorado; 4th, Victoria :Piper, Rapid City, 5th, Raelene White Shield, Browning, Montana.

Women's Jingle

1st, Jolene One Star, Two Strike; 2nd, Nuvasie Charging Crow, Kyle; 3rd, Alice Phelps, Thunder Valley; 4th, Ashley Phelps, Thunder Valley; 5th, Ann Cross, Oglala.

Women's Traditional

1st, Terra Her Many Horses, Taos, New Mexico; 2nd, Delmarina One Feather, Oglala; 3rd, Chanda Rendon, Porcupine; 4th, Prairie Rose Little Sky-White, White Fish Bay; 5th Lisa Little Moon, Tempe Arizona.

Teen Girls Fancy

1st, Taylor Spoon Hunter, Oglala; 2nd, Lisa Bear Robe, Oglala; 3rd, Vonna Blacksmith, Oglala; 4th, Victoria Phelps, Thunder Valley; 5th, Jamie White Face, Porcupine.

Teen Girls Jingle

1st, Tess Knight, Thunder Valley; 2nd, Emily Thunder Hawk, Kyle; 3rd, Anna Shield-Diaz, Oglala; 4th, Lynsey New Holy, Porcupine; 5th, Talissa Abeyta, Ft. Washakie Wyoming.

Teen Girls Traditional

1st, Sharla Harris, Arapaho Wyoming; 2nd, Cherish Tail, Porcupine; 3rd, Angel Broken Nose, Pine Ridge; 4th, Tylane Sherwood, Denver Colorado; 5th, Haley Lakota, Pine Ridge.

Junior Girls Fancy

1st, Ingi Win White, Iron Wood; 2nd, Lareese Blue Legs, Pine Ridge, 3rd, Corrina Red Feather, Pine Ridge, 4th, Danielle Whirlwind Horse, Manderson; 5th, Charlize Arcoren, Iron Wood.

Junior Girls Jingle

1st, Sage Conroy, Oglala; 2nd, Crystal Kills Back, Porcupine; 3rd, Kelly Swallow, Fort Yate North Dakota; 4th, Rahiannon Frazier, Pine Ridge; 5th, Kila Blacksmith, Oglala.

Junior Girls Traditional

1st, Sage Blacksmith, Oglala; 2nd, Gabriella Rodriguez, Oglala; 3rd, Myravina Curley, Takini; 4th, Tamara Rooks, Wanblee; 5th, Marilyn Frank, Pine Ridge.

Men's Fancy

1st George Abeyeta, Ft. Washakie Wyoming; 2nd, Harlow Plenty Wounds, Batesland; 3rd, Darwin Turner, Macy Nebraska; 4th, David Kelley, Rockyford; 5th, Jordan Abeyta, Ft Washakie Wyoming.

Men's Grass

1st, Cante Knight, Thundervalley; 2nd, Lakota Clairmont, Lakewood Colorado; 3rd, Steve Dubray Jr, Allen; 4th, Matthew Dearly, Oglala; 5th, Joe Lafferty, Iron Lightening.

Men's Traditional

1st, Francis Sherwood, Denver Colorado; 2nd, MJ Bull Bear, Kyle; 3rd, Waylon Gaddy, Allen; 4th, Wendell White Eyes, Bismark North Dakota; 5th, Eagle Boy White Shield, Westininster Colorado.

Teen Boy Fancy

1st, Sam Her Many Horses, Milford Wyoming; 2nd, Canku One Feather, Rosebud; 3rd, Kevin Eagle Heart, Martin; 4th, Marlon Kelly, Rockyford; 5th, Dwight Kelly, Rockyford.

Teen Boy Grass

1st, Chaske Valdez, Ethete Wyoming; 2nd, Byron Bear Robe, Oglala; 3rd, Jesse Peters, Pine Ridge; 4th, John Black Bear III, Allen; 5th, Julian One Star, Rosebud.

Teen Boy Traditional

1st, John Richards, Allen; 2nd, Garry Richards Jr., Allen; 3rd, Jaylen Abeyta, Ft Washakie Wyoming; 4th, Devin Cross Dog, Oglala; 5th, Brent Dubray, Martin..

Junior Boys Fancy

1st, Hunter Blacksmith, Oglala; 2nd, Keegan Her Many Horses, Milford Wyoming; 3rd, Brandon Iron Cloud, Ft Collins Colorado; 4th, Jacob Sorbel, Martin; 5th, Takoda Ghost Bear, Rapid City.

Junior Boys Grass

1st, Misun Mills, Thunder Valley; 2nd, Rico Cortez, Manderson; 3rd, Arrow Iron cloud, Rapid City; 4th, Patrick Iron Cloud, Rapid City; 5th Maurice Broken Nose, Pine Ridge.

Junior Boys Traditional

1st, Justin Williams, Oglala; 2nd, Isaiah Weasel Bear, Rosebud; 3rd Mitchell Stands, Oglala; 4th, Dustin Williams, Oglala; 5th, Zeno Rendon, Porcupine.

Golden years Womans Traditional

1st, Carmen Clairmont, Denver Colorado; 2nd, Millie Black Bear, Allen; 3rd, Sandra Black Bear, Iron Wood; 4th, Madeline Goodwill, Martin; 5th, Julie Rencounter, Rapid City.

Golden years Men's traditional

1st, Avery Thompson, Ft Thompson; 2nd, Gary Richards Sr, Allen; 3rd, Fred Stands, Oglala; 4th, Lester Lone Hill, Porcupine; 5th, John Emhoolah, Denver Colorado.

Horizon Health Care to build bigger clinic building in Mission

MISSION - USDA Rural Development Acting State Director Tim B. Potts was in town last week to present federal funding in the amount of $1.2 million to Horizon Health Care, Inc. for the construction of a new health care facility. "I'm pleased USDA Rural Development was able to assist with the construction of a much needed health care facility. This new facility will provide quality and affordable health care to the residents of Todd County and a healthy, comfortable work environment for the staff," Potts said.

The Mission Medical Clinic, an office of Horizon Health Care, Inc. is a federally qualified health center providing medical services to residents in and around the Mission community. All services are available on a sliding fee to ensure that everyone has access to quality healthcare regardless of their ability to pay.

The current facility is not handicapped accessible and office space for patient confidentiality is extremely limited. The work environment is unhealthy as the roof leaks and mold problems are common issues.

Local health care access is critical for the most vulnerable populations, including the elderly and the poor who are the least able to travel to the next nearest medical center located in Rapid City which is more than a 180 miles away.

Funding for the project includes a USDA Rural Development Community Facility direct loan of $614,500, a Community Facility guaranteed loan of $614,500 with Wells Fargo Bank of Mission and a Community Development Block Grant of $410,000 through the State of South Dakota. Previous funding received from USDA Rural Development for this project included a Community Facility economic impact initiative grant in the amount of $60,000.

"This is an exciting opportunity for us and the community of Mission, with the financial assistance from USDA Rural Development and a community development block grant from the State of South Dakota we will continue to provide quality primary health care to a medically underserved or medically indigent population in a facility that will offer appropriate patient confidentiality, handicapped accessibility and a work environment appropriate for a health care facility, " said John Mengenhausen, chief executive officer of Horizon Health Care, Inc.

USDA Rural Development Acting Area Director David Adrian also attended the event. USDA Rural Development has ten offices in the state that assist rural communities. Office locations include a state office in Huron, along with area offices in Aberdeen, Huron, Mitchell, Pierre, Rapid City, Sioux Falls, Sturgis, Watertown, and Yankton.

USDA Rural Development's mission is to deliver programs in a way that will support increasing economic opportunity and improve the quality of life of rural residents.

As a venture capital entity, Rural Development provides equity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth in homeownership, business development, and critical community and technology infrastructure. Further information on rural programs is available at a local USDA Rural Development office or by visiting USDA's web site at http://www/rurdev.-usda.gov.

Father Richard Jones departing Rosebud

46 years spent ministering to the Sicangu

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ST. FRANCIS - Father Richard Jones, S.J. has been a mainstay on the Rosebud Sioux reservation for close to five decades and is retiring to Wisconsin. St. Francis Mission is announcing the fact that a farewell dinner will be held after the 11:15 a.m. Catholic mass with a dinner to be held in the orchard just north of the church on Sunday, August 13. Bishop Cupich of the Rapid City Diocese will be in attendance.



Father Richard Jones S.J.

Many Sicangu parents and grandparents remember the influence of Father Jones in their lives while attending St. Francis Mission. In fact, many Sicangu children and grandchildren have been baptized by Jones. Now in his late eighties, the one time superior of St. Francis Mission noted in an interview with KINI station manager, Richard Iyotte, that he has glaucoma and he is losing his eyesight and feels that it is time to finally leave for the Jesuit retirement community in Wisconsin.

Father Jones, a much respected and highly regarded Jesuit priest, has spent most of his ministerial career among the Sicangu people and spoke of a time in the 1960's when the government declared the "war on poverty." He said he worked closely with the community and after two years they were able to secure funding for housing. He has been an ordained Jesuit minister for much longer than that.

In the early 1990's Father Jones received the Lumen Christi or Light of Christ award for being the outstanding missionary in the United States and said that the award belonged to all Sicangu people. He said he appreciated the beauty of Lakota people and that there is much more work to be done for the people.

Kyle Pow Wow Aug. 11 to 13.

KYLE - The annual Medicine Root District Fair of Kyle will be held Friday through Sunday, Aug. 11 to 13.

For more information contact the Medicine Root District CAP at Kyle.

The wacipi will be at the pow wow grounds west of Kyle.

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing
P.O. Box 603 - East Hwy. 18 - Pine Ridge, SD 57770

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Project Manager- Development Office
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Opening Date: August 9, 2006 Closing Date: August 22, 2006
Salary As Budgeted

- How To Apply -

Submit a completed Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing employment application to the Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Office.

Attach all pertinent documents, Blood Degree if claiming Indian Preference, Veterans Discharge DD214, High School or GED Diploma, College Transcripts, College Diploma, Reference Letters, Licenses or Certifications and State Driver's License.

Resumes that are to accompany the employment application must have addresses and telephone numbers of past and present employers. All information submitted will be verified.

Will be required to take the drug and alcohol test. Selection for the position will be contingent upon a negative test result. Applicant is subject to Background Investigation. Expenses are at the applications costs. No late or incomplete application will be accepted.

For position description and additional information please contact the Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Office at (605)867-5161, ext. 104 or ext. 136.

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Tribal officials meet with Interior Secretary

By Carson Walker
Associated Press Writer

RAPID CITY - The Oglala Sioux Tribe president got what he wanted Sunday: a meeting with the new U.S. Interior Secretary about various American Indian reservation problems.

Secretary Dirk Kempthorne had the meeting set up on short notice one day before his scheduled appearance at the nearby Sturgis rally.

He met for more than an hour with tribal leaders from five of South Dakota's nine reservations, took notes and promised to do what he could during his two years in office.

Kempthorne, a former U.S. senator and governor of Idaho, was approved for the post by the Senate in May.

White Plume said he had 2,000 issues to take up but only addressed four - the biggest of which is poverty.

"I don't mean any disrespect," White Plume told Kempthorne, seated across the table. "Your whole Bureau of Indian Affairs is a worthless organization that just siphons money from the tribes."

He said the BIA spends too much money administering government programs for Indians and gives tribes little flexibility in how the money is spent.

'Your whole Bureau of Indian Affairs is a worthless organization that just siphons money from the tribes.'

-White Plume

Kempthorne said he wasn't offended by White Plume's comments. "I hope you feel the respect I'm showing you by sitting here and listening to you," he said. "These are serious issues. I don't think you expect a quick solution because these took time to develop."

White Plume, who helped organized a protest of the encroachment of biker bars near Bear Butte, also asked the secretary to do something at the federal level to protect the site Indians consider sacred.

Kempthorne listened intently to White Plume and the other leaders and said that some of the issues were too large to address during his tenure but that he would do what he could. He said he plans to travel around the country over the next month and take input on other issues.

Other problems discussed included a shortage of law enforcement officers, education funding and the proliferation of methamphetamine.

Avis Little Eagle, vice chairwoman of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, said that because the reservation has only 10 officers, no law enforcement responded to a recent gang fight until the next day.

One other problem is the drought, the leaders said.

"All the counties around us were able to get disaster assistance," Rodney Bordeaux of the Rosebud Indian Reservation said.

Kempthorne said his father grew up in Aberdeen and that he has been to South Dakota before, but this was his first trip as Interior Secretary. "This has been very helpful," he said.

Pat Ragsdale, director of Bureau of Indian Affairs, which is under the Interior Department, also attended the meeting.

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Kentucky group dedicated to helping Rosebud with gifts

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Donna Quiggins and Dave Gentry from Kentucky have been coming to the Rosebud for over a decade and their outreach work in providing clothing and household goods to reservation residents is not going unnoticed.

Their work is significant when one considers the cost of gasoline these days and the personal commitment that it takes to collect donations and ensure that they actually get delivered. Quiggins and Gentry as representing other caring people in Kentucky certainly deserve what the younger generation might call a "shout out."

The two people have their own families, but often travel together for the road trip out west. It is way for them to occasionally see the culmination of their year long work, which involves coordinating a donation drive through communication with other private individuals as well as local businesses in their hometown.

Gentry said, "Rosebud is second home for us, as soon as we cross the reservation line. We can't do what we do without help.

One individual successfully organized a ' Run for the Rosebud' to help raise funds." Quiggins added that, "We pay for the cost of the fuel. Last year it was $2,800 dollars and this year it is $3,000 dollars."

Donna explained the evolution of the volunteer efforts of a loose knit group in Kentucky called, "Native American Support Effort." The core group is made up of Quiggins, Gentry, Donna Bowling, Frank and Penny Cook, Mike Clayton and Dottie Povey.

Quiggins is a writer and stumbled upon her passion of giving to the Rosebud quite by accident. She had made an initial connection with a group who was supposed to make a donation delivery to Rosebud and it never came off. Her husband worked at General Electric. When the employees discovered her interest in Rosebud, they started delivering new blankets and other goods to her house.

She became exasperated as the goods piled up and her husband asked what she was going to do with them. Sometime later, she was out on the road headed for Rosebud using her credit card and a cargo van. Quiggins, two foster daughters and a grand daughter made it as far as St. Joseph's, Mo. They ran into a huge storm and when they could not make contact with Cliff Marshall in Rosebud, their anxiety and frustration grew at the uncertainty of what to expect if they continued on. When they did arrive at Rosebud, they made an initial drop at the Marshall's and delivered other goods at Wanblee during a powwow.

Quiggins said, "All the way, I told myself I was doing it for selfish reasons. I decided that it was meant to be and could be of some help. I went back to my group and told them of the connection and they said they would help."

Another important individual in the equation is Donna Bowling, who owns and operates a bakery in Louisville. She has connections to business people who are also interested in helping and often rallies some of the much needed financing for the semi-truck and the associated fuel costs.

Bowling has also been to Rosebud on a number of occasions. Last summer, she arrived with a group of students representing Habitat for Humanity working on Harold Charging Hawk's house for a week.

The donated items from Kentucky kept increasing in volume over time which necessitated the use of semi-trucks. At first a van or two would suffice, but in the late 1990's two semis were needed to transport the goods.

Our Lady of Lourdes in Kentucky has also taken up the cause and acts as a collection point. Gentry says that there have been thousands of people who have worked behind the scenes to make the deliveries a reality.

Gentry said Marian Sorace who resides on Soldier Creek road in Rosebud has been working tirelessly each July to receive the donated items on her property. The availability of the donated items are announced on KINI FM radio who then announces to the communities the availbability of the donated items so that the people will come and pick up the clearly marked boxes.

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The following Vacancy Announcements are now open for Application(s) with the OST Personnel Office. For further information please contact the OST Personnel Office at 605-867-6014 or 867-6015.

Opening Date August 1, 2006 **Closing Date: August 15, 2006**

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06-098	Special Educ. Teacher (Part-time)	Office of Special Education	Pine Ridge, SD (Res. Wide)
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06-100	Data Specialist	Special Education Services	Pine Ridge, SD
06-101	Technician	Special Education (B-5)	Pine Ridge, SD
06-102	Driver/Custodial	Special Education Services	Pine Ridge, SD
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Faxed in applications(s) will not be accepted.

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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I am so confused and am in a strained relationship. I am married to a person who doesn't seem to hear me at times and when we fight, he walks away as in goes out and gets drunk and stays away until he is hung over, broke and nothing better to do but call me when he's done.

I guess that the story of a lot of people's lives but lately or I should say since about like in March of this year, I grew a brain or something. I mean I ain't all that innocent either but I started going out on my own without him anyway I met up with an ex, someone from long ago.

We have been seeing each other off and on but it has come to that point where he wants more out of this relationship, and I am not sure if I do, I mean when I am with him I don't want to look back but when I peel myself away I snap back into reality. I am married, I can't be doing this.

Is there a future for me and him? I think he's to so-so, I don't know were kinda alike to many friends.

I don't know please tell me what you see for us. Another question I am having a really tough time without that extra income, I had at one time, do you see anything good for me? Am I gonna win anytime soon? Do you have any lucky numbers for me?

Very confused

Dear Confused,

Yep, that about sums it up, you are definitely confused. I see nothing but more confusion, anger and dysfunction until you make a decision to extract yourself for the hell you are creating and living in.

First, separate from your husband, he is not finding sobriety and without that neither of you have any chance for peace.

Secondly, stop with the man from your past - he is as big of a mess as you are.

Thirdly, seek counseling for yourself along with sobriety, co-dependency counseling and a recovery program for living in a good way.

I am not trying to make you feel bad, I am trying to guide you to the good life that you deserve.

The man from your past would be the same as staying in your current relationship. He has the same problems, the same type of thinking and is really the same as your husband with just a different face.

You have to get healthy in your life so you can create a healthy life with another healthy person.

Yes, you can win sometimes at the casino - but it can also be just a journey to relieve temporary stress with the added stress of losing what you win and what you brought with you. When gambling comes from desperation it becomes an addiction, not recreation. Your luck number is one.

Anything that adds up to the number one is lucky for you. Good luck, please find the best of yourself within yourself, be strong and create a better life by healing yourself and then opening for the good man that is currently on the same journey you are and waits for you.

Dear Anna,

Every week your articles are interesting when I come across them. I was wondering if you could help me out with a few answers to my questions?

Well, I can't seem to wait until then but I am curious and wanting to know what I will decide after December when I finish my schooling. I have one big opportunity and that is to join the military. I am a senior this year and I have been taking care and looking after my grandma and nephew and I am wanting to know if they will accept that I am willing to leave but I am not too sure if it will be for long? And will any one be there to watch over them while I am away?

And I am excited to know if I will ever find anyone? If so will he be the one?

Curious One

Dear Curious One,

Your grandma and your nephew will miss you but will accept your going into the military. They will be worried and scared for you. They will be fine while you are gone.

You will meet a man in the military, it looks like you will become pregnant and leave the military and be with the man that fathers your child.

The man and you will return to South Dakota after he completes his term in the service. He will go to school and things will work out.

You may decide to go to school then in the medical field.

Your grandmother will be happy you are home.

Dear Anna,

I am just writing to see if you can help me clear up some issues about myself and my family. I am a single mother of three children, and just recently had my third baby.

I was just wondering if you knew how I'll be doing in the future, I am always wondering what's going to happen to me. I do good in school and in life.

I have a great family, but I am worried how my children's dad is going to treat me in the future. He isn't a very nice person, very abusive and just not a good father. I always ask him to tell me what it was that I did to be treated the way I was and continue to be. He has moved on with his life, found a new love.

Am I going to move on? Will I ever meet somebody who is going to love me and my children.

Right now I'm not looking for love and I have enough with my children, but I just want to know if this is it...am I really going to move on with my life?

How do you see my future?? I'm just curious to see if its good, or am I going to continue to struggle?? Will my children be okay? I also don't know what to do about my ex, should he be able to see his children? I don't think so but that's just me.

Will he ever help support them?

Tired of being hurt

Dear Tired of being hurt,

It is not you, except that you keep chosing men that are not very nice nor very respectful of women. If it will help you to feel better I can tell you that your ex will not treat this other woman well either.

He is just plain abusive and rude. I don't think you have to worry too much about your ex wanting to visit with his children as he won't show up very often. I feel a relationship with his family may be more important than with this man, so if he arranges for visitation let it be at some other family member's home.

There will be a time in your future when you will be open to love again and to have a good relationship with a well-balanced man. Your children, because of your sacrifices and because you did not continue to expose them to the chaos and meaness and confusion and drinking of your ex will be fine.

They will do well in school and will have good dreams. Will your ex ever support your children - not unless you join the courts and make him, and then, not even then.

He would just spend a lot of time in the courts and jail. My advice, let it all go...he is just a bad choice, but he doesn't have to be a life sentence. Because you are willing to work hard, get some continuing education and take care of yourself and your kids your life will be blessed with many good things.

Take time out of your dream world and paint a real picture of who your ex is, that if the first step in releasing him. He is not a prince charming, he is a really an ugly toad (no offense to toads meant). Be happy in your strength, help your children grow, and know that your life will be much easier within two years.

Dear Anna,

I don't if you remember me but I emailed you about two months ago. I thank you for everything you have told me because it is really happening. I recently sang at a wake, also I just returned from one of the top basketball camps in the nation.

While I was at the camp, I met someone who treated me like a young lady, he happened to be my coach, who is nine years older than me. He is very successful. We are both alike in many ways, we can't live without basketball and we are of the same nationality. My grandma approves of him and so do I, because I am almost 18 years old. I would like to please know if you see anything good happening to us, will I ever see him again, will we ever meet again?

I need to know if I will ever be recognized as a good basketball player. Will I get to play basketball this year?

I have been hurt by five or six guys already so I need your help please.

Am I pretty? I 'have worked so hard to play basketball, make myself look nice and practice my basketball, singing and fashion for myself.

Me and my grandma have been waiting for something like this to happen for a long time. Will he and I be in contact? I have suffered from depression for three years, but I beat it, and lost weight, and became outgoing and outspoken. So can you please help me. Thank you for your time. I will pray for you.

Basketball Dreams

Dear Basketball Dreams,

Yes, you will play basketball - even in college. No, he will not be in contact with you. It breaks my heart that you have been hurt by him and I am upset with this man's lack of integrity and so will the schools, parents and good coaches be when they read this.

The man that you were with has many of the qualities that you will find in the man that really loves you, but he lacks one serious quality: integrity.

Please don't take this to a level of depression; life offers a series of relationship challenges that lead you to wisdom and to best be able to make the best choice for yourself. You are beautiful, talented, gifted and wonderful. You deserve the same in a relationship, but you are very young.

Love usually happens sometime in the early twenties, and that love has to be a very strong love in order to sustain through a lifetime committment.

I kind of like to say that God invented dating and boyfriends/girlfriends so we can narrow the field by experience to the right ONE. And 80 percent of all relationships do not work out because they are not meant to, they are just humans learning from each other.

If everyone married everyone they ever dated then we'd all be married a whole bunch of times. Therefore, everyone gets hurt in life, as a result of "bad" relationships a whole bunch of times. That is no excuse to whine or feel bad, or to become bitter or discouraged.

Always be thankful to the ones that don't work out for the lessons and the blessings you have now because you are not together torturing each other.

The right one only comes along once or twice in a lifetime - that means sometimes the wait is long, but ultimately worth it.

Thank you for your prayers, I feel them, and I will also pray for you.

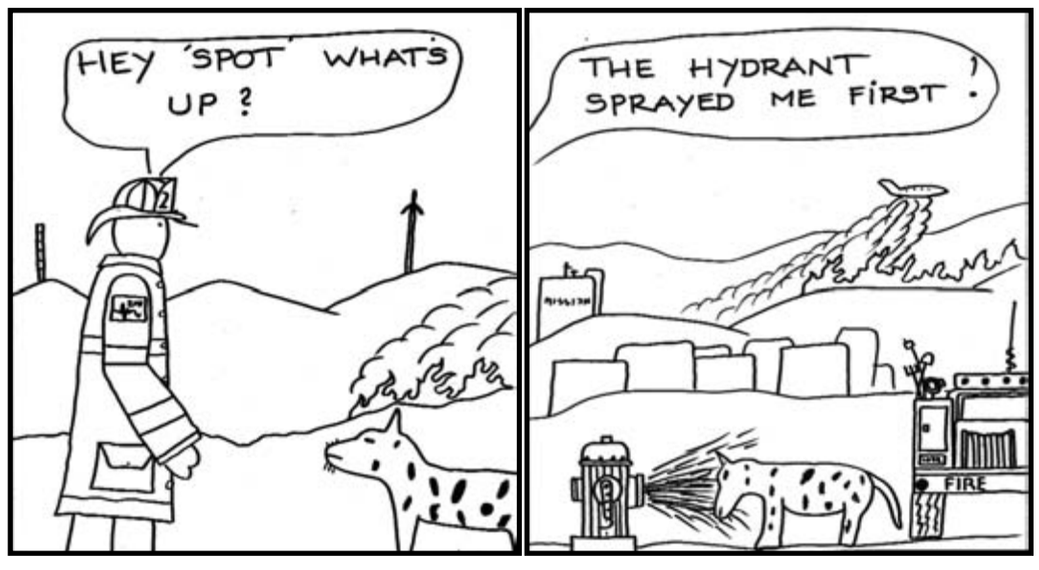
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Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

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The Rez Firefighter (Peta Usniyapi)

By Beaux Beauvais



Frybread

By Thom Little Moon



Lakota Crossword Puzzle

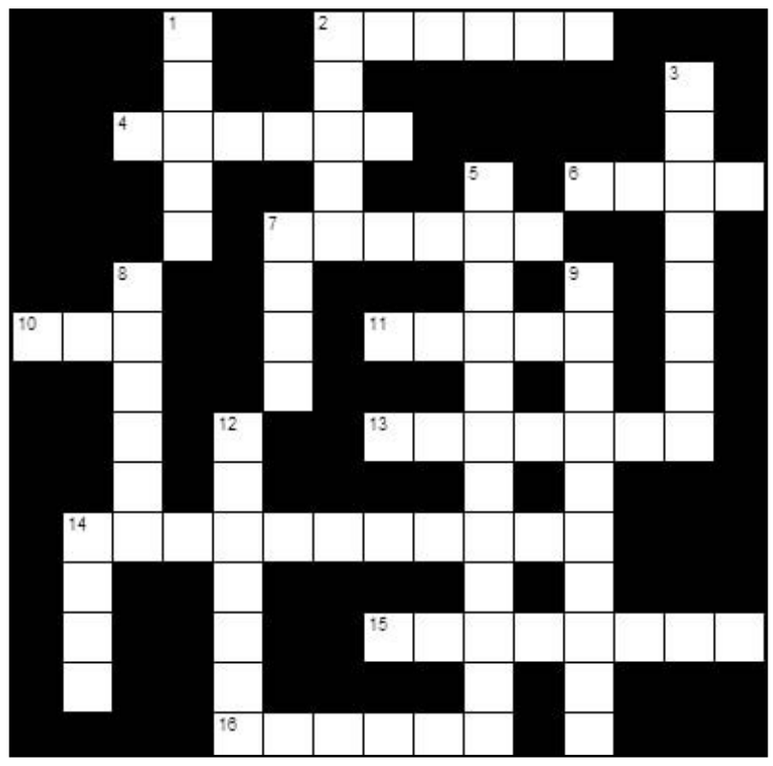
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

2. fork
4. food
6. bucket
7. apple
10. potatoe
11. chokecherry
13. banana
14. pop
15. orange
16. milk

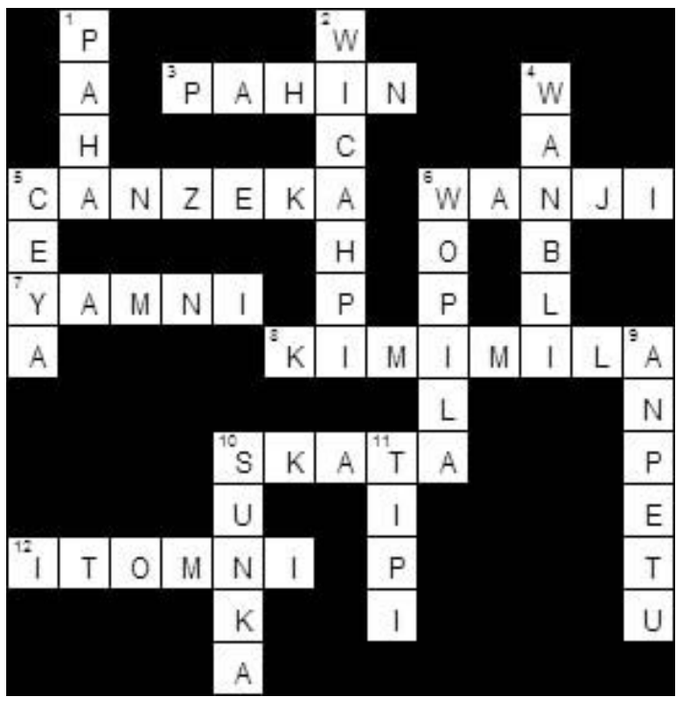
Down

1. loan
2. eggs
3. earn
5. watermelon
7. meat
8. fish
9. coffee
12. dishes
14. knife



The words for the Lakota Crossword Puzzle is from the text of *Everyday Lakota, An English-Sioux Dictionary for Beginners*.

Answers from last week's puzzle



Miami Vice
R
The Barnyard
PG
Showtimes:
7:30 pm Nightly
2:00 pm Sunday
Gordon Theater & Video
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Eagle Theatre
Chadron, NE
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Talladega Nights (PG13)
You, Me & Dupree (PG13)
Zoom (PG)
The Barnyard (PG)
$6 - Adults
$4 - Children under 11 and Senior Citizens
$4 - Sunday Matinee
SUNDAY MATINEE @ 1:30
MOVIE STARTS @ 7:15
FRI & SAT @ 7:15 & 9:15

Colleen Brewer, 67.....Rushville, Neb.
Clifton J. Clifford Sr., 69.....Pine Ridge
Jasper Milk, 82 .....Wanblee
Betty Rose Red Dog-Henry, 54..... Pine Ridge
Ruth Gibbons-Cottier, 72..... Manderson
Joshua Bobtail Bear, infant..... Eagle Butte
Everette H. Eastman Sr., 79.....Rapid City
Joseph Blaine Standing Soldier, infant...Wanblee

Colleen Brewer

RUSHVILLE, Neb. - Colleen Brewer, 67, Rushville, died Saturday, Aug. 5 in Chadron.

Survivors include a special friend, Adrian Louis, Rushville; four brothers, Dean Brewer, Duane Brewer and Dennis Brewer, all of Pine Ridge, and Richard Brewer, Lawrence, Kan.; and one sister, Doris Giago, Brookings. A one night wake service was Wednesday, Aug. 9, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services were Thursday, Aug. 10, at Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Pine Ridge, with the Rev. Steve Sanford officiating. Burial will be at Knight Community Cemetery in Batesland.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Clifton J. Clifford Sr.

PINE RIDGE - Clifton J. Clifford Sr, 69, died on Aug. 6 at Ft. Meade of natural causes.

Survivors include a son Clifton Clifford, Jr., Pine Ridge; a step daughter: Eileen Wounded Shield-Wilson, Pine Ridge; brothers Joe Clifford, Jr., Pine Ridge, Tom Clifford, Manderson, and Philip Clifford of Wounded Knee; sisters Theresa Perkins of Rochester, Minn., Dorothy Lafferty of Pine Ridge, Mary Wilson of #4 Community, Anita Ecoffey of Wounded Knee and six grandchildren.

A one-night wake begins on Thursday, Aug. 10 at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services will be Friday at 10 a.m. at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge

Officiating Rev. Steve Sanford with burial at St. Agnes Catholic Cemetery, Manderson.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Jasper Milk

WANBLEE - Jasper Milk, "Mne Owicakte," 82, Wanblee, died Saturday, Aug. 5, in Minneapolis, Minn.

He served in the U.S. Navy. Survivors include his wife, Bernice Milk, Wanblee and six sons, Duane Milk and Curtis Milk Sr., both of Wanblee, Orville Milk, Lawrence, Kan., Joseph Milk and Melvin Milk, both of Hisle, and Louie Richards, Allen; six daughters, Hildreth Milk, Gladys Bettelyoun and Julia Wilcox, all of Wanblee, Almenda Douthit, Hisle, Bertha Conroy, Batesland, and Mary Bad Hand, St. Francis; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Wake services were Wednesday, Aug. 9, at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee.

Funeral services will be at 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 11, at the school. Burial will be at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.

Betty Rose Red Dog-Henry

PINE RIDGE - Betty Rose Red Dog-Henry, 54, Pine Ridge, died Wednesday, Aug. 2, , in Rapid City. Survivors include one son, Paul Mesteth Jr., Sioux Falls; two daughters, Ann Marie Mesteth, Pine Ridge, and Melanie Henry, Rapid City; one brother, Huron Red Dog Jr., Rapid City; and two sisters, Estalline Black Feather, Pine Ridge, and Florence Red Dog, Yankton.

Wake services were Aug. 8, at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge. Funeral services were Wednesday, Aug. 9, at Billy Mills Hall. Burial was at Holy Rosary Catholic Cemetery in Pine Ridge.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Ruth I. Two Bonnett-Gibbons-Cottier

MANDERSON - Ruth I. Two Bonnett-Gibbons-Cottier, 72, Manderson, died Saturday, Aug. 5, in Rapid City.

Survivors include a special friend, Verdell Long Soldier, Pine Ridge; one daughter, Nancy Thompson, Pawnee, Okla.; one brother, Floyd Gibbons, Manderson; a half-brother, Ted Cuny, Porcupine; numerous grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Wake services were Wednesday, Aug. 9, at Wounded Knee District School in Manderson.

Funeral services were Thursday, Aug. 10 with the Rev. Chris Collins officiating. Burial was at Gibbons Family Cemetery, White Horse Creek, Manderson.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Joshua Bobtail Bear

EAGLE BUTTE - Joshua Bobtail Bear, infant son of LeRoy and Rosemary Bobtail Bear, died Thursday, Aug. 3, at Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls. Funeral services were Wednesday, Aug. 9, at UCC Church in Green Grass, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat and the Rev. Leslie Bobtail Bear officiating. Burial was at UCC Cemetery in Green

Everett H. Eastman Sr.

RAPID CITY - Everett H. Eastman Sr., "Mato Taopi," 79, Rapid City, died Tuesday, Aug. 1, at his home. He served in the U.S. Army from 1945 to 1966. Survivors include one son, Everett Eastman Jr., Rapid City; one daughter, Gloria Eastman, Rapid City; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. Services were Friday, Aug. 4, at Bad Nation Cemetery near Wood. Serenity Springs Funeral Chapel of Rapid City was in charge of arrangements.

Joseph Blaine Standing Soldier

WANBLEE - Joseph Blaine Standing Soldier, infant, Wanblee, died Monday, July 31, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include his parents, Vern Standing Soldier Jr. and Kehunna Poitra, Wanblee; one sister, Tyra Bree Poitra, Wanblee; his paternal grandparents, Vern Standing Soldier and Tina Lee Standing Soldier, Wanblee; and his maternal grandmother, Florine Chipps, Wanblee. Wake services were Friday, Aug. 4, at Wanblee CAP. Funeral services were Saturday, Aug. 5, at Wanblee CAP, with Deacon Gerald Bush officiating. Burial was at St. Ignacius Catholic Cemetery in Wanblee.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Correction

In last week's Lakota Country Times,
Thomas Cuny was mistakenly listed in an obituary and it should have read Orson Cuny. Thomas Cuny is the father of Orson Cuny. Our apologies to Thomas Cuny.

Memorials and photos are free

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NOTICE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

For Red Shirt School Bituminous Overlay Project

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
The Shannon County School District, herein called the Owner, of the City of Batesland, Shannon County, State of South Dakota, will receive sealed bids for Red Shirt School Bituminous Overlay Project, Red Shirt , South Dakota, until 2:00 P.M., MST on the 21 day of August, 2006 , at the New Red Shirt School, Red Shirt, South Dakota, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read.

The Contract scope consists of: A Single Contract will be awarded for General Construction Work. Indian preference will be enforced according to Oglala Sioux Tribe Procurement Requirements and TERO Regulations.

All bids shall be made in accordance with forms referenced to and/or made a part of the proposed contract documents. Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed to Shannon County School District. Bid envelopes shall be clearly marked on the outside lower left corner correponding Red Shirt School Bituminous Overlay Project. Full responsibility for the delivery of mailed bids prior to the deadline for receiving bids rests with the bidder.

Although not a requirement, it is advisable that the contractor inspects the project site to familiar himself with the site and cooresponding site preparations requirements prior to the bid opening.

Contract documents, including bid proposal forms, drawings and Project Manuals, have been placed on file and may be examined and obtained at the office of Professional Land Art Associates, 2219 7th Avenue, Rapid City, South Dakota 57702, phone (605) 343-2151 and fax (605) 348-1053.

Each Prime Contractor will be issued one complete set of documents for preparing his bid for a REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT of $50.00 for correponding Red Shirt School Bituminous Overlay Project shipping costs $10.00 (ground) or $25.00 (next day air). The plan deposit will be refunded upon returning such set in good unmarked condition within 14 days after the bid opening. Additional sets of documents for prime contractors and all sets for subcontractors and material suppliers may be purchased by nonrefundable costs of reproduction from the A/E.

Each bidder must deposit bid security with the bid, payable to Shannon County School District and shall be one of the following:

1. Certified check, cashier's check or draft drawn on a State or National Bank in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bidders base bid including add alternates.

2. Bid Bond, prepared on AIA Form A310, issued by a Surety authorized to do business in the State where the project is located and acceptable to the Owner in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bidders base bid including add alternates.

The successful bidder shall be required to furnish a contract performance bond and a labor and materials payment bond in the penal amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price as originally bid or subsequently modified.

No bidder may withdraw a bid until 30 days after the bid opening, without a written request explaining the cause for the withdrawal and without a written consent of the Owner after reviewing the cause.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids or parts thereof, and to waive any irregularities of any bid.

The Owner also reserves the right to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder as may be determined by the Owner.

Shannon County School Board Box 109 Batesland, S.D. 57716

Notice to Bidders Gasoline Diesel

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Shannon County School Board in the administrative office building, Batesland, South Dakota, until 2:00 p.m., August 25, 2006, for gasoline and #1 & #2 grade diesel fuel to be supplied and delivered for a one-year period, to public schools which are located at Batesland, Rockyford, Red Shirt, and Wolf Creek Schools, as designated by the school board.

The bids will be made public at the regular board meeting on Monday, August 28, 2006 at Red Shirt School, at 5:00 p.m.

The successful bidder shall have the responsibility of:

1) Supplying necessary gasoline and/or diesel fuel for school buses and school vehicles operated by the Shannon County School District. Delivery of unleaded gasoline and diesel fuel to Wolf Creek, Rockyford, Batesland and Red Shirt Schools storage facilities. The supply period is to be from Sept. 1, 2006 through Aug. 31, 2006.

The bids should be based on pricing for the date of August 25, 2006 and should specify pricing details (i.e.) tank wagon price, discount and taxes which may apply. Bids should be detailed so that the cost to the district from all bidders can be readily compared. Bidder should include documentation of current cost to them from their supplier at the time the bid is submitted. Bidder should also include whether their bid price is firm throughout the year, or a statement that any increase or decrease in the price of gasoline or diesel fuel to the school district after the bid letting on August 28, 2006 will be substantiated by a letter from the bidder's supplier stating that the price has increased by the amount that the bidder is passing on to the school district.

Bids must be sealed and marked "gasoline bid" in the lower left-hand corner of the envelope and be addressed to the Shannon County School Board, Attn: Myron Pourier, P.O. box 109, Batesland, South Dakota, 57716.

The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids or waive any irregularities therein.

Shannon County School Board Box 109 Batesland, S.D. 57716

Notice to Bidders Propane

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Shannon County School Board in the administrative office building, Batesland, South Dakota, until Friday, 2:00 p.m., August 25, 2006, for propane gas to be supplied and delivered to Shannon County public schools for a one-year period. The bids shall be made public at the regular board meeting on Monday, August 28, 2006 at the Red Shirt School, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

The school district owns bulk tanks which allows the district to accept transport loads at the three major school sites. (This bid will be for filling the small tanks located throughout the district, not the bulk, tanks.) schools are located at Batesland, Rockyford, Red Shirt, Wolf Creek and to teacherages, as designated by the school board, and also, one Title I Unit each at O.L.L. and Red Cloud.

The successful bidder must keep the tanks at a safe operating level, contacting the school district's Trans-portation & Facility management Director before filling. The term of this bid shall be Sept. 1, 2006 and terminate on Aug. 31, 2007.

The bids should be based on pricing for the date of August 25, 2006 and should specify pricing details (i.e.) tank wagon price, discount and taxes which may apply. Bids should be detailed so that the cost to the district from all bidders can be readily compared. Bidder should include documentation of current cost to them from their supplier, whether the bid price is firm throughout the year, and a statement that any increase or decrease in the price of propane to the school district after the bid letting on August 28, 2006, will be substantiated by a letter from the bidder's supplier, stating that the price has increased by the amount that the bidder is passing on to the school district.

You are reminded that, depending on your status as a supplier, you may be required to pay a 2% tax to the TERO (Tribal Employment Rights Office) located in Pine Ridge, SD Ph: (605)867-5167, for doing business on the reservation.

Bids should be submitted on forms provided by Shannon County School District, must be sealed and marked "propane bid" in the lower left-hand corner of the envelope and addressed to the Shannon Country School Board, Attn: Myron Pourier, P.O. box 109, Batesland, South Dakota, 57716. For additional information or to obtain a copy of the form, please call (605)288-1921.

The board reserves the right o reject any or all bids or waive any irregularities therein.

Little Wound School Board P.O. Box 500 Kyle, SD 57752 Ph: (605) 455-6150 Fax: (605) 455-2340 INVITATION TO BID

The Little Wound School Board is seeking bids or proposals for copy paper and Goldenrod Business Envelopes for the 2006-07 School Year.
400 cases of 20 lb. 8 ½ x 11 white copy paper
20,000 no. 10 Business Envelopes (Goldenrod color)
The copy paper will be delivered to Little Wound School on a as needed basis.

Contact Delores Pourier, Communication Coordinator at 455-6160 for further information.

Sealed bids will be opened and acted upon during the School Board Budget meeting on Monday August 21, 2006 at Little Wound School.

Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any informality, and to accept the bid that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound School.

Closing date for sealed bids is 1:00 p.m. on Friday August 18, 2006. Please submit bids in a sealed envelope marked "Copy paper Bid" on the face of the envelope with the bidders name and address.

If bid is sent by mail, actual bid should be enclosed in a separate envelope marked "Copy paper bid". Bid should be submitted to the Little Wound School Business Office or to the following address: Little Wound School Business Office, Attn: Business Manager, P.O. Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752.

Little Wound School P.O. Box 500 Kyle, SD 57752-0500 605-455-6150 Fax: 605-455-2340 NVITATION FOR BID Gasoline and Diesel

The Little Wound School Board is seeking bids for the supplying of gasoline and diesel for the Little Wound School buses and vehicles for the period of August 22, 2006 to June 30, 2007. The School is looking for fixed price per gallon or a minimum per gallon price mark up. The estimated number of gallons needed for the year is as follows:
Unleaded Gas
20,000 gallons
#2 Diesel
17,000 gallons
#1 Diesel
17,000 gallons

Sealed bids will be opened and acted upon at the Budget meeting on Monday August 21, 2006. Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any informality, and to accept the bid that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound School.

Closing date for sealed bids is 1:00 p.m. on Friday August 18, 2006. Please submit bids in a sealed envelope marked "Gas & Diesel Bid" to the school Business Office or to the following address:

Little Wound School, Paula Pourier, Business Manager, P.O. Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. For more information you may contact Bill Clifford at (605) 455-6180 or Wesley "Chuck" Jacobs at (605) 455-2160.

Little Wound School Board P.O. Box 500 Kyle, SD 57752 (605) 455-6150 Fax: (605) 455-2340 INVITATION TO BID FOR HEATING FUEL

The Little Wound School Board is seeking bids for a service contract for supplying heating fuel for the Little Wound School tanks. Estimated amount will be around 50,000 gallons for the 2006-07 School Year.

Contact Clint May, Facilities Manager at 455-6181 or Wesley "Chuck" Jacobs, Support Services Director at 455-2160 for further information.

Sealed bids will be opened and acted upon during the School Board Budget meeting on Monday August 21, 2006 at Little Wound School.

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If bid is sent by mail, actual bid should be enclosed in a separate envelope marked "Heating fuel bid". Bid should be submitted to the Little Wound School Business Office or to the following address:

Little Wound School Business Office, Attn: Business Manager, P.O. Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752.

Little Wound School Board P.O. Box 500 Kyle, SD 57752 (605) 455-6150 Fax: (605) 455-2340 INVITATION TO BID FOR JANITORIAL SUPPLIES

The Little Wound School Board is seeking bids for Janitorial Supplies such as rugs, mats, mop heads, dust mops, toilet tissue, paper towels, trash can liners, facial tissue, etc. for the 2006-07 School Year. A complete list of products can be obtained from the LWS Facilities Manager.

Contact Clint May, Facilities Manager at 455-6181 or Wesley "Chuck" Jacobs at 455-2160 for further information.

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Little Wound School Board P.O. Box 500 Kyle, SD 57752 (605) 455-6150 Fax: (605) 455-2340

INVITATION TO BID FOR PROPANE

The Little Wound School Board is seeking bids for a service contract for supplying propane for the Little Wound School tanks. The School Board is seeking a fixed price per gallon or a minimal mark up price per gallon. Approximate amount will be around 22,000 gallons for the 2006-07 School Year.

Contact Clint May, Facilities Manager at 455-6181 or Wesley "Chuck" Jacobs, Support Services Director at 455-2160 for further information.

Sealed bids will be opened and acted upon during the School Board Budget meeting on Monday August 21, 2006 at Little Wound School.

Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any informality, and to accept the bid that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound School.

Closing date for sealed bids is 1:00 p.m. on Friday August 18, 2006. Please submit bids in a sealed envelope marked "Propane Bid" on the face of the envelope with the bidders name and address. If bid is sent by mail, actual bid should be enclosed in a separate envelope marked "Propane bid". Bid should be submitted to the Little Wound School Business Office or to the following address: Little Wound School Business Office, Attn: Business Manager, P.O. Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752.

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Request for Proposals Attorney Services

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing ("OSLH") is requesting a proposal for Attorney Services. Attorney will act as General Counsel for OSLH and will assist OSLH in meeting compliance requirements including but not limited to policy, ordinance, and occupancy agreement development, staff and Board training, development and review of contract documents, and other services as deemed necessary.

OSLH is the Tribally Designated Housing Entity for the Oglala Sioux Tribe of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, located in South Dakota. OSLH manages approximately 392 Mutual Help and Occupancy Units and 1150 Low-Rent Units constructed under the Housing Act of 1937 ("37 Act") and 45 Lease Purchase Units constructed under the Indian Housing Block Grant program developed pursuant to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act ("NAHASDA"). OSLH operates under a budget in excess of nine million dollars per year.

The work to be performed under the proposal is on a project subject to section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e(b) and section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968. Section 7(b) required that to the greatest extent feasible (1) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indian organization and Indian-owned Economic enterprises. All entities submitting proposals and claiming Indian Preference must include documentation satisfactory to show that they are Indian owned. Section 3 requires that to the greatest extent feasible opportunities for training and employment be given to lower income residents of the project area and contracts for work in connection with the project be awarded to business concerns that are located in, or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the areas of the project. All subcontracts executed between the proposer and its subcontractors, if any, also are subject to those provisions and language requiring such compliance will be included in all subcontracts.

In addition to the SS7(b) and 3 compliance requirements, the successful proposer must comply and ensure subcontractor compliance with the Copeland Act Requirements(29 C.F.R.Part 3); 24 C.F.R. part 85 Certifications, including but not limited to mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency contained in the state energy conversation plan issued in compliance with the energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub.L. 94-163), and HUD requirements related to reporting patent rights, and/or copyrights and other rights to data; HUD procurement regulations; OSLH Procurement Policy; and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations.

the selection of a qualified attorney will be based on the following evaluation criteria with established point rating for each category:

1. 20 points: Past successful performance and experience providing services to Indian Housing Authorities under the 37 Act and to TDHEs after the adoption of NAHASDA.

2. 20 points: Capacity and experience in providing policy and ordinance development. Interested firms must submit a sample procurement and personnel policy.

3.20 points: Experience in providing staff and Board training in NAHASDA-related issues.

4.10 points: Experience and professional qualifications of key personnel including specialized skills, project coordination, management skills, and experience in working together as a team.

5.10 points: Specialized experience and technical competence (including fiscal capacity) of the firm. The firm and/or its attorneys should have had a minimum of fifteen (15) years experience with projects of this type. Volume and nature of present workload and availability of additional personnel and consultants to accelerate services required, if necessary.

6. 5 points: Indian Preference. Pursuant to S 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, 25 U.S.C. '450e(b), points shall be given for Indian ownership and participation, and/or evidence that a proposing firm is committed to the hiring of and does hire persons enrolled in federally recognized tribes, descendants of members of federally recognized tribes, or persons who are actively involved in the Indian community.

7. 5 points: Minority Preference. Pursuant to Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. ' 170lu, points shall be given to minority-owned firms, including women-owned firms, and firms that show evidence of commitment to hiring minorities and women.

8. 5 points: Cost, based on hourly rates.

9. 5 points: Because of fluctuating needs in Indian housing and demands for changes in NAHASDA, the firm must exhibit capacity to represent OSLH's interests in Washington D.C.

Inquiries related to submittal of proposals may be addressed to Ken Lone Elk, OSLH Executive Director at (605)867-5161. Proposers shall submit an original and four (4) copies of the proposal in a sealed envelope clearly marked Proposal for Attorney Services.

All proposals shall be submitted to Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing, Attn: Ken Lone Elk, P.O. Box 603, East Hwy 18, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, and received no later than 4:30 p.m. on August 17, 2006. Proposals not received by that time and date shall be rejected. OSLH reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive any and all deficiencies.

Little Wound School

Kyle, South Dakota

JOB VACANCIES

(08-08-06)

The Little Wound School Board is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2006-2007 school term:

High School Dept.
Social Studies Teacher
LSAPP Assistant
English Teacher

Middle School Dept.

Elementary Dept.
P.E. Teacher

$1,000 Sign On Bonus to all new certified teachers!

OTHER DEPARTMENTS

LSAPP Director (Part-time)

Extra-duty positions Open until filled (21)

High School: 1)Freshmen Boys Bball Coach 2)Freshmen Girls Bball Coach 3)Girls Bball Cheerleading 4)Boys Golf Asst. 5)Wrestling Asst. 6)Yearbook Sponsor 7)Yearbook Sponsor

Middle School: 8)Boys Bball Cheerleading sponsor 9)Girls Bball Cheerleading Sponsor 10)Wrestling Coach 11)C Team Volleyball Coach 12)Hand game Sponsor 13)Head Football Coach 14) Head Basketball Coach 15) Head Track Coach

Elementary: 16) Wrestling Coach 17)Wrestling Asst. 18)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 19)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 20) K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 21)Handgame Sponsor.

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a completed LWS employment application to: Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD-214 to claim Veteran's preference, official college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials.

For more information, call: (605) 455-6179 or 455-6178.
www.lws.k12.sd.us

>>> NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS <<<

It is the policy of the Little Wound School to provide an alcohol and drug-free workplace. All appointments for employment are contingent upon receipt of a verified negative drug test through pre-employment drug testing, receipt of a favorable background investigation and the availability of federal funds. The legal policy of Indian preference will be followed to qualified applicants. Veteran's preference shall be applied to qualified Veteran applicants.

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For Further Information Call Your Local College Center

Oglala Lakota College Administrative Center
Piya Wiconi, Box 490, Kyle, SD 57752
605-455-6000 Phone 605-455-2787 Fax
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Monday, August 21, 2006	Pass Creek	9:00-12:00(M)
Monday, August 21, 2006	East Wakpamni	1:00-3:00 (M)
Monday, August 21, 2006	Eagle Nest	9:00-2:00 (S)
Tuesday, August 22, 2006	He Sapa	9:30-4:00 (M)
Tuesday, August 22, 2006	Oglala	9:30-2:00 (S)
Wednesday, August 23, 2006	He Sapa	9:00-3:00 (M)
Wednesday, August 23, 2006	Lacreek	9:00-2:00 (S)
Thursday, August 24, 2006	Pine Ridge	9:30-4:00 (S)
Thursday, August 24, 2006	Porcupine	9:00-12:00(M)
Thursday, August 24, 2006	Wounded Knee	1:30-3:30 (M)
Friday, August 25, 2006	Pine Ridge	9:00-3:00 (S)
Friday, August 25, 2006	Cheyenne River	10:00-5:00(M)

JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

American Horse School
100 Main St - PO Box 660
Allen, SD 57714

1. P.E. Teacher (certified)
2. Counselor (certified)
3. Custodian Part-time (30 hrs. wk) Experience
4. Maintenance (position needs valid driver's license & Experience)
5. Nurse (part-time)
6. Head Cook-Cooking Certification preferred.
7. Para professionals(s) 60 credit hours in education
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THE PERSONNEL OFFICE MUST RECEIVE APPLICATIONS WITH ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS MUST BE ATTACHED. MISSING DOCUMENTATION WILL NOT BE REQUESTED FROM AN APPLICANT. APPLICATIONS BECOME PART OF ANNOUNCEMENT FILE AND WILL NOT BE DUPLICATED AND/OR RETURNED TO THE APPLICANT.

Please call the Personnel Office for further details and requirements on jobs.

PERSONNEL OFFICE / BUSINESS OFFICE
PHONE: (605) 455-2644

Oglala Sioux Tribe
Department of Public Safety
PO Box 300 - Pine Ridge, SD 57770
Phone: 605-867-5141

Vacancy Announcement

Position: Chief of Police DPS #06-013 B
Salary: As Budgeted
Program: OST Department of Public Safety
Location: Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, South Dakota
Open: Wednesday, August 2, 2006
Close: Friday, August 18, 2006

How To Apply:
Submit a completed OST-DPS Application for Employment to the OST Department of Public Safety Human Resource Office no later than 4:30 p.m. of the closing date. Mailed in applications postmarked on the closing date will be accepted.

Please have the following required documents when applying for this position: Valid Driver's License, High School Diploma/GED certificate, Social Security Card, 3 letters of reference, Degree of Indian Blood if claiming Indian preference, DD-214 (long form) if claiming veteran's preference, also any certificates pertaining to the job.**All incomplete applications will not be considered.**

All applicants are subject to a background investigation and drug test.

For more information please contact the OST-DPS Human Resource @ 605-867-5141

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Congratulations to "The Riders"
Two time winning Junior Wild Horse Racing Team
Jami No Neck
Justin Dey Stone
JW Wilcox
on winning first place at the Floyd "SHILO" Wilcox Memorial Rodeo July 29 & 30
From Family & relatives at No Flesh

Happy Birthday on 8-20-06 to the greatest cousin in the world, Roberta M. Whiting "Bertie", I didn't forget, Love Woni

I wanna say congratulations to my sister Shantel Eagle Heart & Bryan Garrett on their upcoming baby, hopefully it's a girl. Coming from your number #1 sister,
Katrina B. Eagle Heart



(L-R)Josh Steel,Brad Hussman, Levi Apple, Coach Chissie Spencer

TEAM SOUTH DAKOTA
Congratulations to Joshua Steele, Levi Apple, and Brad Hussman for winning Medals at the 2006 Indigenous games in Denver, CO.
Chissie Spencer was coaching for the South Dakota Team
Special Thanks to the Community, families, Wounded Knee School, and the Foundation and Jaime Aroba.

Happy birthday to Eileen R. Helper on August 11. Hope you enjoy your day. Love, Lorie, Tiffany, Brenda & Casey

Happy 5th Birthday to our beautiful little girl Monique Amber Waters on 8-7-06. We love you and enjoy your cake & ice-cream.
Love, Mom,Dad & Baby Summer Waters

Happy Belated B-day 2 my lil cuz in Kyle Brendon Stone 8-5 Happy 16th & wish U many more 2 come. UR gettin old Bro-Woni & Lil June

Happy 16th Birthday to our "Baby Russ" aka Lil "Russ Running Hawk. Pro wrestling watch out!! Hang in there, stay strong. Love you, Mom Sharon, Dad Russ, sr.,Tanner,Ta'mya

Happy Belated Birthday to Christopher Mousseaux from Auntie Tina & family.

Congratulations to my daughter"Eva DuBray" for having my first grandson "Jason Lynn DuBray" who was was 9lbs1oz on 8-7-06. From Mother Lovena Brave Hawk

Happy Birthday
Jennifer Ronelle Takes War Bonnett
Wednesday, Aug. 9
I remember you, born an angel and always an angel 27 years ago
You are such a lovely daughter, so strong and so beautiful
Wishing you the best this year
From your Mom Amanda, your sister Vanessa, and your brothers Jeremy, Lon, and your children Brittany Rose, Wakiyan, Lil Jason and from your man Big Jason Drapeaux and from Kay Kay and Mia.

Happy 16th Birthday Son, Brendon Abel Stone August 5, 2006.
"A Prayer For You"
A prayer for you SON that God up above May bless you today with a heart full of love, That he'll send an angel to walk by your side. Matching your pace, guiding, your every stride. A prayer today that the sun warms your face,Whereever you wander, whatever the place. That bird's sig sweetly, "Happy Birthday, Son" up lifting your heart. a prayer that a rainbow with beautiful hue lends you it's radiance, blessing you through. A prayer for no reason, but simply to bless because I love you! Love, Mom Justina

In Loving Memory
Brother Donald "Duck" Garnette, left this earth July 20, 2005, you are greatly missed. Also your art work, a artist, silversmith and carvings, a vietnam veteran. Heard your Vietnam stories over and over, knowing only listening helped. The time spent with you, is greatly missed. We talked openly of things we'd never discussed before, bittersweet family memories, our dreams, hopes & fears. You were always there for family & friends when help was needed. It seems as though the world has a way, and it's difficult to see beyond today. In midst of my confusion there came a voice, whispering softly at the entrance to the heart, "Sis" your heros have all gone, but I'm still here, remember me in spirit and I'll be there.
Sis Ramona (Tiny Babe) Ashmore

Happy B-Day
Edward Janis, hope you enjoy your day. but remember act young now before its too late.
Your friend
Chace LWM & family

Happy late, late Memorial B-day to my grandma Jean marie Iron Boy-Tail. We luv you. We wish you were here to see us grow. but all we know is your watching us from above, Love, your grandkids: Duana marie & Ohitika Landon Little White man

Congratulations to Eileen & Roy Helper on their wedding from Pearl, Cheree Little White Man.

Happy birthday
Arna Ashmore 7-29
Lynelle Young 8-4
Darla Janis 8-12
Mattie lone Hill 8-1
God Bless you Always!
Michelle Lone Hill

Welcome Jason Lynn DuBray from your cousin Thea Olivia Dawn DuBray Love You!

Congratulations little sister Eva DuBray for giving us a baby boy on 8-7-06.
Love you, Brooks Ann

Happy Birthday
Jessica Kills-In-Water
From: Celvia, Joe & and Olowan

Adrian, Happy Sobriety &I pray for many more, many more days of Sobriety!! I'm proud of you- stay strong-from U Know who

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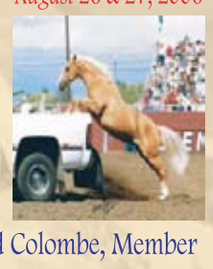

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Due to the high fire danger and drought conditions which presently exist on the Rosebud Reservation, the Rosebud Agency and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe have decalared a **"BAN ON OPEN BURNING"** for the entire Rosebud Reservation. **THIS BAN IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

At no time is anyone allowed to start a campfire or have any sort of open flame in any area other than those designated in the park area. Tribal Game Wardens and the Police officers will be patrolling and will take action against any individual violators of this ban.

If it is determined that a wildfire occurred due to an open fire. the individual who ignited the fire will be billed the entire cost of the suppression of this wildland fire. Violators of this ban will be prosecuted to the fullest extent possible.

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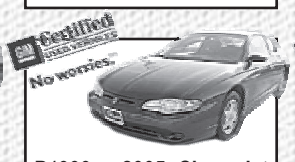
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KILI Radio receives $262,444

To be back on air at full power in October

PORCUPINE - On Tuesday, KILI Radio received formal notice from Congresswoman Stephanie Herseth's office that the Corporation for Public Broadcasting had awarded the station $123,791 for digital conversion to enhance program service.

On the same day, Sen. Tim Johnson's office announced that KILI had been awarded an emergency grant of $138,653 from the Public Telecommunication Facilities Program of the Department of Commerce to assist with the purchase of a new antenna, transmission line, transmitter and grounding system.

"It has been a long wait," said Melanie Janis, station manager, "we originally heard around June 10th that we would get the PTFP grant but we have not been able to do anything to move ahead until the official award came down."

The Pine Ridge Reservation based community radio station located at Porcupine Butte, halfway between Wounded Knee and Porcupine, was hit by lightning on April 15th of this year and due to the storm damage went off the air



Tom Casey and Melanie Janis

on April 23rd. Using a 15 watt exciter and a temporary one bay antenna, the station went back on the air on a low power basis in early June and by the end of the month added a 300 watt amplifier.

"For the last several weeks we've been broadcasting with about 250 watts of power compared to a normal full power of 100,000 watts," said Janis, "at times we had a range of maybe five or 10 miles and at other times we have been out about 40-50 miles depending upon the terrain and weather."

With the formal announcement of the award and the completion of the award documents over the next week, KILI will be able to solicit bids for a new antenna, transmitter and transmission line. The bid process could take two to three weeks and once an order is made, it could take anywhere from four to six weeks to build both the antenna and the transmitter.

"That's been one of the hardest things to deal with, everyone is always asking us when we will be fully back on the air," said Janis, "and without this official award, we were only able to guess about the time frame; we first said in September and most recently told

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RST votes down land purchase in hills

Scott said offered money to vote for motion

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - In a regularly scheduled RST council meeting last week, the availability of land in Spearfish for purchase was discussed on the council floor. The issue was somewhat controversial as the two people offering the land to RST were acting as go-betweens for a group of sellers who apparently did not legally own the land yet at the time of the original offer, but were trying to sell it for a substantial profit.

Furthermore, it came out publicly over KINI FM radio that one RST council representative had been offered money for campaign financing or for the Rosebud Fair if he supported the motion to purchase the land.

Rosebud council representative, Fern Bordeaux-Boltz, spoke in favor of the land purchase. She said, "TLE was in total support of buying the land in Spearfish, but backed off because of the opinion by the attorney. We could build an alcohol treatment or youth center and we could help other tribes. There is a good view to Bear Butte. We would like to make a proposal to an eastern tribe..., if you could authorize TLE to put up 10 percent earnest money it holds it and gives it time."

Rosebud council representative Stephanie Sully said, "It is a good opportunity.., it is very developed. It will double or triple. It is sad we



Cyril "Whitney" Scott

can't have the hills back, but we can buy our land back."

Antelope council representative Robert Moore voiced his disapproval. He said, "We can't even pay for clothing orders. We are going to have to see what works in the next 100 years.., there are shareholders who are in opposition to this." Antelope council representative, Jo Colombe, said that she was opposed to the motion as Antelope community was not willing to go into debt.

She said she would have to take the issue back to her community for discussion.

Okreek council representative Steve Denoyer was also in favor of examining the proposal to purchase the land. He said, "Vote it up or down. We don't have to talk about it all day long."

The motion to purchase the land was defeated by a vote of 5 in favor, and 12 opposed.

According to documents in the possession of Antelope council representative, Cyril "Whitey" Scott, the land in question amounting to 773 acres originally was purchased for $1,637,000 in April by Mitch and Susan O'Connell, Monty and Cindy Snook, and Kaye Price.

The group had apparently contacted RST's Tribal Land Enterprises in March or April and offered to sell the land for $4 million dollars at $5,500 per acre.

The documents revealed that they had bought the land on April 25 for $2,200 per acre and filed for a warranty deed on April 26 in Butte

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Pine Ridge, Rosebud closer to getting medivac planes

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - John Warnock, CEO of PassNet of Plymouth, MN provided an update to the Rosebud Sioux tribal council in getting air ambulance service on the Rosebud. PassNet announced in the spring that it would like to place fixed wing aircraft on several reservations, including Rosebud.

The Pine Ridge reservation will apparently get the first plane and Rosebud will get the second. Warnock is also working closely with Kathy Janis, OST council representative of Wounded Knee district. She said, "Originally, it was suppose to happen during the third week of August. We will have a ribbon cutting ceremony with a ground blessing first and then discuss the arrival of the plane.., John has the Lakota people at heart."

The company envisions cutting down trauma time by basing aircraft on the Rosebud instead of having to wait for air ambulance service from Rapid City or Sioux Falls. Warnock originally said that fixed-wing airplanes are much cheaper to fly as compared to helicopters.

The concept is an advancement in health care according to Warnock. The first plane will be coming to Rosebud in September and it will contain advanced life support equipment that will need to be certified by authorities in Pierre. Warnock said, "Two weeks ago, we presented to the Indian Health Service in Bismarck. I.H.S. was behind the process. The regulations didn't allow us to step in and begin."

Apparently, the I.H.S. has to adhere to guidelines and as a bureaucracy could not violate their own regulations and begin the process without a contract of some kind. Warnock noted that there had been 566 medical evacuations from Rosebud and Pine Ridge at a cost of approximately $50 thousand each. He said if you add in the other reservations in South Dakota the number of trauma cases would be around 1,000 at a cost of $50 million.

Instead of waiting on the Indian Health Service, PassNet would like to sign an agreement with Medicare and then be able to handle patients. He said that he had meetings scheduled with Avera, Sioux Valley hospital, Rapid City regional hospital, Northwest Regional medical center in Scottsbluff, NE and Bismarck. He said, "We have several options, so I.H.S. won't be an impediment. They all want this at I.H.S. If we persuade those hospitals they will sign our agreement." He noted that all hospitals involved have I.H.S. contracts. He said, "These hospital bill out to a certain protocol. There is no charge. It requires the receiving hospital no change. We prefer hospitals because they have resources."

Apparently, the tribe would be involved in signing up patients for Medicare and then PassNet would bill Medicare for the preparation and transport. He said, "Trauma is a major issue. The resumes are second to none out here in those who deal with trauma."

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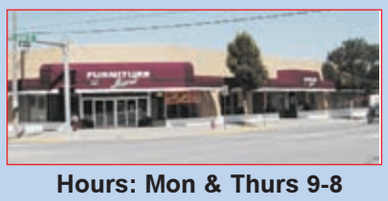
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KILI Radio station funding

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people in October, I think by the time we get everything ordered, built, shipped and installed that it will be late October."

For the PTFP grant, KILI was required to put up a 25 per cent match, about $46,500 and for the CPB grant, a 15 per cent match was required. Local individuals, groups, organizations, the Empowerment Zone and Oglala Nation Education Coalition, All Tribes Foundation and the state of South Dakota have all helped with the match requirements

"We have not just been standing around, we've taken this opportunity to clean out a number of areas here at the station," said Janis, "and through the help of two Italians, Roberto Deledonne and Giuseppe Rossetti, we have completely overhauled our on-air studio; the two men and the Malvisi Network of Milan have donated new equipment for the studio and the time and work to install the equipment."

Also installed was a new control board that replaced the old board that has been there since the radio station started.

KILI first went on the air on Feb. 25, 1983 and this year celebrated their 23rd anniversary. Until the April storm, KILI had never been off the air for more than a few days at the most, this is by far the longest the community station has ever been off the air.

We hear from everyone, anytime anyone goes out into the public - people tell us that they never realized that KILI was so much a part of their life, that they feel out of touch with what is going on, that they miss the music, the humor, the news, the council meetings, the psa's and swap shop, just about everything about the station added Janis.

Tom Casey, the station's development director, said once they are on air, they will be broadcasting again in the Rapid City area. The station hasn't broadcast in the Rapid City area within the past year while they were revamping their license for their antenna in that area.

The digital conversion will allow the station to be both analog and digital. If KILI radio listeners have digital, it will be super, said Casey.

The new antenna and transmission line will include a grouding system that can help prevent with what happened with the lightening strikes.

In the near future, they are looking to upgrade the studio with a new production studio and satellitte download equipment.

"Public radio is changing and we need to change with by upgrading the equipment," said Casey.

In December of 2005, KILI Radio launched their airwaves over Internet and now can be heard worldwide.

KILI Radio maybe operating fully for the Oglala Sioux Tribe's general election in November.

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Warnock said that he was in the business of getting patients to the hospital and that the billing process will not be an issue for receiving hospitals. He gave an example of the cost of 80 medical evacuations at a cost of $7,000 - $8,000 each for a fixed-wing airplane as compared to a cost of $7,000 - $10,000 for a helicopter to perform the same service. He said contract health would save $300, 000 in the first year.

Warnock also told the council that eventually the community will be able to invest in the business in three years. He said, "I carry my own toys, I don't need your money" when I came and I stand by this. There is risk in any start up business and I am uncomfortable taking your money."

He said, "We can also work through the Rosebud Ambulance Service. We have our own Medicaid number. It would be better if the receiving hospital would take this. We will know in ten days."

Apparently, getting patients enrolled in Medicare and Medicaid could be a tribally owned enterprise according to Warnock. The tribe would then be prepared for the $50 thousand dollar bill if patients would sign up. The money that would have been paid out of contract health for the cost that Medicare will pay will stay in the I.H.S. budget according to his reasoning.

I.H.S. only controls a third of the medical evacuation payments and not the ones paid by Medicaid and the existing contract holders can be asked to be take part in the program.

Finally, Warnock said that up to seven routine patients could be flown at once to any of the participating hospitals, rather than just one patient as is the practice now. If a shuttle service were put into effect the cost would be split between patients.

Jackley sworn in as new U.S. attorney for South Dakota

By Archie Beuavais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The United States Senate confirmed Marty Jackley on Friday, July 21 as the new U.S. Attorney for South Dakota. The post had been vacant for about a year.

He was sworn into office on July 25th. Randy Seiler of the U. S. Attorney's office introduced the thirty-five year old Jackley as his new boss to the Rosebud Sioux Tribal council on Tuesday, August 15.

The two were accompanied by victim's assistance specialist, Marlys Big Eagle, a tribal member from Crow Creek. Her area of responsibility in working with victims includes Rosebud and Standing Rock reservations which she has done for eight years.

Sieler said, "Recently, Senator Thune made a recommendation for a permanent U. S. Attorney, Marty Jackley, to President Bush. Marty comes from a law firm



Marty Jackley

in Rapid City. His specializes in civil and criminal law in Indian Country."

Jackley told the RST council, "I appreciate the opportunity to address the council. I am a member of the tribal court of Pine Ridge. I'm not authorized to practice on the Rosebud. I want to have a presence on all of the reservations, so I can share."

Jackley noted that it seems like it is always federal versus tribal jurisdiction. He cited some statistics from 2005 in which 84 tribal complaints were prosecuted by the U. S. Attorney's office. He said there is some new legislation called Adam Walsh legislation which contains provisions for crime reporting requirements.

He said, "Also, there are increases in the mandatory minimum sentencing for aggravated sexual assault." There are also new maximum penalties for sexual assault, he said.

Under the Safe Trails program, there were 39 arrests and 31 were from Rosebud according to Jackley. His office oversees an active victim's witness program and also the "Weed and Seed" program which has provided some funding for the Boys and Girls Club of Rosebud.

Jackley said, "I am open to suggestions to be a better attorney. I will be visiting all nine reservations so I can have a physical presence so you can educate me."

Antelope council representative Jo Colombe said, "We don't have a problem with the federal system. I just think they could be tried here. Our people suffer harsher penalties; they get more under the federal system."

Jackely remarked, "The U. S. Supreme Court says those guidelines are not mandatory."

Jackley is a 1995 of the USD Law School in Vermillion and is partner in the Rapid City law firm of Gunderson, Palmer, Goodsell and Nelson.

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OST Election Board releases time frame

Process underway for OST Primary and General elections

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - On Tuesday, Aug. 15, petitions for OST president, vice president, chief judge and tribal council representatives were available for the 2006 primary election of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. Completed petitions need to be returned no later than 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 29 to the election office in Pine Ridge at the old Indian Health Service Hospital.

In addition to completed petitions (30 signatures for council, 150 each for president, vice and chief judge), each candidate needs to provide a $26 money order for a federal background check and a receipt of a $20 payment for the state background check and a $5 payment for fingerprinting.

Except for the chief judge, candidates need to have been a resident for the past year and show proof of tribal membership. Chief judge candidates do not need to show proof of tribal membership and are not required to be a resident for the past year but they do need to have a juris doctorate, a completion of findings by the OST Supreme Court and personally sign off on all of their paperwork..

The primary election is set for Tuesday, Oct. 3 with the general scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 7 with polls opening at 9 a.m. and closing at 7 p.m.

Petitions for executive board will be available on Oct. 17 with the return required by Nov. 3.

Although a number of items have been discussed over the last four years to revise the constitution of the Oglala Sioux Tribe including staggered four year terms, creation of a business council and developing separation of powers, no proposed revisions went to secretarial election.

The 2004 election saw eight women elected as tribal council representatives and the first woman elected as tribal president. Fire Thunder was suspended twice and eventually impeached. The tribe elected their first chief judge, Patrick Lee in 1988, Cheryl Three stars Valandra succeeded him in 2002. She resigned last year and currently Lisa Adams holds the position temporarily until the election fills it for a four year term.

The election board is located in the old hospital in Pine Ridge, for information call 867-2769.

RST land deal

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County.

Essentially, they had offered to sell the land to RST even before the warranty deed had been received.

One of the two front men identified himself as a former OST council representative and made a presentation to TLE in March and to the RST council on Aug.10. He was accompanied by Mitch O'Connell who did not address the council. According to Scott the individual allegedly approached him with an offer of money at Ampride if he supported the deal. Representative Robert Moore said that he had taken the individual aside and he said he had offered to make a donation to the fair and that Scott had hooked them up to cell phones and asked them for a donation.

Scott said, "As an Antelope council representative, I would like to see a complete investigation of the whole issue."

On Monday, August 15 a special Antelope community meeting was called at 7:00 p.m. by Scott to explain the allegations and to ask Antelope community to take some kind of action against TLE.

He explained to the gathering, "I was offered a substantial campaign contribution if I supported the proposal to purchase the land. I said 'No.' They are saying I approached them. My cell phone records are available."

There were 31 community members in attendance who signed in for the meeting including visitors.

Antelope council representative Moore said, "This was pushed down our throats. There was not a single document to look at."

A motion to ask for a congressional investigation of TLE was passed by a vote of 16 in favor, 1 against and 6 not voting.

Memorial ride for Jason Lee Two Eagle

PARMELEE - A memorial ride for Jason Two Eagle (Wicahpi Wankatuya) will be held on Sunday, Aug. 20.

The ride will begin at the home of Sam Wounded Head's residence at 9 a.m. and end at the Two Eagle cemetery in Upper Cut Meat community. All riders are welcome.

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Community Calendar

Co-dependency Support
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Life after death class
Developing a better understanding of the journey of the soul, Fridays at 7 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Village College Center.

Memorial Ride
A Memorial ride in Loving Memory of Jason Lee Two Eagle-Wicahpi Wanka Tuya will be 9 am , Sunday, Aug. 20 beginning at the Sam Wounded head residence near Parmilee, meal to follow. For infor call: 605-747-2923

School/Sports Physicals
Porcupine at the clinic on Thursday, Aug. 17 from 3:30 p.m.-7 p.m.; at the Pine Ridge Clinic on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 21 and 22 and 28 and 29 from 4-8 p.m.; in Manderson at the clinic on Wednesday, Aug. 30 from 3:30-7 p.m., in Porcupine on Thursday, Aug. 31; Tuesday, Sept. 5 in Pine Ridge from 4-8 p.m., Wednesday, Sept 6 in Manderson at the clinic from 3:30-7 p.m. and back in Porcupine on Thursday, Sept. 7 from 3:30-7 p.m.

Shannon County School registration
Monday through Thursday, Aug. 14-17 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with the first day set for Wednesday, Aug. 23.

OLC Registration
Monday through Friday, Aug. 14-19 at all district college centers on Pine Ridge Reservation and the He Sapa Center in Rapid City, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day - for info call your local college centers or 455-6000.

2006 OST Election timeframe
Petitions available Tuesday, Aug. 15 and due back by Tuesday, Aug. 29 for OST president, vice president, chief judge and council representatives.

Special Session-OST Council
Monday, Aug. 21 in Pine Ridge at the Red Cloud building to select a new chief of police.

Our Lady of Lourdes opening and testing
Our Lady of Lourdes in Porcupine has entrance exams for first grade on Tuesday, Aug 22 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., first day celebration is on Monday, Aug. 28 for info call 867-2801.

Pine Ridge School opens
Wednesday, Aug. 16 for both the high school and elementary; Pine Ridge dorm is open this year also and is accepting applications, call 455-6500.

Marshall Family Reunion
Sunday, Aug. 20 starting at 10:30 a.m. in the city park in Martin for info call Theda at 685-6951 or Alice at 685-5322.

Porcupine School opens
Porcupine School staff will be registering students throughout the month of August at the school Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. - School begins Thursday, Aug. 31, for info call 455-6450.

Red Cloud School opens
Orientation for new incoming and transfer students on Monday, Aug. 28 and for returning students on Tuesday, Aug. 29.

Crazy Horse School
School begins Thursday, Aug. 31 in Wanblee, for information call 455-6800.

Pahin Sinte Labor Day Pow wow
Friday to Monday, Sept. 1-4 in Porcupine, for information call 867-5728.

Job Fair
Wednesday, Aug. 30 from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Wounded Knee Community Center to take applications for the new Prairie Wind Casino and hotel.



Descendants of 1862 Indian conflict seek share of casino profits, including Shakopee

By Mary Hudetz
Associated Press Writer

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - Heather Larsen, a tribal college student in Sisseton, says she could afford to raise her son and pay tuition at a state university if she got money from land that was set aside for her ancestors.

Her father, Jesse Larsen, knows his lot in life would change, too.

``I got cousins back in Shakopee who are millionaires,'' he said.

The Larsens are among 10,000 people nationwide who have researched their family trees to go after a share of the profits from tribal casinos in Minnesota.

For almost 20 years, Larsen and others have watched relatives from Minnesota's Shakopee, Prairie Island and Lower Sioux Mdewakanton communities profit from three tracts of land originally placed in trust in 1886 for just a couple hundred Dakota Sioux Indians and their descendants.

Casinos have been built by the three tribes. The Shakopee community's Mystic Lake casino, near Minneapolis, is one of the country's most profitable.

The controversy stretches back to the Dakota Conflict of 1862, when a group of Dakota revolted against the government because food and money promised to them in exchange for land were not delivered.

Hundreds of white settlers were killed, 38 Dakota warriors were hanged in the largest mass execution in U.S. history and thousands of Dakota Sioux were forced out of Minnesota as a result of the fighting.

The original beneficiaries of the disputed lands were members of the Mdewakanton band of Dakota Sioux, who did not attack the settlers. Some of the group even rescued the whites during the fighting.

Many of them were relocated or fled to present day South Dakota, Nebraska, Montana and Canada with other Dakota Indians, and some stayed in Minnesota.

The government documented 208 of them in an 1886 census and bought three tracts of land for their benefit and their descendants.

``We don't have any history of those times,'' Jesse Larsen said. ``We don't have any documentation of how we lived.''

But a case in the Federal Court of Claims means that many _ including the Larsens _ now have documentation of who they are.

In 2004, Judge Charles F. Lettow ruled that the U.S. government breached its responsibilities as trust holders to the peaceable Dakota and their descendants. But whether any damages will be awarded is still undetermined.

Regardless, almost 10,000 people nationwide have researched their lineage to the peaceable Dakotas and intend to join Sheldon Wolfchild, chairman of the Lower Sioux community, as plaintiffs in Wolfchild vs. the United States, said Eric Kaardal, an attorney representing almost 6,500 of the plaintiffs.

About one-third of Kaardal's clients live in South Dakota, and every reservation in the state has residents involved, he said. Seven South Dakota attorneys also are representing some of the plaintiffs.

The genealogy helps make the case significant because most of the lineal heirs to the trust already have been determined, Kaardal said. ``We actually have people lined up to be paid damages.''

People seeking representation from Kaardal helped set record high visitor numbers at the South Dakota state archives this spring to meet a June 23 deadline, the state's historical society said. The deadline was eventually extended to July 12.

Virginia Hanson, a state archivist, has helped 10-20 people a day since Lettow's decision opened the door to recover damages. Many researched for months through as many as 14 generations to prove their descendency to the peaceable Dakota with baptismal, birth, bible records and other documents, she said.

``I'll have to admit most of the researchers started from oral history,'' Hanson said. ``Finding the documents to prove their history, that was the challenge this past year and a half.''

Larsen said his ``golden document'' was his grandmother's baptismal record found in an old Catholic Church in Fort Snelling, Minn.

His great-great-grandmother, Rosa Coursoll, is on the 1886 census.

He has reconnected with family in Minnesota and North Dakota since joining the Wolfchild case, he said, and has over 100 relatives from Minnesota to Montana involved.

``I got five grandkids, these are two that are going to benefit from this,'' Jesse Larsen said optimistically about his interests in the case while sitting with his two grandsons and his daughter.

The U.S. could owe billions of dollars in damages, Kaardal said. The Shakopee and Prairie Island tribes have demonstrated concern over their stakes by filing documents in support of the federal government. Wolfchild's Lower Sioux tribe has filed a motion to intervene as a plaintiff.

``The tribe will protect its interest to the fullest extent possible,'' said Willie Hardacker, spokesperson for the Shakopee tribal leadership. ``The people here have sacrificed and worked hard to build a very successful, functioning, very generous tribal government and the plaintiffs are looking to destroy it.''

The tribe donated almost $16 million in 2005 to American Indian organizations and other charitable groups.

The recognition and documentation of almost 10,000 Mdewakanton Dakota descendants is historic, Wolfchild said.

``We will always know who we are because we will have proof of who we are,'' he said. ``Our people have now been found in South Dakota.''



OPINION PAGE

Guest Editorial

Where are the men?



By Dr. Jim Wilson

Like hundreds of other instinct-driven Tribal males, I returned to my birthplace (nest) on Aug. 5 for the annual Sioux Nation Pow Wow. Deep in my soul there was a spiritual reaction of fulfillment for having survived another year of life as my eyes drew into my mind numerous familiar signs that I was where I was supposed to be; I was home.

Awaiting the start of the Parade (1 hour late) in the glaring sun (100 degrees) I had time to make numerous observations. The first was that G. Wayne Tapio was missing; his person was not seen but his absence was obvious in the unswept streets, the lack of flags and banners and the general lethargy of a parade without any music or oomph!

However, what really got my attention was the second observation of HUNDREDS of kids of pre-school age rushing about in anticipation. They ran with abandon and delight in all directions! There were also a great many dogs of all breeds, sizes, shapes and colors.

They also ran with abandon and delight in all directions! The interaction between the kids and the dogs was a delight to see; they all seemed to know one another and often acknowledged one another with frequent physical contacts, like the 4 year old boy who hugged his dog and fastened a scarf around its neck.

As the temperature rose and minutes passed I looked at the adults in the crowd and made my third observation: there were almost no men! Women of all ages with children.

Where were the men? In the parade? Behind the scenes preparing for other events? At home? Off to war? In White Clay? (Nope, a later drive-through showed very few people). When the parade came by I looked for the men and didn't find many. Lots of young people, but still more females than males. Wow! As a Social Scientist my mind was reeling; what was going on? I had to learn more.

However, for the moment my fourth observation was of the interwoven group of misfits in the parade; the POLITICIANS. South Dakota Governor-candidate Democrat Jack Billion in a short-sleeved shirt walked (and skipped) down the middle of the street while running-mate Eric Abrahamson worked the sidelines handing out bumper stickers.

Governor Rounds apparently was busy elsewhere.

Republican Congressional candidate-sacrificial lamb Bruce Whalen, (OST member) who "really feels welcome" in the party that has steadfastly worked to kill us, civilize us, make us farmers, relocate us, terminate us, cut our budgets and take our lands trotted along glad-handing and passing out flyers.

In the poorest county in the United States of America. Yes, indeed, I was home!

After the parade thirst and near-starvation flooded my mind so my nephew Tim Shangreaux (and his son Wesley) drove us all around the village and nearby places to look for familiar faces (does it rhyme?).

We also scouted for food and I made a solid fifth observation; entrepreneurship is alive and well on the Rez! Gazebo tents everywhere selling a great variety of foods. After several drive-bys we pulled up at Fred and Sandra Brown's outdoor kitchen for home-made Menudo and fry bread.

I loved the large chunks of taniga and a shoe-sized piece of fry bread.

After quelling our thirst and hunger we resumed our eyeballing by driving about (slowly @ $3.29 and 20 miles per gallon), smiling and waving at acquaintances, stopping to shake hands with old friends, or "getting down" to visit with relatives.

Everywhere we went I eye-searched for the missing men.

At only 39, I seemed to be one of the elders! It seemed that the crowd was smaller than in recent years and there seemed be a whole different, subdued feeling in the air.

A final observation before our leaving came as we drove around my Alma Mater (Oglala Sioux Community School): Somebody had turned the place into a PRISON! The whole place was enclosed in a chain-link fence topped with barbed wire, gates with padlocks and endless speed-blocks! Who did this? Who let this happen? Why, why, why? I know that former Governor Bill Janklow had turned Southern State Teacher's College into a State Prison, but I don't think he has much authority these days.

It has now been a week since my annual Pilgrimage to my birthplace and I have two major social issues on my mind: Where are the men? And, who thinks chain-link fences topped by barbed-wire enhance education?

I have often spoken as a Social scientist about the scientific method of problem solving and I now see these two questions as perfect examples of social situations which DEMAND answers. Many readers will recall that I have often said we should search for patterns of behavior when looking for explanations of current situations. Technically, we call the patterns correlations (how two or more things co-relate).

To do comparisons we have to know what we start with; what the scientists call 'baseline data.' Then we look for difference or similarities and, finally, the causes and effects.

We get an easy start on the first question: Where are the men? We can start by simply looking at population data. By doing so we can see that there has been a small, but steady, decline in the Oglala adult male population for a long time. Correlations: population losses co-relate to increases in male deaths by auto accident, increases in Indian male jail and prison populations, larger ratios of male-to-female military enlistments, more males than women working away from home and shorter life-spans for all Indian males.

It only takes a few in each category to have a significant impact. One significant social impact (effect) is that there is a shortage of men for marriage; females are competing for fewer men so "getting a man" is harder and more women are willing to settle for less secure arrangements demonstrated by more children in single-parent situations.

It is harder to get into the school issue because the prison-like fence is not a demonstrated success-response to any known educational concern. Does a fence improve attendance? Does a fence improve learning?

Who or what are you fencing in or out? Does a fence keep out alcohol, tobacco or drugs? Does a fence inspire good teaching? Does a fence promote school, community and Tribal spirit and pride? Are all of the other schools on the reservation going to build fences?

Being aware of the turmoil in tribal government I looked at the other governmental elements of the community (Shannon County Public Schools, Red Cloud Indian School, Indian Health Service, Bureau of Indian affairs, etc.) to see if they were experiencing similar turmoil, and I see a clear correlation between OST-BIA-OCHS situations.

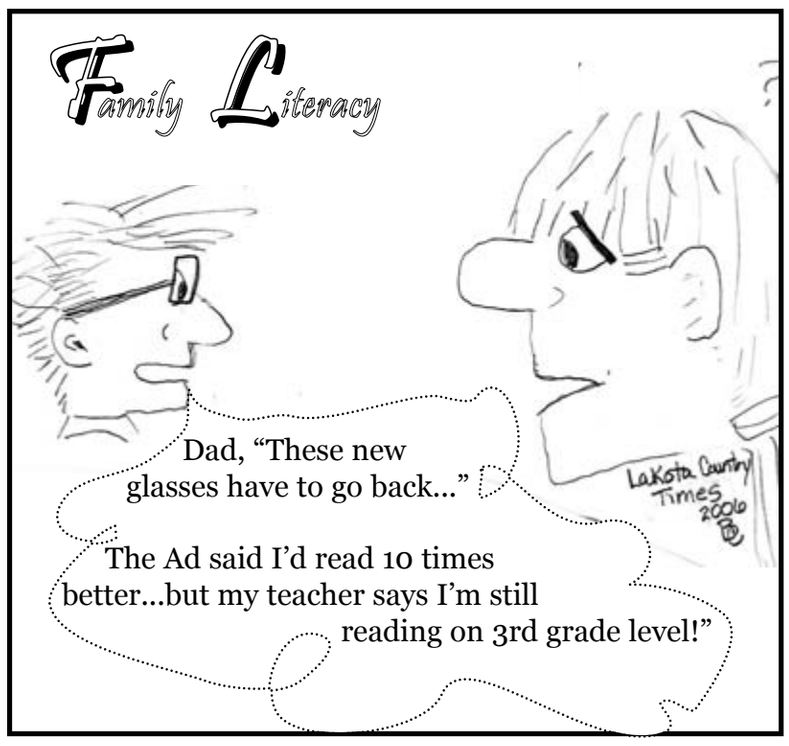
All institutions are created and governed by real people. Most public institutions are governed by board members elected by the public. Private institutions are governed by the owners-investors.

In either case boards first set goals for institutions and then adopt policies and procedures to reach those goals. In most cases the boards then employ men and women with knowledge and skills in appropriate disciplines to administer the institutions by implementing the policies and procedures.

Problems can occur for several reasons: Unclear goals, confusing or conflicting policies and procedures, poor or incompetent administrators, or the deadliest cause of all: interference by board members in the administration of unclear goals, confusing or conflicting policies and procedures, and poor, weak or incompetent administrators.

I will continue to search for our missing men AND the guilty parties who are causing our problems.

You can help by Emailing me: docjims@aol.com



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Other Views

The colonized pot calling the kettle black

Dear Editor:

I have been reading with dismay, some of the previous pieces written by Tim Giago. Awhile back, I decided the man just wasn't worth responding to. However, the man has grown more irresponsible with every word he writes regarding the tribal council and the Lakota oyate in general.

He has become part of the problem, which therefore renders him useless in regards to being a positive contributor in seeking badly needed positive solutions which will benefit the Lakota oyate at large.

On his behalf, I apologize to the Lakota oyate for his chastisement of you for as he puts it, "voting in uneducated dummies." I suppose he feels that the people are dummies for voting the way they do, I know that's what the former president thought of us. For a so called educated man, he sure is hard to understand. He seems to be empty of spirit and lives in a world known only to himself. Maybe it's because he writes for a wasicu reading audience. Le wasicu oyate kin, they are his bread and butter.

There are some educated Lakota people who become blinded by their own egos. They have lost the sense of who they are as Lakota oyate in the process of becoming educated, thus rendering them of no use to the people.

Without wisdom, their education is incomplete. In a sense they are little more than smart dummies who know a lot of things, but have not the wisdom to apply their education to real life situations. Such is the case with Giago, his education benefits no one but himself.

Giago's contention regarding the "Christian led council of the Oglala Sioux Tribe" should suffice to serve as evidence that Giago is completely ignorant in what he ascertains. He is completely devoid of facts and relies totally on speculations and bitter doses of poutiness. It is well known to women that men are slow when it comes to obtaining maturity. In some cases, some men never mature, am I right sisters? Need I say more?

I do not know what Giago has against the many Lakota Christian believers we have here at home. Perhaps he can muster the courage to visit them in their places of worship and tell them to their faces everything he thinks is wrong with them.

I respect my Christian friends and relatives, they are all Lakota. As human beings, we all have the spiritual right to pray in any fashion we hold close to us.

Perhaps Giago is still pouting over the tribal council's decision to ban abortions on the Lakota homeland. He mistakenly assumes the tribe followed the state in taking this stand. So, one more time for the record, and all of you who support abortion, please try to get this through your colonized, assimilated minds.

We could care less what the state does, it never benefits us anyways.

The impeached president, not the state, along with her supporters had the audacity to think they could build an abortion clinic on our lands, where every year we hold ceremonies promoting life. We suffer and bleed for the unborn generations. Le Wakanyeja heca, we will not let them suffer and bleed.

What does Lakota culture say? Life is sacred. That's it, the end of story. I am proud of the Lakota people who made a stand to protect the lives of the unborn Lakota to come. I am equally proud of my colleagues on the council who supported the wishes of the people they represent.

Our culture advocates that life is sacred, I am Lakota so I abide by what our culture teaches. I am not colonized like those who wish to shove wasicu ideologies down, I will not cast away my people's teachings and become nothing.

Nobody is telling any woman they can't get an abortion, they just can't get it here, where that murderous act contradicts with what the people are praying for. Many of us in the Lakota nation are governed by something that is so much bigger than what I.R.A., state, federal governments dictate. Even the colonized Indians will never be able to offer us anything greater than what we already have.

Personally, it is those things, as well as the love for the people that makes me strong. I won't back down, I haven't thus far, I hope the people have seen that. I'm like Giago, there are a lot of people who don't like me, but unlike Giago, I rise to the challenge, I don't hide from them. I will continue to stand strong regardless of the knives in my back, wopile. My love and wishes for the people are greater than their hate for me.

Friends and relatives, don't let them fool you. Even Giago has learned the language of the people he despises most, the Laktoa activists. He has been trying to utilize that language to distract our minds from the graft and corruption that remains in tribal governments today. He had his chance to make a difference, but he chose to maintain the status quo, to the white man he is viewed as the "Indian expert" to the Lakota oyate, well, let's just say we didn't just crawl out of the cradle board yesterday. We are not as gullible as his wasicu admirers. Cecelia Fire Thunder once said there was a difference

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Northern Perspectives

School is open next week



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

Our children are headed for school next week and the start of a new year can be a stressful time for the youngsters.

Son number two is in the eighth grade and it has proven to be an especially difficult time, socially, for children of that age. The schools on the Rosebud are also in the midst of meeting the criteria of the No Child Left Behind legislation and it will be interesting to see what progress they make this year. Many of them do not read Lakota newspapers, so it will be equally as interesting if I get any feedback from my opinion piece.

As I was saying, the NCLB act is going to kick in at some point in terms of its punitive measures and hopefully our schools are not going to suffer any irreparable damage.

It is interesting that there were only a couple of schools nation wide that reported their minority achievement scores. I wonder what the Education Department will do about that.

It seems some school districts are failing to properly show the extent of some student's scores as they might reflect poorly on the district.

In this era of accountability, the burden is on teachers, parents, and students alike to meet the several criteria that have been mandated and it is certainly 'do able.' I say that if teachers in Sioux Falls and in Rapid City can teach their students well and have them improve reading, science, and math scores our teachers on the reservation can too. We can have a blue ribbon school on the Rosebud, too, I believe. It is getting to the point that we may just have to teach to those topics that come up for testing.

Parents and children also can help in this endeavor. My son's school is a beautiful structure that is well maintained and the children seem so dynamic and energetic and I look for them to do better than last year in meeting NCLB. I have been on the parent committee for two years, so I have a sense of where the school is. I also share a sense of the urgency that schools feel under the act as compliance must be achieved.

The teaching profession has always struggled to be viewed as true professionals on par with lawyers, accounts, and architects; it often has trouble being viewed as such because salaries have been notoriously low even though teachers spend time in a third of a child's life.

If salaries were much higher and equal to that of other professions, teaching would attract more talented and dedicated teachers. South Dakota is at the bottom of the salary scale for teachers and it makes me wonder if our standing under the NCLB law reflects a similar relative standing; I certainly hope not, as the state has made strides in being connected technologically speaking.

Good luck to our Lakota parents as we also factor into the equation that is school clothing. On the Rosebud, we have not heard if our children are going to receive clothing vouchers this year.

I hope so, as that is just one more little push for the children who need to look good on the first day of school.

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Things to empower yourself

Living in the past and justifing resentments is unhealthy



By Patty Pourier

Living in the past? During my early recovery days, the exploration of my past seemed to be important and the key to unlock the mystery of my misery today. However, this is 25 years later. Dredging up old hurts are okay when used in a direct specific way to address an issue. But using them to justify resentments is unhealthy.

The "Woe to me -I am this way because when I was 10 years old --- blah blah blah… etc etc etc. happened and the pain is still real today." That may have been helpful to me once or maybe 10 times to process my childhood hurts, and abuse and help to explain some of my present day dysfunction, but give me a break, how many years or decades can we continue to go back to the wrongs of our childhood and puke them out as a justification for our present day resentments.

A friend of mine recently had an encounter with an angry sibling. The anger stemmed from something that happened between the mother and the aunt of the two, 40 years ago. Kind of like the second generation of the on going feud of the Hatfield's and MaCoys.

In this case the players were all dead from the original incident and the second generation was fuming and ready to fight a cousin of his that was not even born when the "original sin" took place by his deceased mother and aunt. Sounds ridiculous doesn't it? But this is how a resentment works or maybe I should say doesn't work.

Resentments are feeling the same feelings over and over again, sometimes even decades or centuries later. Carrying of generational resentment produces a very sick, very angry person or society. Anger comes from the fact that resentment had to be birthed from something that happened in the past. And the past IS engraved in stone and cannot be changed. The feelings over what happened in the past CAN BE changed by a willing person to pass up the opportunity to be a victim or carry on a feud.

My brother in law used to say, "Do we always have to live in the past?" This comment usually came after someone brought up a less than desirable incident he wished people would forget about concerning his behavior. It really is a good saying, "Do we always have to live in the past"? Can we let go of the emotions that continue to impact our lives from the actions of generations past and start to concentrate on the present and building a future that will be better for all persons concerned.

Can we explore and take responsibility of our part in the problems of today because of emotionally charged resentments left to us by our parents, or grandparents?

We are responsible for ourselves. We cannot blame our aunties, mothers or grandfathers for how we are today.

There are very few of us who have been dealt a fair playing hand. The only thing we can do is to take care of ourselves. To allow and recognize that others need to make decisions that will take care of themselves, and then realize there is a healthy boundary between the two.

I am not advocating throwing out historical treaties or legal documents that are binding.

However, I am proposing the emotional charged energy around past situations, which we personally had no control over and did not take part in, be kept in the proper context and that we concentrate more of our energy on our children's future and our present situation.

Resentments do not heal, they separate and hurt.

Guest Column

Eighth Circuit decisions defy reason

By Hazel Bonner
Guest Columnist

Again two decisions of the Eighth Circuit Court of appeals defy the reason of reasonable people. Strip searches of juveniles in detention for minor offenses were allowed in South Dakota. In a second decision, the death of a baby in foster care in Missouri was determined to not be the responsibility of caseworkers.

Judge Lawrence Piersol ruled that the strip searches were not tolerable for juveniles accused of minor violations in the Minnehaha County Detention Center.

The Eight Circuit said that detention officials are responsible for making sure juveniles are not hiding weapons or drugs. It appears a pat down search could identify both weapons and drugs.

Jodie challenged the policy. She was 16 at the time of her detention for a curfew violation in 1999. She had to strip to her underwear. Some members of the class action lawsuit said juveniles were naked when Detention Center officials searched them.

The case triggered changes in the Center's search policy. Searches are no longer done if parents agree to pick up their children within two hours.

The legislature prohibited strip searches of juveniles held for curfew violations unless there is probable cause.

However, the attorney for the child says the case will be appealed because the rules are simply not reasonable. Matt Piers of Chicago, said the changes at the center are "absolutely not good enough." He further said, "The issue is really much broader than curfew violations."

On Aug. 10, the Court of Appeals granted summary judgment to Department of Family Services officials in a case which involved the death of a baby living in a foster home in Missouri.

The natural parents of the baby had complained to DSF officials of injuries visible on the child during visits. In this case only two members of the three judge panel agreed. Justice Lay filed a strongly written dissent. When the child was hospitalized an emergency room doctor also complained about injuries to the child.

The baby was released back to that foster home after a four-day hospital stay during which complaints were claimed. On Aug. 18, 2002, the baby was rushed to the hospital where it was determined that he had suffered from abusive head trauma, subdural hemorrhage, and massive-bilateral retinal hemorrhage. He died on Aug. 21.

The foster father, John Dilley was later convicted of child abuse resulting in death and of second degree assault, charges that arose from Dominic's death. In spite of this the Eighth Circuit upheld the grant of summary judgment to the officials of DFS saying they did not exhibit deliberate indifference in the injuries and death of Dominic.

The major dispute here involves the refusal of the caseworker Alysha Friend to move the baby from the abusive foster home. It was agreed by the Family Services Team that Dominic should be removed form the Dilly home. Friend met with her supervisor and the decision was made to not move him. No other members of the team were informed of the failure to move the baby.

Judge Lay said that the actions of the caseworker showed deliberate indifference to the safety and well being of the baby.

He said that there was little doubt Friend's conduct violated a clearly established right to protection. Lay said "James Constitutional claim against Friend presents …genuine issues of material fact on the issue of Friend's deliberate indifference."

That means simply that in his opinion, the case should have been heard by a jury because a jury may have awarded him damages.

In the meantime Indian juveniles continue to appear in adult incustody court here in Rapid City. Judge Kern thinks it's okay even after her Indian Child Welfare Commission service. Juvenile prosecutors have made no effort to meet with me.

With the South Dakota Child Protection Service being determined to not be in substantial compliance with the protection of children, it seems that it is a matter of time before a child will die in the custody of our CPS in South Dakota. Children have already died in foster care here. Who, exactly, will protect our children from Child Protection Services?

Kind of seems like the fox is guarding the chicken house!

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between respected elderly people, and old people, I think I know who she was talking about.

In closing, to all political observers, please don't mistake me for a career I.R.A. politician.

I come from a people who come from a long time ago. I was voted in by the Lakota oyate who think along the same lines.

My loyalty is to them first, it's almost time to take yet another step in the direction of corrupt free, stabilized tribal government.

Be careful in your selections, don't be fooled by those who already had the chance to bring positive change, they claim their Lakota blood for convenience sake only.

We are the ones who do all the sufferings so that they might live.

Ho, heca tuwelo!

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Two Sections

White Plume: work at Bear Butte summit

By Debra White Plume
Writing from the banks of Wounded Knee Creek

BEAR BUTTE -Many Nations of Indigenous Peoples, NGOs (non-governmental organizations), and government representatives gathered at the sacred mountain Bear Butte.

Traditional healers, tiospaye headsmen, matriarchs, traditional societies, and community leaders camped together to have good talks, debates, and form agreements on how indigenous peoples can work together to strengthen the pockets of resistance across Turtle Island.

All are working to stop the desecration of sacred lands and sacred places. While we camped at Bear Butte for those 42 days, we saw a rainbow surround the Sacred Mountain.



A rainbow surrounds Bear Butte during the Aug. 1 to 4 summit. Hundreds of tribal members from South Dakota tribes and other supporters attended the summit and the rally. Photo by Deb White Plume.

At the Summit of Indigenous Nations August 1-4, respected elder and leader Carrie Dan of the Western Shoshone Defense Project encouraged everyone to take a strong heart and keep working to protect sacred land, "We have to learn to use new words to educate the world about how indigenous peoples view our land-all land is sacred, but we have these special places that are tied to our identity".

She spoke of how the Western world has a difficult time comprehending how native peoples have a relationship with sacred places, such as Bear Butte.

An elder from Canada, Wolverine, addressed the people to remember that the fight is not over, as long as there is one sacred place still threatened, we must all come to the aid of our allies to protect these places and the ceremonies conducted there.

Wolverine's history of struggle includes an attack on his Sun Dance ceremony by the civil authorities in British Columbia in the mid-1990's, who laid land mines on the road to his Sun Dance, exploding the vehicles driven by people traveling to the ceremony.

An action item for consideration by the full Summit was the Papal Bull of May 3, 4, 1493 Inter Cetera. The papal bull has been the basis for the extinguishment of aboriginal land title and the subjugation of indigenous peoples of North and South America.

The implementation of the papal bull evolved in the United States through the Supreme Court decision of Johnson v. M'Intosh [1823] which established the precedent for the denial of aboriginal title to American Indian lands in the United States.

Delegations of indigenous nations and ngo's, by consensus, adopted a resolution condemning the historical use of the doctrine of discovery as an instrument of genocide. Tupac Enrique Acosta, coordinator of the Tonatierra ngo based in Phoenix, AZ stated that this effort at Bear Butte continues the indigenous battle to halt genocide of indigenous peoples and seizures of their homelands in the Americas. "It has been resolved by 23 Nations and NGO's and 100 individual signatories that the 'Doctrine of Discovery' is a legal and political fiction in violation of the rights of indigenous peoples and intellectual act of oppression which continues to serve to suppress and repress the indigenous peoples in the Western Hemisphere," said Tupac Enrigue.

Santiago Delacruz, vice president of Confederacion de Nacionalidades Indigenas del Ecuador/ Confederation of Indigenous Nationalities of Ecuador).

CONAIE is a formation of 28 indigenous nationalities and Pueblos of Ecuador said "We have come from the southern part of this continent Abya Yala which we share with you all as indigenous nations of this hemisphere on a mission to strengthen and re-establish our ancestral ties as a continental confederation of nations and pueblos". Delacruz offered support for rescinding the papal bulls and support from the south for the protection of Bear Butte. "It is with great concern that we have come to be informed of the threatened desecration of the Sacred Mato Paha, also known as Bear Butte, where we now gathered in summit as indigenous nations. "This sacred area must not be allowed to be destroyed or desecrated by the proposed construction projects of 'biker bars' and the like," Delacruz said.

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Casting call for upcoming film 'Rez Bomb'

HOT SPRINGS - British production company Roaring Fire Films is seeking actors for the upcoming feature film REZ BOMB, a love story/thriller due to enter production on Pine Ridge and in Rapid City towards the end of September shooting for four weeks.

They seek both Lakota and Caucasian adult actors of all ages. Other than the lead actors the rest of the cast is being sought in South Dakota so there are many roles available.

Central roles include:

A Lakota woman and man in their 40's or early 50's.

A Caucasian man and woman in their 50's.

A charismatic Lakota man in his late 20's/early 30's

A charismatic, imposing Caucasian man in his mid 30's to mid 40's.

Auditions will be held in Pine Ridge and Rapid City in around three weeks time. Please e-mail recent photographs as well as details of any experience as well as your contact details to roaringfire@hotmail.com

REZ BOMB is being produced and directed by the award winning British film-maker Steven Lewis Simpson.

Marshall family reunion Aug. 20

MARTIN - The annual Marshall Family Reunion will be held at the City park in Martin on Sunday, Aug. 20. All families and relatives are invited to bring a pot-luck meal, their chairs and umbrellas, etc and come and enjoy visiting and sharing a meal with relatives and friends.

Also, bring photos, histories, etc. whatsoever will enhance the reunion and give us more information and knowledge of our ancestors and present-day relatives.

If the weather is too hot, the reunion will be held at the CAP building at Sunrise Housing, two miles east of Martin, but go to the park first. Someone will be there at 10:30 a.m. to greet people as they arrive.

Frank and Annie's children were: Louise Marshall, Rogers-Roubideaux-

Douville; Joseph, Zoey or Sarah Marshall-LaBuff; Margaret Marshall White Bear, Selena Marshall-Red Kettle, Frank, Jr. ; Antoine: and Rose Marshall-Glen-Schwiegmann-Rooks, not necessarily in that order.

Current Miss Rosebud Willow Marshall ends her reign

Rosebud Pageant deadline extended

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The 2005-06 Miss Rosebud, Willow Marshall, will be ending her reign as the currently royalty representing the Rosebud Sioux people.

She said that she had initially competed for the title of Miss Rosebud in order to represent the tribe and carry its name.

She admitted that she had not undertaken a lot of traveling to represent RST in the last year, however she had attended a number of local powwows on the Rosebud. She said she went to work at the Mesquakie casino for the last eight months and is finally missing home.

Willow did provide a recorded message on KINI FM announcing the upcoming Ms. Rosebud Pageant to be held at the SGU multipurpose on Monday, August 21.



Last year RST Fair Pageant Committee selected 2004 royalty to retain their titles for the 2005 year. Willa Marshall is show above beginning her 2005 year reign. Willow took part in the 2006 Indigenous Games as a Chaperone for Team South Dakota.
also shown:
(left to right) Julianna DuBray-Little Miss Rosebud, Willow Marshall-Miss Rosebud, and Alexandria Hacker-Ms. Teen Rosebud.

According to pageant coordinator, Sheri Wright, the deadline to apply for the Ms. Rosebud Pageant had been extended to Friday, August 18 as there had not been any applicants as of today. The new Ms. Rosebud will vie for the title in competition to be held on Monday. She will be crowned and announced after the Friday evening grand entry on Aug. 25.

Marshall said that she had attended the 2006 Indigenous Games in Denver and served as a chaperone for Team South Dakota, the midget girls, and participated in the grand entry with her crown and sash.

She said she had also had an opportunity to speak with students in Tama, IA at her niece's school where she was the student of the week .

Willow has plans to return for the Rosebud Fair and her future plans include possibly moving to Salt Lake City, Utahto attend the University of Utah. She said she enjoyed the experience of working at the casino and greatly enjoyed her co-workers and the customers she met.

Election of Flandreau Sioux Tribe put on hold

SIOUX FALLS - An Aug. 29 hearing is scheduled on a challenge to the results of the election for president of the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe.

Josh Weston defeated incumbent Mark Allen 122-109 in the Aug. 1 election.

Allen's supporters are challenging the election, said Richard Nesje, a member of the tribal election board, which ruled last week that there is sufficient merit to go to a hearing.

``The issue primarily was whether Josh Weston had established residency for a year prior to running,'' says Rollyn Samp, tribal lawyer.

At the hearing, the election board will listen to arguments from both candidates and issue a decision.

Either side can appeal the board's decision within three days to a tribal judge. The judge's decision also can be appealed to a tribal appellate court.

``According to our constitution, the incumbent stays in office until this is resolved,'' Nesje said.

Big Foot rumor dismissed

RAPID CITY (AP) - Ignore the reports _ the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology said it does not have the body of the legendary Bigfoot.

An Internet site ``reported'' that one of the mythological creatures had been shot near Slim Buttes on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation and that the body was taken to a School of Mines laboratory for studies.

The school has $14 million in research projects under way, but ``no facilities dedicated to Bigfoot or other cryptozoology research,'' the School of Mines and Technology said in a statement.

The body of Bigfoot was supposedly seen and given a ceremonial treatment by three Lakota elders, including Wilmer Mesteth.

``Tell them it's a bunch of baloney,'' Mesteth said. ``I think someone is playing a practical joke.''

Miss Indian Nations Pageant

Sept. 6-9 at the United tribes International Pow wow at the United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck.

United Tribes International Pow wow Sept.7

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20th Annual He Sapa Wacipi Na Oskate

Oct. 6-8 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City, championship pow wow, fine arts and games.

Bear Butte

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Chief Oliver Red Cloud of the Black Hills Sioux Nation Treaty Council said the Catholic church has continuously made money for the Red Cloud Indian School at Pine Ridge and has not helped the communities that are most in need for daily survival, not to mention the long term reservation needs to help address the causes of poverty.

Nongovernmental organizations presented the work they are doing at the frontline on the grassroots level. Rosalie Little Thunder, President of the South Dakota Peace and Justice organization encouraged all the delegates to continue in their struggle, that ancient ways of life will continue as we protect our sacred places.

Kent Lebsock and Chris Soverow from the American Indian Law Alliance presented, with Debra White Plume from Bring Back the Way, research data on the Cameco, Inc. uranium mine operating an Insitu Leach Mine through the company Crow Butte Resources, located near Crawford, Nebraska. "This uranium mine has had a leak which lasted from several months to two years, leaking radioactive contamination into the air, water, and land" said Severow to the stunned audience.

"This mine is located on 1868 and 1851 Ft. Laramie Treaty territory, this mine uses up to 5,000 gallons of water each minute," said White Plume. "Our Oglala Sioux Tribe must take the lead in fighting this mine, and lead the "Great Sioux Nation" in this fight. This contaminated land is just a few miles from where Crazy Horse was killed. This has to be a national issue as well."

Young adults all the way from Canada down to Arizona participated in the Summit of Nations, giving speeches about sacred site protection work they are involved in which includes fighting the Sun Peaks Ski Resort, to the Snow Bowl Resort, to the bars and concert amphitheaters near Bear Butte, and the "Divine Strike" proposed 700-ton bomb the US plans to detonate on Shoshone Nation's Ruby Valley Treaty land. The common linkage to these developments all revolve around business owners not only making money, but increasing profits that are already in the millions per annum range.

The final day of the Summit the delegations marched on Sturgis and had a rally downtown in order to educate the bikers about the Bear Butte desecration issue. "Don't Ride Highway 79" and "Bear Butte is Sacred Land" were the major messages of the protest.

The Summit of Indigenous Nations delegations will take home to their communities the collective action taken at the Summit for increased public awareness, and more discussion at the grassroots level. The Summit will reconvene in the summer of 2007 for the delegations to gather again, the 2006 Summit served as a starting point for collective action and the making of allies.

We honored Carrie Dan and Wolverine as elders who have committed their entire lives and who also have risked their freedom and lives to protect their ancestral land and ways of life.

Both are tireless in their commitment and are a great encouragement to everyone who is in this for the long haul. We say wopila to them.



In memory of Jason Lee Two Eagle

When tomorrow starts without me
And I'm not there to see
If the sun should rise and find your eyes
All filled with tears for me
I wish so much that you wouldn't cry
The way you did today
While thinking of the many things
We didn't get to say
I know how much you loved me
As much as I love you
And each time you think of me
I know you'll miss me too
But when tomorrow starts without me
Please try to understand
That an angel came and called my name
And took me by the hand
And said my place was ready in heaven far above
And that I would have to leave behind
All those I dearly love
As I walked through heaven's gates
I felt so much at home
When God looked down and smiled at me
From his great golden throne
He said "This is eternity
And all I've promised you"
Today my life on earth is past
But here it starts a-new
I promise no tomorrow
But today will always last
And since each day is the same
There's no longing for the past
So will you take my hand
And share my life with me?
When tomorrow starts without me
Don't think we're far apart
For everytime you think of me
I'm right here, in your heart
(author unknown)……

We love you and we miss your handsome face and big hugs. You were truly a blessing.

Mom, Taeler and Jaylen

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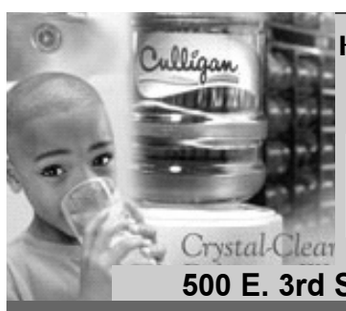
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Dear Anna,

I have not been happy in my marriage to be honest since I got married. I honestly think I married him because I was scared at the time to lose a handsome man.

I've only been married for about nine months, with about three of them spent fighting and arguing over the phone. We were together for about three years before getting married.

I got pregnant and at the time we really did not know each other. At times I think that I still love him but at other times I just want to be alone because I like my independence. Sometimes I think that I need to just stay with him because I do not want my daughter to grow up without a father especially with him being so far away. I sent them to live with his parents because at the time my parents were fighting us over our daughter.

I am the one who wanted to initiate a divorce but I think it was mainly because of the distance and now I am seeing another man, who by the way has the same problem with his wife.

Will any good ever come out of everything I am doing for my daughter; will my parents ever leave us alone so that I can raise my daughter without being in fear of what they are going to do next ?

It was never my intention to keep her from her grandparents at all but I think they too are a reason why we started fighting and growing apart. Will this man I am seeing now be better for me or is it just another obstacle in my problem ?

What do I do move forward with the plan I made back then with my husband or go on with this new plan on my own with my daughter?

Dilemma

Dear Dilemma:

What a mess. The solution to the marriage issue is not in the arms of another man; it is within the heart. I see you eventually seeking a divorce. To stay married "for the sake of the children" is really a very precarious and usually an unhealthy reason to remain in a long term commitment.

By staying married, not only are you denying the man you are married to the right to be loved in his life in the way that anyone deserves; you are also cutting yourself off from loving anyone with a full commitment of life and heart. You are also ignoring the fact that your daughter is an intelligent, aware and feeling human being.

In a home where there are vast differences between two mates there is always stress that manifests in silences, outbursts, criticisms, and other unhealthy behavior. The stress level and the effect on your daughter is much more serious than living in a quiet, balanced, peaceful single-parent home. Also, the example of how mates relate: respect for each other, thoughtfulness, gentleness, forgiveness, compassion, loyalty, and the fine art of give and take (compromise), release of ego and attitude are absent.

You are demonstrating the fine art of war, not love, which will become her model for adult relationships. The battle with your parents will subside after you clearly demonstrate that your interest in life is prioritized with: 1. Home and children first; then: 2. self, social and outside life.

You are not in a healthy emotional balance and keep seeking verification of self through half-arsed relationships.

Please seek counseling to find your true identity - a loving, generous, compassionate woman who can stand alone and will feel worthy enough to have a mate that is equally balanced. I see you moving ahead with your own life plan and developing patience and the strength to wait for the right man rather than trying to create the right man out of anyone who is conveniently located.

I see you continuing your education and possibly moving to the Denver area for expanded independence, education and top level employment.

Dear Anna,

What does the future hold for me and my soon to be? We're both Libras and we both get along really well and we also like to joke around.

She says she never met anybody like me who cares and makes her laugh all the time. You see, she has two boys and a daughter, just like me, she had a bad relationship before, and as for me, my ex girlfriend died of alcohol.

I was wondering will we be together anytime soon? We're both patient for now until the time is right.

Being patient

Dear Being Patient:

I like you. This time is for both of you is to heal yourselves of co-dependent behavior. It is a time to stretch yourselves into becoming the true and best people you can be so that when you join together it will be in harmony and unity. Anyone who is single, and over the age of 12 has had a bad relationship and heartbreak. These are the experiences of life - not excuses for bad attitudes, intolerances and insecurities (jealousy). With both of you working on yourselves for balance you stand a wonderful chance of being married successfully and living together well. I see the two of you together off and on for a while - and I see marriage - probably next summer. Please work on your insecurities and life will be a lot easier and your relationship healthy and successful.

God Bless.

Dear Anna,

I got something on my mind, I need to know the truth about, a guy.

I knew this guy in high school but we never really talk like friends do or I mean we never talk at all, he was always playing basketball or with his friends, but even when he wasn't playing ball or with friends, he never said what's up to me, or he never called me. I'll have to be the one doing first, and when we did talk he will always be looking around to make sure nobody saw him talking to me, was it because he didn't want his friends to make fun of me, or was he just ashamed of me because of my disability.

At the basketball game he was there playing ball with his friends, after he was done playing ball he said what's up to me but I didn't know what to say to him, I guess I was speechless with no words to say, but I regarded it later, is he afraid to hurt my feelings by telling me he doesn't want to go with me because of my wheelchair Is that what he hiding from me? Will we become more than friends ever, what do you think I should do Anna?

I want to know the truth

Dear Wants to know the truth:

He wants to be just your friend. He is not mature enough to handle a relationship with you. He is a good guy (more or less), and he is not cruel, and he has too much sympathy for you for anything to happen between you. You will find a man that loves you for your beautiful heart, soul and mind, as well as everything about you; and does not feel "sorry" for you - but instead, sees you are strong, brilliant and determined.

He is not located around you; you will find him when you are in college - not in high school. There is a good aspect to this though - crushes are good things. They wake us up: make us notice how we look, put a spark in our eyes, and keep us a little "lighter" and "funnier" than we would be without a romantic interest in another.

Dear Anna,

What do you think about the Big Foot that everybody saw and was talking about in Pine Ridge. What does it mean?

Curious

Dear Curious:

I saw it. I was with two friends and it attached itself to our car on the back road to Batesland from Kyle. It was very tall, wore a black cape, had a hat on, and a translucent face and glowing eyes.

It was not Big Foot. It calls itself Tall Man. It growled in our window and started to talk to me but I did not listen to what it was saying. My own guides told me it was very old, it is a shape-shifter, it feeds on fear, and was trying to create havoc and fear so it could feed itself on us. I was told that it was searching for the weak ones. I thought it was trying to cause us to wreck our car.

I don't understand how come this spirit is on the rez but I have been told by one medicine person that he was released through some bad medicine which got mis-directed.

I was also told by another medicine person that it is a sign of the confusion and anger that has settled around the rez from drug and alcohol use and abuse, child and elderly neglect and abuse and the gang mentality of the youth. Whatever the reason, if you are centered and strong in your relationship with the Creator you have nothing to fear.

If you are whacked out on drugs and alcohol or involved in gangs and revenge I would quake in my boots: because it is looking for hearts that do not have the Spirit of the Creator strong within them. Sleep well kids.

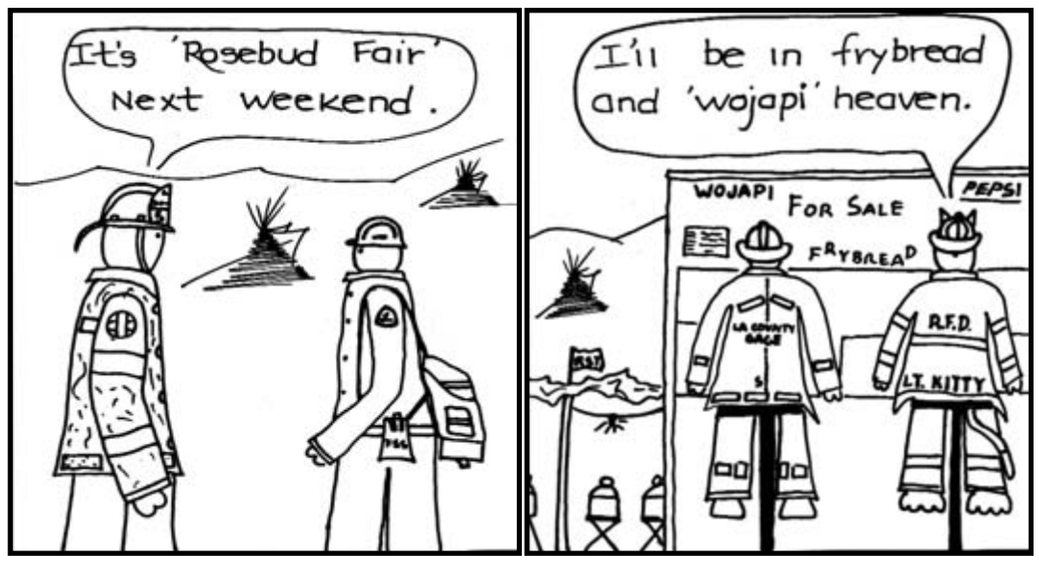
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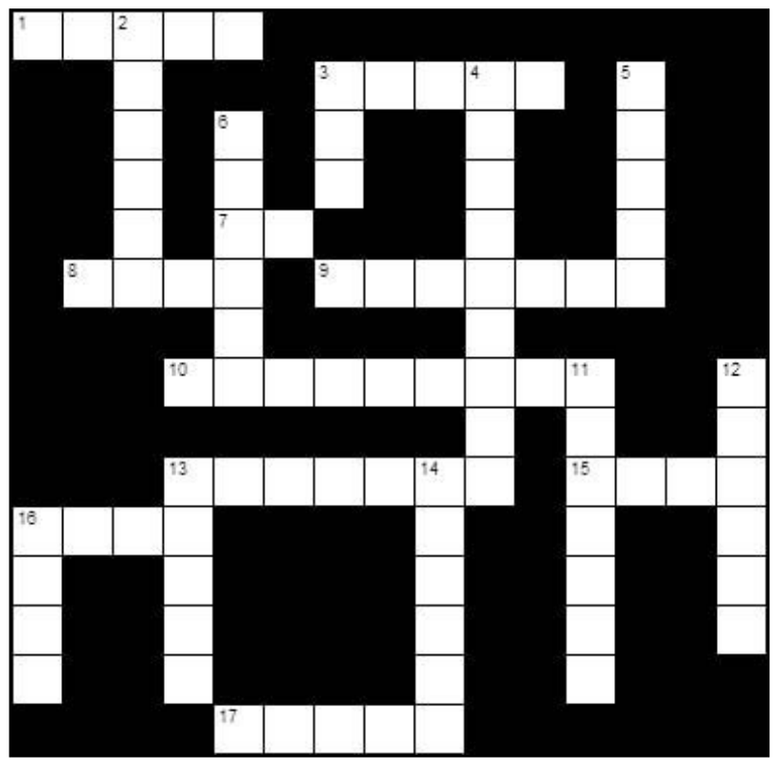
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

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3. snow is deep
7. fog
8. hail
9. snow is falling
10. frying
13. frost
15. cold
16. meat
17. it's wet

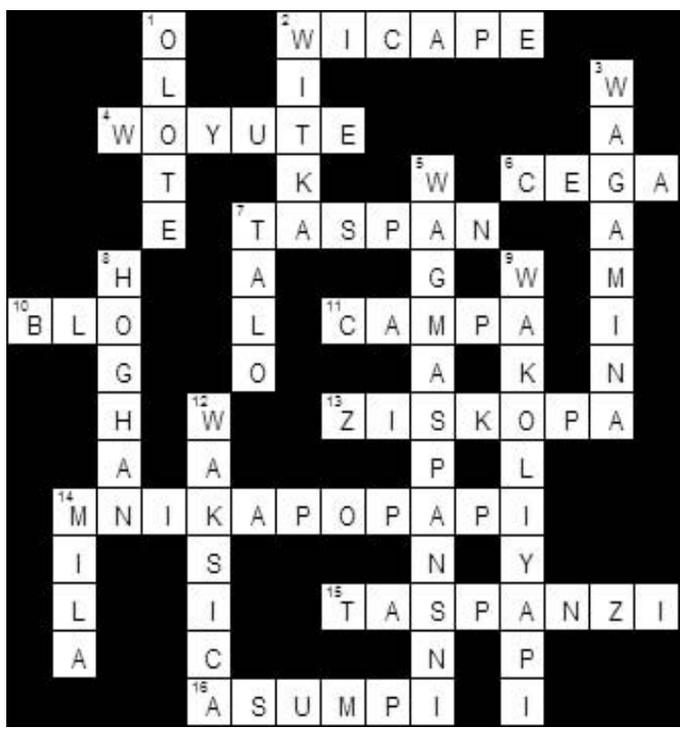
Down

2. snow falling
3. spaya
4. it's cloudy
5. sun is shining
6. it's dry
11. blizzard
12. breath
13. fish
14. breezy
16. wind is blowing



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Answers from last week's puzzle



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Evelyn Whirlwind Horse, 99.....Martin
Martin Janis, 56..... Pine Ridge
Floyd Firethunder Sr., 83..... Manderson
Leo R. Tarr, 49.....Rosebud
Homer Two Teeth, 37.....Parmelee
George Guerue, 36..... Parmelee
Prinnice White Bear, 28..... Rosebud
Leah Jean Eagle Chasing, 53..... Eagle Butte
Geneva Eloise Gonzalez, 82..... Rapid City
Delane Stands, 31..... Oglala
Sylvia L. Shirley, 56..... Dupree
Runtento O. Garcia-Muchena, infant...Pine Ridge

Robert L. Good Crow

PINE RIDGE - Robert L. Good Crow, 56, Pine Ridge, died Thursday, Aug. 10 at Pine Ridge Hospital as a result of an automobile accident. Survivors include one brother, Reginald Good Crow, Pine Ridge. Wake services were Aug. 16, at Porcupine School.

Funeral services were Thursday, Aug. 17, at the school, with the Rev. Patrick Barker officiating and traditional Lakota services by Rick Two Dogs.

Burial will be at St. Alban's Episcopal Cemetery in Porcupine. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.

Jacqueline R. Tail

PORCUPINE - Jacqueline R. Tail, 40, Porcupine, died Thursday, Aug. 10, at Pine Ridge Hospital as a result of an automobile accident.

Survivors include seven sons, Eli Tail III, William Tail, Ethan Tail, Lucas Tail and Julian Tail, all of Porcupine, and Emory Red Feather and Francis Red Feather, both of Evergreen; six daughters, Elina Tail, Holly Tail, Molly Tail, Cherish Tail, Georgene Tail and Selena Tail, all of Porcupine; four brothers, Henry Brings Him Back and Fred Brings Him Back, both of Oglala, Donovan White Face, Pine Ridge, and Dennis White Face, No. 4 Community; five sisters, Elizabeth Titus and Sylvia White Dress, both of Oglala, Samantha White Face and Fawn White Face, both of Pine Ridge, and Lorraine "Rosebud" White Face, Spearfish; and three grandchildren.

Wake services started Wednesday, Aug. 16, at Porcupine CAP Office. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 18, at Porcupine CAP Office, with the Rev. Abraham Tobacco officiating and traditional Lakota services by David Swallow Jr.

Burial will be at St. Alban's Episcopal Cemetery in Porcupine.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.

Evelyn Whirlwind Horse

MARTIN - Evelyn (Krohn) Whirlwind Horse, 99, died Aug. 11, at the Bennett County Nursing Home in Martin. Evelyn was born to William S. Krohn and Sarah Gibson Krohn, March 18, 1907, on a farm near Monmouth, Ill. She had ten siblings.

She attended public schools in Illinois through grade school and high school and attended college at Western Illinois State Teachers College at Macomb, Illinois, and received her master's degree in education at Chadron State College, Chadron, Neb.

After teaching five years in a rural community in Illinois in grades 1-8, Evelyn entered the Bureau of Indian Affairs Boarding School in 1930 at Pine Ridge as an elementary teacher in grades 5-8 for the next 12 years. In 1942 she was assigned to the position of Elementary Education Specialist and served in that position until her retirement from the Bureau of Indian Affairs in 1972. During the summers she did course work at Black Hills Teachers College, Spearfish; Colorado Agricultural College, Ft. Collins, Colorado; State College of Education, Greeley, Colorado; and Chadron State College, Chadron, Neb. She held a South Dakota Teacher's and Administrator's Certificate until 1972. In the position of Elementary Education Specialist, she was responsible for assisting and supervising 75 elementary teachers and developing and evaluating the curriculum for the six outlying day schools and the boarding school in Pine Ridge, on the Pine Ridge Reservation. During this period, she also assisted with the In-Service Training of Elementary Teachers in various workshops: Carson City Indian Agency, Stewart, Nev.; Chemawa, Ore.; Santa Fe, N.M.; and Riverside, Calif. Upon retiring in 1972, she was awarded a certificate of Honor for Meritorious Service by the United States Department of Interior. Evelyn continued working five more years through 1977, implementing the Title 1 Education Program in the Bureau of Indian Affairs Elementary Schools for the Oglala Sioux Tribe. This extended a project the tribe had begun several years prior, in the Headstart Program. By 1977 more than 100 tribal members were getting their first "hands on" experience in classrooms throughout the Pine Ridge Reservation. Their training was enhanced by course work in Tribal Community Colleges which were getting well-organized across the reservation. The best was yet to come: the time when these same teacher aides would become fully trained certified teachers in some of those same classrooms. Evelyn supported the Oglala Lakota College in its beginning by allowing all Title 1 staff to attend college classes on Release Time. She also made room in her budget to pay for the costs.

After retiring she concentrated on her life at the ranch which she dearly loved and remained there until 1987 when she and her husband, William Dick Whirlwind Horse, whom she married on Aug. 2, 1934, moved to Martin, where she spent her final years.

Her husband Dick died April 21, 1990. Evelyn is survived by many nieces, nephews and wonderful friends. From 1930-1972, a span of 42 years on the Pine Ridge Reservation is the time and place covering the career of this person Evelyn Whirlwind Horse or from 1930-1990, 60 years of her life. According to Evelyn's wishes her remains will be cremated under the direction of the Bennett County Funeral Service in Martin and funeral services will be held at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church, Martin, on Friday, Aug.25, at 10 a.m.

Martin C. Janis

PINE RIDGE - Martin C. Janis, 56, Pine Ridge, died Wednesday, Aug. 9, at Meadowbrook Manor Nursing Home in Rapid City. Survivors include two brothers, Filbert Janis and Wayne Janis, both of Pine Ridge, and one sister, Winifred Janis, Rapid City.

Wake services were Aug. 11, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Pine Ridge. Funeral services were Saturday, Aug. 12, at the church, with the Rev. Steve Sanford officiating.

Burial was at Red Feather Family Cemetery, Cheyenne Creek, Pine Ridge. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Floyd Firethunder Sr.

MANDERSON - Floyd Firethunder Sr., 83, Manderson, died Thursday, Aug. 10, at Pine Ridge Hospital. Survivors include his wife, Anna Firethunder, Manderson; one daughter, Linda Firethunder, Manderson; one brother, Vincent Firethunder; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, Aug. 14, at Mediator Episcopal Church in Kyle, with the Rev. Cordelia Red Owl and the Rev. Patrick Barker officiating.

Burial was at St. Paul's Episcopal Cemetery at Manderson.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Leo R. Tarr

ROSEBUD - Leo 'Dick' Tarr, 49, died at his sister's home near White River after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born on Nov. 2, 1957 at Rosebud, to Lyle and Geraldine (Wooden Knife) Tarr.

He attended grade school in and then Todd County High School and Sinte Gleska University, both in Mission. He was raised by his grandmother, Hazel Tarr, on the T Bar 4 Ranch near Norris.. Leo volunteered for the United States Marine Corps in September 1976 and was honorably discharged in January 1980, after a tour in Italy, Spain, Belgium and France.

Leo enjoyed auto mechanics, fishing and was a registered tribal hunting guide. He was also a volunteer firefighter in Batesland and White River.

He enjoyed being with his friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and infant sister Cheryl Jean Tarr.

He is survived by his sister Rita Engle of White River, and brothers Larry Tarr of Reliance and Harlan Eagle Bear of Tacoma, Wash.; special nephew Justin (Darla) Engle of White River and niece LuKasey Dean of Rapid City; great nieces Jayden Engle and Alexia Dean and great nephew Ashton Dean.

Wake services were held August 2nd at the Rita Tarr Ranch west of White River on August 3rd at the Community Hall in Corn Creek.

Funeral services were held Friday, Aug.4, in Corn Creek followed by burial at Black Hills National Cemetery, Sturgis. Holmes Funeral Home of Valentine, Neb. was entrusted with the arrangements.

Homer Two Teeth George Guerue

PARMELEE - Brothers Homer Two Teeth, Jr, 37 and George Guerue, Jr, 36 of Parmelee died Saturday, Aug. 5.

Wake services were held at the He Dog School Gym Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 8 and 9, with services on Thursday, Aug. 10. Rev. Marrles Moore, Rev. Jack Moore and Rev. Robert Moore officiated the services. Homer was laid to rest at Holy Innocents Cemetery, west of Parmelee and George, Jr. was laid to rest at Iron Wood Cemetery, south of Parmelee.

Homer and George are survived by parents Violet and George Guerue, Sr. of Parmelee, nine siblings: Lisa Shott of Parmelee, Harlan Guerue, Sr of Rosebud, Torrey Guerue, Daniel Guerue, Sharon Guerue, Georgia Ann Guerue, Rose Elk Looks Back and Mary Ann Guerue all of Parmelee and Leo Guerue of Mission.

George, Jr. is also survived by his grandmother Mabel Sharp Fish; 9 children: Josephine, George III and Alun Guerue of Parmelee; Gage, Gareth & Gaton Guerue of Corn Creek; and also twins Bethany & Samantha and George James IV of Grass Mountain; and his wife Valencia Guerue of Grass Mountain.

Homer was preceded in death by his father Homer Two Teeth, Sr.

George was preceded in death by his mother Carlene Sharp Fish; an infant brother; and an infant son, the twin of George IV.

Holmes Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Prinnice White Bear

ROSEBUD - Prinnice White Bear, 28, was born in Rosebud on July 21, 1978. Though he is the son of Frank Roubideaux, he was raised by his uncle Tim Roubideaux, Sr. along with his mother Myrna White Bear. Tim and Myrna raised Prinnice along with his older sister Jolene and his five younger brothers Peter, Tim Jr., Jesse, Gabriel and Brett, in Mission on the Rosebud Reservation.

At the age of 13 years, Prinnice and his family left the reservation and moved to Sioux Falls. The family relocated because Prinnice's baby sister Myrna was in need of medical attention from the Children's Care Hospital. He attended Whittier Middle School. Prinnice became a father on Dec. 19, 1997 with the birth of a daughter, Shannon Marie White Bear. He was blessed three years later with the birth of daughter Angelic Shaw. In 2005 another blessing occurred with the birth of his third daughter Precious White Bear.

Prinnice leaves this world as an artist who loved his daughters and family very much. He had an overwhelming respect for all of his friends.

Wake services were held Tuesday, Aug. 8 at Miller Funeral Home in Sioux Falls and Wednesday - Saturday at the SGU Mulitpurpose Building in Mission.

Funeral service was Sunday, Aug. 13 with burial at Two Kettle Cemetery. Holmes Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Leah Jean Eagle Chasing

EAGLE BUTTE - Leah Jean Eagle Chasing, 53, Eagle Butte, died Tuesday, Aug. 8, at Eagle Butte. Wake services were Thursday, Aug. 17, at Meadow Lark Hill in Eagle Butte. Funeral services were Friday, Aug. 18, at the LDS Chapel in Eagle Butte, with Elder Leech officiating. Burial was at the LDS Cemetery in Cherry Creek. Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Geneva Eloise Gonzalez (Winyan Waste)

RAPID CITY - Geneva Eloise Gonzalez, Rapid City, died Friday, Aug. 11, at the Beverly HealthCare - Meadowbrook Manor in Rapid City. She was born on Feb. 20, 1924, to Fred John Wilcox and Anna Quiver-Wilcox at her father's ranch east of Wanblee, on the Pine Ridge Reservation. She attended elementary school at Pine Ridge and graduated from Oglala Community High School in 1943. She also earned six hours of college credit from Oglala Lakota College. Geneva was raised around her great-grandparents, Robert Quiver and his wife Rattling Hawk (A/K/A Annie or Ada Quiver), who were participants in the Battle of the Little Bighorn and other battles between the Sioux and U.S. Cavalry. She was a fluent Lakota speaker. Geneva explained that when she first attended elementary school at Pine Ridge at the age of 6, she only knew her Lakota name Winyan Waste (Good Woman). Due to her upbringing in a traditional Lakota environment, she was able to pass many Lakota beliefs, traditions and values on to her children and grandchildren. Geneva was also very proud of her father, who was the son of pioneer parents of Scottish-Irish descent that settled in the Norris-Wanblee area in the early 1900s. Her father used to cook Scottish griddle scones. She often told of her great-grandfather Quiver riding to her parent's home just to eat her father's cooking, especially his griddle scones. The scones became know as "Gabubu bread." Eventually, families in the Wanblee area and throughout the reservation were eating Gabubu bread. She attributed the popularity of the bread on the reservation to her father's cooking. In 1943, shortly after she graduated from high school, Geneva traveled to Alliance, Nebraska to baby sit for Bernard and Florine LeBeau. It was there that she met Gabriel Gonzalez, her husband of 62 years. Gabriel, of San Antonio, Texas, was serving in the U.S. Army Air Force and stationed at the Alliance Glider Base when they met. She learned to speak Spanish from her husband and his family members. After the end of WWII, they moved to Wanblee, and did seasonal farm work in the Nebraska panhandle. In 1951, Geneva and her family moved to Kadoka, where they lived until 1963. In 1963, she and her family moved to Box Elder and later to Rapid City. Geneva and her husband resided in Lakota Community Homes from 1970 to the time of her death, and were the oldest tenants in the housing subdivision. Geneva is survived by her husband, Gabriel Gonzalez of Rapid City, four sons, Mario Gonzalez of Black Hawk, Leonard Gonzalez and Larry Gonzalez of Rapid City, and John Gonzalez of Phoenix, Arizona, four daughters, Margarette Rasch, Olivia Gonzalez, Debra Wilford, and Brenda McGlynn of Rapid City, 49 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are two sisters, Zona Brown of Pine Ridge and Florence Dillon of Denver, Colorado, and one brother William Wilcox of Rapid City. She was preceded in death by her parents, two sisters, Ollie Smith of Des Moines, N.M. and Irma Kukuk of Parker, S.D., and two brothers, Leo Wilcox of Pine Ridge and Albert Wilcox of Rapid City, one granddaughter Tammy Rasch and one great-granddaughter Haven Wilson. During her lifetime, Geneva also had several Hunka (Lakota traditionally adopted) children that included Robert Rasch of Peoria, Ill., Joseph Hogg, Jr. of Murphy, N.C., Gregory Yates of Los Angeles, Calif., Jeff Flannery of Orlando, Fla., and Jon Kilpatrick of Denver, Colorado.

Wake services were Tuesday, Aug. 15 at the Mother Butler Center. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 16 at the Mother Butler Center with the Rev. Paul Sneve officiating.

Burial will be at the Mount Cavalry Cemetery where both Christian and traditional Lakota graveside rites will be conducted. Services are under the direction of the Osheim-Catron Funeral Home.

Delane P. Stands

OGLALA - Delane P. Stands, 31, Oglala, died Wednesday, Aug. 9, in Oglala. Survivors include his wife, Carmelita Yellow Thunder, Oglala; one son, Lawrence Stands, Oglala; one daughter, Delena Stands, Oglala; his mother, Colleen Long Wolf, Oglala; five brothers, Craig Chase In Winter, Aberdeen, and Ernie Stands, Johnston Bear Robe, William Bear Robe and Monte Good Voice Flute, all of Oglala; and two sisters, Johncina Bear Robe, Oglala, and Carlene Long Wolf, Sturgis. Wake services were Aug. 11, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall in Oglala. Funeral services were Saturday, Aug. 12, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall, with the Rev. Asa Wilson officiating. Burial was at Makasan Presbyterian Cemetery in Oglala. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Sylvia Lee Shirley

DUPREE - Sylvia Lee Shirley, 56, Dupree, died Friday, Aug. 4 in Philip. Wake services were Friday, Aug. 11, at the cultural center in Eagle Butte. Funeral services were Saturday, Aug. 12, at St. John's Episcopal Church in Eagle Butte, with the Rev. Jeffry Barnes officiating. Burial was at On The Tree Cemetery near Green Grass. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Runtento Olivia Garcia-Muchena

PINE RIDGE - Runtendo Olivia Garcia-Muchena, infant, Pine Ridge, died Sunday, Aug. 6, in Pine Ridge. Survivors include father, Shengai Muchena, Scottsbluff, Neb.; mother, Cassandra Garcia, Pine Ridge; one brother, Jesse Cruz, Pine Ridge; four sisters, Faro Muchena, Silvina Cruz, Jazmine Cruz, and Alyssa Cruz, all of Pine Ridge; maternal grandparents, David and Linda Garcia of Pine Ridge; and paternal grandparents, Olivia and Samuel Muchena, Zimbabwe. Graveside services were Aug. 11, at Red Feather Family Cemetery at Cheyenne Creek with Charles McGaa officiating.

LEGALS

Shannon County School Board Box 109 Batesland, S.D. 57716

NOTICE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

For Red Shirt School Bituminous Overlay Project

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
The Shannon County School District, herein called the Owner, of the City of Batesland, Shannon County, State of South Dakota, will receive sealed bids for Red Shirt School Bituminous Overlay Project, Red Shirt , South Dakota, until 2:00 P.M., MST on the 21 day of August, 2006 , at the New Red Shirt School, Red Shirt, South Dakota, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read.

The Contract scope consists of: A Single Contract will be awarded for General Construction Work. Indian preference will be enforced according to Oglala Sioux Tribe Procurement Requirements and TERO Regulations.
All bids shall be made in accordance with forms referenced to and/or made a part of the proposed contract documents. Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed to Shannon County School District. Bid envelopes shall be clearly marked on the outside lower left corner correponding Red Shirt School Bituminous Overlay Project. Full responsibility for the delivery of mailed bids prior to the deadline for receiving bids rests with the bidder.

Although not a requirement, it is advisable that the contractor inspects the project site to familiarize himself with the site and cooresponding site preparations requirements prior to the bid opening.

Contract documents, including bid proposal forms, drawings and Project Manuals, have been placed on file and may be examined and obtained at the office of Professional Land Art Associates, 2219 7th Avenue, Rapid City, South Dakota 57702, phone (605) 343-2151 and fax (605) 348-1053.

Each Prime Contractor will be issued one complete set of documents for preparing his bid for a REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT of $50.00 for correponding Red Shirt School Bituminous Overlay Project shipping costs $10.00 (ground) or $25.00 (next day air). The plan deposit will be refunded upon returning such set in good unmarked condition within 14 days after the bid opening. Additional sets of documents for prime contractors and all sets for subcontractors and material suppliers may be purchased by nonrefundable costs of reproduction from the A/E.

Each bidder must deposit bid security with the bid, payable to Shannon County School District and shall be one of the following:

1. Certified check, cashier's check or draft drawn on a State or National Bank in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bidders base bid including add alternates.
2. Bid Bond, prepared on AIA Form A310, issued by a Surety authorized to do business in the State where the project is located and acceptable to the Owner in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bidders base bid including add alternates.

The successful bidder shall be required to furnish a contract performance bond and a labor and materials payment bond in the penal amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price as originally bid or subsequently modified.

No bidder may withdraw a bid until 30 days after the bid opening, without a written request explaining the cause for the withdrawal and without a written consent of the Owner after reviewing the cause.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids or parts thereof, and to waive any irregularities of any bid.
The Owner also reserves the right to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder as may be determined by the Owner.

Shannon County School Board Box 109 Batesland, S.D. 57716

Notice to Bidders Gasoline Diesel

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Shannon County School Board in the administrative office building, Batesland, South Dakota, until 2:00 p.m., August 25, 2006, for gasoline and #1 & #2 grade diesel fuel to be supplied and delivered for a one-year period, to public schools which are located at Batesland, Rockyford, Red Shirt, and Wolf Creek Schools, as designated by the school board.

The bids will be made public at the regular board meeting on Monday, August 28, 2006 at Red Shirt School, at 5:00 p.m.

The successful bidder shall have the responsibility of:

1) Supplying necessary gasoline and/or diesel fuel for school buses and school vehicles operated by the Shannon County School District. Delivery of unleaded gasoline and diesel fuel to Wolf Creek, Rockyford, Batesland and Red Shirt Schools storage facilities. The supply period is to be from Sept. 1, 2006 through Aug. 31, 2006.

The bids should be based on pricing for the date of August 25, 2006 and should specify pricing details (i.e.) tank wagon price, discount and taxes which may apply. Bids should be detailed so that the cost to the district from all bidders can be readily compared. Bidder should include documentation of current cost to them from their supplier at the time the bid is submitted. Bidder should also include whether their bid price is firm throughout the year, or a statement that any increase or decrease in the price of gasoline or diesel fuel to the school district after the bid letting on August 28, 2006 will be substantiated by a letter from the bidder's supplier stating that the price has increased by the amount that the bidder is passing on to the school district.

Bids must be sealed and marked "gasoline bid" in the lower left-hand corner of the envelope and be addressed to the Shannon County School Board, Attn: Myron Pourier, P.O. box 109, Batesland, South Dakota, 57716.

The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids or waive any irregularities therein.

Shannon County School Board Box 109 Batesland, S.D. 57716

Notice to Bidders Propane

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Shannon County School Board in the administrative office building, Batesland, South Dakota, until Friday, 2:00 p.m., August 25, 2006, for propane gas to be supplied and delivered to Shannon County public schools for a one-year period. The bids shall be made public at the regular board meeting on Monday, August 28, 2006 at the Red Shirt School, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

The school district owns bulk tanks which allows the district to accept transport loads at the three major school sites. (This bid will be for filling the small tanks located throughout the district, not the bulk, tanks.) schools are located at Batesland, Rockyford, Red Shirt, Wolf Creek and to teacherages, as designated by the school board, and also, one Title I Unit each at O.L.L. and Red Cloud.

The successful bidder must keep the tanks at a safe operating level, contacting the school district's Trans-portation & Facility management Director before filling. The term of this bid shall be Sept. 1, 2006 and terminate on Aug. 31, 2007.

The bids should be based on pricing for the date of August 25, 2006 and should specify pricing details (i.e.) tank wagon price, discount and taxes which may apply. Bids should be detailed so that the cost to the district from all bidders can be readily compared. Bidder should include documentation of current cost to them from their supplier, whether the bid price is firm throughout the year, and a statement that any increase or decrease in the price of propane to the school district after the bid letting on August 28, 2006, will be substantiated by a letter from the bidder's supplier, stating that the price has increased by the amount that the bidder is passing on to the school district.

You are reminded that, depending on your status as a supplier, you may be required to pay a 2% tax to the TERO (Tribal Employment Rights Office) located in Pine Ridge, SD Ph: (605)867-5167, for doing business on the reservation.

Bids should be submitted on forms provided by Shannon County School District, must be sealed and marked "propane bid" in the lower left-hand corner of the envelope and addressed to the Shannon Country School Board, Attn: Myron Pourier, P.O. box 109, Batesland, South Dakota, 57716. For additional information or to obtain a copy of the form, please call (605)288-1921.

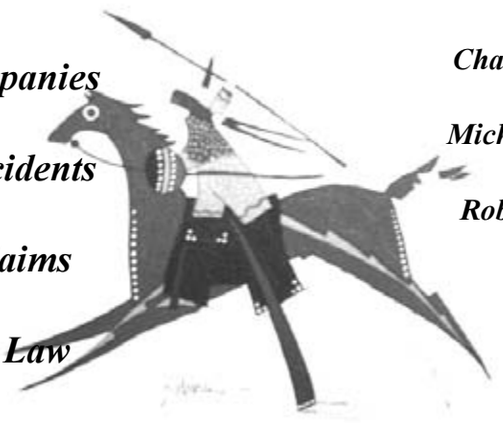
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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Tribal Land Enterprise of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe in Rosebud, SD is seeking a motivated individual for the overall management responsibility for its land Program. To manage, direct and lead their Land Acquisition/Assignment, Leasing, Certificate, and Finance Departments will be a primary part of the Executive Directors duties. The position has responsibility for all purchases of Trust and Fee land as well as the management and leasing of the land to farmers and ranchers. The Executive Director reports directly to the Tribal Land Enterprise Board of Directors. The position is also charged with directing the office staff (10-12), dealing with Tribal programs, government agencies plus external firms. Salary is competitive and dependent on education and experience. Indian preference will be used. Interested applicants should submit their resume to:

TLE Board of Directors
PO Box 159
Rosebud, SD 57570
FAX: 605-747-2400
For questions call 605-747-2371.
Closing date will be September 15, 2006

Little Wound School

Kyle, South Dakota

JOB VACANCIES
(08-08-06)

The Little Wound School Board is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2006-2007 school term:

High School Dept.
Social Studies Teacher
LSAPP Assistant
English Teacher

Middle School Dept.

Elementary Dept.
P.E. Teacher

$1,000 Sign On Bonus to all new certified teachers!

OTHER DEPARTMENTS

LSAPP Director (Part-time)

Extra-duty positions Open until filled (21)

High School: 1)Freshmen Boys Bball Coach 2)Freshmen Girls Bball Coach 3)Girls Bball Cheerleading 4)Boys Golf Asst. 5)Wrestling Asst. 6)Yearbook Sponsor 7)Yearbook Sponsor

Middle School: 8)Boys Bball Cheerleading sponsor 9)Girls Bball Cheerleading Sponsor 10)Wrestling Coach 11)C Team Volleyball Coach 12)Hand game Sponsor 13)Head Football Coach 14) Head Basketball Coach 15) Head Track Coach

Elementary: 16) Wrestling Coach 17)Wrestling Asst. 18)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 19)K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 20) K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 21)Handgame Sponsor.

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a completed LWS employment application to: Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD-214 to claim Veteran's preference, official college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials.

For more information, call: (605) 455-6179 or 455-6178.
www.lws.k12.sd.us

>>> NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS <<<

It is the policy of the Little Wound School to provide an alcohol and drug-free workplace. All appointments for employment are contingent upon receipt of a verified negative drug test through pre-employment drug testing, receipt of a favorable background investigation and the availability of federal funds. The legal policy of Indian preference will be followed to qualified applicants. Veteran's preference shall be applied to qualified Veteran applicants.

www.lws.k12.sd.us

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing

P.O. Box 603 - East Hwy. 18 - Pine Ridge, SD 57770

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Project Manager- Development Office
Contracting Officer- Administrative Office
Opening Date: August 9, 2006 Closing Date: August 22, 2006
Salary As Budgeted

- How To Apply -

Submit a completed Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing employment application to the Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Office.

Attach all pertinent documents, Blood Degree if claiming Indian Preference, Veterans Discharge DD214, High School or GED Diploma, College Transcripts, College Diploma, Reference Letters, Licenses or Certifications and State Driver's License.

Resumes that are to accompany the employment application must have addresses and telephone numbers of past and present employers. All information submitted will be verified.

Will be required to take the drug and alcohol test. Selection for the position will be contingent upon a negative test result. Applicant is subject to Background Investigation. Expenses are at the applications costs. No late or incomplete application will be accepted.

For position description and additional information please contact the Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing Human Resources Office at (605)867-5161, ext. 104 or ext. 136.

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To My Son LaDanza Kwynn Happy 17th Birthday on 8-10-06. I love you & I'm always proud of you & your accomplishments. You're my number #1SK8ER-BOY, from your Mom Ruth Henry

To our brother LaDanza-Just letting you know that we love you and appreciate everything you do for us-Happy Birthday Danza!! Love Always your Brothers & Sisters in slim Buttes. P.S. Always know that you're the Best and greatest Sk8Boarder On the REZ and in our eyes you're a '10'

**Good Luck !!
to Cadet Ramon Marrufo at FLETC Training Academy in Artesia,NM
I love you and miss you
Hattie**

I would like to say I love all my kids and I hope life is good to them, I am also very happy for my baby Roy Damien Lafferty who was born May 11, 2000. He is now 6 and in 1st grade. Lots of love, your mother Cherry Cottier.

Happy 11th birthday to Mathew Lee Tallman and have a great school year in the 6th grade. coming from: Your Mom & Dad and Lil brother Billy Jo.

**Happy Birthday to the Best Mom in the world!!!
Isabelle Gaddie
Love you Waylon, Helene, Jay, Pia & Eve**

Happy 2nd Birthday to my Baby Girl Sylvia Dawn Morrison on Aug. 18, 2006. I love you with all my heart. From your mommy White Dove & baby sister Aroha K.

Happy B'day Dad, Grandpa Cleveland Tail. Hope you have fun on your day because we wanted to tell you how much we love you. Take care, call us sometime. From your daughter Pearl and grand kids Alvana & Ohitkja L.W.M Son-in-law

Happy Birthday LaDanza Kwynn on August 10th We may be miles apart but you're still thought of!! We love you Lil Brother coming from your older Brother & sisters Out West, Duran, Jan, Steph, Beth, Tasha, Cherry Ivy & June Bug.



Colton Gotheridge
Congratulations!

Happy 2nd Birthday on Aug. 5 to Rosalyn Brown Bull with lots & lots of LOVE coming from Grandma Mona, Sara, Eric, June, & Rylan & Aidan, Faye & JD. We Love you. Baby Girl

Happy "Belated" Birthday Nakina Ann, Yellow Hair, we want to wish you a Happy Birthday, "Belated", however enjoy the year to come!Love you, Ate Guss/Sister Tianna, Baby Josh & Arlan D.

**Good Dad
Thank you for being a good Dad
From: Nalhina, baby Josh, Baby Arlen and Tianna Yellow Yair**

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3. Nurse (part-time)
4. Head Cook-Cooking Certification preferred.
5. On-Call SUBs (Minumum High School GED ,College credit Preferred but not required)
6. Boy's Basketball Coach
7. Boy's BB Assist. Coach
8. Girl's Basketball Coach
9. Girl's BB Assist. Coach
10. Girl's Volleyball Coach
11. Girl's VB Assist Coach
12. Cross Country Coach
13. CC Assist. Coach

Correction: Donna Lehman will not be teaching at American Horse School for the 2006-07 school year.

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: OPEN UNTIL FILLED

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL POSITIONS IS A HIIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR GED

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APPLICATION PROCEDURES:
THE PERSONNEL OFFICE MUST RECEIVE APPLICATIONS WITH **ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS** MUST BE ATTACHED. MISSING DOCUMENTATION WILL NOT BE REQUESTED FROM AN APPLICANT. APPLICATIONS BECOME PART OF ANNOUNCEMENT FILE AND WILL NOT BE DUPLICATED AND/OR RETURNED TO THE APPLICANT.

Please call the Personnel Office for further details and requirements on jobs.

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Due to the high fire danger and drought conditions which presently exist on the Rosebud Reservation, the Rosebud Agency and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe have decalared a **"BAN ON OPEN BURNING"** for the entire Rosebud Reservation. **THIS BAN IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

At no time is anyone allowed to start a campfire or have any sort of open flame in any area other than those designated in the park area. Tribal Game Wardens and the Police officers will be patrolling and will take action against any individual violators of this ban.

If it is determined that a wildfire occurred due to an open fire. the individual who ignited the fire will be billed the entire cost of the suppression of this wildland fire. Violators of this ban will be prosecuted to the fullest extent possible.

**TO REPORT A FIRE:
CALL: 911**

TO REPORT VIOLATORS, PLEASE CALL :

**FRANK VANDERWALKER OR
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605-747-2289 OR
CHARLES RED CROW,
POLICE CHIEF
AT 605-208-3880.**

Please cooperate with the BAN in order to keep everyone safe from fire and loss of property.

If you have any questions or require further information, please call:
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ACTING FIRE MANAGEMENT OFFICE
605-747-2700**
Or stop in at the Office located in Rosebud, SD

Approved: *Elton Hawk Wing Acting Superintendent*	**Approved** *Rodney M. Bordeaux President-Rosebud Sioux Tribe*

End Of Anniversary Week

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James Bordeaux ~ 7:30 pm - 8:00 pm
Javier Alegree ~ 8:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Annisa Bordeaux ~ 8:30 pm - 9:00 pm

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Above: Manitula Brave, from St. Francis has been dancing since she was 3, she is 8 years old now) She is currently running for Little Miss Rosebud. Below: Waki Little Thunder from Parmelee.

Nine take out petitions for OST presidency

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - PINE RIDGE - In a flurry of activity, the OST council met two days last week in Allen, two days this week in Pine Ridge and a day at the casino; running parallel to the council activity are the activities of the election board in coordinating the 2006 OST election.

Halfway through the petition process, nine tribal members have taken petitions out for tribal president including current president Alex White Plume, current vice president Eileen Janis, past vice president Dennis King, current tribal attorney George Patton and first term council representative Will Peters from Pine Ridge who chairs the education committee. Denver American Horse, Larry Swalley, Gary Lays Bad and Joyce Sun Bear have also taken out petitions for president.

Wayne Weston, Frederick Cedar Face and William Shorty Brewer have taken petitions out for vice president while Lisa Adams is the only person taking out a petition for chief judge.

As of Wednesday afternoon, a total of 18 candidates had taken petitions out for council representative in Pine Ridge Village including Fred Brown, Lena Hart, Doug Bissonette, Jerry Bordeaux, Peggy Mousseau, Carol Crazy Thunder O'Rourke, Gerald Big Crow, Don Garnier, Leon Matthews, Nakina Mills, Gary Janis, Irving Provost, Ella John Carlow, Robert Palmier, Michelle Tyon, Lawrence Eagle Bull, John Mousseau

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Council selects Twiss for chief of police

Grazing ordinance defeated again, Class II gaming regs accepted

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE/ALLEN - "You know, I don't expect to get selected," said James Twiss, a candidate for the chief of police position, "I don't play politics, I don't care who you are or whose son or daughter broke the law, I want to apply the law fairly to everyone."

On Monday, the Oglala Sioux tribal council listened to seven applicants for the vacant chief of police position for the Oglala Sioux Department of Public and after two rounds of balloting, selected James Twiss as the new chief of police. Twiss served in an acting capacity earlier this year and now has the position on a permanent basis with an evaluation scheduled after the first year.

The selection of Twiss hopefully clears the air around public safety; the council originally interviewed 10 applicants for the position on July 13 and selected Darla Black as the chief and Hermus John Mousseau as the alternate. Due to a problem with Black's background investigation, Mousseau was made the acting chief. In late July, the council rescinded the choice of both Black and Mousseau and re-advertised the position.

In addition to Twiss, Mousseau, Milton Bianis, Stanley Star Comes Out, Pat Mills, Stanley Little White Man, Grace Her Many Horses and Wilmer Buzz Youngman, Jr applied and participated in the interview process. Eugenio White Hawk and Marvin Afraid of Bear applied but did not come for the interview.

Each council representative had two votes in the first go around - Little White Man, Her Many Horses and Twiss received five votes each, Mills and Bianis tallied four each, Star Comes Out and Mousseau finished with two and Young Man one. The council took the top three for the second round in which Twiss received nine while Her Many Horses and Little White Man got three each.

"My top priority is getting more certified officers out on the street," said Twiss as he was being interviewed by the 15 council representatives in attendance at the council meeting on Monday in the council chambers of the Red Cloud building in Pine Ridge; "we need to have somewhere between 100 and 150 officers, right now we have 69 and we need to work at increasing salaries and benefits, today an officer goes through training at Artesia, comes back works for a while and then takes a job somewhere else where he gets higher pay and better benefits."

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Swift Bear/Horse Creek Traditional powwow held



WHITE RIVER - The Swift Bear and Horse Creek communities held their annual traditional community powwow on Aug.18-20 with five sessions beginning with a grand entry on Friday. A road run was sponsored by the Diabetes Prevention Program and apparently it attracted many partipants.

Lincoln Black Elk served as the powwow chairman,

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Lakota mother seeks to educate public about dangers of attack dogs

PINE RIDGE - On July 25, the Oglala Sioux tribal council unanimously passed ordinance 06-16 prohibiting individuals residing on the Pine Ridge from owning any unaltered or part-mix attack dogs, including pit bulls, rottweillers, and Doberman pinschers. If the dogs they do own bite, chase or attack an individual, the owner shall receive a criminal sentence not to exceed one year or a criminal fine not to exceed $5,000 or both.

The ordinance which established "Braedon's Law" makes reference to the OST law and order code which requires dogs to be kept on a leash or muzzled and not allowed to run free in the streets. The ordinance also specifies the dimensions for shelter-



Braedon after being attacked by a Pit Bull north of Sharp's Corner. This photo was after his first emergency surgery to clean his wounds at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

ing dogs that also takes into consideration protection from the elements.

During the council meeting, Ellen Fills Pipe and her son, Braedon Rodriguez presented emotional testimony for passage of the ordinance. Braedon was attacked by a pregnant Pit Bull while riding his four-wheeler in a field north of Sharp's Corner in 2003. A second male Pit Bull then joined in and began to maul him. Braedon required 200 stitches after he was ripped and bleeding from his head, shoulders, and back. It also took several surgeries over the last three years to repair the damage. Nothing ever happened to the owners at that time and prompted the efforts of

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OST council update: Twiss

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Twiss brings 17 years in law enforcement to the job, he started as a patrolman in Wounded Knee and Oglala, he became a sergeant in Wounded Knee then spent five years as a tribal ranger and returned to public safety to serve as captain for three years then went to the BIA as a chief of police for the Eastern Nevada agency in Owyhee, Nev. Returning to Pine Ridge after 11 months, Twiss served again as a patrolman, a sergeant and a lieutenant before serving as acting chief for 43 days early this spring. Twiss is 39, married to Mona Bush and has five children.

No one seems to have a definite figure but there have been at least 11 different police chiefs in the last ten years. In 1996, John Steele, OST president set in motion a restructuring of public safety with a review committee that included 50 people from the community and public safety, a committee representing all facets of the community. After a review and restructuring, Everett Little White Man was selected by the council to head up the new public safety in 1997. Little White Man was suspended in 1999 and since then public safety has seen Glen Gibbons, Stanley Star Comes Out, Milton Bianis, Marvin Badwound, Ron Duke, James Two Bulls, James Twiss and John Mousseau serve in the position.

"Public Safety craves stability, we need it, the lack of it affects everything," said Twiss, "during my three years as captain from 2000 through 2003 we had nine different police chiefs; the lack of stability affects morale out in the field and here at central, officers sometimes do not even want to come to work much less work at doing the best job possible."

The council met last in Allen and took a number of actions including: voted 11-1 to require all chartered organizations to have a qualified internal auditor to ensure that tribal and federal regulations are followed, voted 9-3 to require a forensic audit of the Oglala Sioux Lakota Housing to ensure compliance with both tribal and federal regulations, voted 13-0 with one not voting to ask that Nancy Davis be transferred out of the Aberdeen Indian Health Service regional office or that she be prohibited from working on any health care related matter concerning the Oglala Sioux Tribe and the health care facilities or clinics on Pine Ridge Reservation;

Voted 15-0 to honor Johnson Holy Rock and Rhonda Two Eagle for their dedication and strong leadership role to improve and satisfy the housing needs of the membership of the Oglala Sioux Tribe; 15-0 to give them both a tribal flag and a star quilt.

Also in Allen the council voted two for and 11 against a new grazing ordinance proposed by Ruth Brown and the land committee; voted 11-4 to advertise the executive director position after appeal process is completed and that a masters degree is required; 15-0 supporting the financing, acquisition, construction and completion of a nursing home for Pine Ridge Reservation; voted 10-2 authorizing a timber permit policy statement ordinance; voted 12-2 with one not voting to put Austin Watkins on the land committee; voted 13-0 with two not voting to rescind the action taken by the council on May 31 that put seven terminated public safety employees on suspension with pay until an appeals hearing and put it in the hands of the chief of police and voted 12-1 to approve the Class II gaming regulations.

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as well as the arena director. He said, "It was one of our biggest powwows, yet. We served 500-600 people during meals. In the past we had 3-4 drums and this year we had 11. Half of the drum groups were from the Pine Ridge reservation.

Three specials were held, including one for tiny tots, a men's fancy shawl dance and a rabbit dance special. Some of the drum groups in attendance included, Red Leaf, Eagle Voice, Charging Horse, Eagle Nest, Porcupine, Lecala Wakan, and Cheyenne Creek of Oglala.

There was no royalty contest for the pow-wow, however, there were a number of royalty who attended. Francis Morrison of Norris was the emcee for the event. Black Elk explained that Morrison was tempted to tell Oglala jokes but had to restrain himself.

Black Elk said that he would like to extend his appreciation to the dancers, singers and families involved. The pow-wow was supported by donations from several RST programs, however, more donations are needed in order to pay some of the drums who participated.

The pow-wow season on the northern plains is winding down with the annual Rosebud Fair and Rodeo this weekend in Rosebud, and concluding with the United Tribes and Technical College in Bismarck in early September.

Assault on Braedon

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Braedon's family to support the legislation.

It was a nightmare for Fills Pipe when her other son was attacked recently and the family had to relive the horror of seeing another family member hurt.

Fills Pipe said, "Just two weeks ago, my four year old son was bitten by a Pit Bull on a school campus. He, along with his cousins, were sitting on the porch and he had just walked into the yard when the Pit Bull came out of the darkness and went for my baby."

She said that in recent years, there seems to be an increase in the number of such attack dogs because society sees it as cool to own one. The outside influence is due to television and music which portrays such ownership as being in. The dogs look cute when they are puppies and they look harmless, but the owners fail to educate themselves on the genetic makeup of the animals.

In Braedon's case, Fill Pipe noted that the OST Attorney General's office has not filed any kind of charges on behalf of her son, although their office has had the charges in their possession since a week after Braedon was released from the Rapid City Regional Hospital in August 2003.

She said that she was told that the statute of limitations has expired even though the Attorney General's office had the complaints the entire time.

In her other son's case, he received puncture wounds in his calf and behind the knee. Fortunately, the dog was current on his vaccinations and her son did not have to undergo any rabies shots. The owner agreed to move the dog out of the country, and if they do not "Braedon's Law" goes into effect on August 24 according to Fill Pipe. The owners will have to move the dog off the reservation or be charged with criminal violation of the ordinance.

Fill Pipe is working to educate the public about the dangers of vicious attack dogs by telling the story of her children's anguish. They were simply doing what all children do when they wish to play outside, yet, they were the victims of attack dogs which should have properly restrained by their owners. The owners were not charged with any criminal violations; however, the new ordinance will seek to rectify future criminal violations.

Apparently, the OST council has discussed the full ramifications of OST ordinance 06-16. Such things as its enforcement, funding, and related preparations were discussed and the ordinance will be in effect on Aug. 24 which is 30 days from the original legislation.

The following testimony was given to the Oglala Sioux Tribal council on July 25 and is published below partially.

Good Afternoon, Mr. President, Madame Secretary, Ladies and Gentlemen of the Council. My name is Ellen Fillspipe and I come from the Two Bulls-Broken Nose-Bad Heart Bull Tiyospayes of Oglala. My children are a part of the Jumping Eagle-Looks Twice Tiyospaye's of Manderson.

On July 29, 2003, my son Braedon Rodriguez, then 5 years of age, was out visiting his paternal grandparents in Sharps Corner. He had been helping the children next door run the horses in. Then, the four-wheeler he had been riding on the back of, ran out of gas.

While waiting for the other child to get help and gas, Braedon was pulled off the four-wheeler by a pregnant female pit bull and was mauled. She was joined by a male pit bull, both of which had been allowed to roam free on several properties.

An adult in the house, noticed what was happening and attempted to pull the dogs off of Braedon. When she couldn't, she ran to get her brother, the owner of the pregnant female Pit Bull.

They tried using their hands and shovels and sticks to beat the dogs off, but could not pull the dogs off. Finally, they got the dogs off and called for the police and an ambulance and Braedon was taken back to his grandparents next door.

The first officer on-scene, relayed Braedon to meet the ambulance. His face and head mangled from the dogs. He also had wounds to his arm, entire backside, and his legs; he also had puncture wounds on each side of his windpipe. His entire body was covered in blood and mud; he was almost unrecognizable to those who know him.

Braedon was stabilized, cleaned up and transferred to Rapid City Regional Hospital, in Rapid City. He had to undergo two emergency surgeries that resulted in over 200 stitches to his head, face, arm and the doctor's reattached both ears. He was in Regional for over a week. Luckily, the injuries to his right eye and ears did not leave any lasting effects.

Upon awakening from the first emergency surgery, Braedon asked if the dogs had been killed yet; when he was told no, he asked for help "to do something so that no other little kid like me gets hurt".

Due to the owner of the female Pit Bull not being able to prove his dog had updated vaccinations, Braedon had to undergo the seven shot Rabies Series. Two of the series were put directly into each wound during the emergency surgeries. The other five left him unable to walk for a day and a half each time because they were so painful.

He has since had eight reconstructive surgeries and will undergo at least five more surgeries before the age of 11. As a result of the attacks, he still attends therapy twice a week.

After he was released from the hospital, Braedon, still heavily bandaged and on pain medication, his eyes almost swollen shut, insisted he come with me to the OST Attorney General's Office to file the complaints. Statements were filed along with pictures of what Braedon had survived and we even provided research, using the OST Law & Order Code, of other possible charges that could be filed against the dog owners.

To this day, no one has been formally charged. The complaints have been in the OST Attorney General's Office since the second week of August 2003. I checked monthly to see if any warrants had been issued. We have gone through two attorney generals and still nothing. Now the statute of limitations has run out….and nothing was ever done by the OST Attorney General's office.

We have been ridiculed by the dog owners, saying, "why are they making a big deal…it was just a little dog bite"? Not once did the dog owners call to see how he was doing or offer any support of any kind. Nor did they offer any apology. Did Braedon have to die in order for someone to do their job? For someone to accept responsibility for what had happened to my five year old child?

Braedon's medical & therapy bills now total over more than $250,000. Thanks to Medicaid, his bills have all been paid. But what happens when we no longer qualify for Medicaid? My son and our family live with this every day, trying to help him deal with all his fears, his nightmares, the pain and re-living the attack after every surgery, the pain he suffers when he grows and his skin doesn't stretch because of all the scars.

Is it the lack of funding for more animal control employees? Is it keeping the number our pet population down? Is it the lack of educating our officers in the OST Law & Order Code and the Animal Code? I asked the current OST Attorney General to show us where the system failed my son, so we can correct it, so another family doesn't have to go through this the way we did. Is it us, as humans, not providing the care and attention that our animals need? Did you know that even a change in your animals eating habits, whether it is a change in the type or amount of food it receives, can cause any animal to become vicious?

This is what he has wanted to do for the past three years….to make sure that nobody ever got hurt the way he did. I can only hope you understand the seriousness of this issue. And I hope you can help make his dream a reality by banning Pit Bulls, Rottweilers, and Doberman Pinschers from this entire reservation. Thank you.

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and Richard Bark.

Wakpamni candidates include Tom Conroy, Kim Killer, Richard Mousseau, Joann Sierra, Vienna Red Feather, Charles Pourier, Sandra Two Lance, Walt Big Crow, Tammy Hunts Horse and Lonnie Bettelyoun.

Oglala/Whiteclay candidates include Frank Two Bulls Sr., Deb Mousseau, Valerie Janis, Darlene Helper, Will Garnier, Wendell Youngman, Jason Jake Little, Gerald One Feather and Jackson Ten Fingers.

Porcupine includes Bridget Mills, Randy Lays Bad, Philip Good Crow, David Pourier, Bernard White Face, Marlin Moon Weston and Harvey Iron Boy.

Wounded Knee candidates include: Eldon Forney, Garfield Apple, Garfield Steele, Jeanette Eagle Hawk, Melvin Adams and Kathy Janis.

Additional candidates taking out petitions include for Pass Creek-Lydia Bear Killer, Ron Duke and Clarence Yellow Hawk; for Eagle Nest-Billy Amiotte, Jim Meeks, Phylis Wilcox, Tom Poor Bear, Edward Randall and Bruce Brown; for Medicine Root-Daryl Mesteth, Carrie Romero and Austin Watkins and for LaCreek-Mary Poor Thunder, Kim Clausen and Craig Dillon.

The deadline for petitions is Tuesday, Aug. 29 at 5 p.m. One change, potential candidates now do not have to come up with a third money order of $26 for the federal background check.

The primary election is set for Tuesday, Oct. 3 with the general set for Tuesday Nov. 7. This will be only the second time the tribal membership have voted for a chief judge. The constitution was changed in 1997 that required a vote of the membership for chief judge. Patrick Lee defeated Diane Zephier in the first election in 1998. In 2002 there was only one candidate and Cheryl Three Stars ended up as the chief judge.

Two presidents have been removed in the last seven years; in 2000 the council suspended Harold Salway and never scheduled a hearing, Wilbur between Lodges served out his term and in 2006, Cecelia Fire thunder was impeached and Alex White Plume is serving out the term.

Fire Thunder's appeal to supreme court denied

PINE RIDGE - "It is clear that this court does not have jurisdiction to entertain a Writ of Mandamus - although we may be sympathetic to the Plaintiff's/Appellant's cause for a speedy hearing on the issues, this court does not have jurisdiction" said the decision handed down Monday, Aug. 14th, by the Supreme Court of the Oglala Lakota Nation in response to Cecelia Fire Thunder's request to reinstate the temporary restraining order issued by the lower court that reinstated her to the position of president pending a hearing to review the issues.

The court ordered adjudged and decreed that a Special Judge be appointed in order that Fire Thunder can have her complaint for a restraining order heard post haste.

Fire Thunder was suspended by the council on May 30th and impeached on June 29th. Fire thunder went to court citing the councils disregard for their own policies and procedures, in particular formally filing the complaint after she was suspended, not giving her the formal complaint with backup materials until the day of the hearing and impeaching her with less than a two thirds vote.

Lisa Adams, the chief judge originally granted Fire thunder a temporary restraining order and reinstated her to the president's position, later on that same day, she vacated all of the orders except the one setting up a hearing for July 28. Adams eventually recused herself and started the process to find a special judge, the hearing was postponed. At this time there is no special judge or hearing date set.

Fire Thunder has stated privately that she is going to run again for tribal president but has yet to take out a petition.

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Ms. Rosebud Pageant held during RST fair week

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

MISSION - Despite being a bit uncomfortable from the day's heat in the SGU multi-purpose building, the creativity and enthusiasm of the thirteen young Sicangu women competing for Sicangu royalty in the Ms. Rosebud Pageant was very much in evidence. The new Little Miss Rosebud, Ms. Teen Rosebud, and Ms. Rosebud will be presented on Friday after the grand entry.

The pageant coordinator was Shere Wright who is the current reigning Ms. He Sapa.

The activities began early in the day at 4:00 p.m. on August 21 and ran well into the evening. Contestants were awarded points if they were in full regalia. The judges for the annual event were Rosebud police chief, Charles Red Crow, Frances Gordon, Dixie Big Eagle, and Tina Martinez.

The agenda included a public speaking segment, a personal interview, dance competition and talent competition. The emcee during the talent competition portion of the evening was the 2005-06 Ms. Rosebud, Willow Marshall of Rosebud. Her parents are Harvey and Linda Marshall.

Tyler Makes Room For Them, 15, of Antelope community wore a beautiful white traditional dress with colorful horses. Her parents are Marty and Ophelia Makes Room For Them. She was competing for Ms. Teen Rosebud and during the talent competition she explained the history of the RST flag that was designed by Lloyd B. One Star, Sr. She said, "I want to represent the tribe and let them know we exist."

The girls competing for the title of Little Miss Rosebud included, JaKayla Hesse, Darian Quick Bear, Sydney Horse Looking, Manitula Brave, and Rhaya Big Crow. The Miss Teen Rosebud contestants included, Tyler Makes Room For Them, Olowan Win Bad Hand, Toni Tamayo, Brianne Herman, Mary Douville, Jamee Meclison, and Reann Kills In Water. The only contest for Ms. Rosebud was Simone Crow Good Voice.

Simone Marie Crow Good Voice, a senior at TCHS, is the daughter of Millie Crow Good Voice of Parmelee. She said, "After high school, I want to spend one year at SGU, and then transfer to USD. After that, I would like to study to be a pediatrician." Being the only contestant competing for the title of Ms. Rosebud, Simone will likely be crowned after the grand entry during the first evening session of the Rosebud Fair on Friday.

Brianne Herman of Antelope community is the daughter of Hattie Dunham and Bryan Herman. She is in the 10th grade at TCHS and appeared upbeat and positive about her chances of winning the title of Ms. Teen Rosebud. During the talent segment, Brianne explained her involvement in the Indigenous Games in Denver and he role with Team South Dakota. He showed off her jerseys, a jacket, trophies and beadwork.

During the talent competition, Toni Tamayo, a freshman at TCHS sang a hand drum song. Her parents are Mary and Steve of Rosebud. She said, "I am doing this for my grandma, Buelah Buckman of Council Bluffs, IA. She is originally from Milk's Camp." Toni was flashing a pleasant and hopeful smile as she was obviously proud to be a part of the festivities.

Olowan Win Bad Hand of Two Strike community sat outside prior to the competition with her father, Pat Bad Hand, of the prominent Red Leaf singers. She was practicing the Lakota National Anthem which had been authored by her grandfather Ellis Chips. Olowan Win's mother, Mary Bad Hand was also in attendance.

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September 1, 2006
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November 29, 2006
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December 6, 2006
Final Report is given to the Porcupine School Board of Directors.

December, 2006
New Board Members sworn in.

South Dakota ordered to comply with voting rights act

ST. LOUIS, Mo. - The American Civil Liberties Union on Aug. 22 welcomed a final federal appeals court decision affirming the redrawing of legislative district lines in South Dakota to ensure there is no discrimination against Native American voters.

The decision came in Bone Shirt v. Hazeltine, a case originally brought by the ACLU on behalf of four Native American voters in December 2001, after the South Dakota legislature redrew the boundaries of the state's 35 legislative districts.

"This is a victory for all South Dakotans because it reaffirms the importance of fairness at the ballot box, which benefits everyone, Indians and non-Indians alike, said Bryan Sells a staff attorney with the ACLU Voting Rights Project and lead counsel in the case.

Alfred Bone Shirt of St. Francis who was named in the original suit said, "The Lakota audience knows that there is racism in all facets in South Dakota. With their expertise, it painted the true nature of South Dakota in discriminating against Indians.., everyone of voting age should register to vote regardless of party and use the leverage that was accomplished by the ACLU. It will not take away from our sovereignty. "

A year ago, on August 19, 2005, U.S. District Judge Karen E. Schreier ordered South Dakota officials to implement a redistricting plan that was fair to Native American voters, but the state refused and appealed the decision. Schreier s ruling was upheld today in a unanimous 3-0 ruling by the Eighth Circuit in St. Louis.

"All voters want the integrity of their community preserved, not fractured, by redistricting. This decision will ensure that legislative districts in South Dakota keep communities together and will give Indian voters the opportunity to elect representatives of their choice. When citizens have confidence that their vote counts and that their voices will be heard, then democracy works better for everyone, said Sells.

The Eighth Circuit ruling in the Bone Shirt case is the second decision issued by the federal appeals court this year upholding the rights of Native American voters. In an earlier case, Cottier v. City of Martin, the court ruled in favor of Native Americans who claimed that the City of Martin had violated the Voting Rights Act and the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments by drawing city council districts that dilute Indian voting strength.

"This decision will give our Lakota people an opportunity to elect our candidate of choice to the state legislature, said Bone Shirt, a named plaintiff in the case. Discrimination against Indians has been part of South Dakota politics for so long that it is only through cases like this that we have been able see any positive change."

South Dakota is one of 16 states covered in whole or in part by Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act, which requires specific jurisdictions to get federal approval before making changes to their election laws and procedures.

In 2002, a three-judge court held that the state had failed to submit its 2001 redistricting plan to federal officials for pre-approval. The state then submitted the plan to the U.S. Department of Justice, which cleared it for implementation, but the ACLU said it was discriminatory nonetheless because it created a 90 percent supermajority of Indian voters by "packing" them into one district. Judge Schreier later agreed with this claim and in a lengthy 144-page opinion issued September 15, 2004, she gave the state an opportunity to fashion a new plan that did not discriminate against Indian voters. After the state refused to do so, the judge issued her August 19, 2005 remedial order that new lines be drawn to comply with the Voting Rights Act. It is this decision that was affirmed today.

"This decision clearly shows that Congress did the right thing last month when it voted to reauthorize the temporary provisions of the Voting Rights Act," said Sells.

Patrick Duffy of the Rapid City, South Dakota, law firm of Duffy and Duffy also served as counsel on the case.

Community Calendar

School/Sports Physicals
Pine Ridge on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 28 and 29 from 4-8 p.m.; in Manderson at the clinic on Wednesday, Aug. 30 from 3:30-7 p.m., in Porcupine on Thursday, Aug. 31; Tuesday, Sept. 5 in Pine Ridge from 4-8 p.m., Wednesday, Sept 6 in Manderson at the clinic from 3:30-7 p.m. and back in Porcupine on Thursday, Sept. 7 from 3:30-7 p.m.

OLC Fall Semester
Monday, Aug. 28 at all district college centers on Pine Ridge Reservation and the He Sapa Center in Rapid City, for info call your local college centers or 455-6000.

2006 OST Election timeframe
Petitions available Tuesday, Aug. 15 and due back by Tuesday, Aug. 29 for OST president, vice president, chief judge and council representatives.

Camp Laugh a Lot
Saturday-Monday, Aug. 26-28 for 8, 9 and 10 year olds from Manderson, Wounded Knee and outlying areas, free, camping at Stockade Lake in Custer State Park, leaving from WKDS parking lot at 9 a.m. on Saturday and returning late afternoon on Monday, call WKDS for information cll 455-6350.

Our Lady of Lourdes opening
Our Lady of Lourdes in Porcupine has a first day celebration on Monday, Aug. 28th from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and for info call 867-2801

Porcupine School opens
Porcupine School staff will be registering students throughout the month of August at the school Monday through Friday 8am to 4 p.m. - School begins Thursday, Aug. 31, for info call 455-6450.

Red Cloud School opens
Orientation for new incoming and transfer students on Monday, Aug. 28 and for returning students on Tuesday, Aug. 29

Job Fair
Wednesday, Aug. 30 from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Wounded Knee Community Center to take applications for the new Prairie Wind Casino and hotel.

Crazy Horse School
School begins Thursday, Aug. 31 in Wanblee, for information call 455-6800

2006 Fall Elk Drawing
Thursday, Aug. 31st at 10 a.m. coordinated by the Oglala Sioux Parks and Recreation authority, for information call 867-5428.

Pahin Sinte Labor Day Pow wow
Friday-Monday, Sept. 1-4 in Porcupine, for information call 867-5728.

Miss Indian Nations Pageant
Sept. 6-9 at the United tribes International Pow wow at the United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck.

United Tribes International Pow wow
Sept. 7-10 in Bismarck at the United Tribes Technical College.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
First meeting of the year to look at constitution, elect officers nd plan the year for school pow wows, Friday, Sept. 8 at Wolf Creek School with supper at 6pm and meeting at 7 p.m. for information call Mike at 867-5174.

Pine Ridge School Parent Orientation
On Thursday, August 24 at 5:00 in cafeteria.

Special Session-OST Council
Monday, Sept. 11 in Pine Ridge at the Red Cloud building.

20th Annual He Sapa Wacipi Na Oskate
Oct. 6-8 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City, championship pow wow, fine arts and games.

OPINION PAGE

Our views

We have the ink for the blueprint for successful economic development

The entrepreneurial spirit that goes into small business development in Lakota country or Lakol Oyanke needs to be erected one block at a time. Lakota-owned small business is probably the way of the future and most desirable in order to build a solid network of cafes, stores, and other creative ventures.

Not the kind that comes to town and quickly takes our money, and does not give back to the Lakota community. But one which is destined to stay, make a positive cultural impression and serve as a spring board, a demonstration project of sorts, and give back to the people.

The Lakota Oyate of the Tetowan have traditionally been entrepreneurs going back hundreds of thousands of years. Our ancestors bartered with each other and knew what it meant to network with other campfires.

We know this from the stores of food and agricultural items which have often been excavated by archeologist who should leave such things undisturbed.

And today that is still there in the small entrepreneurs we see dotted through Indian country with the vendors from along side the road, to the stands at the pow wows to the individuals who walked their crafts around to sell.

Undoubtedly, as time went by the Lakota branched out and roamed farther away from home and traded with other allies within the Oceti Sakowin or seven campfires. There is evidence that the Lakota went to Cherry Creek in Colorado during harvest time and picked cherries and other fruit.

Most likely they also gathered cherry saplings for use in ceremony and in kniknick which is a mixture of tobacco and cherry wood bark.

There are rumors that the Lakota traded for sea shells from the west coast and their contacts with southern tribes may have resulted in cooking utensils and some weaponry.

Obviously, they also traded pipestone and maybe even dried buffalo meat which would have plentiful.

The Lakota were a powerful nation and possessed resources that were supposed to keep us connected in a good way to Ina Makoce to use a term that Charmaine White Face might use. Those tremendous resources were in the form of the sacred he sapa and which was supposed to sustain our future generations.

We have moved on and adapted to the voice of a new generation. We still need the blueprint for successful economic development in Lakota country.

We need young voices and a new energy that will recognize that in order to survive without our Black Hills, we are going to have to create small business ventures that are uniquely our own, not someone who comes around and exploits the immediate needs of our people by selling fried foods that are too fattening or who fill our stores with soda pop and potato chips and other high fat foods which are not good for us.

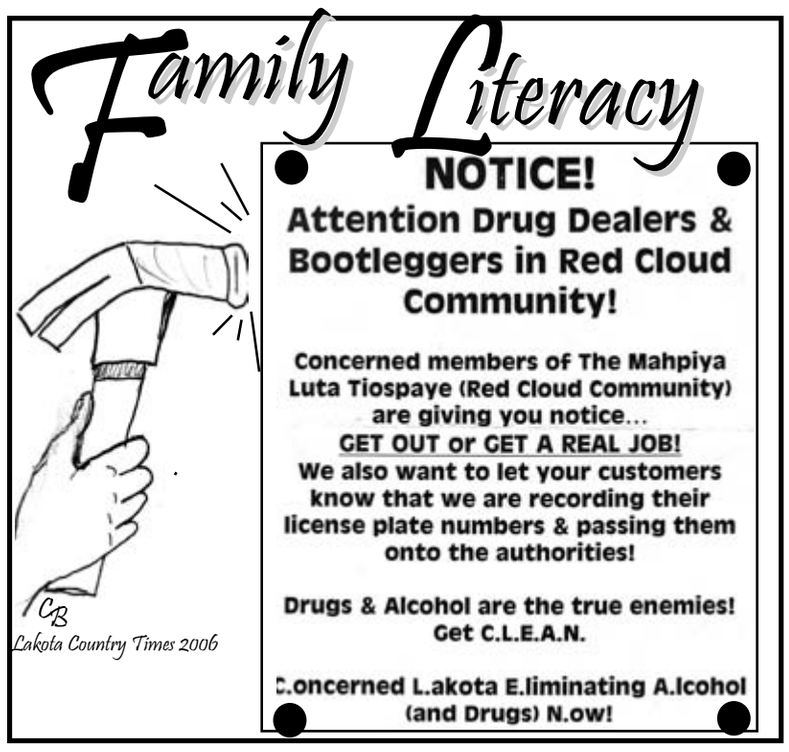
There is a strong foundation of being an entrepreneur in our communities and it takes commitment to make it fruitful.

Building strong communities

The editorial cartoon space depicts a flyer that was sent to the *Lakota Country Times* to be published.

It is from Red Cloud community members who want to take a stand against drug dealers in their communities.

If we want clean communities, community members taking a stand such as this flyer's message could make a difference.



The opinions expressed in Letters to the Editor and Opinion Pages are not necessarily that of the editor or staff of the Lakota Country Times.

Other Views

A Lakota language story

By Francis C. Apple

A' S'a KuWapi

Editor's Note*The following is an article written in Lakota and next week the English version will be publish.**

Oglala Oyate Ki Tohun hunniya Ki Makablu Wakpa Makoce Ki he Ouyanpi

1. Otokahe hehan He sapa Ki he cokota wasun otate eyapi ca hetan hinanpapi keyapi. Wasicu Ki Creation Story eyapi, he insya Oglala Ki he yahapi.
2. Wiyohpe yatakiya He Ska etan makablu wakpa (Powder River) eyapi .
3. Taku tonan ilaqyapi henna hel ikakicuya yukan keyapi. Tafanka ki maka iyena na watokca na wahut'kan henna 'pagmungya.
4. Lila Tanyan wico'un, wasicu ki tawicokaje siksice henna wanice.
5. Tatanks na tahca henna icehpi kagapi ca lehanl wicokaje ya desease eyapi ca Kte lenkayapi lenan wanice.
6. Hehanni nakun sunk yuhapi, sunk nuni eicakiyapi henna Tunkasila (The Creator) hel o'unye wicakiye ca henna wicayuwatecala;I na woilag wica yapi.
7. He sapa Ki he lila waken (sacred)Kilapi na'na liila ahokipapi.
8. Ho watohantu wan Ska wicasa (whiteman) Ki wamanu hiyankapi na takuni holapi sni.
9. Wowapi (Books) owapi na Lakota Oyate Ki insya wiyohiyampa tahan leci hiumpi keyapi ca He Sapa he tawapi sni Keyapi, eyas hece tu sni
10. Tau tonan un hecetu sni Ki he lila ota.
11. Ito, wanji unkablezapi kta iyececa ca he ohlakin kte.
12. Lehanl, Oglala unk'unpi ki tonan Hogan. Magaksica, Keya naims matugnan hecekce wicuntapi he.
13. Nankun, unki taoyate ki owakpamni ki gliyotakapi sni hanni Mn. Soso Missouri Riber Chaimber eyapi ki heciya Waniye'. Wanji Milahanska Ki ewicagnankapi.
14. Yukan Ota Hei iyoksicapi na wiconi ekikgnankapi ca henna heciyani maya ananowicaspapi ca heciyani hpayapi.
15. Maka Opaspe wan ble ota (Minnesota) eyapi heciyatan unkapi Keyapi, eyas hecetu sni

16. Lehanl Lakota Ki Ota hci ungnanyanpi canke hecun S'e wicotawacin wan yahapi.
17. Ho, tukfuman wicakeyalapi Kta he?
18. Wasicu ta wowapi henna htalehan Kesece hehan nankes owapi henna e nains hakol wico'oyake ya?

Oyakapi- Tuktuman wicake yalapi Kta he.

Things to empower yourself

Establishing healthy boundaries

"You don't have to attend every argument you are invited to."



By Patty Pourier

Quote from Hazelton Recovery Lecture.

Opportunities to align yourself with family against other family members, the workplace invitation to take inventory of co-workers faults, these situations are no win. I did not always know this. I grew up with dependant and co-dependant behaviors.

I still have them and have to continue to address them- daily. Knowing what is my business and what is not my business is a lesson in detachment I continue to repeat.

To realize that I do not have to participate in any argument unless I choose has been a healthy step to me in detachment.

Other people have to be responsible for their choices and the consequences of them, and I have to be responsible for my choices and their consequences.

A dysfunctional family creates the circle of chaos in which the centrifugal force keeps people captured in the whirlwind, like a tornado growing with strength.

Deciding to jump out of the circle of chaos is not an option without establishing healthy boundaries.

I had a counselor tell me that chaos is to a dysfunctional family like chocolate is to a chocoholic.

I think that describes the chaotic circle of dysfunction well.

When a family member does jump out of the circle of chaos, other family members are uncomfortable.

The old family dynamics are disturbed. There may be invitations to arguments that some family members no longer choose to attend. The urgency, the drive to have them join the familiar unhealthy circle can be very strong.

Healthy boundaries are just that "healthy." There are visible and invisible boundaries.

Boundaries start with the layer of our skin that creates the boundary for our bodies. Sexual abuse is a violation of this boundary.

Have you ever had someone get too close to you for your comfort when talking to you?

The boundary they violate is invisible, but is certainly there. It makes one uncomfortable to have your personal "space" violated.

The emotional boundaries in a dysfunctional family are usually unclear. They can be intertwined with each other. They can become like a ball of yarn, overlapping and mixed up. It starts out innocently enough.

We are born to a family unit. When children's needs are not met or their boundaries are violated (many times as a result of alcohol and drug abuse), unhealthy patterns develop.

As adults we are responsible for re-establishing healthy boundaries through the choices we make. One way to start is to choose not to enter into an argument when you are invited.

Being conscience of the choice is half the battle.

Then being aware that you may receive numerous invitations to join the argument may also be helpful in declining the invitations.

Unhealthy people can be very persuasive, and manipulative in their recruitment of allies for arguments.

The cunning ways is only limited to the hosts intelligence and imagination.

Just for today, I am choosing peace through creating healthy boundaries that will lead to serenity and love.

I may not be able to do it for a lifetime, but I can choose to concentrate on positive matters and give my energy to positive thoughts, today.

I can choose through healthy boundaries not to be used by others to support their co-dependant behaviors.

It is up to me.

Faith helps with struggles

Dear Editor:

When we go through the battles of life we struggle with it all and it seems like no one cares, but God cares. Here is God's word to help us along in life.

I am sorry for not writing another article for the paper, the last one was for Mothers Day and was going to write one for Fathers Day but too many things came up and I could not sit down and get it done.

I went through a time of rejoicing when three of my granddaughters graduated from high school and another who graduated from the eighth grade in May.

Then came a time of sorrow when my youngest daughter passed away the end of May. I had a time of healing and comfort and getting close to God at a camp meeting in June. Then a time of disappointment when my car quit and no money to get it fixed in July. But I did not tell anyone about no money to get it fixed.

Instead I took it to the Lord Jesus and told him all about it and asked for his help, then I waited. One month after my car quit the man who gave me the car called and said he heard that it quit and asked what happened? After I told him, he said he was praying about it ever since he heard and God wanted him to let me use of the cars he has and take mine home and get it fixed and bring it back to me and then take his car back. When I heard that, it was a time of praising the Lord, and thanking that man of God for listening and when God spoke, he heard. Because when I was praying I was telling the Lord I had no money to get my car fixed and wanted it fixed because it is a 4-wheel drive one that can handle these roads and I never had to walk home anymore when I got stuck.

When we are praying we never know how God is going to answer. He answers in his time not in ours, and sometimes he doesn't, and when that happens we need to pray and ask him what is in the way of our prayer not getting answered, maybe what we are praying for is not good for us or we need to ask for forgiveness from God and the one we wronged.

Here is God's warning for how we live. (Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with dissipation, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you unexpectedly like a trap. For it will come upon all those who live on the face of the whole earth.

Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the son of man.

Cecelia Spotted Bear
Wounded Knee, S.D.

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Northern Perspectives

The end of summer; assessing the impact of tourism



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

It feels like the incredibly rising gas prices may have cut into the tourist trade on the Rosebud reservation. I can imagine that is the case on Pine Ridge also. Other than the large groups of Christian and private school students coming to assist in many capacities, it generally appeared that the flow of traffic was less than previous years.

It will be interesting to see it anyone at the tribal tourism office is able to provide a snapshot of the actual impact that tourist may have had on the reservation.

There did not seem to be any tour buses at the Rosebud Casino in any large numbers. During May and June it was reported that casino gross profits were down and that may have been a trend for the region.

It will be equally as revealing to see what the state tourism trade may have experienced also in terms of visitors and their related spending for lodging, food, gas and incidentals. Much of this information will probably be forthcoming once Labor Day has gone by and such agencies are able to look back in hindsight and conduct an analysis of profit and loss in the industry.

On the Rosebud, some new small businesses popped up over the summer and they will likely increase local travel into Mission for services.

The Lighthouse on Main Street owned by Ray Stewart is a new computer service and sales store. A new laundry mat was opened across from the NAPA store called the Express Laundry and the new Family Dollar store, of course, was a big hit when it had its grand opening.

There is a new lumber yard and new Rosebud Log Home business opening also and more information will likely be available through advertisements about their business.

All in all, the addition of any new enterprise is good for Rosebud people.

It would be especially exciting to see some young Sicangu Lakota entrepreneurs take the lead and work hard to make that almighty dollar. There is such a need for the young to get into leadership roles whether in business, education, medicine, politics, or law.

The new hotel and café west of Kyle appears to be rather popular also. The Lakota Prairie Resort is a oasis on the prairie. We had lunch there and it is great to see such a quaint hotel and café. I always say that such places serve as great role models for young Lakota entrepreneurs who want to get their businesses off the ground.

The Alliance for Tribal Tourism Advocates in Rapid City could also provide a sense of how tourism panned out for them. They work with several reservations and may be able to assess how many tours and tour buses they may have arranged to visit any of the Lakota reservations in the state.

On the Rosebud, there are very few places to get a healthy and wholesome home cooked meal and that may be an area that some young entrepreneur may want to explore and conduct a feasibility study.

The service industry like restaurants, cafes, delicatessens and coffee shops are apparently difficult businesses to make it in as it takes hard work, commitment and relatively lean profits.

Places like the All Stop in Rosebud and the Antelope Country Inn in Mission are the only two places where one can experience a sit down meal. There is not what you would call a fine dining restaurant in the area where one can bring friends and family and spend a leisurely couple of hours in the evening at dinner time.

White folks call it dinner and Lakota and rural people call it supper. Speaking of food preparation, the Lakota call it "lolihan" and it refers to not only the gathering of foods for the meal but also the preparation of it.

Lakota people pray with food prior to eating like many other cultures as a way to give thanks for "tunkasila" for its sustenance. Often times, someone who is versed in Lakota will be given a plate of food which he will pray with and place in a private location for those who have gone to the spirit world beforehand. It is what makes Lakota people all the more unique.

There are plenty of places like the Ampride, Gus Stop and Buches in Mission, the Paul Mart in Rosebud and some of the smaller C-stores where one can purchase deep fried foods like chicken, fries, potato wedges, etc.

Such foods obviously have to be eaten in moderation as they are contributing to obesity and the potential for diabetes among Lakota people.

During the week, the Paul Mart is known for its excellent chili and other soups. The fried chicken is also delicious.

The All Stop in Rosebud offers home cooked lunch specials and attracts a significant working crowd. It also serves a full selection of other menu items.

Finally, 180 miles away from Sicangu Oyanke, on west North Street in Rapid City there is the new C.J's Tacos which is creating excitement and talk among those who want a traditional Lakota meal.

They also serve a taco salad and wojapi for those who long for a traditional Lakota meal. The price is $6.95 for a meal and it is apparently well worth it.

Dr. Archie Beauvais (Sicangu) resides on the Rosebud with his son, Beaux. He earned a Doctor of Education (Ed.D) from Harvard University and is a 2006 Harvard AOCC Award recipient. A decorated Vietnam Veteran, he is functionally literate in Lakota and worked at Sinte Gleska University for 20 years as Dean/Chair of Tribal and Graduate Studies.

Guest Column

Mentally ill in prison

By Hazel Bonner
Guest Columnist

The November Coalition has launched a campaign to keep mentally ill inmates out of solitary confinement. They tell the story of Ray Ortiz who was placed in a tiny solitary-confinement cell.

He was deprived of daylight and human contact as a way of controlling the symptoms of his mental illness. (See "Campaigners Fight to Keep Mentally Ill out of Solitary Confinement," by Michelle Chen, August 18, 2006. See also, http//www.november.org.)

The South Dakota State Prison locks mentally ill inmates up in their Security Housing Unit, the "Shoe" on a routine basis. They are held in confinement 23 ½ hours per day-longer than any other SHU. Of course, they are difficult inmates because of their mental illnesses.

Mentally ill inmates at the South Dakota Women's Prison are routinely placed in segregation and confined away from the general prison population. While it may keep other inmates and guards safer, it does nothing to assist the inmate.

Ortiz recalls how his time spent in isolation allowed his bipolar disorder and a borderline personality disorder to consume his mind until he contemplated suicide. Ortiz said, "You're left with your demons all by yourself."

On Aug. 16, New York Governor George Pataki vetoed a bill that would have banned solitary confinement for prisoners with severe mental illness. In New York and around the country thousands of mentally ill inmates are routinely locked in isolation cells.

Chen states, "In solitary confinement, they are detained for at least 23 hours a day in settings that survivors have described as intolerable for any human being, and especially devastating to a person with mental illness. The desolate condition-which many activists deep a human rights concern for all inmates-are sometimes compounded by abusive guards, food deprivation and physical restraints."

The American Correctional Association passed a resolution on Aug. 13, 2003 that would require treatment of the mentally ill in jails and prisons. They said.

WHERAS, the Bureau of Justice Statistics estimates that more than 16 percent of adults incarderated in U.S. jails and prison have a mental illness; and

WHERAS, The office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention reports that more than 20 percent of youth in the juvenile justice system have serious mental health problems and many more have co-occuring mental health and substance abuse disorders."

The bill supported by ACA was called the Mentally Ill offender Treatment and Crime reduction Act. That act was signed into law on October 30, 2004.

In spite of this legislation the American Correctional Association (ACA) found that the state-prison inpatient psychiatric program has enough beds to treat only about a tenth of the mentally Ill inmate population. The few prisons that offer special treatment services inside their solitary confinement units can accommodate only a few dozen.

In addition to inmates placed in the SHU, there are many inmates with serious mental illness locked in jails in this country. In 1996 a publication entitled Diverting the Mentally Ill from Jail was published. It stated, "Over 600,000 inmates with serious mental illnesses are admitted to U.S. jails each year. …Many of those charged with nonviolent crimes could be diverted to community based mental health programs."

Dawn Around Him was locked in the Pennington County Jail for months, never receiving the anti-psychotic medications prescribed to her prior to her being placed in jail. Now she has received 15 years in the SDWP. Hopefully she is now receiving some treatment, though it is unlikely.

Community based mental health programs have received less and less funding from the Federal government.

The Human Rights Watch advocates diversion programs to place mentally ill offenders into treatment programs as an alternative to incarceration. Allison Parker, acting director of US programs for HRW said recently, "Obviously prison is not the right place for someone who is seriously mentally ill."

Ortiz now works as a mental health advocate with the legal group Urban Justice Center. He helps lead the campaign to keep mentally ill prisoners out of solitary lockdown. He says, "Take the Shoe away: now what do we do with them?...Now we have to have a plan, now we have to start doing something you see. Before we used to hide them in solitary confinement.

Placing mentally ill inmates in confinement is another of the amazing acts of cowardice in the land of the free and the brave.

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The audit must be conducted in accordance with the National Indian Gaming Minimum Internal Control Standard 542.3 (f), "An independent certified public accountant (CPA) shall be engaged to perform procedures to verify, on a test basis, that the gaming operation is in material compliance with the tribal internal control standards or a tribally approved variance that has received Commission concurrence. The procedures may be performed in conjunction with the annual audit. The CPA shall report its findings to the Oglala Sioux Tribe, Tribal gaming regulatory authority and management. The Tribe shall submit a copy of the report to the Commission within 120 days of the gaming operations's fiscal year end."

The proposal must state your understanding of the work to be done and must include the qualifications and experience of your firm and staff. A copy of your firm's latest quality review letter must be included in your proposal.

If applicable, minority and Indian preference must be requested in the proposal.

Cost will not be the only determining factor in awarding the proposal. The Prairie Wind Casino reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Proposals must be sealed and postmarked by October 31, 2006, at 5:00 PM. Please address to: ATTN: Controller's Office - Audit 2006 Bid, Prairie Wind Casino, HC 49 Box 10, Pine Ridge, SD 57770.

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Two Sections

Red Cloud opens golf season with three straight wins

Sierra, Morgan lead Crusaders to victories at St. Thomas More quad, Red Cloud Invitational, West River Conference meet

By Tom Crash
Times Sports Correspondent

RAPID CITY - Red Cloud opened the 2006 high school golf season with a win Friday at the St. Thomas More quadrangular at the Elks golf course in Rapid City. Montana Sierra, a freshman at Red Cloud, took individual honors with an 83.

With a team score of 714, the Crusaders squeezed out a one stroke win over the host Cavaliers who finished with a 715. Custer was third with 771 while Little Wound did not have enough golfers for a team score.

"It was a great way to open the season," said Lenny Clifford, Red Cloud coach, "and to have a freshman step up and earn medalist honors in the first meet was an added bonus."

A.B. Morgan, a Red Cloud junior, scored an 85, he's been playing on the Crusader varsity since he was in the eighth grade. Joe Richards finished with a 90, Cory Mills 101, Geoffrey Black Feather 102 and Mike Twiss 110.

Little Wound was led by Napolean Lays Bad's 94; he was followed by Michael Lays Bad 100 and Josh Mousseau 111.

Morgan stepped up with a 79 for individual honors on Tuesday in Gordon in the Red Cloud Invitational and the West River Conference Invitational. Red Cloud's team total of 332 earned the team title in both meets on Tuesday; Little Wound and Custer took second in the Red Cloud Invitational with 363 while Little Wound was second in the West River Invitational and Bennett County was third with a 443.





Alex Prue, Ernie Whipple, and Tiny Man Lafferty made up the Todd County School Team.

Right: Napeleon Lays Bad, a senior of Little Wound High School lead with a 94. Left: A.B. Morgan, a Red Cloud junior, scored an 85. He has been with Red Cloud since junior high.

Golfers from Red Cloud, Pine Ridge, Little Wound, Todd County, Bennett County and St. Francis competed in the West River Conference while Custer joined all of those teams for the Red Cloud Invitational.



Joe Richards and Mike Twiss helped Red Cloud with 83's while Montana Sierra finished with an 87. Cory Mills carved out a 93, Geoffrey Black Feather 103 and Dustin Brewer 104.

Little Wound was led by Michael Lays Bad 86, Josh Mousseau tallied an 88, Catlin Clifford 89, Napolean Lays Bad 100 and Donnie Whirlwind Horse 134.

Tiny Man Lafferty led Todd County with an 86, Alex Prue and Ernie Whipple each finished with a 91.

St. Francis and Pine Ridge each fielded two golfers as Taylor Brushbreaker led the Warriors with a 94 and Austin Prue scored a 113; Joe Keith led the Thorpes with a 105 and Eric Long chipped in a 112.

Red Cloud travels to Custer on Thursday and to Spearfish on Monday for the Pre-regional meet for Class A. Pine Ridge will be at Lead on Tuesday and travel to Mission for the Todd County Invitational on Thursday, Aug. 31.

KINI 96.1 FM is sporting new equipment

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ST. FRANCIS - On a recent visit to KINI, station manager, Richard Iyotte, was at the control board and in control of the airwaves. He gladly paused for a bit and graciously spoke of the new state of the art automated digital equipment which had been purchased by St. Francis Mission. Iyotte introduced Troy Manning of Calhoun Communications of Sioux City, IA who explained that his firm has been providing the engineering consulting for several years now to KINI. During this particular trip to St. Francis he and a co-worker had been at the station since Sunday installing the new digital equipment.

It is a pivotal time for Lakota radio programming in the state, as others such as KILI FM in Kyle are also gearing up for the new school year and winter months. KINI has been fortunate as it has endeavored to be responsive to some new changes in format and program delivery.

High school sports, the LNI tournament in Rapid City and other cultural programming will occupy the air waves as KINI delivers quality programming to the Rosebud.

Iyotte said, "I'm proud of the step up. It is better for the 'rez.' The system here is more modern and newer than other stations close by." The station has also been undergoing some interior improvements in its physical appearance.



KINI FM station manager, Richard Iyotte, explains the state of the art equipment which was recently purchased by the Rosebud Education Society in order to upgrade program delivery. The equipment is all digital and is being installed by an engineering firm from Sioux City, Iowa. Photo by Archie Beauvais.

During winter storms or when there is 'down time' and something has to be repaired at KINI, Manning says that it has been his firm which has been providing that work. Over the years, KINI has been a valuable resource for tribal members on the Rosebud in broadcasting road conditions and weather forecasts. When that service is interrupted most people seem to be aware of the repairs that might be occurring.

The automated equipment that is being installed was manufactured by Scott Studios of Texas and they will be providing technical assis-

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Some prosecutors, victims seeking justice outside military system

Elk files lawsuit against military using 1868 treaty

By Martha Mendoza
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON - Dissatisfied with the military's handling of sexual assault cases involving recruiters, some local prosecutors and victims are challenging the misconduct on their own, charging everything from a violation of an Indian treaty to racketeering.

Most such cases are handled administratively by the military - for example, 13 of the 19 Air Force recruiters whose misconduct was confirmed since 2004 received letters of reprimand in their personnel files and fines that ranged from $200 to $1,200.

In seeking greater penalties, victims and local authorities have taken unusual tacks.

In South Dakota, a young Oglala Sioux woman, Laveeta Elk, is suing the federal government under an 1868 treaty which says that if ``bad men'' among government officials commit ``any wrong'' upon the person or property of any Sioux, the United States will reimburse the injured person for the loss sustained.

Elk chose to have her name released when she filed her lawsuit. She says she was assaulted by Army recruiter Sgt. Joseph Kopf in his government car, when he stopped in a remote area while driving her to a military evaluation center. Kopf has been demoted and reassigned within the Army, officials said. Kopf could not be reached for comment.

``I decided to file a lawsuit because I know I'm not the only girl he did this to. I want to put a stop to it,'' Elk said. ``He has no excuse for what he did. It shouldn't happen to anybody.''

Her attorney Adam Horowitz said this is the first time this law has been tested. In April, a federal judge denied the government's request to dismiss the lawsuit.

In another case, prosecutor Barbara Trathen of Hamilton County, Ind., has charged National Guard recruiter Sgt. Eric Vetesy _ accused of assaulting seven young women _ with racketeering along with 31 charges of rape and sexual battery. His trial is scheduled for later this summer.

Vetesy, a married father of three, met most of his alleged victims, ages 16 to 20, while recruiting at Indianapolis-area high schools, according to the indictment. Victims told the grand jury he threw them against a wall of the armory, raped them on a countertop and forced them to fondle him.

Trathen said she charged him with racketeering under the section that bans corrupt business influence and official misconduct. ``It's rape, yes, and it's sexual assault. But it's more than that. He had a pattern of misusing his position of power,'' she said.

In another case, two teenage women who claim a pair of former Marine Corps sergeants raped them

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tance and training for the other three disc jockeys once the equipment is fully installed and up and running. A Dolby Audition machine which records and edits, a new control board, and other peripheral equipment were installed, as well as a couple of new monitors which touch screens were in evidence. One even continuously displays the current weather and temperature conditions across South Dakota.

Iyotte and Manning explained that in recent weeks, KINI had been operating on low wattage output because the transmitter had been putting out more heat than the air conditioner could contend with. A new air conditioning unit has been installed and now the station is back up to 100,000 watts of power. KINI now ranges up to Pierre, over to Wall, onto most of the Pine Ridge reservation and into northern Cherry County in Nebraska.

KINI has been using a satellite feed to deliver a program entitled Westwood One after hours or on weekends. It is a pre-recorded program that plays contemporary music for the young. However, Iyotte says that it will not be relied upon later on, as the new automated equipment will allow KINI to produce its own music which can be broadcast 24 hours a day if needed.

He also noted that phone reception has been clearer and this has made live remotes, interviews, and other promotions better. The music that is played came with the new system and in the future all music will come via the computer. Compact discs will not be used as it will all be delivered digitally, except for Native American music.

As an example, an interview had been conducted on-air with Ben Black Bear, III who is stationed in Iraq. It is a way to honor our servicemen from Lakota country, and as Iyotte noted, "All across the country, they honor their servicemen and we can too."

All this new equipment and programming capability is not only good for the listening audience, but Iyotte says that the station's sponsors will also be happy at the quality.

The other dee jays who are the 'Voice of the Sicangu Nation' include Mary Lee Fast Horse, Wesley Valandra and Roger Crow Eagle, Jr. A new secretary will be coming on board also.

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in a recruiting office sued the military in federal court in San Francisco in May. They're seeking a requirement that all Marine Corps recruiters receive proper training and supervision.

Both recruiters were demoted after court-martial proceedings, but acquitted of the most serious charges they faced. Both have since left the military.

Fires burn 12,300 acres on Pine Ridge

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) Two lightning-caused wildfires that burned more than 13 square miles on the Pine Ridge Reservation have been contained, the Northern Great Plains Fire Information Center reported Friday.

The Little John Hill fire, caused by lightning, was detected Aug. 12 northwest of Kyle and has burned almost 6 square miles, or 38-hundred acres.

The Red Water fire, also detected Aug. 12 on the reservation, burned 7,500 acres.

The Red Shirt fire, two miles south of Red Shirt Village, burned 1,000 acres.

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Sicangu Vietnam veteran needs shelter before winter snows

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent



Vietnam veteran Gerald Boneshirt owns this shell of a trailer house west of St. Francis. He is asking for donations to be sent to PO box 285, St. Francis, SD 57572. He is currently living in a tent and is hoping to renovate the home before winter.

ST. FRANCIS - Gerald Bone Shirt is one of those Sicangu veterans who patriotically served his country in Vietnam in the late 1960's and then, returned home to spend a lot of his ensuing lifetime trying to establish a home for his children. Because of stringent income guidelines and other bureaucratic red tape, Bone shirt has come up against a stone wall many times when requesting assistance.

Bone Shirt said, "I'm trying to get some help and materials to get my home fixed up for my children. I never had my own home, but I want to get mine for my children before I pass on." His great-grandfather was known as "Sa la" in Lakota and his ancestors are buried along Grass Mountain road, thus, his enduring ties to the land. His Grand father Arthur Isaac and dad Alfred Sr. were veterans as well as several sisters, brothers and niece. They include, Pauline, Iglaka Win Hacker, Myron, and Almona who served in the U. S. Army.

He thought the Tree of Life agency would assist him with materials, but they seemed to have backed off in recent weeks. He also hoped that the Sicangu Wicoti Awanyakape Corporation might be able to help him, but one has to have an income to qualify under their federal guidelines. He says he has never been assisted by the RST Veterans Affairs program and at present, in the process to get a doctor's statement concerning his health problems, as he gets older.

Statistics show that Native Americans serve in the military at a higher rate than any other ethnic group in America and some espouse the idea that veterans should be taken care of and that the country should give back to them. That is not always the case, however, as Bone Shirt has been frustrated at the lack of services for Sicangu veterans on the Rosebud.

During an apparent mortar attack in Vietnam, Bone Shirt was struck in the foot and his comrades were able to stop the bleeding. They inquired as to whether or not he wanted to pursue the awarding of a Purple Heart for the injury, but he refused, it did not seem important during the confusion. He might have been eligible for some form of compensation; however, his sergeant who was present during the attack is probably retired or may have passed on. This will require research.

He is a product of the old St. Francis Mission days when it was winding down, just like the Vietnam War. He said, "A lot of people complain about the boarding school, but when I went into the service I was prepared. They could holler at me and it didn't bother me."

Bone Shirt does not necessarily like publicity so he did not want his picture taken, however, he has a desire to draw attention to the apparent contradiction that he sees in programs that are funded to assist veterans but do not. Many have as their goal, reaching out to veterans, but often times it turns out to be an empty promise.

Making Lakota craft items and stone sculptures and selling them has often been a source of income for Bone Shirt. He said he worked at the Rosebud Casino for a time, but was discouraged that after taxes, child support and other expenses were paid for, there simply was not enough to pursue the dream of owning a home for his children.

In a day and age when most families, especially families of veterans, should be safely lodged in adequate shelter, Bone Shirt is feeling some anxiety about spending another winter sleeping in his pickup truck or imposing on relatives who want to help. He has done both, but as a Lakota warrior who in theory is held in high esteem by Lakota society, he respects his relatives too much to burden them with his need for shelter.

After pleading with the tribal council for help and getting little response, he was able to secure the assistance of Rosebud council representative Fern Bordeaux-Boltz. She was able to help in getting a two and a half acre home site assignment on the road west of St. Francis and which winds down and north toward Grass Mountain community.

Gerald said, "They honor athletes and veterans, but they never follow through. When vets ask for help, they don't help. No council representatives ever came to see me."

He said Eric Nixon gave him a trailer house, which has a door missing and is in great disrepair. He was able to get a tent donated to him from the Tree of Life ministry and in establishing some communication with them he was under the assumption that they would donate some materials to him to initiate the renovation of the trailer house. That is not the case as the Tree of Life prefers to have someone on site supervising the project, according to Bone shirt.

Gerald's brother, Alfred, said that HUD grants a lot of money to the Sicangu people using a formula that is based upon tribal census figures and the SWA should be more responsive to the plight of such tribal members as Gerald. Alfred said that Representative Stephanie Herseth has taken up the cause of Native American veterans and that he would like to extend an invitation to her to come back to the Rosebud and to see what conditions many Sicangu veterans have to contend with.

Brother Alfred is hopeful that the SWA Corporation may be able to help Gerald as Homer Whirlwind Soldier is on the board of directors now.

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Dear Anna,

What does it mean when you run into three snakes in one week?

This past week some friends and I ran into three snakes at Oglala Lakota College in the Bookstore area. We saw two in one day then like a few days later we saw another one.

I am just curious. Is someone placing bad medicine on us (the ones that saw the snakes) or is it because there may be a snake den around there? What do you think?

Snake curious

Dear Curious:

Well logic dictates that yes, there is probably a snake den around there. Beyond that, what does it mean? I would take it as a warning to be cautious and careful.

Snakes are messengers from the "underworld," and in some context (should it be a rattle snake that comes close to you) I would take it as a possibility that someone was sending you a "bad" thought or medicine.

However, I don't see these incidents in that light. I expect that another snake sighting in of contacts four.

I see it as a warning that there is underground movement (behind the scenes) or gossip working against you. Do not spend any time near an area of snakes (the real ones) and friends that act in a snake-like way.

Please avoid contact...the next "messenger" could be one that bites, with the other three being the warning.

Also, please tell the administration about the snakes so they can ascertain if there is a threat to any students or personnel on the campus.

Dear Anna,

I read your article every Friday and I like what you say to people. Well I need some help on stuff going on in my life. Let's see, I'm pregnant and I have a boyfriend.

My boyfriend doesn't think the baby I'm carrying is his. But it is because he was the only one I've been with. He thinks I was messing around on him but this is the TRUTH I was not. I haven't even told my mom I'm pregnant.

Will he get over it and realize it's his? Will he still want to be with me? I'm not scared to raise this baby myself but I just need to know will he stay with me?

Confused

Dear Confused:

I am glad that you like what I say and appreciate your comments.

In that light, you might have already guessed what I am going to say to you:

1. Yes, your boyfriend will finally realize that this baby is his after you do a DNA test, and

2. Why would you want a man in your life that does not trust you? Kick him to the curb girl! A partner and a mate that feels forced to be in a relationship due to pregnancy or birth will not be a good one. Healthy and balanced relationships are created on equal trust, love, honor, respect, passion and compassion along with mutual spiritual understanding and common goals.

They suffer if they do not start with these ingredients. There must be a high regard for each other and a mutual desire to create a good life with each other. Most, if not all, of these ingredients are lacking from your relationship. I think the only one that is present is passion or physical attraction.

That by itself, will never sustain a loving relationship. You will be a good parent and work hard to provide a good life for yourself and your daughter. You will return to school and your family will help you.

True love will come your way, but not for awhile. Have patience, in about three years you will meet him. Blessings to you.

Dear Anna,

I've been in a long term relationship with a man who is loving and caring for eight years.

And we have two children and have been happy, until recently that is, when I ran into an old male friend from high school.

Since then, we have been chatting on IM and he told me that he has always loved me even though we were never together.

While in high school I always had feelings for him but never thought I had a chance. And now that an opportunity has come about to be with him, I don't know what to do.

So, Anna, should I stay in my happy relationship or explore a new opportunity that I have always wanted?

Searching

Dear Searching:

Please don't follow through with your "fantasy" friend. He is not of the stuff that you dream. Restlessness within a relationship usually attacks each partner about the seventh year. It has been around for so long that there is even a name for it; it is called the "seven year itch ."

You would end up feeling guilty and stupid and could totally end your current relationship. That ending would create a life-long regret. The man of the internet is an "air-only" man. A man of no substance or real regard for you. He might be a nice guy, but basically, he is just there for a certain reason and will not be there to support you or your children.

Part of the commitment of a good relationship is the ability to sustain loyalty; even in the eye of temptation. Have compassion for your mate, consider how devastating this action would be to him. and to your children who would find out. Also consider that he would lose the trust he has for you.

Please add into this mix the fact that both his and your family would be so disgusted with your behavior that your own life would be a living taste of hell.

Consider your losses; consider the truth as just being physical adventure, then make your decision.

Dear Anna,

I lately have discovered that when you actually try to plan things out and really try to do it, sometimes things interfere.

In my case, I had plans I wrote before and informed of what you knew and I was happy with that but now there has been some incidents that have happened and I have no idea how they are going to turn out and all I can do is hope for the best.

I really had my heart set on leaving and moving to another location for better opportunities and now I find myself with no decision except staying right where I am… in a job I don't enjoy. Do you see me possibly moving still and how will the outcome of a legal issue turn out?

Sincerely wondering

Dear Sincerely Wondering:

There is an old adage that I truly enjoy: If you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans. God will contribute every opportunity for you to create what you desire; but you have to do the work. Obstacles are opportunities to consider the alternatives. They help to create flexibility and imagination. They give us a chance to "think outside the box."

There is nothing really that has interfered with your decision to move except your attitude of limitation. Everything seems to present you with a cause or reason of why you can't. Time is the rub. Time is the essence of God that creates friction between the imagining and the happening.

Have patience: First you must conceive of the idea; second: you must take action to begin the momentum of the dream; third: you must take the time it takes in the physical world for things to happen.

You will move. You will take a job in another area. Logically then, begin to explore your options: Get on the internet and look at the want ads in the area where you want to go; look at the schools, investigate tuition opportunities. Talk to friends, open doorways for yourself and follow the dream.

Sitting and complaining doesn't create anything except a feeling of being defeated.

You can also broaden your dream by enlarging the target area to include other cities, other types of jobs and other types of schools.

Limitation is in the mind only.

Flexibility and imagination along with a strong belief in the Creator with the understanding that the Creator does not want limitation in your life; therefore all good doors will be opened for you.

Good Luck!

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests may be subject to publication.

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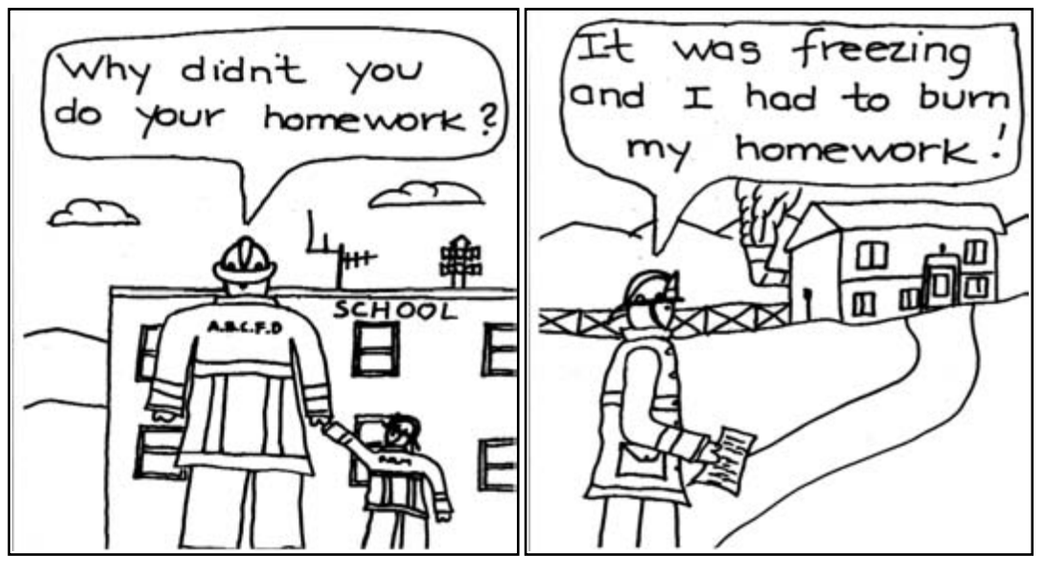
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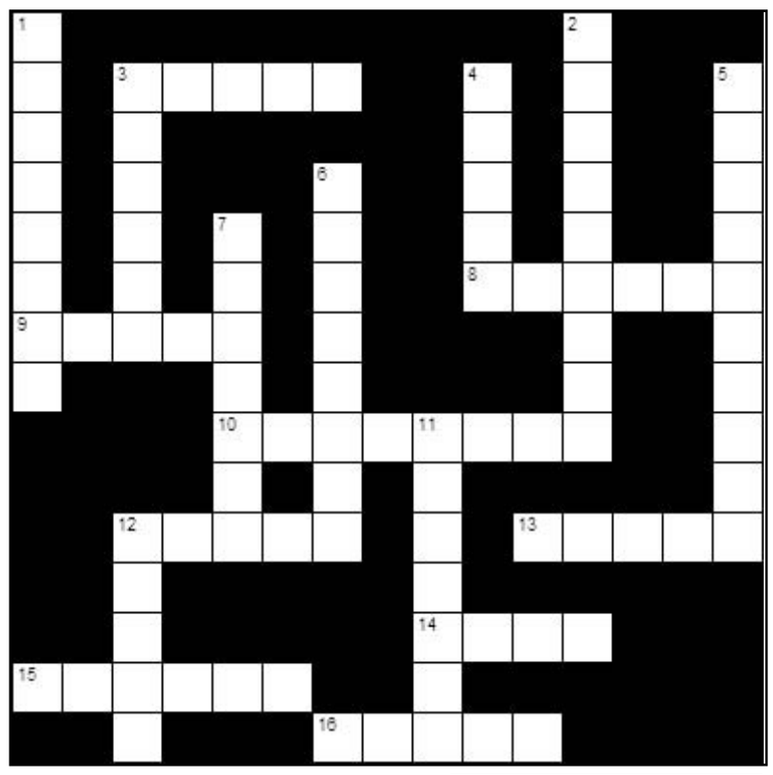
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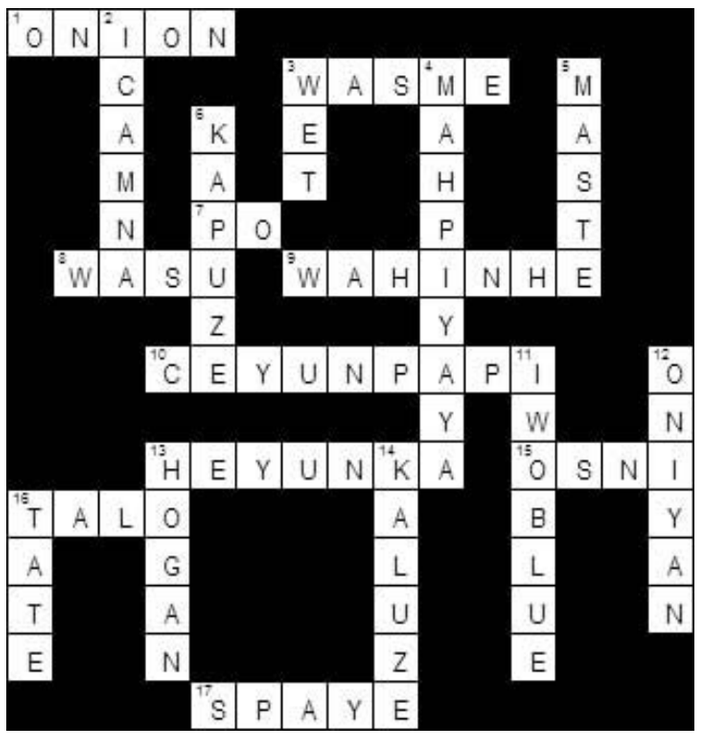
Down

1. winter
2. nine
3. apple
4. three
5. 100th
6. orange
7. fifth
11. seven
12. tea



The words for the Lakota Crossword Puzzle is from the text of *Everyday Lakota, An English-Sioux Dictionary for Beginners*.

Answers from last week's puzzle



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Jeanette Red Hawk, 85 ..... Pine Ridge

Lyle Richards, Sr.

PINE RIDGE - Lyle Richards Sr., 29, died Aug. 18 at Rapid City Hospital.

Survivors include sons Duran Richards, Lyle Richards, Jr. and Ethan Dubray of Pine Ridge; a daughter: Darien Richards, Pine Ridge; parents Warren Yellow Hair, Allen and Dolly Richards, Pine Ridge; a brother Lester Richards, Biddeford, Maine and sisters Nakina Yellow Hair and Tiana Yellow Hair both of Allen and a special Friend Rhiannon Schreiner, Pine Ridge.

Wake services were Tuesday, Aug. 22, at Billy Mills Hall, Pine Ridge.

Funeral services were Thursday, Aug. 24 at Billy Mill Hall with Rev. Steve Sanford officiating.

Interment will be St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery, Rockyford.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge..

Umpo Wicacpwi Weston

PINE RIDGE - Umpo Wicacpwi Weston, infant daughter of Antonio Weston Sr. and Kimberley Fish of Pine Ridge, was stillborn Aug. 17, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include her parents; one brother, Antonio Weston Jr., Pine Ridge; one sister, Grace Fish, Pine Ridge; and grandparents Charlie Fish, Rapid City, Theresa Merdanian, Pine Ridge, Gordon Weston, Phoenix, and Joann Sierra, Pine Ridge. Traditional Lakota services Aug. 21 at Wakpamni CAP office, with John Sierra and Robert Sierra officiating.

Burial was at St. Matthew's Episcopal Cemetery in Slim Buttes. Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Eugene Joseph Leaf Sr.

BULLHEAD - Eugene Joseph Leaf Sr., 53, Bullhead, died Aug. 15, at Hennepin County Medical Center in Minneapolis. Funeral services were Aug. 22, at Bullhead Community Center, with the Rev. Allen and Standing Rock lay readers officiating. Burial was at St. John's Episcopal Cemetery in Bullhead.

Jeanette Red Hawk

PINE RIDGE - Jeanette Red Hawk, 85, Pine Ridge, died Aug. 16 at Pine Ridge Hospital.

Survivors include two sons, John Red Hawk, Mandan, N.D., and Melvin Red Hawk, Pine Ridge; two daughters, Leota Red Hawk, Rapid City, and Gail Red Hawk, Pine Ridge; one brother, Glen Janis, Porcupine; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Aug. 18 at Billy Mills Hall, Pine Ridge, with Rhoda Mesteth and Abraham Tobacco officiating.

Burial was at Holy Cross Episcopal Cemetery, Pine Ridge. Sioux Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

In memory of Eloise Ruff, Apple, Garnette

Mom, we all miss you very much. You left us July 19, 1977, that's when our family circle has been broken, time and time again.

When we're parted from our family, separated from our loved ones. We seem to feel life slipping through our fingers. We know our life time is a brief touch, no ore than one soft whisper on the wind.

We love you dearly Mom, Wish you were here with us.

There is a place for our broken dreams, disappointments, and loss, since you left us. 5 brothers and 2 sisters have left us, we have thankful hearts, they went to be with you. We will take our tears as an offering of love for you. Knowing you're near by. We'll love you always.

Carl,Ramona,Charlotte (Sister Wee),Alise(Baby Alise), Jackie, Phyllis (Sissie), (Vara Jo), Elvira.

In memory of Harlan P. Garnette

He left his world August 5.

If tears could build a stairway.
Memories a lane.
I would walk right up to heaven
And bring you back again.
No farewell words were spoken,
No time to say "Goodbye."
You were gone, before I knew it,
And only God knows why.
My heart still aches with sadness,
And secret tears still flow.
What it meant to love you.
No one can ever know.
But now I know you want me to
Mourn for you no more,
To remember all the happy times.
Life still has much in store
Since you'll never be forgotten.
I pledge to you today-
A hallowed place within my Heart-
Is where you'll always stay.
Love your sister
Ramona (Tiny Babe) and family
(author unknown)

In memory of Jeanette Tallman

In loving memory of our Mom Jeanette Tallman

If roses grow in Heaven Lord
please pick a bunch for us.
Place them in our Mother's arms
and tell her they're from us.
Tell her we love her and miss her,
and when she turns to smile,
Place a kiss upon her cheek
and hold her for a while.
Because remembering her is easy,
we do it everyday,
But there is an ache within our hearts
that will never go away.

We love you and miss you so much mom!
Love, Dave, Sissy, Pheobe, Della and Nate

The Family of Jeanette Tallman would like to thank all who assisted and remembered them in anyway during the loss our mother, grandmother, sister and aunt.
Thank you to our mom's friend's and family that visited her while she was in the hospital.
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From: Trevor Iron Cloud

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To Daniel and Andrew Gordon in Chicago-we enjoyed your visit to Pine Ridge
The Pouriers

To Pine Ridge School:
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Jody

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Hope your day is filled with joy & happiness!
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With love,
The Pouriers

Happy birthday to my mom Shirlee Bradford on August 10.
Love you Mom

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Love you,

and to Dawn Crowe on August 14.
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From: Amara, Michelle,Angel & Yolanda Gloria

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Correction: Donna Lehman will not be teaching at American Horse School for the 2006-07 school year.

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At no time is anyone allowed to start a campfire or have any sort of open flame in any area other than those designated in the park area. Tribal Game Wardens and the Police officers will be patrolling and will take action against any individual violators of this ban.

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John Around Him honored by state

By Amanda Takes War Bonnett and Archie Beauvais
Times Staff

RAPID CITY - The Office of the Governor of South Dakota presented an Executive Proclamation to John Around Him of Kyle in an honoring ceremony on Tuesday at the Oglala Lakota College He Sapa college center. A "John Around Him Day in South Dakota" was proclaimed by virtue of the proclamation.

The Executive Proclamation read in part, "Whereas John Around Him has played a vital role in assisting Native American state prison inmates, maintain their connection with their culture by helping to lead inipi ceremonies and spiritual conferences, by serving as master of ceremony at prison powwows, and…,whereas John has served his state and country proudly during the Vietnam War. And, whereas John is memorialized at the Smithsonian Museum National Museum of the American Indian where his voice and words are proudly displayed representing Lakota spirituality and culture. Whereas it is fitting and proper as Governor to recognize the leadership and commitment of John Around Him to his fellow South Dakotans for his dedicated and outstanding service to this country and state."



John Around Him spoke at a honoring on Monday.

Meanwhile, a gathering of some 60 people, including the media arrived to a crowded parking lot to honor the highly regarded Lakota 'Wicasa.' The term is used in Lakota society to denote someone who has earned great distinction and societal status by virtue of their contribution to preserving Lakota culture, language, spirituality and leadership.

Around Him is also a Vietnam Veteran who is well known for his advocacy for incarcerated Native Americans in South Dakota prisons. Native Americans appear to represent

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ROSEBUD - Shirrel Barron, daughter of Stacy Barron and granddaughter of Ben "Tote" and Nancy Richards, is the current Miss Red Lake Nation. Shirrel was visiting royalty and also competed in the contest. The pow wow contest was rained out on Sunday and ended early. Story and photos on B2. Photo by Randy and Shelly Bachelor.

Restraining order allows Prairie Hills to remain open until hearing

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Prairie Hills golf club owner, Deb Boyd, was issued a 'cease and desist' letter on Aug. 24 to stop selling liquor off-sale without a state off-sale liquor license by the Rosebud Sioux Tribe's Revenue Office.

The business is located south of Mission and has been the subject of past hearings by the RST liquor commission due to an accumulation of back taxes owed to the tribe.

This matter, however, was not a liquor commission action, but one that originated from RST's Revenue Office.

Whitney Meek, director of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe's revenue office ordered the club to cease conducting business.

The letter asked that the business comply with tribal laws and also noted that there was a failure to pay sales taxes and also to file tax returns.

The next day, Boyd filed an application for a temporary restraining order through an attorney requesting that the business be allowed to remain open pending a hearing on the 'cease and desist' order.

Judge Sherman Marshall of the RST tribal court issued a temporary restraining order which will allow the club to remain open and to do business.

Judge Marshall ordered a hearing on the matter at 1 p.m. in RST tribal court on August 30.

However, according to Meek, the matter was continued until Friday, Sept. 1. The latest word is that it has been moved up again to Tuesday at 1 p.m.

She indicated that she would be present for the 'cease and desist' hearing. She had no further comment about the matter.

The hearing is open to the public.

130th annual Rosebud Fair interrupted by rain

Honoring all past and present Oceti Sakowin was theme

ROSEBUD - The 130th annual Rosebud Sioux Fair and Rodeo was held on August 25-27 at the fair grounds. It got off to a good start on Thursday night with the carnival area fully lighted and it ended late afternoon on Sunday in a disappointing way due to an intermittent drizzle. A full slate of activities was held, from a horseshoe tournament, an All Indian multi sanctioned rodeo, a hip hop concert, and the Ms. Rosebud pageant held earlier in the week on the campus of SGU.

The points that had been accumulated by the dancers as of Saturday evening in the respective categories were used to tally up the final winners, according to Lenard "Shadow'

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TWO SECTIONS

110 candidates return petitions for Oglala Nation election

11 run for president, five for vice, one for chief judge

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - The deadline has passed to submit petitions for office in the 2006 OST election; 110 candidates submitted their required paperwork including 11 for president. Candidates will be certified on Sept.11.

Four past or current tribal presidents submitted their petition for tribal president including current president Alex White Plume, past presidents Cecelia Fire Thunder, John Yellow Bird Steele and Harold Dean Salway along with current vice president Eileen Janis, past vice president Dennis King, first term council representative Will Peters from Pine Ridge who chairs the education committee. Larry Swalley, Gary Lays Bad, Robert Benson and Joyce Sun Bear have also turned in petitions for president.

Wayne Weston, Frederick Cedar Face, Melanie Two Eagle, Louis Winters, Sr. and William Shorty Brewer have submitted petitions for vice president while Lisa Adams is the only person completing a petition for chief judge.

As of Tuesday afternoon, a total of 22 candidates turned in petitions for council representative in Pine Ridge Village including Fred Brown, Lena Hart, Jerry Bordeaux, Peggy Mousseau, Carol Crazy Thunder O'Rourke, Gerald Big Crow, Don Garnier, Leon Matthews, Nakina Mills, Gary Janis, Irving Provost, Ella John Carlow, Robert Palmier, Michelle Tyon, Lawrence Eagle Bull, John Mousseau, Richard Bark, Abraham Tobacco, Lyle Jack, Irving Cottier, Duane Brewer and Holly Wildon.

Wakpamni candidates include Tom Conroy, Kim Killer, Joann Sierra, Vienna Red Feather, Charles Pourier, Sandra Two Lance, Walt Big Crow, Lonnie Bettelyoun, Maxine Lakota, Rex Conroy, Herb Colhoff, Paul Red feaqther, Sonia Little Hawk Weston, Lillian Tobacco and Ricky Grey Grass.

Oglala/Whiteclay candidates include Frank Two Bulls Sr., Deb Mousseau, Valerie Janis, Will Garnier,

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Around Him

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a disproportionate percentage of the inmate population in the state. One inmate put together a piece of art done in the prison and it was also presented to Around Him.

He has been ill lately and noted that he had come from treatment earlier in the day. He has been diagnosed with cancer and as of today is in the Rapid City Regional Hospital.

As he arrived shortly after 1 p.m. on Monday, and he was assisted into the building by several young family members. One visitor greeted him and he replied, "Hau, 'tunska'. Le waicunkte. Sa miciyinkte. Nahankci he'p-sni." In English, it translated, 'Hello nephew. They are going to do something here. I am going to get ready. They have not arrived yet."

Inside, a Lakota prayer was said by Charlie White Elk and the honoring quickly moved to the reading of the Executive Proclamation which was signed by Mike Rounds and attested to by Secretary of State, Chris Nelson. His words as relayed by Mr. Reisch, Secretary of the Department of Corrections revealed that Governor Rounds was, indeed, quite familiar with Around Him's work in the state's prison.

It was an emotional moment for Around Him and those who came to honor him. A pipe was laid on the desk and he prayed with it. OLC president, Tom Shortbull, read a letter of appreciation on behalf of the Board of Trustees, while the college's television was set up to capture the ceremony.

Stacey Phelps explained that his family had been greatly influenced by the encouragement and music of Around Him and as he sang a song with the help of another, the people lined up and shook hands with Around Him. Phelps said, "John has really been somebody on our reservations and all across our state who has encouraged young people to sing. We were young starting out singing John was always was one of the announcers who supported us, asked to go…, we want to give back to John to honor him." An OST tribal flag was also presented to him by Austin Watkins, Sr. of the Medicine Root district.

Around Him said, "Winyuskinya unpo. Otehike uelo." Be happy, there are hard times coming. He continued, "This is a great honor for me today.., to see something like this. My daughters and sons, and to say thank you. The greatest privilege, 'tunkasila' bless you. Carry on, continue this way of life. Share, they need to learn. Thank you very much."

After those in attendance shook his hand, Around Him concluded by saying, "I don't know when I will journey home, but I want you to continue on with my work. They all need to learn. They will carry on. They will learn and words and the songs."

He spoke of his work at the prison in Sioux Falls. "In the next generations to come, we have to make changes. I visit a lot of the men, women and elders there and it is sad when I leave and that door shuts. I don't know who this person is but I cried."

He said it has to stop and we have to make changes. Changes has to be made back over here, at home. Changes have to be made here and all of the reservations, as that is where it starts.

They need love and guidance at home, so they wouldn't be there.

Aside from his work at the prison system, Around Him has taught many, many students Lakota language and culture at Little Wound School and for the last several years, has been an Lakota studies instructor at Oglala Lakota College.

Recently, John formalized a longtime relationship with KILI Radio by agreeing to serve on the board of directors.

"We really welcomed John to the board," said Melanie Janis, station manager, "for years he has listened to KILI and never fails to call and advise us on what we are doing, encourage us to continue when times are tough and tell us when he hears programming that really doesn't contribute to our community - it always is a delight when John comes to KILI to speak, he is always so positive and a great role model when it comes to Lakota culture and way of life."

Election

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Wendell Jay Youngman, Jason Jake Little, Gerald One Feather, Jackson Ten Fingers, Floyd Brings Plenty, Robert G. Two Bulls, Wilmer young man Sr. and Paul Little.

Porcupine includes Randy Lays Bad, Philip Good Crow, David Pourier, Bernard White Face, Marlin Moon Weston, Harvey Iron Boy, Chuck Jacobs, Todd O'Bryan and Richard Iron Cloud.

Wounded Knee candidates include: Garfield Apple, Garfield Steele, Melvin Adams, Kathy Janis, Phyllis Hollow Horn, Patrick T. Clifford, Percy White Plume, Philip Jumping Eagle and Emmett Kelly Sr..

Additional candidates turning in petitions include for Pass Creek-Lydia Bear Killer, Ron Duke, Clarence Yellow Hawk, Donna Salomon and Lucy Cottier; for Eagle Nest-Billy Amiotte, Jim Meeks, Phyllis Wilcox, Tom Poor Bear, Bruce Brown, Eleanor Charging Crow, Sylvester Charging Crow and Leroy Wilcox Sr.for Medicine Root-Daryl Mesteth, Carrie Romero, Austin Watkins, Juanita Scherich, Archie Hopkins, Emily Bull Bear, Steven Standing Soldier, Cora Whiting and Sandra Old Horse and for LaCreek-Mary Moose Poor Thunder, Kimmy Clausen, Craig Dillon and Gerald Jed Bettelyoun.

The primary election is set for Tuesday, Oct. 3 with the general set for Tuesday Nov. 7.





Rosebud Pow wow

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Above: Ronnie Eagle Chasing of Cherry Creek and Tyler Richards of Martin. Photos by Randy and Shelly Bachelor. Right: On Sunday, the misty rain didn't stop dancers from competing in the contest.

Wright.

Other special events included the Men's softball tournament, the Saturday morning parade, a road run sponsored by the RST Diabetes Prevention, mud volleyball, and an open door ministry. There was also a trail ride from the home of Eddie Farmer, Sr. to Rosebud sponsored by the RST youth affairs program.

The emcees for the annual event were Everett "Butch" Felix and Jim Clairmont, both from the Rosebud reservation. The arena director was Royce Yellow Hawk, while the head men's judge was Stephen Horse Looking, Sr. The head women's judge was Della Spotted Tail who is employed in the RST education department.

The cash prizes included $47, 600 for the "wacipi" and $23,000 drum split. The Chairpersons for the special events committee, the rodeo committee and the wacipi committee included Whitney Meek, Dennis Spotted Tail, Jr. and Ruben McCloskey, respectively.

A couple of other special events that were seen for the first time at the Rosebud Fair were the "Handgames" contest coordinated by Florentine Blue Thunder and the display of the past RST administrations and councils sponsored by the special events committee. Darlene Kills In Water of the RST vice-presidents office along with the help of Gwen Herman had put together the past officers and council going back to 1936. The project was the idea of the RST special events committee.

The lists of past Sicangu leaders brought up some interesting statistics, such as the fact that the first group of council and administration included Mary Scissons. Another female was not elected to the council until the 1970's. Archie Fire served as the sergeant-of arms and also as an RST council representative during 1944 and 1946. Also, Thomas Bone Shirt served as the sergeant-at-arms for eight administrations. Also, there were more than sixty female council representatives and officers during the span from 1936-present day with some of those being counted more than once.

During the first grand entry on Friday evening, South Dakota Governor, Mike Rounds, was the guest of honor. He was given a star quilt and an honor song. One emcee was heard to tease Rounds when he said no political speeches would be allowed.

The Sicangu Lakota Warriors were very much in evidence during each grand entry as Lakota veterans from every modern war were honored. The honor guard is rather prominent on the northern plains and beyond as they often get invited to other events in the region.

The Sicangu royalty unveiled during Friday evening included Simone Crow Good Voice of Parmelee as the new Ms. Rosebud for 2006-07. Her mother is Millie Crow Good Voice of Rosebud. Antonia Tamayo is Ms. Teen Rosebud and JaKayla Hesse of Mission, the new Little Miss Rosebud. JaKayla parents are Bill and MiKayla Hesse.

Shere Wright was the coordinator of the Ms. Rosebud Pageant. She is the current reigning Ms. He Sapa representing the annual powwow in Rapid City. She is employed in the RST revenue office.

Results from the Horse Shoe tournament

Doubles:

1st place - Wayne Kills Enemy and Jim Wike. $250

2d place - Sylvan White Hat and Bud White Hat. $150

Singles:

1st place - Wayne Kills Enemy. $300

2d place - Jim Wike. $200

3d place - Sylvan White Hat

Results from the contest pow wow

Golden Age Men

1st- Avery Thompson, Ft. Yates, 2nd-Mark Roan Horse, Phoenix, Ariz., 3rd-Lester Lone Hill, Porcupine, 4th-Kip White Cloud, Flandreau.

Golden Age Women

1st-Millie Black Bear, Allen, 2nd-Mabel Blue Thunder, Antelope, 3rd-Madelynn Goodwill, Mission, 4th-Cheryl Between Lodges.

Men's Traditional

1st-Jerren Elk, Ft. Yates, ND, 2nd-Luther Blue Thunder, Ring Thunder, 3rd-Waylon Gaddie, 4th - Wesley New Holy, Oglala.

Women's Traditional

1st-Delmanna One Feather, Pine Ridge 2nd- Julie Blue Thunder, Antelope, 3rd-Shere Wright, Rosebud, 4th-Stevie Red Bird.

Men's Grass

1st-Lakota Clairmont, Lakewood, CO 2nd-Buck Spotted Tail, Rosebud, 3rd-Roland Heminger, Sisseton. 4th-Jason Cook, Iron Lightning.

Women's Jingle

1st-Jolene One Star, Two Strike, 2nd-Gabrielle Knife, Eagle Butte, 3rd-Gladys Two Eagle, Upper Cut Meat, 4th-Ashley Phelps, Thunder Valley.

Men's Fancy

1st-Nick DeMarce, Eagle Butte 2nd-Aaron Wright, Phoenix,OR, 3rd-Dude Williams, Ironwood, 4th-No Show.

Women's Fancy

1st-Tanksi Clairmont, Denver, CO 2nd-Helene Gadde, Wanblee 3rd-Codi High Elk, Thunder Butte 4th-Grace Her Many Horses, Rocky Boy, MT.

Teen Girl's Traditional

1st - Daisa One Feather, Oglala 2nd-Arianna Uses Arrow, Cannon Ball, ND 3rd-Tyler Makes Room For Them, Mission 4th-Angel Broken Nose, Pine Ridge.

Teen Girl's Jingle

1st-Victoria Phelps, Thunder Valley 2nd-Olowan Win Bad Hand, Two Strike 3rd-Lacy Tall Man, Dupree 4th-Tamie White Face, Porcupine.

Teen Boy's Traditional

1st-Adrian Eagle Hawk, Oglala 2nd-Devin Cross Dog, Oglala 3rd-Alejandro Fast Horse, Nebraska 4th-Damingo Tamayo, Rosebud.

Teen Boy's Grass

1st-Courtney Curley 2nd-Darwin Makes Room For Them, Mission, 3rd-John Black Bear, III, Allen, 4th-Tyler Richards, Martin.

Teen Boy's Fancy

1st- Kevin Eagle Heart, Martin, 2nd-Nathan Iron Shell, White River, 3rd-No Show, 4th-No Show.

Junior Girl's Jingle

1st-Shanice Village Center, Cannon Ball 2nd-Sunshine Arcoren 3rd-Elaina Red Shirt 4th-Shaylene Zimiga, Pine Ridge.

Junior Boys Grass

1st-Lance Plenty Chief, Wakpala 2nd-Tommy Red Tomahawk, Thunder Butte 3rd-Tre Larvie, Rosebud 4th-Tyrell Garreau, Jr., Eagle Butte.

Junior Girls Fancy

1st-Shaylynn Bird, Sioux Falls 2nd-Igni Win White, Rosebud 3rd-Charlize Arcoren, Rosebud 4th-Charlie Cuny, Martin.

Junior Girls Traditional

1st-Sage Blacksmith, Oglala 2nd-Maria Milda, Yankton 3rd-Julianna DuBray, Parmelee 4th-Tasha Uses Arrow, Cannon Ball.

Junior Boys Fancy

1st- Forrest Red Dog, Eagle Butte 2nd-Hunter Blacksmith, Oglala 3rd-Lane Makes Room For Them, Mission 4th-Cetan Heminger, Sisseton.

Junior Boys Traditional

1st-Isaiah Weasel Bear, Grass Mountain 2nd-Tristan Uses Arrow, Cannon Ball 3rd-Jones Bear Heels, Rosebud 4th-Mitchell Stands, Oglala.

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Douglas earlybird run opens 2006 Cross Country Season

Wohlleber, Webber, Mendoza, Wilson-Pine serve notice

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

RAPID CITY - The 2006 cross country season opened Friday with the Douglas early bird run on the Rapid City Executive Golf Course in Rapid City; Kiko Mendoza, a sophomore at Takini who won the State B cross country championship last year as a freshman, took second in the high school boys division, five and a half seconds behind Rapid City Central's Mike Krsnak who ran the 5000 meters in 15:56.59.

Jordan Wohlleber, a freshman at Cheyenne Eagle Butte, took second in the high school girls division behind Jessica Engel, a Sturgis runner who was over 53 seconds ahead of the pack.

Pine Ridge runner, Robin Webber, announced that she was back with a fifth place 16:09 finish; Webber won the Class A cross country championship as a sophomore but struggled with leg injuries last year. The Pine Ridge girl's team included Christian Janis 23rd, Sophia Janis 24th and Aimee Pond 38th.

Jordyn Cook finished in 6th and with Wohlleber led a large contingent of Eagle Butte runners on Friday including: Erica High Bear 16th, alli Moran 27th, Ashley Iron Moccasin 2th, Marisa Landreaux 3th, Emma LaPlant 40th and Harlee Morgan 43rd.

Kyla Marshall, Todd County, followed up on her success during the summer North American Indigenous Games in Denver with an eighth place finish in her first run as a Falcon freshman. Todd County also included: Julie Bernie 13th, Emmy Her Many Horses 25th, Kylie Wilason 26th, Morganna Running 35th and Anna Two Hawks 44th.

Kayla Weston, a junior, led the way for Red Cloud with a 20th place finish followed by Saige Pourier's 24th . Little Wound was led by Mikayla Mitzel who finished in 39th; the Lady Mustangs included: Katana Rooks 45th, Miriam Lays Bad 46th Jessica Spotted Eagle 47th and Sheila Montileaux 48th.

Pine Ridge's Alex Wilson-Pine won the Class A cross country championship last year as a junior and opened the season with a 6th place finish. The Pine Ridge contingent included: Jeff Pourier 40th, Farron Swiftbird 4th and Shawn Keith 51st.

Marc Whirlwind Soldier led the Todd County Falcon team with an 11th place finish and was joined by Wes Running 26 th and Steve Antoine 33rd. Red Cloud's Jared Weston won gold in the Indigenous Games and now as a freshman at Red Cloud opened his high school career with a 17th place.

Sean Red Elk's 32nd place led Little wound and was joined by Todd Phelps 47th, Denny Spotted Eagle 48th and Trevor Lone Hill 50th. Cheyenne Eagle Butte was represented by Carl White Eagle in 35th.

The Red Cloud Invitational run and the Northern Hills cross country run in Spearfish are set for Thursday, Aug. 31st while the Pine Ridge Invitational is scheduled for Tuesday the 5th.

Pine Ridge, Little Wound, Todd County want to build on past success for new season

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINEPINE RIDGE RESERVATION - Pine Ridge and Little Wound wrapped up their 2005 seasons with a playoff game, both teams want to continue the momentum of a successful season into the new year.

Bulldawg tackles the Bison should describe the Thorpe opener on Friday as they host Hot Springs while Little Wound, behind third year head coach, Darrell Hunter, host the Hill City Rangers, a young team with a strong running game.

"We had a great 'Red-White' scrimmage to prepare for our opening game against the Bison;" said head coach Dave Michaud who is starting his third year as head coach of the Thorpes; "we have a young line and by the start of the third quarter they were really getting the feel of the game.

Pine Ridge finished the year at 7-2 last year and has one of the strongest players in the region in senior Dave "Bulldawg" Michaud who will start at quarterback because of an injury to Harley Cortier but will step into the running back role whenever possible as well as anchoring the defense.

"With the loss of Ryan Pourier, we have a big hole to fill," added Michaud, "we started practice with 51 players but were down quickly to 36 after we started to get serious about getting into shape;"

There will be a fleet of runners with Bulldawg getting help from Juan and Louis Ramos, Wayne Trueblood, DJ Clifford and Joe Bissonette. DJ Big Crow, Michael Jack, Kenny Apple and Wayne Trueblood will lead the receiver corps while JD Two Bulls will anchor the line.

"We have the core of our scoring offense back from last year," said Darrell Hunter, Little Wound's head coach, "Johnny Cloud is back at quarterback along with Bryce Hornbeck, first team all state at wide receiver as a sophomore and we have 41 players out right now, a big difference from last year when we traveled to Hill City with only 15 players and finishing the game with only 11 after sustaining four injuries."

Players looking to stand out this year include JC Mesteth, a 5'11" 160 lb.fullback, Shilo Pierce, a senior running back, Devon LeBeau, a senior on defense and at wide receiver and Marcus Lamont anchoring the line. Hunter says 6'2" senior tight end, Rich Big Boy will block for the running backs and add to the passing offense.

Friday's game with Hill City in Kyle is set for 1 p.m. and next week the Mustangs travel to St. Francis to take on the Warriors.

Nick Dressel returns for his second year as head coach at Red Cloud and welcomed 55 players to the start of practice. Red Cloud lost their all around quarterback/running back/return man, Johnny Crow to graduation and now has the task of filling a big hole in the lineup.

Mike Cuny and AB Morgan will share duties at quarterback while Billy Scott and Wade O'Bryan will start at running back with Dave Giago and Marlin Kelly at the tight end and Art Vitalis and Christian McGhee at wide receiver.

All Runner, Jacob Frank, Bobby Twiss, Ryan McLaughlin and Cory Tibbitts will be on the offensive line and on defense Lenny Lone Hill will join them along with Wyatt Blacksmith with Andrew Twiss, Roman White Calf and Billy Scott at the linebacker position.

Rich Charging Crowd will be a defensive back and get a lot of time at running back while Art Vitalis and McGhee will man the corners and Blaine White Eyes will play strong safety.

Red Cloud hosts St. Francis on Friday and hosts Hill City next Friday.

Todd County opens their 2006 season on the road traveling to Bennett County on Friday and Cheyenne Eagle Butte on Sept. 8th. Bob Kornely returns for his 14th season as head coach, the Falcons were 4-4 last year, 2-3 in conference. Gunner Krogman returns for his junior year and will lead the running game and set the tone for he defense from his linebacking position.

Jarret Allen, Chris Rahn, Charles Redday, Dusty Old Lodge, Brent Larvie, Vernie Menard, Jaden Allen, Mike Neiss, Jesus Duran and Charlie Moe are returning starters.

Children of 'Oz' apologize for racism

By David Kranz
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Many generations of people have walked L. Frank Baum's Yellow Brick Road, but two of his ancestors took another path through the Native American reservations of South Dakota last week, apologizing for him.

The issue is about two editorials Baum wrote in his Saturday Pioneer newspaper that he published during the three years he lived in Aberdeen during the 1890s.

His commentary on Sitting Bull and Wounded Knee, written in 1890 and 1891, called for the extermination of Native Americans.

Two descendants of the author of "The Wizard of Oz," Mac Hudson, a great-great-grandson from Tucson, Ariz., and Gita (Dorothy) Morena, a great-granddaughter from San Diego, came to the state accompanied by Sally Roesch Wagner, who did research for the Wounded Knee Survivors Association. She works for the Matilda Joslyn Gage Foundation. Baum was the son-in-law of Gage.

"We are here to apologize, to bear witness to the suffering to that kind of thinking and attitude and make reconciliation and begin healing. We felt called to do that, make a connection with the descendants' survivors," Morena said.

Baum's Sitting Bull editorial said in part: "The Whites, by law of conquest, by justice of civilization, are masters of the American continent, and the best safety of the frontier settlements will be secured by the total annihilation of the few remaining Indians.

Why not annihilation? Their glory has fled, their spirit broken, their manhood effaced; better that they die than live the miserable wretches that they are. History would forget these latter despicable beings, and speak, in later ages of the glory of these grand Kings of forest and plain that Cooper loved to heroism."

Does this diminish his works, such as "The Wizard of Oz"?

"We all have a mixture of things that we are proud of and that are wonderful and things not so great that reveal our weaknesses, the dark side. His became visible. Healing is admitting to our weaknesses," Morena said.

Hudson has a master's degree in Native American studies. He wrote his thesis on Baum and his writings while in South Dakota.

"I was proud of his accomplishments, and then I heard he did this. He was part of a racist environment of the day," he said.

Education and contrition are their goals.

"We're really hoping to create a greater awareness of the editorials, let Native people, Lakota people, know we acknowledge this, apologize that our family was a part of this, listen to them, find out about how the environment led to something like Wounded Knee and existing conditions," he said.

It is an emotional experience talking with the Wounded Knee descendants, Hudson said.

"Leonard Little Finger, a descendant of his great-great-grandfather, Big Foot, wept. I have read accounts of Wounded Knee, but listened to a man surrounded by his family, to hear him tell the story of his grandfather.

It was quite an emotional experience and has left an indelible mark. It was very powerful."

A highlight of their trip was their visit to Cheyenne River, Wagner said.

"One by one (Native Americans) came to accept their apology," she said.

A group of the Wounded Knee descendants also asked Baum's descendants for their assistance in getting medals rescinded that were given to those who fought the Native Americans at Wounded Knee, Wagner said.

But what is the effect of the apology many years later?

A. Waller Hastings, professor of English at Northern State University, researched Baum's years spent in Aberdeen.

He said he thinks the visit by Morena and Hudson will be productive.

"They are the only people who really can offer such an apology. It is more than unjust empty symbolism, but from people in a position to apologize for their ancestor," he said.

David Kranz's column appears Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Write to him at the Argus Leader, Box 5034, Sioux Falls, SD 57117-5034.

Community Calendar

Grief Support Group
Meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888

Porcupine AA meeting
Every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine, for info call Janice at 867-5404

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841

Life after death class
Developing a better understanding of the journey of the soul. Fridays at 7 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Village College Center

Weight watchers class
Large conference room at the Indian Health Service Hospital in Pine Ridge, weigh in at 5 p.m. and meeting at 5:30 p.m.

School/Sports Physicals
Porcupine on Thursday, Aug. 31; Tuesday, Sept. 5 in Pine Ridge from 4-8 p.m., Wednesday, Sept 6 in Manderson at the clinic from 3:30-7 p.m. and back in Porcupine on Thursday, Sept. 7 from 3:30-7 p.m.

Porcupine School opens
Porcupine School staff will be registering students throughout the month of August at the school Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. - School begins Thursday, August 31, for info call 455-6450

Crazy Horse School
School begins Thursday, August 31 in Wanblee, for information call 455-6800

2006 Fall Elk Drawing
Thursday, Aug. 31 at 10 a.m. coordinated by the Oglala Sioux Parks and Recreation authority, for information call 867-5428

Special Session/OST Council
Friday, Sept. 1 at the Council Chambers in the Red Cloud building in Pine Ridge dealing with change orders on new Prairie Wind Casino

Pahin Sinte Labor Day Pow-wow
Friday-Monday, Sept. 1-4 in Porcupine, for information call 867-5728

Sobriety Dance
In honor of Marlin Moon Weston, Saturday, Sept. 2 at the Porcupine School gym from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. Admission is free with Country Charms Band

Flea Market/Prize bingo/buffet
Sunday, Sept. 3 at the Bill C. Bear gym in Batesland, with flea market at 10 a.m., bingo at 1 p.m. and buffet at 12 noon

Special Session/OST Council
Tuesday, Sept. 5 at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee, Crazy Horse School Board hearing, 10 a.m.

Miss Indian Nations Pageant
Sept. 6-9 at the United Tribes International Pow-wow at the United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck

United Tribes International Pow-wow
Sept. 7-10 in Bismarck at the United Tribes Technical College

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
First meeting of the year to look at constitution, elect officers and plan the year for school pow-wows, Friday, Sept. 8 at Wolf Creek School with supper at 6 p.m. and meeting at 7 p.m. for information call Mike at 867-5174

Grandparents Day
On Sunday, Sept. 10 at Prairie Wind Casino with all grandparents 55 and older receiving a free buffet

Special Session-OST Council
Monday, Sept. 11 in Pine Ridge at the Red Cloud building, Friday, Sept. 1, at 10 a.m. in the council chambers and Teusday, Sept. 5 at Crazy Horse School.

OPINION PAGE

Guest Editorial

Say no to alcohol sales on Sicangu land

A new trend sweeping through the country is the ability to hold people responsible for their actions involving alcohol.

In the S*ioux Falls Argus Leader* a story by Melanie Brandert dated Aug. 17, a Canton convenience store clerk will serve six months in jail for selling alcohol to a teenager who died in a February accident, the man was sentenced to one year in jail with 185 days suspended for a misdemeanor charge of furnishing alcohol to a minor.

In a story that appeared in a Seattle, Wash. newspaper on Aug. 24, also has a story by Tracy Johnson *Man charged after boy drinks lethal amount of whiskey.*

These stories tell me that people who are concerned like we are about the alcoholism and drugs abuse problems can hold those who sell and provide alcohol to People liable.

Our Rosebud Sioux Tribal council could update and develop new, stricter laws to hold those who may or sell alcohol to people here on the Rosebud Sioux Indian reservation before any new liquor licenses could even be considered.

We should stop the process until our people decide, a reservation wide referendum vote for or against. Alcohol and drugs go hand in hand, we don't even have the necessary programs in place to help in recovery, healing of individuals afflicted with alcohol, drug additions.

Our Rosebud Sioux tribe continues to shoot it self in the foot by having council members using and drinking, Not very good examples, as well as questionable police officers,

It is obvious with certain people doing a dance around the drug testing.

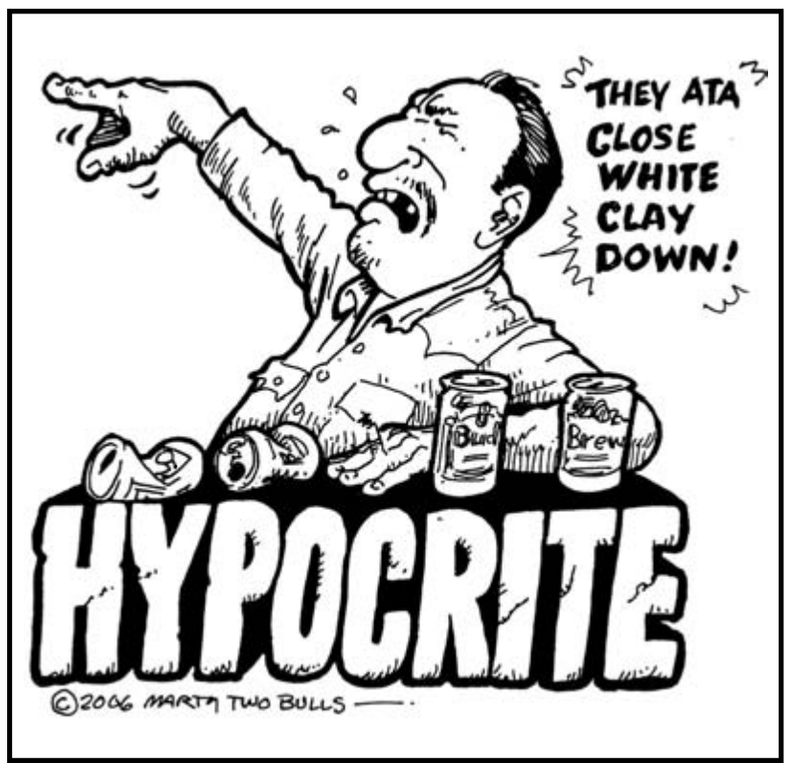
A concerned Lakota elder mentioned to me that our people should go down there when the council is in session and lock the doors and not let any out until they do a legitimate drug test by a respectable drug testing unit where the results wouldn't be tampered with.

Our Oglala relatives have the Wasicu exploiters in White Clay to contend with over their rampant alcohol problems, Over here in Sicangu country we have wasicu's with a few drops of Indiansblood attempting to do the same exploitation of Indians illness of alcohol and drug addictions.

It is sad to see those types of individuals exploiting our people, especially with so many car accidents, maiming and killing our relatives, youth, and not to mention the on going rise in crime and loss of freedom for many who got drunk or high and did things they wouldn't do sober.

We don't need any more alcohol outlets here on our reservation. Let those individuals go some where else and do their dirty work. The blood will be on their hands

Hecetu yelo
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The opinions expressed in Letters to the Editor and Opinion Pages are not necessarily that of the editor or staff of the Lakota Country Times.

Other Views

The next election will be critical

Dear Editor:

Once again the voice of male poutiness reeks the air via Tim Giago's column. What is this man's fixation with the seventies?

That is the decade when Indigenous peoples across the country stood up for the rights of Native People everywhere. If you can remember, that is precisely when Tim became a hater of those Lakota he thought he was smarter and better than, he truly marches to the beat of a drum only he can hear.

When was the last time any of us here at home saw him pitching in to improve the well-being of all Lakota Oyate? Indeed, if he is so concerned about tribal government corruption and the role that the B.I.A. plays in it, why did he not accept my public challenge to expose it? Why will he not even respond as to why he cannot accept the challenge?

Do nothing council? I beg to differ big time, but it is not the Lakota Way to toot ones own horn, let the people and the elders of the Lakota Nation who live here be the I recall with great pride the one thing we accomplished together, and that was to impeach the former president Cecelia Fire Thunder. It was a deed that was cleanly done and can be attested to by those in attendance.

As one of the co-complainants, I faced her without fear as I was blessed to have many Lakota women supporting me as I made my case on behalf of the unborn Lakota generations to come.

You want to talk about dirty deeds, well, it doesn't get any dirtier and evil than promoting the extermination of your own kind.

I have never been shunned in the old way as the former president was, therein lies the great shame.

If that ever happened to me, I don't think I could show my face in public, let alone take out a petition for the presidency of the very people whose future generations she attempted to eliminate.

So, as one of her accusers, I will gladly welcome any opportunity to face the former president any day of the week and twice on Sunday.

I still have more than 40 pages of evidence of wrong-doing, that evidence hasn't changed and comes from quotes directly from the former president's mouth.

Shame on you Tim, walk a mile in any Lakota's moccasins right here at home.

Who are you hoping to fool? It was not just an idea that was articulated, the evidence I have indicates that efforts were underway to attack our unborn within the womb. Care to have face to face with me and go over the documents?

I'll be happy to buy the coffee. It's done with Tim, she loses, the unborn Lakota win, that is as it should be.

Where have all the leaders gone? Well, the greatest ones have left us more than a hundred years ago.

Those leaders were not elected, they were born. The new leaders are coming, and with them bring change, but it will be a change that many benefiting from the tribal gravy train will not like.

I agree with Tim on two points. The priority of any tribal government should be the people.

As a councilman any power I had belonged to the People, they were the ones who told me what to do, they were the ones who kept me accountable.

I too am disappointed with the lack of commitment given to education by this current administration, they are aware of it as I have verbalized it on a consistent basis. Education needs to be one of the top priorities as it represents an opportunity for our young Lakota to overcome the despair of poverty.

I'm sure if called upon, the full council can elaborate on what they have accomplished without the benefit of an effective leader. In some cases friends and relatives, you can listen to what Tim has to say.

However for the most part, well what can I say? He actually thinks we don't know who he is, but I guess he has to keep up appearances for his wasicu reading audience.

I personally am proud of all that you have achieved as a Lakota. It is good you can be a name-dropper, yes we all know who Wilma Mankiller is, but really Tim, what good is that going to do any of us?

Yes the next election is going to be critical, the Lakota Oyate themselves have seen what each candidate is about in the lives they have lived thus far. They will make up their own minds as to who they will support.

Since you obviously know so much more than us blanket Indians, why don't you take out a petition and come save all of us from ourselves?

Or is it so much easier to sit back, pout, and criticize? Not that bad en-it?

In the spirit of Ta Sunke Witko.
Will Peters
Pine Ridge, S.D.

Other Views

Translation of a Lakota language story

By Francis C. Apple
A' S'a KuWapi

The Powder River Country was the home of the Oglala ever since time immemorial

1. In the origin story, the Oglala emerged from a cave in the Black Hills called Wind Cave. At one time they were a subterranean people. The white people have their origin story, this is our origin story.

2. The Oglala Lakotas home land was on the west side of the HeSapa from the Black Hills to the Rocky Mountains. They would venture north into Canada and south as far as the Mni Luta wan Kaiyakabtekiya Kaluze the Santa Fe River. But they always returned to the Powder River area.

3. All that was necessary for a good life grew abundantly along the Powder River country. It was the Oglala's Supermarket-Drugstore, Toys-R-Us, Housing and especially the Buffalo Tunkasila the Creator made sure that they had enough. And again there was no pegi nor Evil Eye. They were a drug free nation.

4. The sicknesses that are killing our people were not heard of ten.

5. This was due to the fact that their diet was sugar and fat free.

6. The Oglala were mounted way back then. There is all kinds of proof that they had the Mustang-the SunkNuni. I might add that the Horse Dance Ceremony is so ancient that no one in this day and age can explain how it was done. Tunkasila (The Creator) put the horse in that area for the Oglala to domesticate and use in the great Buffalo hunt. (the wanasapi).

7. The Oglala revered the Black Hills as most sacred (Wakan Kilapi). It was their cathedral.

8. And then gold was discovered in the Black Hills and as Paul Harvey would say…we know the rest of the story.

9. The conquerors wrote the books, so naturally they said that the Black Hills didn't belong to the Sioux because they also came from the east.

10. There are many reasons to refute this mentality, but I'll share one.

11. I would encourage our New Agers to understand this reasoning.

12. Today there aren't hardly any full bloods that like fish, duck, turtle, fish eggs, land crabs, etc.

13. Prior to being settled on the Pine Ridge Reservation, our people were marched to the Missouri River-the Pickstown area for one winter. Many of them died there because they were plains people. Just as when our children were taken to Carlyle Pennsylvania, many died from a broken heart.

14. The white man's history books say that the Oglala Lakota came from the state of what is called Minnesota. We are not canoe people, we were mounted and powerful. I might also add the Chief Red Cloud was the only Sioux Chief that fought the US government to stand still - the result was the 1868 Treaty.

15. My knowledge comes from oral tradition, so I wanted to share what I heard from the old ones with the professors at our various colleges.

16. The White man's books were written maybe 300 years ago. Our oral tradition goes back 200,000 years ago.

Ho Hecetu, welo
Rev. Francis C. Apple
Kyle, S.D.

When does the protection of the unborn stop?

Dear Editor:

Communities on the reservations on the North and South Dakota Prairies are very much small town in demeanor and laid-back in nature.

We often aren't sticklers when it comes to rules and regulations that we deal with unless it impacts our lives in a direct nature.

Our reservation roads are also rural in nature with patching here and there and with a few side roads, some graveled and not, offering some suspense in our travels.

There are those of us who realize the dangerous nature of our roads and act accordingly and strap in our young and also our selves "just in case." Reservation residents also do what is necessary to not get a ticket from the highway and county law enforcements patrolling the roadways

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Notes From Indian Country

Where have all the leaders gone?



By Tim Giago

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October 3, 2006 is an important date on the calendar of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, but Tuesday, November 7 looms even larger.

After two years of strife, turmoil, finger pointing, unethical behavior, vicious politicking from one of the most "do nothing" tribal councils in the history of the tribe, petitions are now taken out by the candidates hoping to win the Primary Election on Oct. 3 and move on to the General Election of Nov. 7.

Hopefully some candidates fed up with the hypocrisy and lethargy of the present tribal council will prevail and bring some semblance of order back to a once proud tribal council. At a time when the Lakota people of the Oglala Sioux Tribe needed, nay demanded, strong, honest and decent leadership, this council became so enamored of its own power that it threw out all of the rules of good conduct and sank into a mud puddle of indecision and a viciousness unseen since the 1970s.

By first suspending and then impeaching the first woman ever elected to serve as President of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, Cecilia Fire Thunder, and doing these dirty deeds while she was not even present or was never given the opportunity to face her accusers, this tribal council has brought great shame upon itself and tarnished those members of this same council that did not go along with its shameful acts of self-indulgence.

The list of presidential candidates includes a few members of this disgraced council apparently hoping to win the presidency in order to carry on their chicanery on a higher level.

As of last week those vying for the presidency of the tribe included current acting president Alex White Plume, current acting vice president Eileen Janis, and current tribal council representative Will Peters. Dennis King, George Patton, Denver American Horse, Larry Swalley, Gary Lays Bad and Joyce Sun Bear rounded out the rest of the president hopefuls until ousted president Cecelia Fire Thunder tossed her hat into the political cauldron late last week.

Former Principle Chief of the Cherokee Nation, Wilma Mankiller, told Fire Thunder two weeks ago to forget trying to get a fair hearing from the present tribal council and judiciary, but instead to concentrate on her efforts to get re-elected.

I agree. There is an old saying that is senseless to kick a dead horse and that is where Fire Thunder's efforts to get re-instated now rest.

With only two months left to campaign it will take all of her will power and persuasion to re-enforce minds and to clear her good name.

Every member of the tribe who cast ballots for the current members of the tribal council should re-examine the reasons they supported those candidates.

They should be asking themselves the following question: What did those people now serving on the tribal council accomplish for them and their districts in the past two years?

And more important, what did they accomplish for the good of the Oglala Sioux Tribe?

If this sounds like I am supporting any single candidate it is not intended that way. I am a strong believer in justice and the way this council used its power to defraud the legal president of the OST, Ms. Fire Thunder, draws my ire.

She did nothing that was deserving of this harsh and unfair treatment. As I said in a previous column, she was punished for her thoughts instead of her deeds.

But if every member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe would take an open-minded look at the things she did accomplish while under siege, I think they would be sufficiently impressed to re-consider her position as president.

Emotions play a large role in tribal politics often to the detriment of facts. But the essence of Democracy is the ability to separate personal prejudices from the grim realities of facts. There has been a shocking lack of leadership in Indian politics and tribal government over the past 20 years. I have often asked, "Where has our leadership gone?" Could it be as the song goes, "Gone to graveyards everyone?"

At a recent meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma I heard one influential Indian woman say that she places the priorities of tribal governments in this order; the casino, jobs, housing, health and finally, education. Has the new tribal leadership turned the priorities of the people totally upside down?

When a tribal government places its casino at the top of its priorities it skewers the traditional and cultural precepts of the Indian nations. It indicates that wealth takes precedence over culture.

The reach for money and then more money then subverts the cultural, spiritual and traditional needs of the very people it was elected to serve.

The Oyate (People) of the Oglala Sioux Tribe need to go back to their roots when they choose their next president and tribal council.

They need to look for courage, honesty, integrity, generosity and wisdom in the next line of leaders they choose.

Where have all the leaders gone? They are out there somewhere and it is up to the Indian people to find them. The future of their nations depends upon it.

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Northern Perspectives

The *eyapaha* as transmitter of culture



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

There are a number of superb powwows em-cees on the northern plains whom I consider to be great transmitters of Lakota culture. If you listen closely, you can hear Everett "Butch" Felix tell about the courage and sacrifice that veterans have made through out the ages. Or, you can listen as Jim Clairmont speaks pure Lakota in telling the powwow audience that what you are witnessing is a cultural 'moment' and one that should be cherished as it may not be seen again.

The *eyapaha* was traditionally a camp crier of sorts, who apparently was good at what he did and would go about the camp and announce the latest or perhaps speak for someone in a leadership capacity. Information that was meant for the good of all and which impacted the public health and welfare of all members of the 'tiospaye' was certainly worth transmitting correctly.

Pat Bad Hand is another Sicangu Lakota who is learning his craft as an *eyapaha* and he admits that he was taught by his elders never to turn down a request to serve the people whenever asked.

And, that most certainly meant serving as an emcee or spokesman for a particular gathering. Pat sang a song at my brother's funeral and I appreciated his honoring my request.

Over on the Pine Ridge, announcers such as Chris Eagle Hawk, Robert Two Crow and John Around Him are highly regarded as wonderful Lakota speakers in their own right.

Many a Rosebud joke has been transmitted over the public address system and many a chuckle can often be heard, especially when leksi John Around Him is left to himself at the controls. Sometimes we can't wait to hear a Oglala joke here on the Rosebud, but it has to be the right time. Maybe we'll spring one on John the next time he comes to the Hollow Horn sundance.

I am simply your usual powwow goer and certainly not in any position to correctly judge the skills of these esteemed Lakota men.

However, as someone who comprehends Lakota to a large degree, I know that what they put out there in Lakota is a way for them to teach the people.

They command respect and control the context and setting of what occurs in the arbor. It is kind of their domain and it may look like chaos at times, but rest assured these guys are in control.

Their enthusiasm, personality, and character seem to show through all the conversation and humor and often times it can be quite hilarious.

At the same time, we can also learn something new in Lakota that we may have never heard before. Jim Clairmont uses the Lakota word "ihank ihan" and it means the way something was carried out long ago in a cultural manner.

Simply observing the manner in which respect, honor and pride is displayed by such *eyapaha* we can assume that much of that is evident from the Lakota cultural world view.

Much of what we hear is the carry over of ancient teachings that needs to be perpetuated and protected as it is what makes us unique from all other ethnic cultures of the world.

Where else can you hear Lakota women display their own victory cry, while the men take the opportunity to teach us something about humility or some other lesson in etiquette.

Pat reminded me that years ago, an elder when given the opportunity to speak would always 'wahokokiya' or take the opportunity to illustrate a lesson or simply use the occasion to lecture the people about the proper way to do something.

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after all, that money could be used for other things we reason.

The paradox I see is we pay more attention to not getting a ticket than the simple realization that we are in a fast moving piece of metal on four wheels subject to deer jumping in front of us, a tire blowing out, or simple inattention such as cell phone use and other distractions that exacerbate and make our daily trips an actual practice in risk assessment.

We've heard the radio ads where the young girl explains that of the thousands of motor vehicle crash fatalities each year, almost half would of those people would still be alive if they wore a seat belt restraint.

The common motor vehicle around the reservations is almost always a one car rollover which almost always equals ejection of the occupants(s) and usually severe injury or death of those ejected.

Being stopped by law enforcement on the roads for any reason is something we all find disconcerting but I applaud the highway safety checks that will go on nation-wide including on reservations through the Labor Day weekend and beyond for the simple reason that as human beings we have to be reminded that human bodies have a poor chance of survival when tossed out of a vehicle.

Kids not restrained with a child passenger seat are also at risk and we literally practice child endangerment with not using child seats even on our home reservations.

Instead of saying "that's too bad" when one of our loved ones loses their life with not having a restraint on we should be making that connection that three seconds of snapping on a restraint is worth the effort in the long run and should be supported.

Our respective traffic codes should also be supported and upgraded as needed to reflect our interesting preserving human life.

During the recent blowup over a prospective abortion clinic on one of the South Dakota reservations people dug down deep into the cultural bin to say we need to protect the unborn.

I'm asking, when does that protection stop?

When the kid is out breathing air?

I say this because the rate of child seat use is ridiculous compared to state and national levels.

We get a seat then only put it in use when we are heading to Rapid City, Bismarck, or Pierre. Then we as adults look for excuses not to use it ourselves.

The 2005 country motor vehicle crash and fatality statistics are now out and I challenge those who care about human life to take a look at those and realize that many of those fatalities would be enriching or even just bringing simple humor and caring to our lives.

Make the connection. A

fter all, that's what the Great Spirit gave you a brain for.

Randolph G. Runs After, MPH, R.E.H.S.
Eagle Butte, S.D.

Other Views

It's election time again

Dear Editor:

It's hard to believe that another two years have gone by and its time to vote for the tribal president, vice-president and all the tribal representatives.

Just a word of advice to the voting members of the Oglala Lakota oyate.

When you go to the polls to vote make sure you know that the person you are voting for, think real hard and make sure you make the right choice.

Remember what the past council did, they impeached a good president.

If it wasn't for her how would the tribal treasurer find enough money to pay the bills and all the employees that work for the tribe. Would the casino and the hotel be built?

Think of what the past administration did, I am referring to all the administrations before Cecilia and Alex's.

They spent all the money a year ahead so the tribe was broke when Cecelia didn't take any money for her self except for the pay check she got every two weeks and when she had to travel to Washington to find money for the tribal programs operations and to ask for debt forgiveness.

Also, she never asked for travel to go to meetings on or off the reservation like some of the council did.

If anything the people that got the tribe in so much debt should be made to pay the people back or they should pay by going to prison for the crimes.

I believe that anyone that takes something that doesn't belong to them should have to pay it back.

So you all know who you are so you better start making restitution for what you did to the members of the Oglala Lakota oyate.

I think the members of the reservation are counting on every one of the people that are eligible to vote will make a good choice.

I am an elder and I was taken to jail because I asked one of our council men from Manderson two questions in front of the Red Cloud building.

Please make sure the people you are voting are mature enough to be on the council.

Now is that any way to councilman should treat an elder?

Why can't we ask questions of the council?

It seems that when some of the members get elected to the council they forget their role.

As council representatives they are suppose to take care and protect the members of the Oglala Lakota oyate.

Another thing I want to point out is when I was doing my job as district chairperson, by carrying out orders from the members of the Medicine Root district council, the people wanted our council woman suspended and then they wanted her impeached for things she did to harm some of the programs on the reservation.

She had a restraining order filed against the chairperson and the treasurer of Medicine Root district.

Elected council members are suppose to take care of the tribal members not haul them to court or jail because you ask them the wrong questions.

So when you go to the polls to vote take a good look at the names and make sure you make the best choice.

Vote for the candidates that will work for the Oglala Lakota oyate.

Don't vote for anyone that wants to grab all the money the can from the Oyate. Remember any money that comes into the Pine Ridge reservation belongs to the Oglala Lakota oyate.

The money has to be used for the programs so there will be employment and to build the reservation so we can be proud of our homeland.

Another thing we have to think of is how the alcohol and illegal drugs are effecting all the members of the Pine Ridge reservation.

Think about an alcohol and drug council. People who are alcohol and drug free have a healthy thinking process.

Connie Whirlwind Horse
Kyle, S.D.

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Life is a matter of give and take



By Dr. Jim Wilson

Philosophers are people who search for answers to questions like, "What is the meaning of life?" Most of us do not think of ourselves as philosophers, but we are because every one of us is on an endless search for the meaning of the many pieces of our lives which when organized into a wholeness, like a Star Quilt for instance, will give us a wholeness of understanding, clarity and meaning. Science searches for the truth and Philosophy searches for meaning.

We need both.

Life is an endless series of problems we must solve in order to survive.

Some people seem to glide smoothly through life while others seem to be battered like the losers of lopsided boxing matches.

Some people learn early how to solve problems and some never learn because they fail to see any connections between causes and effects; if you play with fire you may get burned, etc.

In the search for methods of solving problems there are only three broad choices: dealing directly with them ourselves, asking or letting others deal with them or doing nothing and hoping for the best.

Of course, prevention is always the best course but we often fail at that because we are too busy dealing with the problems at hand. Dealing directly with problems is the hardest because it requires us to face things (or people) we probably should have already faced.

Letting others deal with our problems is easier and gives us a chance to shift responsibilities while doing nothing and waiting for the outcome lets us plead total ignorance and accept the victim or martyr role.

It is that middle course that I am most concerned with because it is the most common choice the majority of us make. We are continuously asked to align ourselves with groups or parties which have already defined courses of actions in religion and politics.

For the newcomer both areas can be like quicksand largely because the already committed members seem to have all of the answers and we are like neophytes searching in the dark with but dimly lighted candles.

And, to complicate our lives immensely there are many who want to mix religion and politics.

My point here is to remind all of us that any choice but the first is to GIVE up some or all of our options to those who would TAKE from us our rights to act on behalf our selves.

By letting others speak or act for us, we are forfeiting our rights to represent ourselves.

History has shown us numerous occasions of mass suicide where a single leader has made a decision for all of his/her followers. One can also observe that historically group philosophies have swung like the proverbial pendulum. What is right today may well be wrong at some point in the future.

In a recent discussion with some friends I was asked my opinion on the South Dakota Legislature's action against abortion.

I mumbled something to the effect that I thought it was wrong and men had no business deciding things that affected only women. But, the question made me have second thoughts and helped me clarify my "philosophy" to align more with my total view of life.

We have to accept as fact that we cannot keep religion or politics neatly in separate boxes .

We will probably always have conflicts between science (evolution) and faith (creation). If we truly believe what we are saying, we must accept that there is some room for differences and one of those differences is how much choice is allowed on the religion (creation) side.

The answers can only be none or some. And, that is how I can move forward to frame my philosophy, or belief.

I believe we have brains so we can make choices. And, going around the barn, so to speak, we come back to the give and take of life.

I will not take away women's right to make their own decisions.

I do not believe that most women want to give up that right. I do not believe most women will choose abortion but do want to the right to make that choice on the rare occasions when they feel it is the appropriate course to choose.

I will vote for women to keep their options by voting against legislation to take from them the option to choose. If a woman wants to give up her options, that is her right but not mine.

Voting for their rights is not voting for abortion.Since I seem to enjoy wading in quicksand, let me proceed onward into the jungle of politics.

Social Scientists, like most other professional people whom we are taught to respect, have obligations and responsibilities to both earn and maintain that respect.

One responsibility we have is to give clear answers to questions we seek to answer and to explain how we get those answers.

However, some questions are perplexing and do not have easy or clear questions. One of my favorite examples of such a questions is, "Have you stopped beating your wife/husband yet?"

Like most Americans I love my country, warts and all. But, I am quick to say that I do not believe we can do no wrong. I am not a dyed-in--the-wool baseball fan who believes that hitting .300 gets you into the Hall of Fame. I dream of a system of five nines; pure gold is rated as 99.999 percent.

One of the reasons we are having trouble exporting our versions of Democracy and Capitalism is that many people in other parts of the world are seeing too much corruption in our Democracy and too much criminal activity in our Capitalism. They don't like what we are selling.

Both systems are presently operated so that a third system (special interest lawyers, accountants and lobbyists) can make lucrative careers "gaming" both Democracy and Capitalism. Ike was right.

President Eisenhower warned us of a growling Military-Industrial Complex which today seems permanently imbedded in our system.

General MacArthur was wrong; Old Soldiers do not just fade away, they go to work for Big Bucks with companies making zillion dollar tanks, rockets, guns, bombs, ships and airplanes.

The sad result is that the United States is the only Military Superpower left in our modern world and the old men make wars in which our young men die!

While spreading geopolitical strife does not bode well for the broad market, it is greatly boosting demand for both conventional and anti-terrorist military hardware and technology," writes John Burke, a former marine intelligence analyst. "Since 2000, the U.S. defense expenditures have soared 82 percent to an estimated $536 billion in 2006. That's an increase (as a percentage of GDP) from 3 percent to 4.1 percent of GDP. In fact, U.S. defense spending exceeds that of the rest of the world combined, despite significant arms buildups in the Middle East and Asia - which total over $4 billion in military equipment sales."

Here is where my 11 years in a US Government Boarding School pays off again; the Boys' Advisors (and Girls' Advisors, too) were the Superpowers in our lives.

Some were very good and some were very bad.

I became a skeptic and a philosopher at an early stage when I both saw and experienced the big disconnects between the talk and the walk of those we depended on and trusted!

I have two problems with our nation's present courses of action on the international scene: the unilateral assumption of the Head Cop role and the very questionable effort to force "freedom" on other nations.

My friend and classmate Calvin Jumping Bull laughed as he told me that he once said to two boys fighting at Red Cloud School, "If you don't stop fighting I will beat you up!"

We need a chance to break out of this pathetic existence

Dear Editor:

Soon we will be sifting through tribal candidates trying to pick who is best suited to serve the people. We will replace old representatives with new hopefuls while others will vote current officials back in.

Some will even vote for their relative simply because they are related. Our government will spend a significant amount of money to ensure a spectacular event.

Sadly, the forged air of optimism, buoyancy, and pomp, with which we partake in these events is keenly distressing to the mind.

Without a doubt, as soon as the accolades and speeches are over, we will return to our homes and continue our struggles under this government system.

Most of us will endure patiently until the next election in another two years.

One would think that after repeating this static cycle for seven decades, we would know better. As we have done since 1935, many of us will have to cope with disappointment and despair as soon as the oath of office is completed.

When we see that our candidate is not up to our expectations, frustration and resentment will fog our vision and consume our time.

Someday, we will have to realize that the Indian Reorganization Act is such that it benefits a mere handful of tribal members.

Our history tells us this fact, yet we seem to ignore it with every election. Regardless of whom we vote into office, the system will surely overwhelm them and the old status quo will prevail for another two years.

I am not rebuking anyone with this, all I am doing is pointing to our 70 year history with the so-called IRA.

Our candidates are prone to repeat the good-old-boy antics of previous campaigns. I don't know of anyone campaigning yet; however, I do know nothing is going to change for us voters in the districts.

Also, I think it is time we give our officials a break and realize that they have done all they are capable of in terms of providing jobs on the reservation. All available jobs now are with our schools, law enforcement, public utilities (water, solid waste, etc), and the public services our tribal government provides. Actually, these areas should be our government's only concerns.

We should not expect our legislature to do more than its capability. Someone, however, will campaign on the promise of "more jobs" or a "better economy".

We, as voters, must be wary of such candidates. Some will try anything to secure themselves a decent salary. These people are either immoral or they simply do not know what they are doing.

We have to change our thinking too. For one, we have to understand that an economy does not rest on the shoulders of government.

The so-called "private sector", meaning those eking out a living in the districts, must stand up to this challenge and start thinking about selling and buying Lakota; about keeping that dollar circulating here on the homeland.

Although Prairie Wind Casino handles millions of dollars a year, it does not contribute to a homeland economy. All of it goes back into off-reservation economies.

Our casino pays for products and services from vendors from our border towns and abroad and its employees take their paychecks to Rapid City and other places for the things they need.

Essentially, small businesses providing basic needs or products and/or services to the Lakota people should rely on other local businesses to provide them with the materials, products, and services they need.

If this were to happen, we can keep that valuable dollar on the homeland. As it is now, we simply take our money and inject it into our border town economies.

These municipalities are happy to take our money.

On the other hand, it is a humiliating and tiresome task trying to borrow some of it to build our own circulation on our homeland. I know a few of the little people who experienced rejection in their bid to make small business loans. In this manner, "local" banks seemingly control our destiny.

I have come to realize that this humiliating and fruitless soliciting for money may not be the way to go.

Perhaps we have to develop innovative and unconventional methods to raise startup money. Of course, we have to start small and gradually build up, but we have to start now with the vision that our children and grandchildren will grow up into a genuine homeland economy.

For whatever it is worth, I do caution voters to be wary of your candidates. No one person can make drastic improvements for us. That is ours to determine and it does take time.

Also, it won't matter one way or the other as to who we elect for our president or representative. Real affirmative change can occur only with a constitutional separation of powers amendment.

Look at our extreme unemployment rates! I have not found an exact percentage, but it is constantly fluctuating between 75 percent and 90 percent.

These figures are shocking by United States standards. What does this mean to us? The devastating economic depression during the 1930s was the last time US rates equaled ours… and people were starving.

Understandably, when current US unemployment levels reach 15 percent there is near pandemonium. On the homeland, though, it is just another day.

Two or three generations of poverty and we are still struggling with a meager existence on the Pine Ridge. Yet, our candidates will again ask for your vote so they can draw a good salary for the next two years.

A series of pre-election round-table discussions in every district could prove beneficial. Such event will give every voter an opportunity to discuss among themselves the important issues facing us today.

It will pave the way to making wiser decisions about who should represent them on the Tribal Council.

Beyond that, what we desperately need are relevant community level economic education programs. I do not mean some program that will give us "economic development" money.

What will benefit us most is a training regimen that will teach families how to raise money for business and what types of business will work in a community such as ours.

We do not need any more "free" money because it only supports our addiction to the welfare state many people have to live with. Furthermore, it encourages and solidifies our dependence on the federal government. We need a chance to break out of this pathetic existence.

The bottom line is we either make it on our own or become a part of the larger community.

Ivan F. Starr,
Oglala, S.D.

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Sicangu showcases past tribal government during fair

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The idea to visually "showcase" the past RST tribal administrations and council going back to the very first council in 1936-38 apparently was the idea of Darlene Kills In Water of the RST vice-president's office and the RST special events committee. There is not a lot of documentation or narrative about the inner-workings of past Sicangu leaders and the list will serve to remind people of who the prominent political Sicangu leaders were. Kills In Water did the research at the SGU Heritage Center. She said, "It was something we wanted to give back to the people."

She said that Ben Black Bear, Jr. of the Rosebud Educational Society also provided pictures for the display.

One interesting note is the fact that the initial list contained the name of a woman, Mary Scissons.





Left: Archie Little and Homer Whirlwind Soldier in front of RST display of past officers and representatives during 2006 RST Fair. Both Sicangu elders are descendents of principal chiefs of the Sicangu Nation.
Above: Tripods listing past RST officers and council representatives back to 1936 went on display at a recent RST council meeting. The project was the idea of Darlene Kills In Water and the RST Special Events committee. Photos by Archie Beauvais.

Another female was not seen on the council until 1973-75 when Christine Dunham and Julia Lambert were elected to serve. It would have been interesting to see if the council had marked the special occasion.

Other interesting facts include the fact that there was an Antoine Roubideaux listed at the first RST president. There was also someone with that name listed on the signing of the 1868 Ft. Laramie Treaty. It is likely that he was a direct descendent of the interpreter. Many of the descendants seen on the list have descendents whose name are still prominent today; familiar names like Eagle Bear, Whirlwind Soldier, Quick Bear, and Left Hand Bull. It was also interesting that John Fire served as a sergeant-at-arms in 1944 during the

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Youth Funday rodeo brings new riders to world of rodeo

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Between 40-50 young competitors opened the 2006 Oglala Nation Fair and Rodeo on Thursday, Aug. 3 at the Pine Ridge rodeo grounds with a fun day rodeo. Stick horse barrels, regular barrels, flag races, pole bending and bull riding were spiced up with pop and watermelon races and boot scrambles in three divisions.

"The late Bogie Carlow and I got together to put on the first youth rodeo in 1993," said Michel Melvin, a local rancher and agricultural specialist at Oglala Lakota College, "this tradition has continued over the years and I have watched as many young participants developed the skills to participate in and go on to larger rodeos."

Results from the youth rodeo included: PeeWee Stick Horse Barrels-1) Lante Wisecarver; PeeWee Stick Horse Poles-1)Jhet Janis, 2) Lante Wisecarver; PeeWee Stick Horse Flag Race-1) Lante Wisecarver, 2)Jhet Janis; PeeWee Barrels-1) Kade Bettelyoun, 2)Arielle Clifford, 3) Jimi Swallow, 4) Khet Janis; PeeWee Pole Bending-1) Kade Bettelyoun, 2) Arielle Clifford; Pee Wee Flag Race-1) Kade Bettelyoun, 2)Arielle Clifford, 3) Alehandro Rama; Junior Barrels-1) Carlee DeWolfe, 2) Monica Tibbitts, 3)Taryn Lessert, 4) Shandra Stromer; Junior Pole Bending-1) Shandra Stromer, 2)Taryn Lessert, 3) Carlee DeWolfe, 4) Jachandra Begay; Junior Flag-1)



Alehandro Rama, son of son of Matt Rama and Mickey Alcanter, placed second in the junior pop race. Photo courtesy of Michel Melvin.

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Bennett County Schools list attendance policy

MARTIN - The following the policy regarding the daily attendance of students attending Bennett County Schools.

DAILY ATTENDANCE OF STUDENTS IS REQUIRED PER SCHOOL BOARD POLICY; STATE LAW AND THE NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT. Following are a few state statutes and a summary that deal with school attendance.

13-27-1 Parents and guardians of children, ages 6-16, are responsible for making sure students regularly attend school. This statute mandates compulsory attendance for children ages 6-16.

13-27-11 Parents/Guardians that fail to send children, ages 6-16, are guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor for the first offense. For each subsequent offense, the parent/guardian is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor.

13-27-14 School Boards are authorized to appoint Truancy Officers to enforce the compulsory attendance laws.

Lisa Rotert is the Bennett County School District Truancy Officer.

Any day that a student is absent, if there has NOT been a call from the parent/guardian, Mrs. Rotert calls each home to inquire as to the student's absence. Documentation of these phone calls, parent calls to the office, and other attendance documentation is kept on file with Mrs. Rotert, MGS office or the Bennett County High School office.

Students who are truant may be referred to the Martin City Police, Department of Social Services, Bennett County Sheriff's Department, Oglala Sioux Tribal Officers or Court.

When a student has an unexcused absence, Mrs. Rotert will contact the parent/guardian. The second unexcused absence will result in a phone call and a letter from Mrs. Rotert. A third unexcused absence will be referred to the Bennett County States' Attorney's office.

When students have missed FIVE and TEN days of the semester at the HS and FIVE, TEN, FIFTEEN, and TWENTY days of school at MGS, parents are sent a letter informing them of their child's absences, the reasons for the absences and any other attendance information needed.

Copies of these letters will be sent to the Bennett County States' Attorney as warranted.

Parents are invited to schedule a meeting with Mrs. Rotert, Mrs. Ready and Mr. Semmler to discuss attendance issues at any time during the school year.

Regular attendance is ESSENTIAL for students to succeed in school. Martin Grade School staff would like to meet with parents and students to ensure that all students are in school and becoming successful.

As school begins, so does lice, a sign of the season

By Lynn Taylor Rick
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A lot of things mark the beginning of the new school year.

Head lice is one of them.

Rapid City pharmacist Chuck Fortier said the peak time for lice outbreaks is two weeks after school begins. Once under way, he expects to see as many as 20 parents a week visiting the pharmacy at Boyd's looking for head lice treatments.

But that doesn't mean that summer is a lice-free time. "It's so prevalent. We have had two or three parents looking for the products just this week," he said.

Those products include shampoos such as Rid and Nix, but there are some common household products that can be used as well.

For parents who want to use store-bought products, Fortier recommends Nix for children. Nix contains pyrethrum, which is derived from the chrysanthemum flower. When it comes to children, Fortier suggests they stay away from products such as Rid, which contain more dangerous chemicals. Do not use products that contain lindane on children, Fortier said.

As for household treatments, some people use mayonnaise, which they rub into the hair and leave overnight.

This old treatment will likely work, but Fortier believes that mayonnaise has as many dangerous chemicals in it as do the shampoos. "Preservatives in mayonnaise are huge," he said.

A safer alternative may be heavy oils, such as olive oil. People can apply the oil to hair and scalp, cover with a plastic for a time, then wash it out. Fortier said. The oil smothers the lice and nits.

The hair should then be combed through with a nit comb, and any existing nits or eggs should be removed. The hair should be checked in a couple of days for any remaining nits, and the oil treatment should be done again to smother any newly hatched lice in about a week. The key is completing two cycles of the treatment, Fortier said.



"Oils would definitely smother them," Fortier said.

Because lice are contagious, every person in the household should be checked for lice. If nits or lice are discovered, those members also need treatment. There are also pyrethrum sprays that can be used on furniture if needed, Fortier said.

The most important thing to remember when it comes to lice is that the critters don't discriminate. Despite the bad press they get, lice aren't a sign of bad hygiene. "It has nothing to do with cleanliness. It has to do with someone being in close proximity with someone who has lice," Fortier said.

And since school has plenty of close proximity, it's not a surprise that children pick up lice at school.

Fortier said about the only thing parents can do to prevent an outbreak is encourage kids not to share their coats and hats. Don't hang their coats with other coats, and don't visit the home of children with an existing lice outbreak. "Don't go in a friend's house until they get rid of them," he said.

But most of all, don't worry, Fortier said. As soon as cold weather rolls around, the lice will disappear … until next year, that is.

RST history

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end of World War II and also as a council representative. Leaders such as Mike One Star, Homer Whirlwind Soldier, Elmer Compton and Isadore White Hat served prior to 1952. The elder Homer Whirlwind Soldier was the first vice president in 1936.

Another interesting note is the fact that there has only been one four year term going back to 1936 and that occurred during the Alex Lunderman administration. The late Aloysius Larvie of Antelope community also served six consecutive terms and during that four year span.

Darlene Kills In Water is on the RST special events committee for the 2006-07 Rosebud Fair along with Gwen Herman, Norman Running, Whitney Meek, and Donna Hollow Horn Bear.

She researched the archives and had all of the respective officers and council listed for each two year segments and was assisted by Gwen Herman, also of the vice-president's office.

Kills In Water was also a former RST council representative during the Charles Colombe administration and represented District 6 which is Spring Creek and Two Strike.

The eight and a half by eleven sheets were mounted on tripods which were created by David Halmi of St. Francis Indian School who teaches vocational educational.

He is a former faculty member in the fine arts department at Sinte Gleska University. Halmi was assisted by Kills In Water's nephew Ray Sigalla.

The tripods or easels were displayed during the RST council meeting last week for public viewing and then, were transported to the site of the annual RST Fair where they were displayed just south of the powwow arena. Copies of the RST administration officers and representatives were made available to the public at a table which was also set up. The tripods were displayed in front of a red and blue tipi and elders, Archie Little and Chief Homer Whirlwind Soldier, were named as tribal historians for the event. They were willing to share their historical knowledge.

Chief Whirlwind Soldier said on Saturday during the fair that someone once said there was no precedence for appointing a temporary chief, such as was the case when businessman Phil Stevens of California, was made a chief in 1987. Whirlwind Soldier said that there was a precedence set earlier when his grandfather George Whirlwind Soldier was acting chief from 1913-18 of the Sicangu Nation along with Jake Kills In Sight and Gene Little.

The sharing of past RST administrations and council representatives was a great gesture by the RST special events committee as it is an excellent way to show the public, historians and children that the Sicangu Lakota have a legacy of leaders appointed under the 1934 Indian Reorganization Act. The I.R.A. has always been a controversial form of government despite being a representative one.

Despite that fact, it has allowed many Indian tribes the right to federal recognition and thus, entitled to certain treaty obligations and entitlement programs by the federal government.

The tripods were accompanied by news clippings, primarily from the Todd County Tribune, which mentioned the annual Rosebud Fair. The paper clippings occasionally made reference to a time for Native Dancing, an Indian horse race, or politicians of the day who might be attending the fair. One had the late Congressman Ben Riefel scheduled to speak.

Today, the RST Fair and Rodeo always boasts a beautiful poster for the powwow and rodeo which chronicles the events for the public with respective times and dates.

Victor Douville of the SGU Lakota Studies is apparently conducting some research on the work of past IRA (Indian Reorganization Act) administrations and councils at Rosebud and he has a desire to combine his work with the visual lists which have been catalogued.

The university has the SGU Heritage Center which is an official depository for the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and such documents are likely housed in that department.

Woman's death under investigation

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - The death of a Lower Brule woman who was missing for nearly a month is under investigation, the Bureau of Indian Affairs said Thursday.

The body of Vicki Eagleman, 33, was found Wednesday near Medicine Creek, close to Pierre.

She was last seen July 28 and was reported missing by her mother on Aug. 3, according to a statement from the BIA. An autopsy was planned Thursday.

The state Division of Criminal Investigation, BIA and FBI are investigating.

On Tuesday, nearly 200 people from the Lower Brule community searched for the mother of five.

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Youth fun day rodeo

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Taryn Lesert, 2) Shandra Stromer, 3) Dalton Lessert, 4)Tea LeBeau; Junior Bareback-1)Steven DeWolfe, 2/3)Shane Mesteth and J.D. Phelps; Junior Bulls-1)Gene Kaline, 2) John LeDeaux, 3)Lane Vocu; Senior Barrel-1)Autumn Garcia, 2) Kayla Carlow, 3)Kylee Fisher, 4)Jace Janis; Senior Pole Bending-1)Kylee Fisher, 2) Kayla Carlow, 3)Autumn Garcia, 4)Jace Janis; Senior Flag Race-1) Jace Janis; Senior Bull Riding-1)Marcus Swallow, 2)Jessie Elk; Junior Pop Race-1) Lante Wisecarver, 2) Alehandro Rama, 3)Jhet Janis, 4)Jonathon Mesteth; Senior Pop Race-1)Ty Reddy, 2)Shane Mesteth, 3)Joey Elk, 4)Henry Clofford; Junior Boot Scramble-1) Justin Phelps, 2) Taryn Lessert, 3) Joe Sierra, 4) Tea LeBeau; Senior Boot Scramble-1) T.C. Clifford, 2) Shane Mesteth, 3) Jonathon Provost, 4)Tyler Clifford and Watermelon Race-1)Lane Scott, 2)Tea LeBeau, 3) Alehandro Rama, 4)Casey Provost.

"The youth who participate in this rodeo tell me they like the opportunity to win cash prizes," said Melvin, "some have even told me that they have used the money to buy school clothes for the new school year. Last year I was really honored when Cecelia Fire Thunder, OST President presented me a star quilt; most of all though I really enjoy helping to provide an opportunity for our youth to participate - these children are our future leaders and we need to be setting an example that they will be proud to follow."

A Great Plains Indian Rodeo Association sponsored rodeo was held on Friday and on Saturday the Buckin Stock and Country Rock with the Beauty and the Beast took place.

Melvin wanted to emphasize that the rodeo could not have happened without the support of a number of sponsors including OST Child Care, First National Bank of Gordon, Lakota Plains Propane of Kyle, Johnson O'Malley, Tim and Theresa Lessert, Donnel and G.W. Ecoffey of Wounded Knee, #4 Community of Wakpamni Diostrict, Fireside Inn of White Clay, Jumping Eagle Inn of White Clay, Pine Ridge Extension, Big Bats of Pine Ridge, Lakota Prairie Ranch Resort of Kyle, Angie's Burrito in Kyle, Salomon Sanitation, Oglala Nation Rodeo Committee, Tom Poor Bear, Lester Waters family, C.S.B.G. "Support Life, USDA Animal Identification, Sioux Nation Shopping Center, Pine Ridge Oil, Safety of Dams Program, Prairie Wind Casino, Blue Bar in White Clay and State Line Bar in White Clay.

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ASK ANNA

Psychic - Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I have great respect for those who are honored with your gift. Because of your gift, I would like to ask you a couple of questions: My husband is in state prison.

He was supposed to be paroled next year but he earned another sentence for doing something stupid while in prison, which means he won't be eligible for parole for three more years.

We would like to go back to court before January (which is when his request time expires) and ask the judge to reconsider this second sentence he was given. The judge didn't even read any reports or letters and gave him the maximum time.

Will this be successful in getting his sentence reduced or suspended? Will he be coming home in the next year? Will things go well for us when he does finally get home?

Asking

Dear Asking:

I am saddened by your distress and the situation your mate is currently in. There is a possibility through the advocacy of an organization that helps minorities that your husband may have his eligibility time reduced by at least one year.

The court's determination is based on a simple perspective that your husband still resorts to violence when involved in confrontation; in other words, he is high-risk on the outside based on his response to inside pressure.

New behaviors are what the court is looking for, not responses that show and emphasize old behaviors. The court did not need to read any letters from the outside as it was an act on the inside; and conversations and regret combined with remorse expressed to people on the outside is not as strong of evidence as behavior.

In other words, actions speak louder than words. l feel that his lengthened eligibility is harsh given the circumstances inside the prison and the right advocacy may be able to point this out using comparisons of white vs. non-white sentencing for like and similar incidences.

Dear Anna,

I need to know if my boyfriend is cheating on me because I am always hearing stuff about him when he comes back from rodeos and stuff.

There is a girl that keeps asking him out and I would like to know what he says, does he say yes or no; does he like her?

She's from Wanblee and she's a sophomore. I would really like to know if he loves me and will never cheat on me or how many times did he cheat on me.

Sincerely confused girlfriend

Dear Confused:

Sincerely speaking, you are confused girl. I don't like to confirm or not confirm cheating husbands, boyfriends, girlfriends or wives. This is why: If I say yes, and then the person I say yes to tells the suspect that I have said yes, the suspect may become angry enough with me to create a really dangerous situation for me.

Irate family members and friends may decide to shorten my stay on the earth., or at least, hurt me. What I will say is:

1. Consider the sources of the information that tells you he is partying with other girls. Do they like you and want to save you from a bad relationship or do they want to hurt you?
2. What do you think?
3. Either trust this guy or get over him. Does he like the girl in Wanblee? Probably, but that does not mean anything. I like lots of people that are not potential lovers, don't you?

I'm sorry to say this to the rodeo cowboys, but they are known for their good-timing, fast-living, adventure-seeking way of living.

They are fun-loving and have a reputation of enjoying the company of women.

They are people that love danger and excitement - it's in their blood.

Women love cowboys. Not all cowboys are unfaithful, but it is very difficult to remain true to a relationship in the rodeo environment, especially if their girl-friend at home is suspicious, jealous, demanding and whiny.

My advice is love a cowboy but don't commit to one or have any expectations until he is too old to rope and ride.

Dear Anna,

Hello Miss Anna B! I hope all is well for you. I'm a fluent reader of your column and look forward to it each week. I was just wondering what you see for me in the time coming up. Will everything be alright dealing with my education?

Will my mother be alright alone and also do you see my grandmother getting better. My aunt is now alone now that I'm gone.

Will she be able to do things on her own? Do you see anyone in particular coming into my personal life?

Curious

Dear Curious:

You are a sweet and compassionate young woman. School is a great opportunity for you and will present you with an education that means you can help your family in a much better way when you are through.

Your loans and grants will be approved. Your mother will manage her life in a good way while you are in school.

She will be all right. Your grandmother's health presents her with many challenges, but she will be getting a little better. Your aunt will be able to manage her life and others will help her in your absence.

You will meet a young man in about six or so months - but the relationship will not sustain. You will meet another man in about two years and that relationship will thrive.

Take good care of yourself, study hard and look forward to creating your dream.

God Bless.

Dear Anna,

I am a forty-something year old Lakota *winyan* who occasionally loses her way down that Red Road but also finds her way back.

In the past 3-5 years I have had terrible luck, and I really need to know if this life is worth going on with. I'm tired and I'm lonely and I just want this hurting to stop. I have been seeing a counselor and I am on anti-depressants but I really do want to know what is going on in this life of mine.

The man I was with for many years, the man I loved for many years, that I have a son with left two years ago.

We are still seeing each other secretly for sex and I know he's not the one for me but I can't seem to break free of the feelings I have for him. I even got him to start paying me child-support as a way to keep him in my life.

But, he also initiates contact with me also and I know his feelings for me aren't what I wish they'd be. He lives with a woman who is old enough to be his grandmother and all they do is drink, and she always throws him in jail for abusing her, I know I am prettier then her and I am better then her in more ways then one.

I feel like calling her up and telling her he is cheating on her with me.

I also think I am pregnant again and I don't know what to do, please give me some good advise.

Is this what love is?

Dear Wants to know what love is:

Boy oh boy. You know that your life will get better when you determine that you create it. This sounds harsh, but you continue in the past, which is an old circle, and always takes you back to where you started: heart-broken, disappointed, depressed and alone. Try another approach to your life.

Understand this: Your relationship with your ex is a route of victimization. He exploits you. When you want those feelings of frustration to end, really want that, end the relationship.

Feeling lonely is an addiction. It is a perspective that peace, love and joy come only from another. It is a reflection that says that you don't feel complete as a human being until you have another human being to confirm your worthiness.

When you engage in a relationship with another person, who is sick and addicted, you will never find yourself happy. Learn that you are okay without a mate, so that you can be okay when the right mate is presented to you. Strength in internal.

Understanding yourself and learning to appreciate your own beauty, strength, character, and company will allow you to attract a partner that reflects that back at you.

Pray first for a healing and doctoring of your mind, body and spirit. These gifts will be given to you, as they currently exist within you, but they are buried with fear and misunderstanding.

The Creator gave you your life and all the tools to be as great or as small as you decide. You can be well or sick. Remember, you are a spirit; a spirit walking in a human body.

You must learn self-love, compassion, and tolerance. You must have the same Lakota values (love, honor, compassion and respect) for yourself as well as others. When you truly value yourself you will not abuse your life nor allow others to abuse you.

The Red Road will give you a strong connection to the Creator and to the Spirits in your circle.

They will help you to find balance and will work with you to create a better life.

They also have love, compassion, honor and respect and they forgive you your bad decisions and your lack of understanding. They have pity for you (and all of us) for the bad choices you make.

Decide what you want.

A good job? Be proactive. A happy household: get happy inside yourself and enjoy the gift of life.

A good relationship: Be a good person to have a relationship with.

I see you putting the confusion of the past behind you. I see you studying about co-dependency and working on recovery. I see you able to honor the Pipe.

All of these things will lead you to a better place.

Be patient, within two years life will feel much better.

In the meantime, listen to your counselor, talk about co-dependency and discover the creative, loving, joyful, beautiful woman that you are. Good Luck.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests may be subject to publication.

Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

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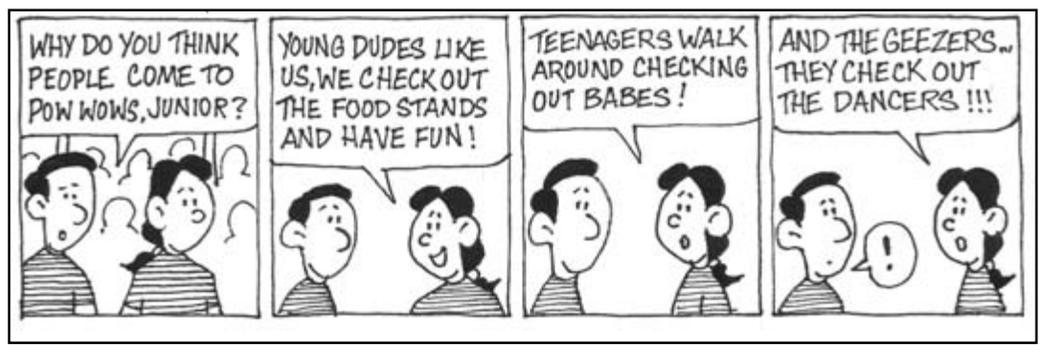
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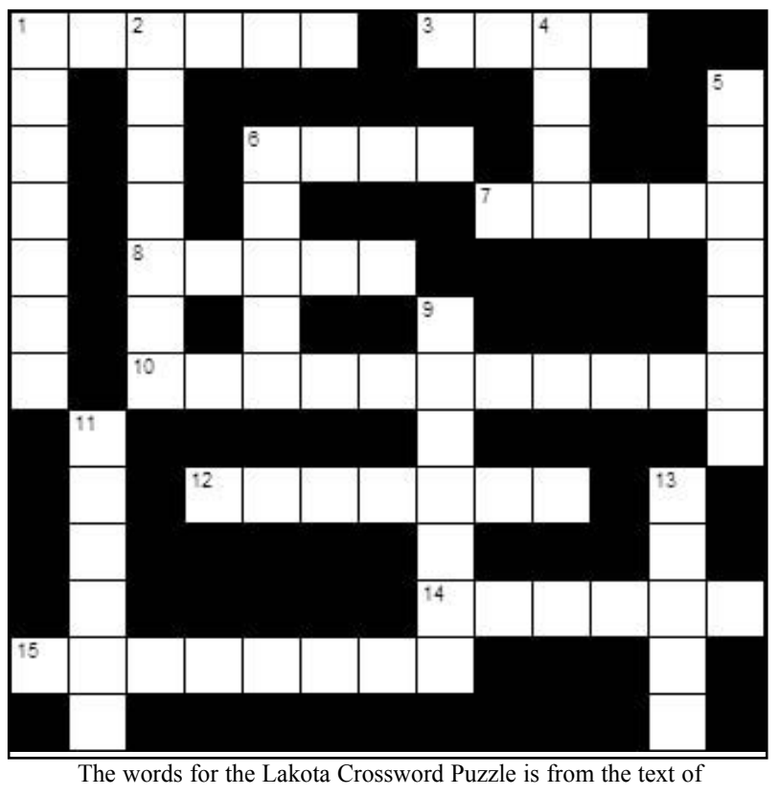
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

1. man
3. neck
6. thick
7. pumpkin
8. ear
10. butter
12. cloth
14. robin
15. bull

Down

1. kindness
2. mosquito
4. no
5. happy
6. dog
9. cut
11. medicine
13. sacred



The words for the Lakota Crossword Puzzle is from the text of *Everyday Lakota, An English-Sioux Dictionary for Beginners*.

Mills to keynote Native American Media Symposium

BROOKINGS, S.D. (AP) _ Billy Mills, an Olympic gold medalist and South Dakota native, is scheduled as the keynote speaker for the 2006 Native American Media Symposium at South Dakota State University Oct. 6 and 7.

The symposium will include American Indian journalists, activists, authors and educators discussing tribal sovereignty, press freedom and other issues at SDSU's Department of Journalism and Mass Communication.

SEE WHAT'S AT THE MOVIES





Lincoln Cross Dog Jr., 42.....Oglala
Victor R. Fineran, infant.....Martin
Alicia Noisy Hawk, 46 .....Kenel

Lincoln Cross Dog, Jr.

OGLALA - Lincoln Cross Dog Jr., 42, died Aug. 25 at Rosebud as the result of a pedestrian/auto accident.

He is survived by twins Raena Dawn and Stevie Ray Cross Dog of Oglala; Juan and Juanita of Denver, Colo.; a son Thomas J. Cross Dog of Chadron, Neb. and adopted sons Acey Catches and Daniel Freeman both of Oglala; brothers Chester Cross Dog, Sr., John Cross Dog, Sr., Rex Crow, Ronald Cross Dog, Sr. all of Oglala, William Cross Dog, Inez, Ky., Lyn Cross Dog Sr. of Pine Ridge; sisters Wanda Rae Cross Dog, "Tweety Bird" Cross Dog both of Oglala and Marilyn Deere of Wisconsin

A one-night wake was Aug. 30, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall, Oglala.

Funeral services were Aug. 31, at Brother Rene Catholic Hall Rev. Ben Tyon officiating. Officiating Burial was at Advent Chapel Cemetery, Calico.

Funeral arrangements were placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Survivors include his parents, David Standing Bear and Mableann Fineran, Martin; two brothers, Taatae Fineran and Hakeem Standing Bear, both of Martin; his maternal grandparents, Myron Fineran, Allen, and Cheyenne Cottier, Martin; and his paternal grandfather, Carl Standing Bear Sr., Martin.

Funeral services were Aug. 28 at Martin CAP Office, with Hermus Poor Thunder officiating.

Burial was at Black Eyes Community Cemetery in Martin. Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Victor R. Fineran

MARTIN - Victor R. Fineran, infant, Martin, was stillborn Wednesday, Aug. 23, , at Gordon Memorial Hospital in Gordon, Neb.

Alicia Noisy Hawk

KENEL - Alicia Noisy Hawk, 46, Kenel, died Saturday, Aug. 19, at Mobridge Regional Hospital.

A rosary service was Aug. 24 at Catholic Church of Assumption in Kenel.

Funeral services were Aug. 25, at St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church in Breien, N.D., with the Rev. Tony Grosenburg, Lyle Noisy Hawk, Lindsey Dwarf and Neil Two Bears officiating.

Burial was at St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church Cemetery in Breien.Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Descendants sorry for author's words, attitude

ABERDEEN, (AP) -Mac Hudson of Tucson, Ariz., spent much of August apologizing for things he didn't do.

Hudson is L. Frank Baum's great-great-grandson. Most people know Baum as the author of ``The Wizard of Oz.''

Baum lived in Aberdeen from 1888-91. In December 1890, Baum wrote editorials in his newspaper, the Aberdeen Saturday Pioneer, calling for the extermination of American Indians.

Hudson felt the need to apologize for Baum's intolerant words and attitude, so he traveled in western South Dakota this August with his wife, Amy Schwemm; his cousin Gita Dorothy Morena of San Diego; and his friend Vic Runnels of Aberdeen.

``It's important that we acknowledge the racism of the past and look for opportunities to correct the racism of today,'' Hudson said.

While working toward a master's degree in American Indian studies in college, Hudson wrote his thesis on Baum. He first came across Baum's editorials during his research for the thesis.

``When I first read that, I was quite horrified about it and wanted to know more,'' he said.

Hudson's research revealed that Baum lived in a time period where racism was commonplace. In fact, Baum's editorials coincided with the Wounded Knee massacre.

Runnels' uncle was a survivor of Wounded Knee. Runnels first heard of the editorials while presenting workshops on how racism affects individuals and communities.

Hudson and Runnels met through Aberdeen native and historian Sally Roesch Wagner. Wagner's mother had a friend named Matilda Jewell Gage, who was Baum's niece.

``If it wasn't for Sally and Vic, none of this would have happened,'' Schwemm said.

Hudson, Schwemm, Morena and Runnels visited Wounded Knee, Cheyenne River, Eagle Butte and Rapid City to apologize to descendants of Wounded Knee survivors.

``To them, it was a very historic occasion,'' Hudson said.

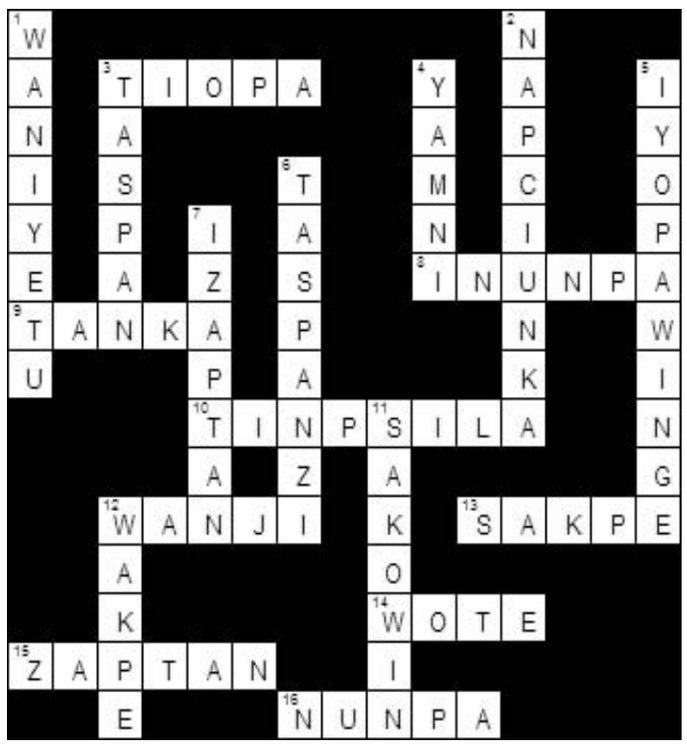
Nobody knew if the descendants of Wounded Knee survivors would accept the apology, but they did. Hudson said he never encountered anger; rather, he and his three fellow travelers were welcomed.

``It's a very humbling experience,'' he said.

He hopes the apology was a start to mending the physical and emotional wounds brought on by racism.

``It seemed possible that healing could occur from this, and if that happens even a little bit, it's worth it,'' Hudson said.

Answers from last week's puzzle



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& my handsome sons,
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I love you all very much!!
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when you were born you made me
the happiest Grandma!
I love you Baby girl
with all my heart.
Marla

Congratulations to my daughter Shantay Rose Janis on winning "Lil Miss Pejuta Haka 2006", I am so proud of you, keep up your fancy shawl dancing one day you will be Miss Indian World, I love you with all my heart. Your Mommy Alyce

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your mom Alyce.*

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Shantay Rose,
I'm so proud of you,
you're growing up to be a
beautiful young lady,
you look so pretty when you're
out there fancy shawl dancing,
I hope you like your new outfit.
I'll be getting another outfit
ready for you. No matter how
big you get you will always be
my Bratz doll, I love you.
Your mommy Alyce.*

I would like 2 send a shout out 2 my other half June from Maples-love you Babe

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I wanna say to my sister
Miranda Day Boy,
hang in there &
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I just wanna say to my one & only boo!
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*To our little Angel Latonna Blue Bird. We love you baby, no matter what we're goin through now,
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Little Wound School

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HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a completed LWS employment application to: Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD-214 to claim Veteran's preference, official college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials.

For more information, call: (605) 455-6179 or 455-6178.
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Vacancy Announcements

Position:	**Payroll Officer**	**OSTDPS #06-014**
Position:	**Human Resource Manager**	**OSTDPS #06-015**
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Location:	Pine Ridge, South Dakota	
Open:	**Monday, August 21, 2006**	
Close:	**Friday, September 1, 2006**	

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Submit an OST-DPS Application of employment to the OST Department of Public Safety's Human Resource Office, no later than 4:30 pm of the closing date. Mailed in applications post marked on the closing date will be accepted.

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Prairie Wind Casino

The Prairie Wind Casino is soliciting proposals for auditing services for the accounting period ending December 31, 2006

The audit must be conducted in accordance with the National Indian Gaming Minimum Internal Control Standard 542.3 (f), "An independent certified public accountant (CPA) shall be engaged to perform procedures to verify, on a test basis, that the gaming operation is in material compliance with the tribal internal control standards or a tribally approved variance that has received Commission concurrence. The procedures may be performed in conjunction with the annual audit. The CPA shall report its findings to the Oglala Sioux Tribe, Tribal gaming regulatory authority and management. The Tribe shall submit a copy of the report to the Commission within 120 days of the gaming operations's fiscal year end."

The proposal must state your understanding of the work to be done and must include the qualifications and experience of your firm and staff. A copy of your firm's latest quality review letter must be included in your proposal.

If applicable, minority and Indian preference must be requested in the proposal.

Cost will not be the only determining factor in awarding the proposal. The Prairie Wind Casino reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Proposals must be sealed and postmarked by October 31, 2006, at 5:00 PM. Please address to: ATTN: Controller's Office - Audit 2006 Bid, Prairie Wind Casino, HC 49 Box 10, Pine Ridge, SD 57770.

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Amanda



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September 11

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The big 21!

You are beautiful and gifted winyan
Your beauty, your kindness and your strength inspire me, not to mention your good cooking! I am very proud of you!
Your mom Amanda

In Loving Memory
Of our Grandma
Freda Mae Apple
on October 20, 2004.
We'll always miss ya Grandma. There's not a day goes by that we don't think of you. I miss you so much. We still wish you were here.Love your 'takojas'
Cheryl, Chris, Boo, Allen, Grandchildren
Baby Zack, Ash, Jay and Garin.



Happy Birthday!

To our Brother Merle Ashmore Sep. 9, 2006 WOW! THE BIG 40 don't party to hardy. We would like to see you make it to 41, Happy Birthday little borther from your Family in Utah and one in Rapid City.

Happy 14th Birthday
To: My Darling Daughter
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August 31, 2006
Many more beautiful blessings to you.
We are proud of you and love you very much.
Mom, Unpo Wicahpi Win and Akicita Cistila

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On September 1
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From:
Everyone at Lil' Angels

Early Birthday Wish for my Grandpa Charlie Apple on September 26.
We'll probably already be in New Mexico, but will still send you a card.
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OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PROGRAM NOTICE OF SOLICITATION FOR BIDS REMEDIATION OF BALEFILL AT RED SHIRT TABLE

The Oglala Sioux Tribe's Environmental Protection Program is soliciting proposals for work to be conducted to remediate the tribe's municipal solid waste balefill, located on Red Shirt Table.

Current conditional at the landfill site do not meet minimum specifications of the Oglala Sioux Tribe's (OST) specifications and is not in compliance with all RCRA Subtitle D specifications. Broken or breaking bales of trash and loose trash are improperly placed on the balefill floor, improperly stacked and not compacted to an acceptable density. The drainage system is no longer properly graded and is not functioning appropriately and litter is scattered along the perimeter of the facility. The tribe intends to bring this facility into compliance and maintain it in that manner afterward.

Minimum scope of work:

- All banded bales, broken bales and loose trash will be pushed to the sides of the landfill and properly compacted
- All loose trash will be contained to prevent further escape of litter off of the facility site
- The floor of the facility will be brought to a one-percent (1% grade) to allow for proper drainage of the site.
- The pipes for the leachate collection system will be spot-checked to assess their condition
- The slope of the sides of the balefill will be checked to assure they remain in compliance with the design and/or appropriate operating specifications and corrected to those specifications where necessary
- A 30-year litter fence will be constructed around the perimeter of the premises to prevent excursion of litter off of the facility premises
- Cover soil of a minimum amount of 2,500 cubic yards will be assured to be present and stockpiled for winter use

Period of work:

The OST wishes this remediation work to be completed before the end of the 2006 construction season, preferably within 30 days of award of this project to the successful contractor. If any prospective contractor cannot or does not reasonably expect to be able to comply with that timeline, they must state that in their submitted proposal.

Evaluation criteria and minimum requirements:

- The proposals must include a statement of the equipment to be used to complete the project, and how that equipment is to be secured or provided. Any equipment cost is to be paid by the successful contractor and will be assumed to be covered within the overall submitted bid.
- The successful contractor will be responsible for costs covering transportation of equipment to and from the site, fuel for that equipment, all appropriate insurance, and equipment operator labor costs.
- The successful contractor will be responsible for costs for materials and labor necessary to construct the 30-year litter fence around the site perimeter.
- The successful contractor will be required to have a minimum of five (5) years experience in the design, operation and/or management of a Subtitle D-compliant solid waste facility. Professional certifications or degrees in management of landfills, transfer stations, solid waste operations and/or landfill design will increase the scores given submitted proposals during the evaluation process, as will additional years of experience in these areas.
- The successful contractor will be required to have a minimum of five (5) years experience in operation of heavy equipment, trucks, trailers and landfill leachate systems. Professional certifications or degrees and additional years of experience will increase the scores given submitted proposals during the evaluation process.
- The successful contractor will be required to have a current OSHA 40-hour certification for any employees or staff who will be present or working at the site.

Proposal release date and required date of submission:

The Environmental Protection Program of the Oglala Sioux Tribe wishes to receive as many proposals for consideration as possible, but is also facing an urgency in the face of the waning construction season. The notice of this opportunity to bid will be published in newspapers and information about it will be broadly distributed via the internet.

- The official release date of the solicitation of proposals will be Friday, September 1, 2006.
- Proposals will be accepted in hard copy form by mail or fax. They will also be accepted electronically as a document in either Microsoft Word (.doc) or Adobe Acrobat (.pdf).
- The deadline for submission of proposals will be Friday, September 15, 2006 at 3 p.m., Mountain Daylight Time.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Whereas the Oglala Sioux Tribe believes that a high-quality proposal can only result from a contractor who has visually surveyed or inspected the site in question, the Tribe will not reimburse or be responsible for any cost incurred by a prospective proposer in accomplishing said visual survey or inspection.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Due to the high fire danger and drought conditions which presently exist on the Rosebud Reservation, the Rosebud Agency and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe have decalared a **"BAN ON OPEN BURNING"** for the entire Rosebud Reservation. **THIS BAN IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

At no time is anyone allowed to start a campfire or have any sort of open flame in any area other than those designated in the park area. Tribal Game Wardens and the Police officers will be patrolling and will take action against any individual violators of this ban.

If it is determined that a wildfire occurred due to an open fire. the individual who ignited the fire will be billed the entire cost of the suppression of this wildland fire. Violators of this ban will be prosecuted to the fullest extent possible.

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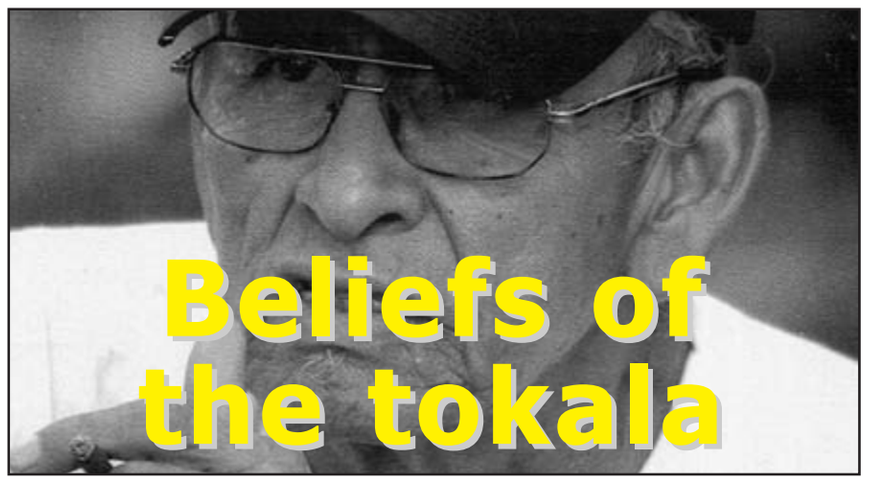
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Football season opens



Bryce Hornbeck eludes Ranger defender as he scampers for a 45 yard touchdown run on an end around; photo courtesy of Jerry Matthews of Double M Photography of Hay Springs, Neb.

Hornbeck leads Mustangs over Hill City, Crusaders roll over St. Francis

Falcons struggle with Bennett County, Pine Ridge with Hot Springs

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

KYLE/PINE RIDGE - Little Wound's quarterback, Johnny Cloud and the Mustangs junior all state wide receiver, Bryce Hornbeck picked up where they left off last year in leading the Little Wound Mustangs to an opening season 33-10 win over the visiting Hill City Rangers on Friday.

"Our offense looked in mid-season form," said Darrell Hunter, third year head coach, "they attacked aggressively, there timing was good and the running backs ran good routes."

Shilo Pierce, senior running back, opened the scoring with a 35 yard touchdown run in the first period while Hornbeck scored the first of three touchdowns grabbing a Johnny Cloud pass and rolling 40 yards for a score.

After getting on the board with a fie yard touchdown run and a two point conversion, cutting the Mustang lead to 12-8, Hornbeck came right back in the second period with a nifty 45 yard touchdown run on an end around; after Cloud kicked the extra point Little Wound finished the first half up 19-8.

"We really lacked consistency." Said Hunter, "we had way too many penalties and there were times it seemed like we just would fall apart out there on the field, but we'll get better each game, we have enough players that we are able to field two distinct teams on offense and defense and we will learn to coordinate and direct our players better."

Cloud opened the scoring in the third quarter with a two yard plunge, pushing the score to 26-8. After Hill City forced a two point safety, Cloud hit Hornbeck on a 30 yard pass for a touchdown, with the point after by Cloud, Little Wound opened a 33-10 lead.

Cloud finished with 13 completions on 20 attempts for two touchdowns; Hornbeck caught seven of those passes for two touchdowns, Devon LeBeau, JC Mesteth and Rich Big Boy all grabbed two each. Pierce carried the ball 15 times for 105 yards and a touchdown while Big Boy rushed 10 times for 60 yards.

According to Hunter, the defense played well with Hornbeck from his safety position being all over the field, Marcus LaMont recovered a fumble and Preston Tuttle grabbed an interception from his lineman position.

Little Wound travels to St. Francis on Friday and hosts Crow Creek on the 15th.

Billy Scott, a junior tailback for Red Cloud set the tone early Friday, scoring three of the Crusaders first four touchdowns as Red Cloud knocked off St. Francis 39-8

Scott opened the scoring with a 50 yard touchdown run and came right back on the next series with a 40 yard TD run. Red Cloud's Sang Jun Park hit one of two point after kicks and quickly the Crusaders were up 13-0.

"We started the game really tight," said Nick Dressel, head coach, "we were nervous and fumbled the ball right away but we eventually settled down and found a game rhythm."

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TWO SECTIONS

Former students file suit against St. Francis Mission and Rapid City Diocese

ST. FRANCIS - Six former students of St. Francis Mission on the Rosebud Sioux reservation have filed a suit against SFM, The Catholic Diocese of Rapid City, the Wisconsin Province of the Society of Jesus and the Sisters of St. Francis of Denver, Colo.

The plaintiffs are represented by attorney, Gregory Yates, who filed the suit in Pennington County in Rapid City on August 7. The case was one which had been filed earlier in Pennington County, but the amendment added twenty more pages to the complaint detailing the specifics of the sexual abuse.

The sexual abuse is alleged to have taken place at the hands of the priests and other church employees or agents during the 1950s and 70s. The statute of limitations is an issue in the case although the judge in Pennington County court has not ruled on it, yet. Yates said he came in on the case before any motions had been granted based upon the statute of limitations.

Yates also said, "The state of South Dakota has enlightened sex abuse statutes. The statute of limitations begins when the person discovers the conditions caused by the childhood sex abuse not when he or she remembers the abuse taking place. Yates hopes to get beyond the technicality of the statute of limitations, for the sake of all victims of childhood sexual abuse, regardless of their ethnicity.

The charges apparently detail patterns of physical and sexual abuse, which were combined with a systematic effort by the defendants to also destroy their Native culture and values and failing to protect them from sex abuse. The twelve former nuns and priests named in the lawsuit were not named but as agents of St. Francis Mission and other defendants.

Yates said that he is proud to be able to represent the plaintiffs in this very important case for Native Americans and all victims of childhood sexual abuse and that it is shameful for the church to hide behind the statute of limitations in a case like this.

See Tim Giago's Notes From Indian Country on A4

KILI Radio receives $46,500 grant from state Department of Public Safety

Early November soonest radio station will be back on air on full power

PIERRE - The South Dakota Department of Public Safety announced on Wednesday that they had awarded KILI Radio a grant of $46,500 to assist the station in getting back on the air.

Last month, Public Telecommunications Facilities Program out of the Department of Commerce awarded KILI Radio a grant of $138, 653 to purchase new equipment to replace equipment damaged by a bad storm in April of this year.

"The PTFP grant requires a 25 per cent match and the Department of Public Safety felt that KILI Radio is a vital communication link with residents of southwestern South Dakota," said Tom Dravland, Secretary of the DPS, "Without KILI Radio, emergency messages and important communication does not get out to many people living on the Pine Ridge Reservation."

KILI Radio is in the process of completing the paper work required for a drawdown of funds needed to order new equipment. A new antenna, transmission line, transmitter and grounding system are planned to put KILI back on the air.

"We really appreciate the state's help," said Melanie Janis, station manager, " we still have to order the equipment, it needs to be built, shipped and installed so we are looking at early November to get back on full power."

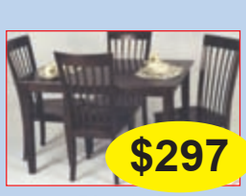
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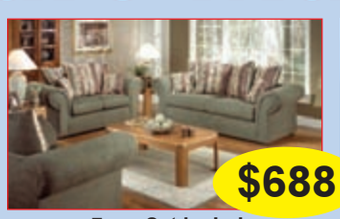
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2006 NCLB Report Card issued for area schools

Todd County makes AYP in attendance and reading

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

MISSION - The Todd County School District is reporting that it has made adequate yearly progress or AYP as defined by the No Child Left Behind Act in attendance and reading. According to the school district's state NCLB report card posted on the state's Department of Education site, the district is making AYP in reading at six of the eleven schools listed. However, it did not make AYP in mathematics as a district. Klein and Littleburg Schools did make AYP in mathematics.

Superintendent, Dr. Richard Bordeaux, said, "As long as attendance increases even 1000th of a percent, we make AYP in attendance. We have a long way to go to get attendance where I feel comfortable."

In a report issued by the state on August 23, it revealed that fewer

South Dakota schools made adequate yearly progress, but scores remained high. The 2006 Report Card is based upon the scores of 63,700 students in public schools. The Dakota STEP test which produces mathematics and reading scores is used to gauge progress under the No Child Left Behind Act.

Eighty-three percent of students who took the STEP test scored proficient in reading as compared to eighty-two percent last year. In mathematics, seventy-three percent scored proficient of advanced.

Bordeaux pointed out that attendances rates are counted for grade K-8, while adequate yearly progress in the high school is tied to the rate of graduation. For example, he said if 140 true freshmen are admitted the number that successfully graduates four years later is what is assessed.

The newly hired coordinator for assessment and evaluation for the district, Robert Magelki, was out of the office until later in the week and Dr. Bordeaux referred any future questions about related scores to him.

The state of South Dakota has a requirement that schools meet a state expectation for performance in math and reading which is based on the Dakota STEP test which is taken by students in grades 3, 8, and 11. The achievement level definitions for the STEP test are below basic, basic, proficient, and advanced

The school district has also made AYP in attendance. Eight of the individual schools made adequate yearly progress as compared to three making it the previous year.

The positive movement toward making adequate yearly progress in attendance and reading is being attributed to the collaborative efforts of students, staff, parents and the community.

Schools which are considered in 'improvement status' under the legislation are labeled as such because their math and reading scores do not meet state standards and have not met the standard for two years in a row. Schools in improvement status must then develop an improvement process, combined with parental involvement and the establishment of related goals.

As an example of one's school efforts to meet AYP, the Todd County Middle School is on alert status because it did not make AYP in reading and mathematics and has notified parents in a letter of their efforts at restructuring and have provided a listing of the supplemental services which are available to children who wish to utilize them for academic assistance. These are in addition to regular services which are available during the day. The middle school, however, did make AYP in attendance also. Parents also have the option of enrolling their child in another of the district's K-8 schools because of the school NCLB status.

Parents can utilize either option of transferring their student to another school or utilizing the supplemental services, but not both.

In a letter to parents dated August 24, TCMS principal wrote, "Our school will be adjusting the school improvement plan with the help of staff, parents and community members. The process involves looking at and analyzing the data that is available to us. Using data about students, professional practices, school program and structure data and community data, we will review the improvement goals for the school and the district."

For the Shannon County School District 65-1, their 2006 Report Card indicates that district-wide it did not meet AYP in mathematics, reading and academic indicators. The district is on level 3 in mathematics and level 2 for reading. On other academic indicators the district is on alert status. Presumably, the other academic indicators include attendance.

Falcons sweeps West River cross country, Webber wins back to back meets

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Todd County won both the girls and boys divisions of the West River cross country meet hosted by Red Cloud on Thursday while Pine Ridge senior Robin Webber won both the West River and the Pine Ridge Invitational.

Webber defeated Julie Bernie of Todd County for the West River win completing the Red Cloud course in 19:02. Bernie finished in 19:34 and was joined by Kyla Marshall in fourth, Kylie Wilson in eighth and Morgana Running in ninth to earn the team title. Lisa Two Charge was 10th and Emmy Her Many Horses was 12th for Todd County.

Webber was joined at the finish line by Christian Janis in 5th and Sophia Janis in 6th with Allie Janis in 13th. Todd County defeated Pine Ridge 23-25. Also finishing for Pine Ridge was Shawnna Good Crow in 14th and Aimee Pone in 15th.

Little wound girls took third with Summer Christiansen, Michelle Hawk Wing, Katana Rooks, Latoya Brave Heart, Sheila Mousseaux an Jessica Spotted Eagle finishing 16th through 21st.

Red cloud did not have enough runners for the team competition but Kayla Weston took third in 19:41 while Saige Pourier was 7th and Desarae Blacksmith was 11th.

Marc Whirlwind Soldier led Todd County boys with a first place finish in 17:50 and was helped to the team title with four finishers in the top eight runners including Wes running in 4th, Steve Antoine in 6th and Trevor Covey in 8th. Sean Red Elk led the Little wound contingent to second place with his third place finish; Vern Marshall was 5th, Trevor Lone Hill 13th and Todd Phelps 15th.

Pine Ridge took third in the team competition with Pehin Sierra in 7th as the top finisher, Ferron Swift Bird, Michael Jack and Wilbur Red Elk finished 10th, 11th and 12th while Shawn Keith was 14th. Bennett County's Carson Smith was 9th while Red Cloud's Jared Weston was second.

Webber came right back on Tuesday for another win at the Pine ridge Invitational with a 19:16 as Kayla Weston took second with a 19:54. Pine ridge girls defeated Red Cloud 15-21 with Little Wound in third with 65.

For Pine Ridge Sophia Janis was 3rd, Christian Janis was 4th and Allie Janis was 7th. Additional finishers for Pine ridge were: Aimee Pond-9th, Shanna Good Crow 10th, Cheyenne Ten Fingers 12th, Alicia Mousseau 13th, amber Twiss 15th and Melissa Two Bulls 20th. Red Cloud's finishers included: Desiree Blacksmith 5th, Saige Pourier 6th, Casara Pine 8th and Laria High Hawk 11th.

The Lady Mustangs included: LaToya Brae Heart 14th, Jessica Spotted Eagle 16th, Summer Christiansen 18th, Sheila Montileaux 19th, Michelle Hawk Wing 21st and Miriam Lays Bad in 22nd.

Bennett County was represented by Christine Bakely in 17th.

Alex Wilson-Pine won easily in the boys in 17:16 leading the Pine Ridge Thorpes to a 15-26 win over Little Wound. The Thorpes included: James Pine 6th, Farron Swift Boird 7th, Wilbur Red Elk 8th, Roman Leftwich 9th, Shawn Keith 10th and Orrie Brown in 11th.

Little wound finishers included Sean Red Elk 2nd, Vern Marshll 4th, Trevor Lone Hill 12th and James Shoulders in 13th.

Jared Weston, a freshman from Red Cloud took third.



Webber defeated Julie Bernie of Todd County for the West River win completing the Red Cloud course in 19:02. Photo courtesy of Jerry Matthews of Double M Photography.

13-part television series showcases unique American Indian cultures

FARGO, N.D. - Production schedules have been set for Indian Pride, a 13-part cultural magazine to be aired on PBS stations in February 2007. Indian Pride will spotlight the diverse cultures of American Indian people throughout the country. Prairie Public Television of Fargo, N.D. will produce the weekly magazine in cooperation with Circle of Nations Publishing of Grand Forks, N.D.

"This unprecedented series is the first venture of its kind to be produced for a mass United States audience, stated Bob Dambach of Prairie Public Television. "Previous attempts to tell the story of American Indian culture have been limited to one or two-part episodes that have only been able to provide a small glimpse of the rich history and culture of our Native peoples. We are very pleased to partner with JuniKae Randall of Circle of Nations Publishing to bring this historic event to the American public. As host for the magazine, JuniKae will bring an in-depth and personal perspective to the stories we tell."

The 13-week magazine will focus on a specific theme each week that will be of interest to all people. Future programs will highlight Indian treaties and sovereignty, spirituality, health and healing, culture and celebrations, as well as the coverage of critical issues of government, economic development, politics and education.

Each 30-minute episode will include three distinct segments: mini-documentaries shot on location at events held on reservations and around other parts of Indian country; in-studio segments featuring discussion of current issues by nationally-known American Indian guests; and original and cultural performances featuring traditional and contemporary artists, as well as storytellers.

Indian Pride is the vision of JuniKae Randall, founding director of Circle of Nations Publishing. Randall is a member of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa and grew up on the reservation in North Dakota.

Correction

In last week's issue, the story entitled "110 Candidates return petitions for Oglala Nation election" incorrectly listed one of the candidates taking out a petition for OST council representative from Eagle Nest as "Sylvester Charging Crow". It should have read "Sylvester Two Bulls."

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Car buying advice

Use common sense on car lot corners

By Dave Leftwich
Special to the Times

RAPID CITY - I have been working at Rapid Chevrolet for the past few weeks and look forward to helping the Oyate find affordable, reliable transportation.

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"I don't see gas prices going down any time soon. I am still working on building my own shop but I'm happy to be in the auto market for now

Rapid Chevrolet is a reputable dealership that has been in business for decades and I'm proud to serve the Oyate from this venue."

I encourage the Oyate to buy wisely and understand car sales before going to a car corner lot. Do some research on the particular type of vehicle you are interested in owning. Educate yourself in auto finance and ask questions if you don't understand.

Always price auto insurance on the type of vehicle you're going to purchase and know your options. The insurance price can vary greatly on similar cars: i.e. (2000 Impala GT) insurance $50 per month: (2000 Impala GTP) insurance $250 per month. Figuratively speaking of course; this is not a real quote.

If you believe your auto is worth more than you judge a dealer will give you, you may want to sell it yourself and use the proceeds as a down payment.

Be conscious of corner lot dealers who will give you credit. Although bad credit will cost you, some dealers will rob you blind with on the lot financing because a lot of the time they can get around lending laws with this type of loan. If you have bad credit and some one is willing to get you into a car no money down, use common sense. If it sounds too good to be true It probably is. Some wasicu are unscrupulous in their attempts to get their hands on your mazaska.

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Ferris's lawsuit accuses Mormon elder of sexual abuse

By Carson Walker
Associated Press Writer

SIOUX FALLS (AP) -A South Dakota man is suing the Mormon church, alleging one of its missionaries sexually abused him in the 1960s.

Joseph Ferris filed the complaint in U.S. District Court in South Dakota against the Corporation of the President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and the Corporation of the Presiding Bishop of the Church of Latter-Day Saints, both of Utah.

Ferris, 51, is an American Indian who lived with his family in Sioux Falls from 1966 to 1968, when he was 10 to 12 years old, according to the lawsuit.

They were members of the Mormon church when in 1967, Elder Richard Joseph White and another missionary started picking up Ferris and his brothers to take them to activities.

White was based at the Northern Indian Mission in Rapid City and was assigned to Flandreau, in eastern South Dakota, where the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe is located.

``On many occasions, Elder White took Ferris to his apartment in Flandreau, where he sexually abused and raped him," the lawsuit states.

``The sexually, emotional and spiritual abuse committed by Elder White on Ferris was open and long lasting, such that church officials, administrators and supervisors of Elder White knew or should have known of his sexual abuse of Ferris."

No trial date has been set.



Ehanni Lakota Lecunse Untipi

(Long ago, this is how the Lakota lived)

KYLE - The Archivist of the Oglala Lakota College Archives is renewing efforts to identify the Archives' extensive photographic collections. If you have any information regarding this picture please notify Marty Frogg at 455-6063, email him at mfrogg@olc.edu, or visit the archives (located in the Woksape Tipi building at Piya Wiconi at Kyle) to view this and all unidentified photographs. (Photo Courtesy of Oglala Lakota College Archives and Denver Museum of Natural History.)

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September 5, 2006

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September 26, 2006

Petitions and background checks must be returned to the Little Wound School Business Office by 4:30 pm. (MST)

October 05, 2006

Voter's List posted in the election service area.

October 06, 2006

Certified candidate's list posted in the election service area.

October 11, 2006

Deadline to file notarized challenge of voter's list and certified candidates list, no later than 4:30 pm. (MST).

October 16, 2006

LWS election committee answer challenges of voter's and candidates list.

November 01, 2006

Posting Sample ballots in LWS service area.

November 06, 2006

Deadline to cast absentee ballots at LWS Business Office at 8:00 am-4:30 pm (MST) Mandatory mini workshop for judges & tellers, LWS auditorium.

November 07, 2006

ELECTION DAY

November 08, 2006

Unofficial results announced.

November 13, 2006

Official Results announced and posted in election service area.

November 16, 2006

Deadline to file notarized challenge to official election results, no later than 4:30 pm (MST)

November 21, 2006

LWS election committee answers notarized challenge to election results.

December 04, 2006

Final report to Little Wound School Board.

OPINION PAGE

Notes From Indian Country

St. Francis Indian Mission in the hot seat

There is a lawsuit just filed that hopes to take up the slack from an earlier lawsuit that failed.

The lawsuit filed on Aug. 7, 2006, in the Seventh Judicial Circuit in the County of Pennington in South Dakota by Attorney Gregory A. Yates of Encino, California is against St. Francis Indian Mission and Rosebud Educational Society, Wisconsin Province of the Society of Jesus, Diocese of Rapid City and Sisters of St. Francis in Denver, CO.



By Tim Giago

(Nanwica Kciji)

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The plaintiffs are Lloyd One Star, Kerwin Eagleman, Ralph Eagleman, Lawrence Ford, Marian Sorace, Noah One Star and Antoinette (One Star) Miller, all former students at St. Francis Indian Mission located on the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota.

Mr. Yates intends to bring closure to a suit filed several years ago by Jeffrey Herman and Gary Fischer that attempted to sue the Catholic Church for alleged abuses of Indian children. A judge in this case ruled that this suit had exceeded the Statute of Limitations as set down by law. Yates intends to circumvent this ruling with his suit.

When Herman and Fischer filed their lawsuit, I wrote that I was apprehensive because as a longtime observer of Indian law I understand its complexities and I didn't believe either Herman or Fischer had the background or the knowledge to bring a lawsuit that so many other attorneys had shied away from over the years.

Jennifer Ring, director of the American Civil Liberties Union of the Dakotas that Indian law is highly specialized. "It involves a lot of areas of the law that are not commonly taught in law schools in the United States. If you look at the Constitution, one of the powers that the federal government has is, very specifically, the right to regulate affairs dealing with Indian tribes and that is not something that applies to any other minority group.

Then you go on to the treaties, interpretation of the treaties, and jurisdictional issues and you will find that there are a lot of rules that apply to Indian country that do not apply anywhere else," she said.

The plaintiffs charge St. Francis with attempting to strip them of their Native American family values, religious beliefs and culture in an effort to Americanize them. The also charged "Defendants' agents affiliated with the St. Francis School directed, allowed and/or executed customs, patterns, policies and practices of sexual and physical abuse by failing to supervise, monitor, discipline and otherwise protect Plaintiffs, ultimately leading to the abuse alleged herein."

The litany of alleged abuses reads like a horror story in the pages of the lawsuit. The abuses range from inappropriate touching to outright acts of sodomy. Charges were even leveled at some of the mission nuns for forcing sexual acts upon the children, both boys and girls.

The lawsuit further states, "At all times, Defendants maintained inadequate policies and procedures to protect the children it was entrusted to care for and protect. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' negligence, Plaintiffs suffered severe and permanent psychological, emotional and physical injuries, shame, humiliation and/or the inability to lead a normal life."

Twelve former Catholic priests and nuns were named as defendants in the lawsuit. All of them were educators at St. Francis Indian Mission. The case is in the court of public records and is listed as Civil C - 04 -594.

I considered printing the names of the defendants, but decided not to, at least not for now. If any of the heinous acts charged against them by the defendants are true, they will be judged in a court of law, but the lawsuit is not against them as individuals, but as agents of the St. Francis Indian Mission.

I know some of the defendants from St. Francis and I was literally shocked to read some of the allegations against them.

I wrote many years ago that the Catholic Church had to issue an apology to all of the boys and girls mistreated at the Indian mission boarding schools since the late 1800s. Not only did the Church need to apologize, it had to find a way to begin healing the wounds of those survivors of the boarding school system.

The Catholic Church needs to begin that process of healing. When I visited the Holy Rosary Mission School on the Pine Ridge Reservation recently, a school where I spent 10 years of my life, I discovered that the leadership of HRM, or Red Cloud, as it is now called, is still in denial. They refuse to admit to or face the charges of abuse made by me and by many other former students. Will it take a similar lawsuit to wake them up? In the meantime, I will follow the case as it proceeds and keep you up to date on its progress.

If you want to know a little bit more about the history of the Indian mission boarding schools you can get my new book on the subject.

It is titled, "Children Left Behind" and it can be ordered at Clear Light Publishing, 823 Don Diego, Santa Fe, NM, or by emailing harmon@clearlightbooks.com.

(McClatchy News Service in Washington, DC distributes Tim Giago's weekly column. He can be reached at P.O. Box 9244, Rapid City, SD 57709 or at najournalists@rushmore.com. Giago was also the founder and former editor and publisher of the Lakota Times and Indian Country Today newspapers and the founder and first president of the Native American Journalists Association. Clear Light Books of Santa Fe, NM (harmon@clearlightbooks.com) published his latest book, "Children Left Behind")

Other Views

Nicapala yuns sinte niblaskala t'ka

By Francis C. Apple

A' S'a KuWapi

Editor's Note *The following are Lakota phrases submitted by Fr. Francis Apple of Kyle. Apple is a former Lakota language instructor at Little Wound School and Oglala Lakota College.*

1.Tuwa Temanhila canan manyuha Sui.

(Our people made good talk and this is what it says) "Who ever is stingy of me comes up short."

2. Titakikpe Sni Yelyo

"Don't get married in your village or camp or you will have problems with your in laws."

3. Nicapala Yuns Sinte niblaskala t'ka.

"Kids imitate their parents."

4. Lila Oh'an Singpeke

"A sly person that gets others into trouble but he/she is never caught."

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Things to empower yourself

There is nothing to fear but fear itself

This is the first in a series of articles examining fear.



By Patty Pourier

I have been scared since I was a little girl. I remember my mother telling me to go out and turn off the lawn sprinkler one summer night.

I was probably 5 or 6 years old. The faucet to the sprinkler was about 50 yards from the house. It was dark out and I was scared of the dark.

I was scared to go outside. But, when mom told me to do something I knew I had better do it. I was in my nightgown. I decided if I walked out and turned off the sprinkler like I wasn't scared, I could fake myself out, and maybe fake out the imaginary bad guys that were watching me.

I did pretty good going out, my heart was beating fast inside my chest.

I was bare foot; I could feel the cool grass on the bottoms of my feet. But in spite of my feet getting cold, I concentrated on walking slow and confidently. My mind was racing in fear. Control. Confidence.

Do not show fear. Walk slowly. I used self-talk to say, there is no one that can hurt you, and there is no one out here but you and your imagination.

Even with all of these techniques, my heart was still beating like a drum group, during a Powwow. I kept going over and over these confident thoughts in my head.

I got to the pump house where the sprinkler was, and turned it off, not wasting any time.

I wanted to race back to the house, but made myself keep the same confident pace I had established on my journey out to the pump house.

I was doing it! As, I neared the house; I had to walk by a small evergreen bush.

As I was clearing the bush and approaching the light from the porch, something from behind the bush grabbed my leg.

Fear ran through my body, such as I had never felt before. The adrenal made me hot in a flash; the grip on my ankle was real and firm.

My worst fears had come true, there was someone after me, and just as I thought, they had watched me, found me at a vulnerable moment when I was alone in the dark, and now they had me. I could not move. I was completely paralyzed with fear. I shook uncontrollably. Then I became completely numb. I felt as though my blood had turned to lead. I could not lift my feet; they were too heavy to move.

I do not remember what happened next.

But, my family tells me one of my older sisters had decided to play a prank on me.

She knew I was afraid of the dark and was going to tease me by sneaking out after me, hiding behind the bush and grab my ankle as I went by.

Her plan was executed flawlessly.

The experience made a concrete impression in my mind. For years, I could not sleep alone.

If I did have to sleep alone, I would lay under the covers and try to smooth them out, leaving only a breathing hole, so if the bad guys came into my room they would think the bed was either empty, or if I laid still enough they would think I was already dead.

I would cry myself to sleep out of pure terror of being alone and being in the dark.

Over the years, I have been able to overcome some of the fear. However, I did sleep with a loaded gun, knife and Bible all within arms reach for years.

To this day I am still scared of the dark.

I have a hard time walking from the car into the house when it is dark out.

My heart speeds up when I walk into my dark bedroom at night.

I have created a panic room in our house with artillery of weapons, just in case.

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Northern Perspectives

Lakota words with two sides, other intriguing words



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

The beauty and richness of Lakota can be demonstrated in many ways, and these are just some of the ways.

It is fascinating that in Lakota single letters can represent a much longer word when translated into English. According to Albert White Hat's book, he says 'u' means 'to come' and 'o' means to 'hit a target.' The letter 'e' in Lakota is actually a word which means 'it is' and the letter 'i' means either the mouth or he or she went somewhere. Lakota vowels have the same five as in English, however, each one is a word in itself. The letter 'a' in Lakota means armpit.

When you go into a Lakota immersion classroom, you might see a listing of the Lakota alphabet on the board and which excludes the letters, d, f, q, r, v and x. I didn't really pay attention so at times I would use the 'd' instead of a 't' and our friend, John Around Him, said I must be a 'd' speaker.

A Lakota word with two letters such as 'la' which means 'asking for something' when added with a pronoun will make up such words as 'wala' which is 'I am asking for it.' Or consider when adding 'ya' and 'pi' it creates the word 'yalapi' which means 'you are all asking for it.'

It is interesting stuff, especially if one is able to conjugate or add in the correct sequence of pronouns. Even a word like 'lo' stands for hunger, or food.

I used to think that 'slohan' meant dragging your foot along as you walk, but Albert says that it means 'to crawl' and I thought that was interesting.

This is all quite fascinating and a challenge when understanding Lakota. I believe that Albert could have produced part two of his text and included more dictionary type words.

What's even more interesting is to see words that make reference to 'two' or 'two sides' as there are interesting examples.

Take the word 'anukasan' and to me, it refers to a feather that is white on both edges. Albert defines 'anukasan'' as eagle and perhaps it speaks to the white bald head of the eagle. A kind of hilarious example of two is the more modern Lakota word, '*icaskabiya*' and it is used in the contemporary sense to refer to a sandwich. It literally means something that has something stuck on it on both sides.

Then, of course, we see that when counting in Lakota, the term '*ake*' means 'plus' or something added to the original number.

I also find the words *'ici nunpa*' or 'ici tokca' interesting because they suggest something that is occurring two times or in relation to something beside it. *'Ici nunpa'* translates to twice or the second time and *'ici tokca'* is 'different from the other.' I looked for the prefix 'ici' in Albert's book, but could not find it.

The root word in Lakota 'hca' is interesting as it means true, end result or final growth. You can see the ending in the word for flower 'winahca' or *'winuhca'* and *'wacahca.'* The ending suggests having blossomed into the final years.

Finally, *'wicoicage'* refers to 'birth' and when you dissect it, you can see the word *'icage'* which means to 'grow' or nurture something. I need to figure out what 'wico' translates to. Another related word is *'omawahetan'* means 'the one who gave birth to the other.'

The Lakota language is very complex and beyond having the ability to say simple words, it presents a challenge to be able to breakdown words and analyze their different parts.

I don't believe this done to any extent in our schools and I think it can be very helpful in retaining words and being to create new ones.

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Football: high school season begins

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Marlon Kelly recovered a St. Francis fumble on their 25 yard line and ran it in for Red cloud's third score and Scott caught an AB Morgan pass for a 20 yard score and a 26-0 halftime lead. In the second half, Red Cloud added two more touchdowns on the ground, Roman White Calf rumbled for a 21 yard score and Andrew Twiss sliced off tackle for a seven yard TD.

St. Francis avoided a shutout by scooping up a Crusader fumble and running it back for touchdown with less than two minutes to go in the game, the Warriors made the final score 39-8 with a two point conversion.

"Our offensive line really stepped up," said Dressel, "last year we struggled on the line getting beat game after game with little or no protection for the quarterback and no holes for the running backs, it is different this year."

Red Cloud finished with 374 yards on offense, Scott ran 15 times for 168 yards and two touchdowns, Roman White ran twice for 25 yards and a score and Andrew Twiss carried the ball three times 24 yards and a TD. Morgan was five for eight passing for 76 yards and a touchdown while Michael Cuny was two for three for 23 yards. We tried two different quarterbacks this week and will probably go with Morgan as the starter on Friday, added Dressel.

Red Cloud hosts Hill City on Friday and Pine Ridge on the 15th while St. Francis hosts Little Wound on Friday and travels to Todd County on the 15th.

Hot Springs senior running back, Paul Tierney, was a one man wrecking crew Friday night in Pine Ridge as he scampered through the Thorpe line for 270 yards on 20 carries for three third quarter touchdowns, breaking open a defensive 7-0 game as the Bison went on to a 48-0 win.

"Hot Springs has 40 football players and these players worked all summer while we have a few athletes and very few who worked all summer," said Dave Michaud, in his third year as head coach, "I knew we would hang with them for the first half but we just don't have the conditioning this early in the season, you can't get in good shape in three weeks if you haven't put any work in during the summer."

Pine Ridge lost their quarterback, Harley Cortier, in the Red-White scrimmage game a week before the first game; Bulldawg Michaud .had to move from running back to quarterback and that adjustment hurt the offense, according to Michaud. Bulldawg finished with eight completions on 23 attempts for 60 yards with two interceptions and 30 yards on eight carries. DJ Big Crow was Bulldawg's favorite receiver with five catches for 47 yards.

Pine Ridge travels to Bennett County on Friday and Red Cloud on the 15th while Hot Springs host Vermillion on Friday and Lead-Deadwood on the 15th.

Football scores from weeks one and two

Lyman 46-18 Lower Brule
Lower Brule 40-22 Sunshine Bible
Crow Creek 30-8 Cheyenne Eagle Butte
Timber Lake/Isa 76-6 Dupree
Little Wound 33-10 Hill City
Menno 58-8 Marty
Hot Springs 48-0 Pine Ridge
Red Cloud 39-8 St. Francis
Rosholt 50-0 Tiospa Zina
Grant-Deuel 28-16 Tiospa Zina
Bennett County 16-0 Todd County

Games this week

Todd County at Cheyenne Eagle Butte
Crow Creek at Miller
Kadoka at Dupree
Little Wound at St. Francis
Marty at Lower Brule
Pine Ridge at Bennett County



Above: Billy Scott runs for daylight against St. Francis scoring the first of three touchdowns on a 50 yard run, Photo courtesy of Jen Schaer and Red Cloud School.

Below: DJ Big Crow pulls down one of his five catches Friday night against Hot Springs, photo courtesy of Double M Photography of Hay Springs, Neb.



Pine Ridge opens volleyball season strong

CUSTER - Pine Ridge defeated Moorcroft, Wyo., Edgemont twice and New Underwood twice to get to the Custer Invitational volleyball tourney championship. Custer defeated Pine Ridge 25-22, 19-25 and 25-19 for the championship.

"We have a good offense down with some strong players who can play anywhere on the floor," said Nellie Long who is back for her 13th year as head coach after taking a couple of years off, "we have a strong team with youth and some older girls for experience."

Pine Ridge defeated St. Francis 3-0 on Thursday; they travel to Todd County on Thursday, Sept. 7th and to Little wound on Sept. 19th.

Three sophomores, Lacey Weston, Saudia Tasso and Liane Her Many Horses anchor the starting six with Keisha Brewer, a junior, according to Long. Devon Red Cloud, Robin Webber and the twin Danielle and Misty Moousseau take turns for the other two positions with Aimee Pond serving as the Libero.

Sophia Janis, Shaina Lays Bad, Alyssa Cottier, Cassie Salway and Dusti Michaud round out the 14 person team.

The 12th annual Lakota Nation volleyball tourney is set for the Rushmore Plaza civic center on Sept. 29th and 30th. Todd County defeated Red Cloud in the championship match last year 25-20 and 25-17.

The two day meet includes two pools participating in round robin play with the top two teams from each pool playing in a single elimination tournament for the championship. Pool A this year includes Todd County, Crow Creek, Standing Rock, St. Francis, Takini and Little Wound while Pool B includes Cheyenne Eagle Butte, Custer, Crazy Horse, Red Cloud, Pine Ridge and St. Thomas More.

Play gets underway each day at 9 a.m.

Pine Ridge Indian Health Service Electronic Health Record

The Pine Ridge Area Indian Health Service along with Kyle, Wanblee, Porcupine, Allen and Manderson Clinics will be moving toward implementing E.H.R. in the later months of 2006.

Right now all of your medical information is securely stored in a big folder called a medical chart.

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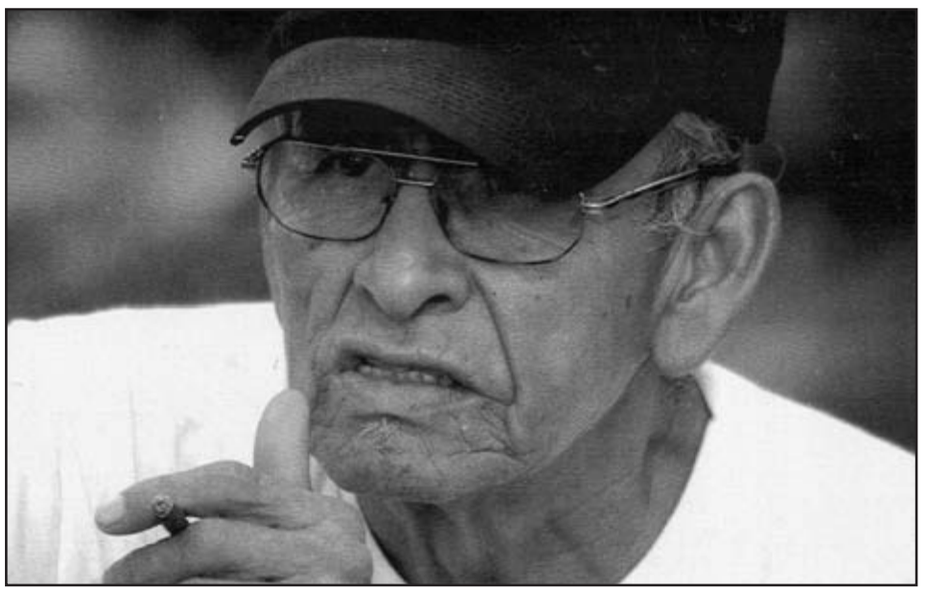
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Two Sections

Little explains the role of the traditional *tokala okolakiciye*

By Archie Beauvais
Times Staff


Archie Little

ST. FRANCIS - Sicangu elder, Archie Little, has worked and traveled in his day and now enjoys having a schedule that is flexible so that he can assist people or institutions when called upon. His first language is Lakota and he says speaking English can often be risky if you do not fully understand some words.

He explained that in traditional Lakota society, the *'tokala okolaciye'* or 'fox society' was in evidence way before the arrival of Columbus to our Native shores. He said, "*Le tokala okolakiciye ihani uelo* before Columbus. Hehan 'tokala' hena zuya ye wica ecakiyapi. Nahan *'tokala' eye ki ehankiye suta nahan otehike.'* He added that in early times that the 'tokala' was regarded as a warrior and, in fact, would often attack the enemy before the rest would engage. *"Okicize eyap hantas tokala tokeya geyap. Cante' t'insiyapi."* The *'tokala'* was strong in tradition and in their hearts.

The life of a *'tokala'* was that of sacrifice and watching over the people and their lodges. He explained in Lakota that, *"Hena in lila Lakoliye. Stu ste iciye unpi. Na hena wawokiye mani. Oyate awanciyankapi. Ti eyasna wawanciyapi."*

As society members would monitor the needs of others, they might for example, check someone's wood supply. *"Wanji can nicap cansna icupi."* A *"tokala"* might have little supplies or a place to sleep, but he would put the needs of others before his and never take anything for his help.

Little explained, *"Oyate ki tokeya ewicayaglekte"* which means putting the people before ones self.

The life of one in the *'tokala okolakiciye'* begins with an initiation and a ceremony in which a mentor is assigned to watch over one for a year to see if they can prove worthy of being a *'tokala.'* Little says that on the Pine Ridge, there is a fairly active society today that has many members. His mentors are Wilmer Mesteth and 'Chub' Thunder Hawk.

In today's world, the image of the 'tokala' as warrior has dramatically changed as the demands and needs are different. Now one might need assistance in approaching a bureaucracy or

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Oglala man killed in vehicle accident on U.S. highway 83

MISSION - Lincoln Cross Dog, 42, of Oglala was killed in a motor vehicle accident on Friday, August 25 on U.S highway 83 south of Mission. According to Rosebud Law Enforcement Services Chief of Police, Charles Red Crow, Cross Dog was pushing his pickup truck off the road after it had run out of gas. He was in the northbound lane and the vehicle was clipped from behind. The impact vaulted it into the southbound traffic and it was struck by oncoming traffic.

The highway was closed down at that point by law enforcement authorities until Officer Robert Sedlmajer arrived. Sedlmajer is versed in accident reconstruction for the Rosebud police department.

Red Crow said that the coroner had pronounced Cross Dog dead at the scene.

Rides provided for Sept. 16 Vietnam veteran honoring

PINE RIDGE - The Oglala Sioux Tribe Veteran's Affairs office, working with the vice chair's office, is in the process of arranging transportation for those Vietnam vets who would like to attend the South Dakota Vietnam War memorial dedication.

The dedication is set for Sept. 16 if you are a Vietnam vet and would like to go to this event, please call the vets office at 867-5577 adn get on teh "Sign Up To Go" list. Seating is limited, so this will be on a first come first served basis.

Also for Bennett County, Post #240 will be taking a bus and anyone needing a ride can call 685-1447.

This memorial will be a lasting monument to the South Dakota veterans of the Vietnam War, standing forever in remembrance of their sacrifices.

Find out about the dedication events being held the weekend of Sept. 15-16, 2006, in Pierre, South Dakota, by viewing the Web site at http://www.sdvietnamwarmemorial.com.

This event is designed to give the veterans the thank you they never received when they returned home in the 60s and 70s, and will be one of the largest celebrations ever planned for in the city.

OLC receives $325,000 for facilities

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - More than $600,000 in federal financial help has been earmarked for two tribal colleges in South Dakota, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The USDA is providing the funds through its Rural Development Tribal College Initiative Grant program, aimed at developing essential facilities. Oglala Lakota College will get $100,000 dollars for building repairs and installation of a water line and another $225,000 dollars to purchase equipment and supplies.

Sisseton Wahpeton College will get $300,000 for heating, ventilation and air conditioning improvements. Applicants must go through a nationwide competitive process. Eligible facilities include clinics, transitional housing, administrative buildings, and child care centers.

Winner Lakota community holds powwow

By Archie Beauvais
Times Staff

WINNER - A newly erected powwow arbor just west of the Winner Lakota community housing area was the site of the community celebration and contest powwow last weekend. The RST tribal flag was flown proudly over the announcers stand while the American flag was flown in the middle of the arena.

The last powwow in the Winner Lakota community had been held 12 years ago on the north edge of town, according to Rose Mendoza, the powwow coordinator. She promises that next year will be even better. She was assisted by George Small in coordinating the event.

The arena is located on higher ground and is ideal for a powwow. On Saturday, the sky was gloomy and overcast as rain threatened. Marty Makes Room For Them of Antelope was the emcee for the weekend powwow and he also offered a prayer for blessing of the grounds which was called the John King, Sr. memorial arena. While he prayed, he asked for the six directions song.

The Kiyukanpi and NDN singing groups were on the sidelines, while a small number of traditional women and men dancers participated. There were plenty of tiny tots who were getting their practice in for later. RST Ms. Teen Rosebud, Toni Tamayo was in attendance, as well as Tyler Makes Room For Them who was a competitor in the Ms. Rosebud Pageant. Also, Della Spotted Tail, the head women's judge at the Rosebud Fair was dressed in traditional outfit.

Lunch was served to the crowd consisting of a couple of baked turkeys, chicken noodle soup, potato salad and fry bread and it was evident that the powwow committee had planned for the event. Charles Mack, the environmental safety officer at the Rosebud I.H.S. hospital said that he had visited the arena area last Friday and had provided instructions on food safety.

The flags were retired at 5:00 p.m. while three veterans took down and folded them prior to the supper break and the evening session. The session went uninterrupted into the evening session since it looked as if it might rain. However, Mendoza said a lot of fun was held with a snake dance, tug-a-war and hand drum contest held over the course of the weekend.

On Sunday, there were apparently a number of non-Indian visitors to the powwow, while a giveaway was held for Larry Andrews, Sr. and a memorial song sang in the memory of Monica Chasing Hawk.

Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

School/Sports Physicals
Porcupine Clinic on Thursday, Sept. 7 from 3:30-7p.m..

Miss Indian Nations Pageant
Sept. 6-9 at the United Tribes International Pow wow at the United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck

United Tribes International Pow wow
Sept. 7-10 in Bismarck at the United tribes Technical College.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
First meeting of the year to look at constitution, elect officers and plan the year for school pow wows, Friday, Sept. 8 at Wolf Creek School with supper at 6 p.m. and meeting at 7 p.m. for information call Mike at 867-5174

OST Commodity Issue
Friday, Sept. 8 in Manderson and Wounded Knee; Tuesday, Sept. 12 in Martin at Sunrise Housing; Thursday, Sept. 14 in Porcupine at Evergreen Housing and at CAP office; Monday, Sept. 18 in Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni and Tuesday, Sept. 19 in Oglala.

Memorial Softball Tournament
In memory of Melvin "Jua" Little Shield Jr. in Spring Creek on Sept. 9 and 10, a six team men's slow pitch and a six team co-ed slow pitch and for information contact Lee or Tami or Brady at 747-4479.

Wakpamni District Election
Deadline for petitions is Friday, Sept. 8 at 5 p.m. with election day set for Tuesday, Oct. 3, for information, 867-5287.

Open Rodeo
Sunday, Sept. 10 at the Charging Thunder Arena seven miles north of Oglala, for information call 867-5762, for entries call 867-5980.

Grandparents Day
On Sunday, Sept. 10 at Prairie Wind Casino with all grandparents 55 and older receiving a free buffet.

Special Session-OST Council
Monday, Sept. 11 in Pine Ridge at the Red Cloud building.

Celebration and Honoring
For Lillian Brown on Monday, Sept. 11 in Eagle Butte at the H.V. Johnston Memorial Cultural Center from 5-8 p.m.

Strong Heart Study
"Translating Results into Practice" on Wednesday, Sept. 13 at the Prairie Knights Casino in Ft. Yates, N.D.. 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

SD Vietnam War Memorial Dedication
Friday and Saturday, Sept. 15 and 16 in Pierre with Beach Boys in concert on Friday, dedication ceremony on Saturday emceed by Adrian Cronauer with Steve Miller Band on Saturday, for information call 773-3688.

Little Wound School Board Election
Deadline for petitions and background checks, Tuesday, Sept. 26 by 4:30 p.m.

20th Annual He Sapa Wacipi Na Oskate
Oct. 6-8 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City, championship pow wow, fine arts and games.

Honoring Veterans Wacipi
Friday and Saturday, Oct. 20 and 21 in Sioux Falls at the W.H. Lyons Fair Grounds, 12th Street and Lyons Avenue in memory of Roger Andal, grand entries set for 7 p.m. on Friday and 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Saturday, for information call 334-4060.

Porcupine AA meeting
Every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine, for info call Janice at 867-5404.

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6pm in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841.

Grief Support Group
Meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888.

Little: language

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translating something into English. Or an elder might need assistance in making a request at the tribal building and that is where the 'tokala' can be of some assistance.

After a year a mentor might speak for a candidate and advocate for his membership or ask that he wait for a year. *"Le wicasa i gi pi, tokala heca telo."* Or, when asked to advocate for one he might say, *"Nahankci wakanyeja. Waniyetu wanji apetkte."*

Some 'tokala' might be regarded as too young and immature and may have to wait for another year.

In the days of old, a *"tokala'* might be asked to make a trip outside of his homeland and he could not refuse. The trip could be dangerous as there were many enemy tribes and the 'wasicu of course, and one could get killed.

According to Little, there are four junctures in life at which time a *'tokala'* would be given a talk by a leader. *"Wica itancan woyakapi."* At each point there would be talk about expectations, conduct, hunting *(wakuliye)* family life and mentoring, in turn, other young people who are also *'tokala.'*

On the Pine Ridge, when the *'tokala okalakiciye'* gathers, there is usually a bon fire all night long and *'tokala'* songs are sung.

The elders talk to the young people and share the philosophy and insights of what it means to sacrifice for the good of others.

Little explained some of the advice and philosophy of the *'tokala'* as told to him by his mentors. When one has consideration for others and walks in a helping way, it will come back to one so it is best not to be stingy. *"Waunsila nahan wawokiya mani. Toksa ake' luhakte. Takini tehkilasni yo."*

One should not value things because when you die you will not take them with you. "Ni ta' hantas hena yuha nukinkte sni."

Also, it is best not to fool the people as they will not look upon one as a man again. *"Oyate ki wicagna sni yo. Hecanu hantas wicasa niya wastesni."*

And, finally when a 'tokala' speaks he must tell the truth and tell it right.

He must not add on or embellish the story. In Lakota it goes, *"Woaglaka hantas otunla woglakayo"* and never embellish the story is said, *"Aju tonsniyo."*

Archie Little possesses a wealth of knowledge in Lakota thought and philosophy and often consults with institutions who wish some assistance in translations, storytelling or a song. He once gave a graduation address all in Lakota and explained to the audience that Lakota was his primary language.

He was employed in the alcohol treatment field for 20 years in California and was a disc jockey on the Rosebud for one year and four years on the Pine Ridge.

He has also involved in several movies doing speaking parts. He was in the movies Lakota Woman, Crazy Horse, Broken Bottle, Broken Arrow, two commercials one in Paris and one in Spain, and a documentary done in the Black Hills with Tokyo film company. He has four daughters and four sons.

Red Cloud School back to school night

PINE RIDGE - As tradition has it, Red Cloud Schools' will kick off the year with a Back-to-School Night for the parents to have the opportunity to meet with the their child's teachers.

This event is scheduled for Sept. 6 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. This event is geared not only for the parents and students to learn of the educational foundation and class curriculum but also time for the teachers to meet with parents.

All Red Cloud Indian School students and their parents are welcomed to participate, a cook-out will be held at 4:00 pm prior to meeting with your student(s) teachers and staff.

If there are any questions please feel free to contact Red Cloud Indian School's Superintendents office at 867-5888.

Poverty spotlight meeting at Kyle on Sept. 28

KYLE - The South Dakota State University Cooperative Extension Service will have eight "Spotlight" meetings as part of an effort to reduce poverty in small towns.

The Spotlight meetings are an introduction to the effort, funded by a two-year grant from the Northwest Area Foundation, to develop community leaders and other resources to reduce poverty. One of the spotlight meetings will be in Kyle , Thursday, Sept. 28 at Oglala Lakota College.

Richards of Pine Ridge drug bust gets 10 years

RAPID CITY (AP) _ One of 16 people charged with drug trafficking on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation has been sentenced to 10 years in federal prison.

Norton Richards of Rapid City pleaded guilty to conspiracy to distribute cocaine.

He and 15 other people were indicted on charges that include conspiracy to distribute cocaine and marijuana, and possession of firearms in relation to drug trafficking.

They were arrested following a Dec. 21 drug bust at a Rapid City motel after someone smelled marijuana smoke coming from a room. A search yielded 1 1/2 pounds of cocaine, guns, ammunition, $16,519 in cash and drug paraphernalia.

The others indicted include: Geraldine Blue Bird, Colin Spotted Elk, Marvella Richards, Clarence Behan, Travis Elk Boy, Dawnee Frogg, Jay Dee Spotted Elk, Howard Blue Bird, Thomas Spotted Bear, Flint Thomas Red Feather, Justin Hawk Wing, Sage Richards, Wenona Richards, Joe Garcia and Rusty Richards.

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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I like what you say to people and I love your page. I was wondering if you could help me out? First of all I'm like so stressed out lately I have a boyfriend and I like miss this other guy I used to date but I don't know what happened (I got cheated on).

I was wondering if me and him would ever get back together? My sister is pregnant and I was wondering if she will be crabby all her life well... till her birth? Will I do good in school? Will we ever get to see my little sister again? I have been crying at nights ever since we left. Will I have fun on my birthday which is coming up on Wednesday?

Would I ever get to spend a night somewhere besides my own home? Will my dad ever talk to me? Well Anna that's a lot of stress huh? Well I wanted to say thank you and keep up your good work. I like your page and if you had a voting thing I will vote yes all the time ha ha. Pilamaya (Thank you) again

Stressed Out

Dear Stressed Out:

On the ex-boyfriend who cheated on you questions: You will have an opportunity to spend some time with him if you so choose. Be aware that it would not evolve into a relationship; it would be just a secretive casual (which you would later interpret as a feeling of being used).

He will contact you when times get rough with his current girl-friend. He will temporarily break up with his current girl-friend, but will go back to her. My advice girl is - don't go there.

Will your sister always be crabby? Well, she is more crabby in her life than you are...so in one way the answer is yes, but in another no. She will be less crabby after the baby is born but she is a good candidate for the "baby blues" (a condition that happens among many new mothers when their hormones combine along with the realization of the responsibility for the new child and depression hits).

Your sister has a harder time than you do at seeing the beauty in life and is more likely to concentrate on "what is wrong," rather than "what is right."

Yes, you will see your little sister again. It looks like in about two and a half years from now she will be coming to stay with you. You will do quite well in school as long as you remember that it is in direct relationship to the amount of time you give to your studies.

Don't just hope girl - study!

Happy Birthday! A good dinner and family wish you well. There isn't a lot of money to spend on you, but there are a lot of good wishes and love coming your way on this birthday.

Life is long...so you will eventually spend many nights away from home.

As someone that spends two or three nights a week away from home I can tell you that home is the best place to be. This year you will be able to spend a few nights at a friends home and you will get to go with a relative out of town for three days.

Your dad will eventually talk to you. It is just a matter of time. He has combined anger towards your family plus the complexities of his own life to create distance. He will resolve his differences and find healing in his acceptance of his own responsibility in the distance he has created between himself and the ones he loves.

Yes, life is generally stressful for us all. It is what makes us strong and gives us compassion for others. Stress can either give us the ability to cope or to decide to be a mess because of it.

Eventually, given enough stress, you can develop an attitude that not everything needs to be interpreted as a stressor.

Sometimes, acceptance of things we cannot change reduces stress, along with the understanding of not taking everything so personally.

Good luck in developing the perspective that life is good - even if it doesn't always work out the way we want it to, and accepting that it always does work out in the way that it is supposed to: for the highest good of all.

Dear Anna,

I am a 40 year young woman, (smile). My question to you today is why must I always sabotage my employment? I always do something to mess it up. My last job I wasn't honest and I forged a paper that would have gotten me fired but I quit the job before I was fired.

I had an abusive childhood and I did go to a one week co-dependency training a couple of years ago.

But before I went I felt more confident and sure of myself, now that I went through that I feel like I'm reserved and shy I just don't feel the same. I was a confident, out spoken and not shy person. I don't know what happened? I'm trying to find employment around the Rez now. I am working but it's only part time. I want help but am not sure what I should do? Could you give me some advice? I have a son and I am trying to convince my husband to have one more so he won't be alone. Do you see another baby on the way?

Looking for an answer

Dear Looking:

It seems that most people spend a whole lot of time recovering from the first 18 years of their life. That seems a terrible preoccupation to me with the "wrongs" of everything. Once the "wrongs" have been discovered and formally diagnosed, people tend to nurture the injury, thereby creating themselves into the role of victims.

Victims of their parents, circumstance, poverty, ignorance, social climate and location. Everyone really does want a good life; everyone really does want to be a good person and everyone does want to create a better world for their children. Negative energy has a density that tends to absorb the minds and the very soul of people.

Recovery from the injustices served on a person during their youth is simplified when acceptance steps in.

Acceptance of our less-than-perfect parents; acceptance of the hardships we have endured. Acceptance places you into a position of health without blame.

Parents were not motivated to bring harm - some were just not very good parents. They often times were on a self-destruct path that encircled and absorbed everyone in the family into their own chaos and despair. Once you release the perspective that it was done "to" you, and accept instead that it was done "around" you, in other words it is somebody else's problem, then you are on the path of recovery.

Self-sabotage comes from low self-esteem. Somewhere inside you do not feel that you deserve a good, calm, loving life.

Carrying the feeling of being a personal victim of your family, brings around circular thinking that somehow you deserved to be treated poorly. Children never deserve to be treated poorly; yet that cycle exists in a good percentage of homes.

Parents are people. People have troubles and mental problems, addictions, and low self-esteem. This becomes and inter-generational problem.

When you forged a document, it was for positive feed-back. You did not do it to get yourself fired; you did it to somehow make yourself look good.

The problem is quite simple: you don't feel that your ordinary everyday work is good enough to get you the notice that you need (acknowledgment) to feel better about yourself. Correct the problem by understanding yourself, being honest about your motivation, and then understand you own uniqueness, beauty, strength, intelligence and most of all the goodness of your soul. Everyone is a spirit in human clothes.

The Creator has given each of us something valuable: a life. That life carries the spark or life force of the Creator. That life-force is a reflection of the love of the Creator. No life is less valued than any other life, nor more valued.

Your very life means that you are a sacred being of the Creator and that you have equal value to all. Accepting that means that you will also align yourself with the experience of your life also being sacred. That means simply - that you are valued as a spirit and a soul; and therefore everything you have experienced is to your advantage to give you something back. That something: experience; then is to be valued. Your forging of paperwork should give you deep understanding of you insecurity. Take that understanding and give yourself compassion and build that into wisdom.

You now know how it feels to do something wrong; so utilize that for compassion and the losing of judgment upon others. Use that to forgive and accept your family for your rough childhood. See? It's about becoming a better person.

Now, if I didn't lose you in that diatribe, let me take it one step further. Forgive yourself. Once you do that and let it go - then you will find another good job.

The Creator will help you. Keep the compassion; it will come in handy when confronted with information about others who have had a lapse in judgment and do other things that are not right.

Another baby? Yes, but it will be awhile. You need to heal first.

Work on yourself. When you have your new job then you can model yourself into the ideal employee; based on your own understanding of who you want to be.

Good Luck and God Bless.

Dear Anna,

I was on the Internet one day chatting on yahoo chat, and this guy invited me to chat with him so I did.

We were talking for a while then he asked me to be his girlfriend. I said no and that he didn't even know me, but he said he didn't care, he could take the time to get to know me. I said still that didn't mean anything at all, but he kept on asking and asking and I told him how I am disabled and all he said was he didn't mind at all because he has a cousin like that, and he even said that he could see special things about me.

He said my ID name had angel sent from above on it, he even said maybe God sent me to talk to you, so just to shut him up I said yeah that I will be his girlfriend.

We have been dating on line since I was 15 years old, but now I'm starting to have my doubts about him because he said he was going to send me a picture of himself but he never sent it.

Why is he scared of something or what? Is he even telling me the truth about everything? He told me about his age, how he looks, where he is from, and about how I'm his one n' only and he's not dating any other internet girls on line or in his hometown.

Is that even true? Anna can you tell me about this internet guy please? I need to know if this guy is a fake.

Thanks Anna for all your help.

Dear Friend:

There are many good people on the internet who met other good people, however, there are also many people on the internet who prey on others.

The insistence of this man to be your "boyfriend" right away was a big warning sign.

This claim of immediate love, or more realistically a claim of ownership and commitment to an unknown person is dangerous. I see this man as a predator.

He seeks lonely women, particularly young women, and uses claims of "visions and God" to try and create a bond of ownership and loyalty.

He preys on your vulnerability and desire to create a loving relationship as a fuel to aid him in his deceptive role as a "boyfriend," "future lover," and caretaker. He is dangerous. He is not honest.

He hopes to someday place himself in your geographic vicinity, or convince to you come to him. He has created an unhealthy fantasy life, with you as a player. He is sick.

I understand that your limited mobility is an issue for you. I do not want you to feel less than free to have a good life.

I want you to see yourself as an equal to all other people. I want you to understand your own power and beauty. I do not want isolation to commit you to a life of victimization.

I know and have known more than one person in a wheel chair that has a good and healthy life with love and family.

I know two paraplegics that live highly exciting and fulfilling lives: one as a teacher (who married his teacher's assistant) and one as a grandfather who care-takes his grandchildren from his wheel chair.

He and his girlfriend travel together and have many good adventures seeing different parts of this country.

I know of another man on the reservation who serves a vital role to his community in education and community service and is a happily married man and father. You have to release yourself from your image of constraint and trust your own instincts.

When you email somebody, and they immediately set up alarms within you sever the relationship at that moment.

If you have to, get a new email address and discontinue use of the old one. Forward your new address to your friends and quit checking email on the old address.

Block his address from your email. Do not respond to him anymore.

You can tell him you are getting married, or you are moving to Italy, or nothing at all. It may help you to give him one final email telling him that you are onto him, but he will respond and tell you that you are wrong and that he intends nothing bad towards you.

Whatever you do, end it, and end it now.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests may be subject to publication.

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Robert L. Watters Sr., 51.....Pine Ridge
Irma Rebecca Cross, 90.....Isabel
Christine L. Red Cloud, 72.....Pine Ridge

Robert L. Watters Sr.

PINE RIDGE - Robert L. Watters, 51, died Sept. 2 at the Pine Ridge hospital as the result of an auto accident.

Survivors include his wife Eileen Janis, Pine Ridge; sons, Darrell Watters and John Watters of Rapid City; Robert Watters, Jr.

and Adam Watters of Pine Ridge; daughters Rebecca Watters, Rapid City; brothers: Jim Watters, Pine Ridge; Tom Watters, No. Four Community and Larry Watters, Cheyenne, Wyo.; Sisters Patty Eagle Bull, Pine Ridge and four grandchildren.

A one-night wake begins 3 p.m. Thursday, September 7 at Billy Mills Hall, Pine Ridge.

Funeral will be at 9 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 8 at Billy Mills Hall.

Officiating will be Rev. Steve Sanford, SJ with traditional Lakota services by Patrick Janis. Burial will be at Interment: 2:30 p.m. at the Black Hills National Cemetery.

Funeral Arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Irma Rebecca Cross

ISABEL - Irma Rebecca Cross, 90, Isabel, died Wednesday, Aug. 30, at Beverly Healthcare Center in Mobridge. A family service was Sunday, Sept. 3, at Isabel Baptist Church. Funeral services were Sept. 4, at the church, with the Rev. Clyde Zimbelman officiating. Burial was at Hillsview Cemetery in Isabel. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Christine L. Red Cloud

PINE RIDGE - Christine L. Red Cloud, 72, Pine Ridge, died Aug. 31, in Pine Ridge. Survivors include numerous children, adopted children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. A wake service was Sept. 2, at the Red Cloud residence, Old Sundance Grounds, Pine Ridge. A second-night wake was Sept. 3, with a Native American church ceremony at the Red Cloud residence. Graveside services were Monday, Sept. 4, at Ancient Native American Church Cemetery in Denby, with Bernard "Alfred" Red Cloud Jr. officiating. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

In memory of Myrtle Fool Head-Grosz
Birthday memorial on September 6

Upon my fingertip, today I caught a tear.

I pondered all it's meaning, held with in its bounds.

Sparkling with all the love, of many a past year.

But listen very closely and hear the sorrowed sounds.

My tears are those of missing you,

A void that's never filled.

From day to day I'm at a loss, not knowing what to do.

My heart's a rocky soil, parched and untilled.

My thoughts are often afar off, but mosty are of you.

I caught a tear today upon my fingertip.

I strained to see the memories you've left me.

Your name and all you were and are, rest upon my lips.

Someday again I know I'll see you, just you wait and see.

I've got so many tears I know I'll never run out.

Each one I catch I'll be thinking of you.

For there is no doubt.

Please, won't you remember me too.

I...miss...you...

We love you and miss you every day and think about you...ALWAYS!

Love,

Cheyenne, June, Kateri, Cassidy, Jessie, Tyler, Wakinyan, Andrea and Marq

In memory of Unci Myrtle Grosz

Of all the precious gifts in life,

However large or small,

To have had you as our grandma,

Was the greatest gift of all...

Happy Birthday! We love and miss you!

June, Kateri, Cassidy, Jessie, Tyler and Wakinyan

In loving memory of Donald C. Longman

There isn't a day that goes by we don't think of you. I wish you were here with me and my big sis. We both miss you very much. Life isn't the same without you so till we meet again we will always love and miss you.

Your Baby girl, Shell & Stace

Lakota Crossword Puzzle

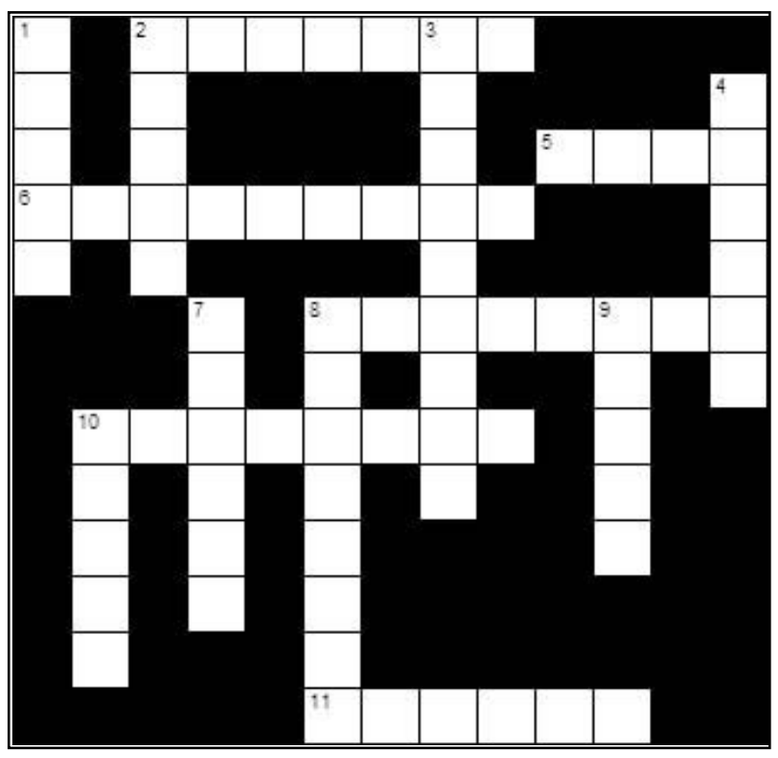
(answers in next week's issue)

Across

2. seven
5. four
6. nine
8. twelve
10. ten
11. sixth

Down

1. three
2. six
3. tenth
4. five
7. first
8. eleven
9. two
10. one



The words for the Lakota Crossword Puzzle is from the text of *Everyday Lakota, An English-Sioux Dictionary for Beginners*.

Answers from last week's puzzle



The Lakota Funds

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LEGALS

OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PROGRAM NOTICE OF SOLICITATION FOR BIDS REMEDIATION OF BALEFILL AT RED SHIRT TABLE

The Oglala Sioux Tribe's Environmental Protection Program is soliciting proposals for work to be conducted to remediate the tribe's municipal solid waste balefill, located on Red Shirt Table.

Current conditional at the landfill site do not meet minimum specifications of the Oglala Sioux Tribe's (OST) specifications and is not in compliance with all RCRA Subtitle D specifications. Broken or breaking bales of trash and loose trash are improperly placed on the balefill floor, improperly stacked and not compacted to an acceptable density. The drainage system is no longer properly graded and is not functioning appropriately and litter is scattered along the perimeter of the facility. The tribe intends to bring this facility into compliance and maintain it in that manner afterward.

Minimum scope of work:

- All banded bales, broken bales and loose trash will be pushed to the sides of the landfill and properly compacted
- All loose trash will be contained to prevent further escape of litter off of the facility site
- The floor of the facility will be brought to a one-percent (1% grade) to allow for proper drainage of the site.
- The pipes for the leachate collection system will be spot-checked to assess their condition
- The slope of the sides of the balefill will be checked to assure they remain in compliance with the design and/or appropriate operating specifications and corrected to those specifications where necessary
- A 30-year litter fence will be constructed around the perimeter of the premises to prevent excursion of litter off of the facility premises
- Cover soil of a minimum amount of 2,500 cubic yards will be assured to be present and stockpiled for winter use

Period of work:

The OST wishes this remediation work to be completed before the end of the 2006 construction season, preferably within 30 days of award of this project to the successful contractor. If any prospective contractor cannot or does not reasonably expect to be able to comply with that timeline, they must state that in their submitted proposal.

Evaluation criteria and minimum requirements:

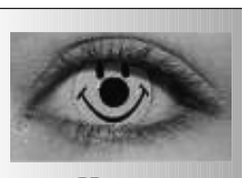
- The proposals must include a statement of the equipment to be used to complete the project, and how that equipment is to be secured or provided. Any equipment cost is to be paid by the successful contractor and will be assumed to be covered within the overall submitted bid.
- The successful contractor will be responsible for costs covering transportation of equipment to and from the site, fuel for that equipment, all appropriate insurance, and equipment operator labor costs.
- The successful contractor will be responsible for costs for materials and labor necessary to construct the 30-year litter fence around the site perimeter.
- The successful contractor will be required to have a minimum of five (5) years experience in the design, operation and/or management of a Subtitle D-compliant solid waste facility. Professional certifications or degrees in management of landfills, transfer stations, solid waste operations and/or landfill design will increase the scores given submitted proposals during the evaluation process, as will additional years of experience in these areas.
- The successful contractor will be required to have a minimum of five (5) years experience in operation of heavy equipment, trucks, trailers and landfill leachate systems. Professional certifications or degrees and additional years of experience will increase the scores given submitted proposals during the evaluation process.
- The successful contractor will be required to have a current OSHA 40-hour certification for any employees or staff who will be present or working at the site.

Proposal release date and required date of submission:

The Environmental Protection Program of the Oglala Sioux Tribe wishes to receive as many proposals for consideration as possible, but is also facing an urgency in the face of the waning construction season. The notice of this opportunity to bid will be published in newspapers and information about it will be broadly distributed via the internet.

- The official release date of the solicitation of proposals will be Friday, September 1, 2006.
- Proposals will be accepted in hard copy form by mail or fax. They will also be accepted electronically as a document in either Microsoft Word (.doc) or Adobe Acrobat (.pdf).
- The deadline for submission of proposals will be Friday, September 15, 2006 at 3 p.m., Mountain Daylight Time.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Whereas the Oglala Sioux Tribe believes that a high-quality proposal can only result from a contractor who has visually surveyed or inspected the site in question, the Tribe will not reimburse or be responsible for any cost incurred by a prospective proposer in accomplishing said visual survey or inspection.



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- Request For Proposals -

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All proposals shall be submitted to Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing, Attn: Ken Lone Elk, at PO Box 603, East Highway 18, Pine Ridge, SD 57770 no later than 4:30 pm on September 12, 2006. Proposals not received by that time and date shall be rejected. OSLH reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive any and all proposals and to waive any and all deficiencies.

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Little Wound School

Kyle, South Dakota

JOB VACANCIES
(08-29-06)

The Little Wound School Board is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2006-2007 school term:

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Elementary: 18) Wrestling Coach 19) Wrestling Asst. 20) K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 21) K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 22) K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 23) Handgame Sponsor.

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a completed LWS employment application to: Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD-214 to claim Veteran's preference, official college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials.

For more information, call: (605) 455-6179 or 455-6178.
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>>> NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS <<<

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Due to the high fire danger and drought conditions which presently exist on the Rosebud Reservation, the Rosebud Agency and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe have decalared a **"BAN ON OPEN BURNING"** for the entire Rosebud Reservation. **THIS BAN IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

At no time is anyone allowed to start a campfire or have any sort of open flame in any area other than those designated in the park area. Tribal Game Wardens and the Police officers will be patrolling and will take action against any individual violators of this ban.

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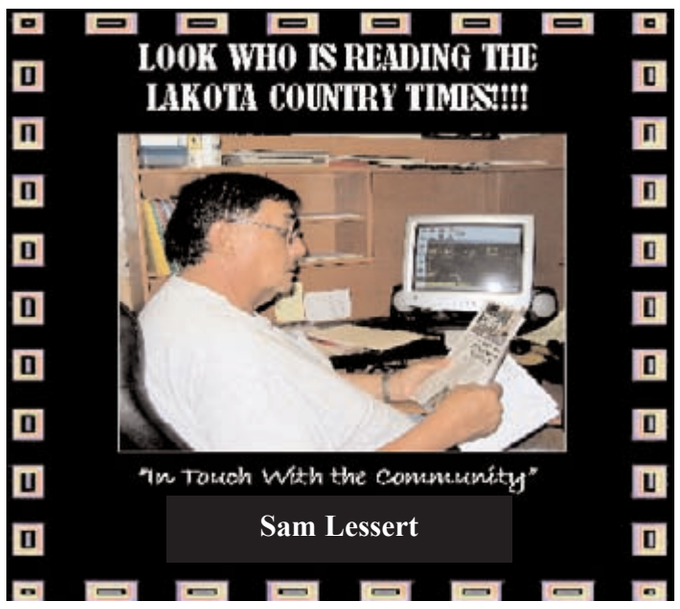
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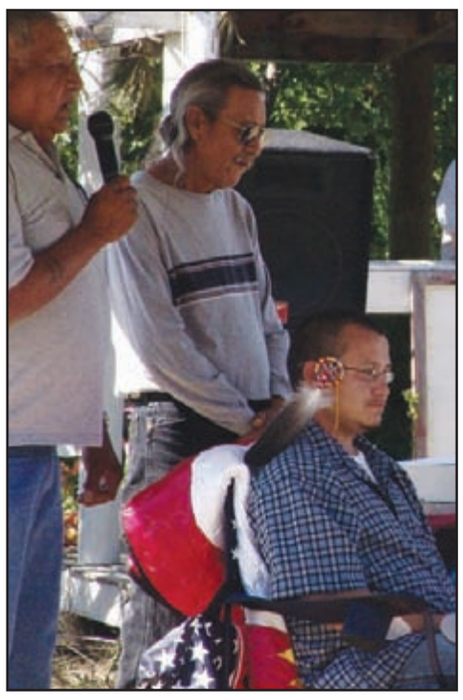
By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - On Wednesday, Sept. 13, the OST Election Board issued a list of 111 candidates who have been certified for the upcoming 2006 tribal election. Members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe have until Sept. 15 to challenge anyone on the list or to petition the addition of any names to the list. On Monday, the tribal council approved an election court of appeals which included Cornel Conroy, Francis Pumpkin Seed and Tony Javon Ten Fingers with the alternates Barb Jones and Connie Brewer.

Current president Alex White Plume, Cecelia Fire Thunder, the first woman ever elected to the presidency and four time president, John Yellow Bird Steele lead the list of presidential candidates. Harold Dean Salway, past two time president, current vice president, Eileen Janis and past vice president Dennis King also are running including first term council representative Will Peters from Pine Ridge who chairs the education committee. Larry Swalley, Gary Lays Bad, Robert Benson, Jeff Not Help Him and Joyce Sun Bear are also running for president.

Wayne Weston, Frederick Cedar Face, Melanie Two Eagle, Louis Winters, Sr. and William Shorty Brewer have been certified as candidates for vice presi-

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Left: Frank Marshall and Dr. Elgin Bad Wound preside over the honoring of Corp. Dustin Cottier for years of service in the U.S. Marines. Right: John Around Him honored at American Horse School. Photos by Amanda Takes War Bonnett.

Dustin Cottier honored for tour in Iraq

American Horse School recognizes John Around Him

By Amanda Takes War Bonnett
Times Editor

MARTIN - Recently Corporal Dustin Cottier of LaCreek District was honored by his family with a dinner and a giveaway at the Bear Creek pow wow grounds north of Martin. Cottier was given a Lakota name Mni Akicita Tokeya Eyasa (Water Soldier Goes First). The event was well attended by family and community. Cottier served in the Marine Corp for four years and was employed to Egypt, Japan and in Iraq.

He is the son of Craig Dillion and Bonnie Cottier and has a brother, an adopted brother and two sisters and currently works for the Oglala Sioux Tribe Water Conservation. Frank Marshall, veterans service officer and community member, said he was honored to give the Marine his Lakota name. "This young man sets an example for his younger generation," said Marshall. Dr. Elgin Bad Wound tied his feather.

Cottier enlisted in the Marines not only for his country and for himself but he said in growing up with his adopted brother Frank 'Yamni' Bettelyoun, they would talk about joining the Marines together. Bettelyoun died in a car accident and Cottier went on to fulfill the dream for both of them.

American Horse School honors Around Him

ALLEN - Last Thursday, American Horse School held their annual back to school wacipi introducing their staff to the public.

The school also honored John Around Him, long time spiritual leader and Lakota language and culture instructor.

He spent many years as an advocate for veterans, a well known eyahapa and an advocate for inmates in the state penitentary.

Also honored was Juanita White Eyes, who has been in the health field for many years.

She was a long time nurse at the school.

Council action: approves new grazing rates, takes no action on Cangleska

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - "We could have avoided taking this issue to the brink," said Garfield Steele, council representative from Wounded Knee District and chairman of the judiciary committee, "if you had come in to the judiciary committee meetings or turned in your quarterly reports that are required by all chartered organizations."

Steele earlier had presented a resolution from the judiciary committee to the tribal council that would move four federal grants from Cangleska, Inc. to Victims of Crime Assistance program headed up by Rosalie Janis; the grants were from the Department of Justice awarded to the Oglala Sioux Tribe to assist Cangleska, Inc to meet their mission and totaled $1.5 million.

The discussion included charges of sabotage by Cangleska, Inc. to the computer system at the tribal courthouse, questions of a lack of accountability by a chartered organization and laid out a history of missed communications and an inability to work together.

"What the judiciary committee is proposing is not in any way to take away any services or any jobs from Cangleska," said Will Peters, council Representative from Pine ridge Village who serves on the judiciary committee, "the tribe just wants to take administrative control of their resources and assure accountability."

In a session that had all of the atmosphere of a hearing, chief judge Lisa Adams spoke of problems with the computers at the tribal court, attorney general

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Oglala, Sicangu veterans prepare for Vietnam War memorial dedication

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Orlando Morrison, the Director of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe's veteran's affairs office reports that his office is making final preparations for the South Dakota Vietnam Memorial dedication being held in Pierre this weekend.

Billie Jo Thunder and Troy Lynn Peneaux have been working since March getting the word out to Vietnam veterans on the Rosebud to register for the event. In fact, Billie Jo has been doing a lot of the registration online for veterans wishing to attend the event. As far back as March, Billie Jo went on KINI announcing the registration procedure for the event.

The state of South Dakota has also embarked on an intense campaign to get Vietnam veterans registered for this dedication and the free concert and related activities. Morrison said that there are going to be great door prizes in the form a Harley-Davidson and 42 inch plasma television set.

Morrison said that one of the event coordinators noted that in addition to the thousands of Vietnam veterans expected at the memorial dedication, an additional forty to fifty thousand people may attend. He said, "This is one event which will bring in the most veterans. We are taking 16-17 Sicangu veterans and they will be camping out at the Pierre Indian School."

Morrison noted that the formal dedication ceremony is being held on Saturday and by now most veterans should have gotten their tickets that will allow them entry into the event. One can go to www.sdvietnamwarmemorial.com see if, in fact, they are registered.

The RST veteran's affairs will be making a presentation to the RST council on Wednesday to see if they will provide funding for those veterans who have signed up to attend. Morrison said that RST president, Rodney M. Bordeaux, requested a list of names of those veterans wishing to attend. William Menard will represent RST in the parade as he will carry the RST veteran's staff.

Ron Gassman, who is also a veteran, will be one of the van drivers who will be transporting veterans up to the dedication over the weekend.

On the Pine Ridge reservation, Frank Marshall and Ted Twiss have made parallel preparations in anticipation of the day long trip to Pierre. Marshall, has been a volunteer veteran's service officer since 1987 and reports that the OST council funded 27 veterans who will be making the trip on Saturday. He said, "We rented a bus from American Horse School with a driver and we present-

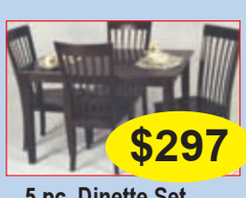
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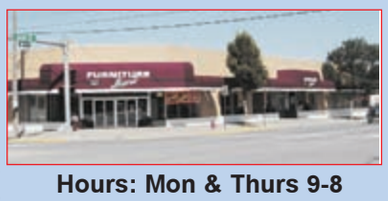
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Memorial for vets

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ed a proposal to tribal finance. The veterans will get a per diem and one of them will be a color guard carrying the tribal staff."

Marshall served in the U. S. Marines from 1959-63 and traveled from Hawaii to Japan to Hong Kong and to the coast of South Vietnam. His unit did not go ashore; however, it was a combat ready battalion landing team.

His military training was in artillery and he went overseas twice.

He received his veteran's service officer training in Denver at the National Veterans Training Institute, while Twiss received his in Port Angelis, Wash.

He said, "Enos Poor Bear was an 'eyapaha' and he had me drive him to a meeting in Pine Ridge in 1987 and he developed laryngitis. He asked if I could 'eyapaha' at the meeting. He supported veterans quite a bit."

He continued, "A lot of the veterans know me, so I'm kind of a fixture. I am able to establish a rapport with them. I am trained to help them even giving them a buck from my pocket. I would feel awful if I couldn't help them when I could."

Marshall says he was involved in taking other Korean and Vietnam veterans and a lady Vietnam veteran to Washington, DC and is a lifetime member of the American Indian Veterans Association.

The weekend lineup for Vietnam veterans and their guests shows an hour by hour schedule of events, beginning on Friday with a continuous Vietnam War traveling wall, open USO tents, the availability for counseling for veterans and an evening concert featuring the Beach Boys.

On Saturday, there will be a heroes parade with the dedication and unveiling ceremony held at 2 p.m. Helicopter rides will be available all day long and the Steve Miller band will be featured in concert in the evening at 6 p.m. with Credence Clearwater Revisited.

On Sunday, the fun will continue with a free breakfast. Counselors will be available, information booths will be open and the Fallen Sons and Daughters Remembrance Field will be open.

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Gabriel L. Two Eagle, Todd

Larry W. LaPointe, Todd

OST council action

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Alberta Miller talked about the needs and future of the prosecutors office, George Twiss spoke about Cangleska's history and role in the development of the tribal court, Wayne Weston talked passionately about the role of Cangleska, Karen Artichoker, CI director, spoke about the consequences to the ability of Cangleska to continue to offer the services here on Pine Ridge and in Rapid City and Rosalie Janis spoke on VOCA's willingness to fill a need that the council believes is important.

After two hours of discussion and a failed tabling motion, Steele decided to pull his resolution back and give all sides an opportunity to sit down and figure a way to work together on very similar goals for the best interest of the Oglala Sioux Tribe and its members.

Cangleska was first chartered in October of 1996 with a stated purpose of eliminating violence within our families, providing safe shelter to victims of domestic violence, and to effect social change by education.

In 2001, the OST judiciary committee designated Cangleska as the lead agency in development of network technology for the purpose of developing an integrated information system for the OST criminal justice system to increase system effectiveness, victim safety and offender accountability.

In other matters on Monday the council voted 8-5 to establish a minimum annual grazing rate for the Pine Ridge Reservation at $14.37 per AUM; voted 9-4 to approve ordinance waiving bond requirement for the leasing of range units on Pine Ridge reservation; voted 10-2 to direct the Bureau of Indian Affairs to reassign Gordon Rosby, contract specialist for the BIA in facility management contracts and to exclude him from the Pine Ridge Reservation, voted 12-0 to give facility manager a deadline of 30 days to open the new detention facility or come and remove the facility from Pine Ridge Reservation; voted unanimously to hold the hearing for the Crazy Horse school board on Sept. 25 in Wanblee.

Candidates certified

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dent.

Lisa Adams is the only person certified for chief judge. The tribal council on Monday denied a request made by Joe American Horse for a waiver of the juris doctorate/law degree requirement necessary to run for the chief judge position.

Pine Ridge Village

A total of 21 candidates were certified for council representative in Pine Ridge Village including two of the three incumbents, Lyle Jack and Ella John Carlow and past council reps Gerald Big Crow, Carol Crazy Thunder O'Rourke, Duane Brewer, Gary Janis and Holly Wilson who served two terms for Wakpamni District. the list includes Jerry Bordeaux, Peggy Mousseau, Don Garnier, Leon Matthews, Nakina Mills, Irving Provost, Robert Palmier, Michelle Tyon, Lawrence Eagle Bull, John Mousseau, Richard Bark, Abraham Tobacco, Doug Bissonette and Irving Cottier.

Wakpamni District

Wakpamni candidates include incumbents Maxine Lakota and Walt Big Crow and past council reps Tom Conroy and Sandra Two Lance, as well as Kim Killer, Joann Sierra, Vienna Red Feather, Charles Pourier, Lonnie Bettelyoun, Rex Conroy, Herb Colhoff, Paul Red Feather, Sonia Little Hawk Weston, Lillian Tobacco, Richard Mousseau and Ricky Grey Grass.

Oglala/Whiteclay District

Oglala/Whiteclay candidates includes incumbents Valerie Kills Small Janis and Paul Little, past tribal president Gerald One Feather, past representatives Floyd Brings Plenty and Robert Two Bulls as well as Frank Two Bulls Sr., Deb Mousseau, Will Garnier, Wendell Jay Youngman, Jason Jake Little, Jackson Ten Fingers, and Wilmer Young Man Sr.

Porcupine District

Porcupine includes incumbents Philip Good Crow and Bernard White Face and past council representatives David Pourier, Marlon Moon Weston, past treasurer Chuck Jacobs as well as Randy Lays Bad, Harvey Iron Boy, Todd O'Bryan and Richard Iron Cloud.

Wounded Knee District

Wounded Knee candidates include incumbents Kathy Janis and Garfield Steele and past representatives Philip Jumping Eagle and Emmett Kelly, Sr. as well as Garfield Apple, Melvin Adams, Phyllis Hollow Horn, Patrick T. Clifford and Percy White Plume.

Pass Creek District

Candidates certified for Pass Creek include incumbent Lydia Bear Killer and challengers Ron Duke, Clarence Yellow Hawk, Donna Salomon and Lucy Cottier.

Eagle Nest District

Candidates certified for Eagle Nest include incumbents Ruth Brown and Tom Poor Bear and past representatives Jim Meeks and Eleanor Charging Crow as well as Billy Amiotte, Phyllis Wilcox, Sylvester Two Bulls and Leroy Wilcox Sr.

Medicine Root District

Medicine Root candidates include incumbents Austin Watkins Sr., and Juanita Scherich and past representative Cora Whiting as well as Daryl Mesteth, Carrie Romero, Archie Hopkins, Emily Bull Bear, Steven Standing Soldier and Sandra Old Horse.

LaCreek District

LaCreek candidates certified include the incumbents Craig Dillon and Mary Moose Poor Thunder as well as Kimmy Clausen and Gerald Jed Bettelyoun.

The primary election is set for Tuesday, Oct. 3 with the general set for Tuesday Nov. 7.

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Morgan, Scott lead Red Cloud's romp over Hill City

Little Wound clobbers St. Francis

Falcons claws Eagle Butte, Warriors tips Thorpes

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE/ST. FRANCIS - A.B. Morgan, Red Cloud's junior quarterback, connected on five touchdown passed and Billy Scott, a junior half back rushed for 132 yards and two touchdowns Friday as Red Cloud rolled over the Hill City Rangers 44-20.

The Crusaders scored quickly in the first quarter going up 19-0; Scott opened the scoring with a five yard plunge for a touchdown, David Giago grabbed a 51 yard pass from Morgan for the second TD of the game and Morgan hit Scott on a 20 yard TD pass before the end of the first quarter; Sun Jung Park hit the point after to give Red Cloud a 19-0 lead after one.

The Crusader defense held down the Rangers as Art Vitalis, a junior cornerback, intercepted a Hill City pass in the first quarter and Marlon Kelly, a senior linebacker recovered a fumble on the Red Cloud 29 yard line to stop a Hill City drive in the second period. Giago grabbed his second TD pass from Morgan, from five yards out early in the second to give Red Cloud a 25-0 lead.

Brian Bohnet, a senior running back got Hill City on the board with a four yard TD run with two minutes left in the first half but Kelly helped get the six points right back with a 14 yard catch for a touchdown on Red Cloud's next drive. Nash Koel, a sophomore tight end answered with an 85 yard kick-off return for a touchdown to cut Red Cloud's lead to 32-14 after a two point conversion run by Evan Berberich. The Crusaders were not done yet as Christian McGhee pulled down a 45 yard Morgan pass for a touchdown, Morgan's fifth first half TD pass to give Red Cloud a 38-14 halftime lead.

"We played stronger today," said Nick Dressel, Crusader head coach, "our defense looked stronger and our offensive line behind the coaching of Luza Berg really stepped up today."

Giago wrapped up the Red Cloud scoring with an interception and runback for a touchdown from the Hill City 12 yard line. Dusty Swanson put the final touches on the game score with a 15 yard run for a Ranger TD and a final score of 44-20.

Andrew Twiss led the Crusader defense with 12 tackles and recovered a fumble in the third quarter. Scott excelled on both sides of the line, finishing with 10 tackles, 18 carries for 132 yards and a touchdown and four receptions for 52 yards and a touchdown. Morgan finished with 11 completions out of 18 passes for 204 yards and five touchdowns. Red Cloud is now 2-0 on the season and hosts Pine Ridge on Friday at 2 p.m.

Bryce Hornbeck, Little Wound's junior wide receiver and defensive back grabbed two Johnny Cloud touchdown passes and ran back an interception for a touchdown to lead the Mustangs to a 53-14 romp over the St. Francis Warriors on Friday in St. Francis.

JC Mesteth, a junior running back, opened the scoring for Little Wound with a five yard TD run in the first quarter, Rich Big Boy's two point conversion on the ground gave the Mustangs a quick 8-0 lead. JJ Arcoren came right back and scored for the Warriors to make it 8-6 but Cloud hit Hornbeck with a 35 yard TD pass at the end of the first quarter giving Little Wound a 14-6 lead.

Mesteth scored his second touchdown on a nifty 24 yard run halfway through the second while Hornbeck grabbed his second TD pass, a 25 yard pass from Cloud to give the Mustangs a 26-6 halftime lead.

"Our defense stepped up and controlled the line of scrimmage," said Darrell Hunter, Little Wound coach, "we really ran a balanced offense; when they stopped our running game, we hit our first pass for a touchdown, after that we were able to score both on the ground and through the air."

Devon LeBeau, a senior wide receiver, opened the scoring in the second half pulling in a 30 yard TD pass from Cloud in the third, Cloud's point after kick gave Little Wound a 33-6 lead. St. Francis scored a touchdown on the ground and added a two point conversion to cut the lead to 33-14, it would be their last score.

Shilo Pierce scored on a 15 yard run followed by Harold Top Bear's five yard run and Hornbeck wrapped up the scoring with an 85 yard return of an interception for a TD in the fourth to give the Mustangs a 53-14 win.

Cloud finished with six completions out of 12 passes for 190 yards and three touchdowns, Hornbeck finished with 212 all purpose yards and three touchdowns, Shilo Pierce had seven carries for 102 yards and a touchdown and JC Mesteth ran twice for 29 yards and two TDs. Little is 2-0 on the season and will host crow Creek on Friday at 1pm; St. Francis in 0-2 and travels to Todd County on Friday.

Pine Ridge was in the red zone three times and could not score as Bennett County won a tough defensive struggle 16-12 on Friday night in Martin.

Dave "Bulldawg" Michaud, Pine Ridge's senior running back and linebacker scored both of Pine Ridge's touchdowns from the defensive side of the line. After a scoreless first half, Michaud recovered a Bennett County fumble on the Warrior eight yard line and ran it in for the first score of the game and a Pine Ridge 6-0 lead. Bennett County came right back as Andrew Olson ran the kick-off back 83 yards for a touchdown and a 6-6 tie.

Early in the fourth quarter, Michaud intercepted a Corbin Kratovil pass on the Bennett County 19 yard line and ran it back for a touchdown, giving Pine ridge the lead again 12-6. After four turnovers, Oris Morrison recovered a Bennett County fumble on the Pine Ridge 29 yard line, Carson Smith recovered a Thorpe fumble, Louis Ramos intercepted an Austin Haynes pass in the end zone then Carson Smith recovered a Juan Ramos fumble at the Pine Ridge 22 yard line, Corbin Kratovil ran up the middle for an 11 yard touchdown and Carson Smith ran the two point convdersion in for a Bennett County 14-12 lead.

"As a coach, I just did not have them ready," said Dave Michaud, Thorpe head coach, "but as the season goes along we will be more and more ready, hopefully peaking at playoff time."

The final score of the hard fought defensive game came as Pine Ridge's center snapped the ball over quarterback Kenny Apple's head forcing Apple to cover it in the end zone for a Warrior safety and a final 16-12 win.

"We lost our starting quarterback, Harley Cortier to an injury a week before our first game and our starting center after that, we tried Bulldawg as quarterback last week and this week went with our third quarterback, Kenny Apple," said Michaud, "after breaking his arm two years ago and not playing football at all last year, he did an exceptional job in his start on Friday - we just had too many turnovers."

JS Two Bulls led the defense with 11 tackles and an interception, Oril Morison finished with eight tackles and two fumble recoveries, Louis Ramos had two interceptions while Michaud scored two touchdowns on an interception and a fumble recovery, added 10 tackles and carried the ball 18 times for 58 yards.

Pine Ridge is 0-2 on the season and travels to Red Cloud on Friday for a 3 p.m. game while Bennett County hosts Stanley County on Friday night.

Football scores from week three

Lower Brule 59-8 Marty
Miller 36-0 Crow Creek
Todd County 38-6 Cheyenne Eagle Butte
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Bennett County 16-12 Pine Ridge
Red Cloud 44-20 Hill City
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Dupree 20-14 Kadoka

Games this week

Cheyenne Eagle Butte at Mobridge
Crow Creek at Little Wound
St. Francis at Todd County
Lower Brule at Edgemont/Oelrichs
Pine Ridge at Red Cloud



David Giago, a junior tight end and linebacker at Red Cloud, intercepted a Hill City pass on the Ranger 12 yard line and ran it back for a touchdown Friday afternoon during Red Cloud's 44-20 win over Hill City. Photo courtesy of Jen Schaer, Red Cloud athletic director.

Wilson-Pine wins back to back races, getting ready to defend his state championship

CHADRON/BELLE FOURCHE - On Thursday, Alex Wilson-Pine, a senior at Pine Ridge, defeated Kiko Mendoza, a sophomore at Takini, in a battle of two state cross country champions during the Belle Fourche Invitational.

Mendoza had the early lead but midway through the race, Wilson-Pine passed him up for good to take the win 16:13 to 16:37. At the 2005 South Dakota State cross country championships, Wilson-Pine won the Class A title while Mendoza won the Class B title.

Takini's Sam Mendoza took 35th while Pine Ridge's Wilbur Red Elk was 36th and Shawn Keith was 40th. James Pine/Pine Ridge took second in the junior varsity race.

On the girl's side of the race, Christian Janis for Pine Ridge was 7th followed by her sister Sophia in 8th.

Wilson-Pine made it two in a row with a solid win at Chadron running the 5,000 meter course in 16:38 knocking off Derrick Donavan of Gering who finished in 16:52. Ferron Swiftbird/PR was 18th, Ezra Zephier of Red Cloud was 26th and Shawn Keith/PR was 32nd. Scottsbluff won the team competition over Sidney and Gering.

Pine Ridge girls took fourth in the team race as Krista No Leaf was the top finisher in 11th. The Lady Thorpe team included Christian Janis in 16th, Sophia Janis in 20th, Allie Janis in 25th, Cheyenne Ten Fingers in 30th and Aimee Pond in 37th. Red Cloud had Desirae Blacksmith in 18th, Saige Pourier in 19th and Casara Pine in 29th.

Custer hosts an invitational on Thursday the 14th while Hot Springs hosts on Tuesday the 19th.

Prairie Wind Casino

The Prairie Wind Casino is soliciting proposals for auditing services for the accounting period ending December 31, 2006

The audit must be conducted in accordance with the National Indian Gaming Minimum Internal Control Standard 542.3 (f), "An independent certified public accountant (CPA) shall be engaged to perform procedures to verify, on a test basis, that the gaming operation is in material compliance with the tribal internal control standards or a tribally approved variance that has received Commission concurrence. The procedures may be performed in conjunction with the annual audit. The CPA shall report its findings to the Oglala Sioux Tribe, Tribal gaming regulatory authority and management. The Tribe shall submit a copy of the report to the Commission within 120 days of the gaming operations's fiscal year end."

The proposal must state your understanding of the work to be done and must include the qualifications and experience of your firm and staff. A copy of your firm's latest quality review letter must be included in your proposal.

If applicable, minority and Indian preference must be requested in the proposal.

Cost will not be the only determining factor in awarding the proposal. The Prairie Wind Casino reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Proposals must be sealed and postmarked by October 31, 2006, at 5:00 PM. Please address to: ATTN: Controller's Office - Audit 2006 Bid, Prairie Wind Casino, HC 49 Box 10, Pine Ridge, SD 57770.

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ROSEBUD SIOUX TRIBAL COURT

POSITIONS OPEN: 9-12-06
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Position: **Assistant Prosecutor**

Nature and Scope: The Assistant Prosecutor will institute Proceedings b3fore judges of the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Courts for the arrest and conviction of persons charged with, or suspected of offenses against the people of the Rosebud Reservation.

Duties:

1. The Assistant Prosecutor will file petitions and complaints on behalf of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe as provided int he Law and Order Code of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.

2. The Assistant Prosecutor will represent the Tribe in all proceedings as provided under the Law and Order Code of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.

3. The Assistant prosecutor will keep a record of all criminal and civil proceedings of the Office of the Prosecutor including actions, proceedings, and the results therein.

4. The Assistant Prosecutor will act as Presenting officer for Juvenile Court.

6. The Assistant prosecutor will be availalbe for employemnt for three (3) days per week.

Qualifications:

A. Minimum of a Bachelors Degree in the field of Criminal Justice jor a combination of education anld experience. Licesnses attorneys are encouraged to apply.

B. Must have the ability to draft legal documents.

Salary: Negotiable up to $39,000 per year.

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Position: **Assistant Public Defender**

Duties: Performs professional legal work in the defense of defendants in criminal cases, child's court cases, mental illness, alcohol commitment and appeals.

Supervision: Works under the broad supervision of the Public Defender.

Required Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: Basic working knowledge of civil and criminal law and methods and practices of pleadings. Working knowledge of court procedures. Working knowledge of principles, methods, materials and practices utilized in legal research. Ability to speak and write effectively in the preparation and presentation of legal matters.

Qualifications: Applicants must have a Juris Doctor degree from an accredited law school. Previous legal or courtroom experience will be considered in lieu of a degree.

Salary: Negotiable

OPINION PAGE

Guest Editorial

What the recently burnt ditches show us

By Ivan Starr
Oglala, S.D.

Driving home from the casino the other day, about half way to Oglala, I found myself doing a rather dangerous driving no-no.

Keeping one eye on the road, I kept glancing at the odd landscape created by recent prairie fires.

With the dry grasses burned to the ground, sharply contrasted against the charred landscape were the plentiful cactus and prairie dog mounds.

What really caught my eye was the uncommon glass exhibit along the ditch. As a side note, it would be fascinating to see all our road's ditches exposed like this.

As I was taking in this remarkable scenery, I realized there is much more there than the bountiful multi-colored glass alcoholic beverage containers of varying shapes, colors, and sizes.

The glass bottles once contained cheap wines, potent hard liquors, and cold beer.

Having served its purpose, by providing temporary contentment for an individual, each bottle was abruptly disposed of. By the way, some of the beverage containers are no longer in use, like the brown quart-sized beer bottle. Perhaps some of these bottles are collector's items now.

I found several points of interest from this refuse: about our past, the residents of the homeland and some seemingly common habits.

It is like opening a door into the past. Archaeologists dig into ancient debris to determine what life may have been like. My little study was similar, only on a much smaller scale.

First, let us consider how the fires started. Most likely, somebody flicked a lit cigarette butt out the car window.

If this were the case, it certainly defines someone's moral turpitude; only a self-centered and pretentious person - one who is above tribal law - can commit such an act. Nature is the other possibility but I think that is highly improbable in this particular situation.

Second, I recall the construction of Highway 18 during the mid1950s and I believe some of those bottles have been lying in that ditch for 50 years.

The glass alcohol containers evidence at least five decades of alcohol consumption; try five decades of unimpeded illegal activity.

Although many will disagree, the bottles strongly suggest the image that Pine Ridge Reservation hosts a large alcoholic family unit of sorts. Actually, the highly apparent defensiveness, mistrust, and anger are seemingly common traits among the people of our homeland, the same characteristics of an alcoholic.

Third, the discarded bottles are the result of years of willful littering. I, for one, am not aware of any tribal littering laws; however, I stand confident that our tribe has laws to control littering.

In this case, we are looking at more than a few tribal members who loathe and disrespect the law of the IRA and of the treaty, including our ancient Lakota creation doctrine.

Perhaps the state's jurisdiction could stop this prevalent communal problem. Off-reservation government levy stiff fines for littering so state roadways are much cleaner than ours are. In addition, I just cannot imagine *wasicu* littering our highways… unless one is confrontational or drunk.

Fourth, the bottles lay in a specific pattern; every road sign has its own collection. The only explanation for this observable fact is that the signs were targets for "empties."

Can you imagine this, a speeding car with a person hanging out the window preparing to throw a large empty bottle at a road sign? I can personally vouch for this because I too did it when I was young.

Fifth, although alcohol is illegal, many tribal members consume it as if someone canceled tomorrow. Suspicion toward authority is normal among a governed people; however, we seem to have gone one up by casting doubt, mistrust, and loathing on nearly everything in our lives, especially on our liquor laws.

At the same time, it seems people were ridding themselves of the "open containers," which otherwise would have implicated them in a drunk driving violation.

At any rate, possession, consumption, and drunk driving are violations of tribal liquor laws. Where are the MADD and DADD organizations?

Lastly, I remember a Public Safety Commission report published in one of our newspapers.

It pointed out the extremely high rates of alcohol related deaths on our homeland, motor vehicle accidents, beatings, domestic violence, child abuse, etc. It was not long before I realized that this glass-strewn scenery characterizes alcohol-related behaviors across the homeland.

Anyway, recycling is big these days. For an enterprising person, this could be an excellent opportunity. Aluminum recycling is popular and helps to keep our roadways clean.

However, hardly anyone is recycling glass, which is probably the reason for the abundance of discarded glass alcoholic beverage containers along our nation's roadways.

Some time ago, while inquiring about the glass recycling business, I found myself in dire need of money and that ended my little quest.

At that time, I found the nearest glass recycling plant in Colorado. I am sure that situation has changed and some tribal member could be earning money and helping to keep our sacred Unci Maka (Grandmother Earth), our treaty lands, clean.



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Things to empower yourself

Most the time, what we fear, never happens

This is the second in a series of articles examining fear.



By Patty Pourier

My granddaughter has a fear of water. I have watched her in the pool. She will start out from the side, she will be relaxed and swimming along pretty well.

She is doing all the things she has been taught in her swimming lessons. She is going with the flow, breathing, and relaxing.

As soon as she knows she can no longer touch the bottom, her mode of operation changes. You can see the fear in her eyes that moves through her body. Soon her head is thrashing around. Her hands start to thrash around widely. Her head no longer has a rhythm, it jerks from side to side. Her feet are paddling wildly, kicking enormous amounts of water.

Her little mind starts to have frightening and overwhelming thoughts of "what if…" Her body tenses. She is looking for something to grab on to.

She usually screams for help. She knows she is doomed.

She panics so hard, she starts to go under. Any enjoyment has gone down the drain. This is no longer fun. This is survival.

She is working too hard at it. She doesn't need to panic. She can float really well, if I am beside her.

All she needs is to breathe, relax, and go with the flow. She will not drown, if she just lets go.

I handle parts of my life the same way as she does swimming. I panic when I become afraid. Panic is our great enemy; I don't need to become desperate.

At times overwhelming problems appear in my life. But the more I panic and struggle the worse they seem to get. The more I ruminate over the fear the larger it gets in my mind. I forget that I can simply, let go, "tread water for awhile". Don't react. Stop and get my breath.

Take an inventory of my abilities to survive. I don't have to struggle, I can relax. I do not have to be motivated by fear. I remember that I can handle the things that happen this day. I do not have to think down the road and all the "what ifs" that may happen.

When I do this a sense of peace and confidence begins to grow. I remember that all is well.

That "this too" will pass. And most of the time, the thing I did fear never even happens.

I have to make the choice during my panic, to relax, breathe, and let go.

It does not come naturally.

Just as my granddaughter's ability to relax in the water does not come naturally, she has to work and concentrate on making it happen.

But it can happen, and a peaceful flow can return.

Online reader enjoys Ask Anna column

Dear Editor:

Somehow I linked to the Lakota Country Times and then to Ask Anna column. My family made a trip up your way last summer and we really liked the area and hope to make it up there again someday. I just wanted to write and say that I really enjoy reading Anna's column and think that she gives some pretty on-the- mark, practical advice. I'm not Lakota or Native American but it seems that no matter where we may live or where we may come from, everyone has the same sort of problems and questions about life. Anyway, I have no questions for her, I just wanted to drop her a line and say "Keep up the good work."

Michelle King

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It came to them from the muzzles of guns that did not distinguish between warriors, women, elders or children. It came to them in the ruthless name of Manifest Destiny, the American edict that proclaimed God as the purveyor of expansion Westward.

Indian people were often slaughtered like animals often while waving the American flag in pitiful efforts to convince their killers that they were not bad people.

At Wounded Knee in 1890, a slaughter took place that the white man often called the last great battle between Indians and the United States Army. It was not a battle. It was one the last heinous acts of terror against innocent men, women and children. The attack by Islamic terrorists on 9/11 was another.

The Indian people died not knowing why as did the people in the World Trade Center. The Lakota died in fear. They died in the frozen snow of that bitterly cold December day at Wounded Knee while fleeing to find safe harbor amongst the Oglala Lakota. These Lakota experienced terrorism by a government that did not consider them to be human beings. They died in the Twin Towers at the hands of a radical people seeking revenge for reasons the victims did not understand.

When human beings can be labeled as less than human their deaths become meaningless. This is the apparent belief of the terrorists and the early settlers. By portraying all Indians as murdering savages, rapists, kidnappers and worse, the national media of the day laid the groundwork for Wounded Knee. In article after article urging the government to remove the Indian people by any means from their homelands, the media stood guilty of fomenting acts of terrorism. Similar articles in the media and speeches in the mosques in the Nations of Islam expressed similar views of Americans. This laid the groundwork for 9/11. A lie repeated often enough becomes a fact in the minds of impressionable people. Indians are savages, Americans are infidels and Arabs are heathens. Do you see how this logic works?

Just as the Crusaders believed it was their Christian duty to conquer and kill those Arabs they considered as sub-humans and heathens, so too did America duplicate their misguided logic against the First Americans. The people of the Islamic Nations never forgave nor forgot. The Indian people have largely forgiven, but they have not forgotten. The Christians of the Crusade de-humanized the Arabs, the early Americans de-humanized the Indians and the People of Islam now de-humanize Westerners. It is a vicious cycle that is centuries old.

Just as news stories and movies about Arabs portrayed them as less than human, so did the media portray the indigenous people of America. Their lives then became expendable and meaningless and therefore easily sacrificed for what is believed to be a greater cause. Westerners are now fitted into this same category by the Islamic terrorists.

I think America missed a mighty lesson and opportunity when it did not learn how to treat the rest of the world after its mistreatment of its indigenous people. America has still never settled its debt, either morally or financially, with its indigenous people.

America, as a nation, wept when nearly three thousand of its citizens died at the World Trade Center on 9/11. The Indian people still weep for the thousands killed in the more than five centuries of terrorism foisted upon them by a Nation that did not care. They also weep for those lives lost on 9/11 and for the lives of the many soldiers lost in Iraq.

A philosopher once said, "Great Nations are judged by how they treat their indigenous people," and I am sad to say that America has failed to pass the test of time.

After 500 years the Indian still lives in fear of the terror that is still lurking just around the corner. The Indian people have lost so much in the past 500 years and they still live in terror of what will come next for them.

When the Indian people pray in song, they sing for the lives of all who have come before, for all who are here now, and for all that are to come. To the Lakota life is "hocoka," a circle. They know that what goes around comes around.

It is a lesson that America should learn and live by. "Great nations are judged by how they treat their indigenous people." If America had treated its indigenous people fairly and justly and had taken this lesson to heart in the way it treats the indigenous people of other worlds, would 9/11 have happened? It is something to ponder. The signs, posters and stickers may be gradually disappearing, but I hope the deep feelings that caused them to be exhibited are never lost.

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It came to them from the muzzles of guns that did not distinguish between warriors, women, elders or children. It came to them in the ruthless name of Manifest Destiny, the American edict that proclaimed God as the purveyor of expansion Westward.

Indian people were often slaughtered like animals often while waving the American flag in pitiful efforts to convince their killers that they were not bad people.

At Wounded Knee in 1890, a slaughter took place that the white man often called the last great battle between Indians and the United States Army. It was not a battle. It was one the last heinous acts of terror against innocent men, women and children. The attack by Islamic terrorists on 9/11 was another.

The Indian people died not knowing why as did the people in the World Trade Center. The Lakota died in fear. They died in the frozen snow of that bitterly cold December day at Wounded Knee while fleeing to find safe harbor amongst the Oglala Lakota. These Lakota experienced terrorism by a government that did not consider them to be human beings. They died in the Twin Towers at the hands of a radical people seeking revenge for reasons the victims did not understand.

When human beings can be labeled as less than human their deaths become meaningless. This is the apparent belief of the terrorists and the early settlers. By portraying all Indians as murdering savages, rapists, kidnappers and worse, the national media of the day laid the groundwork for Wounded Knee. In article after article urging the government to remove the Indian people by any means from their homelands, the media stood guilty of fomenting acts of terrorism. Similar articles in the media and speeches in the mosques in the Nations of Islam expressed similar views of Americans. This laid the groundwork for 9/11. A lie repeated often enough becomes a fact in the minds of impressionable people. Indians are savages, Americans are infidels and Arabs are heathens. Do you see how this logic works?

Just as the Crusaders believed it was their Christian duty to conquer and kill those Arabs they considered as sub-humans and heathens, so too did America duplicate their misguided logic against the First Americans. The people of the Islamic Nations never forgave nor forgot. The Indian people have largely forgiven, but they have not forgotten. The Christians of the Crusade de-humanized the Arabs, the early Americans de-humanized the Indians and the People of Islam now de-humanize Westerners. It is a vicious cycle that is centuries old.

Just as news stories and movies about Arabs portrayed them as less than human, so did the media portray the indigenous people of America. Their lives then became expendable and meaningless and therefore easily sacrificed for what is believed to be a greater cause. Westerners are now fitted into this same category by the Islamic terrorists.

I think America missed a mighty lesson and opportunity when it did not learn how to treat the rest of the world after its mistreatment of its indigenous people. America has still never settled its debt, either morally or financially, with its indigenous people.

America, as a nation, wept when nearly three thousand of its citizens died at the World Trade Center on 9/11. The Indian people still weep for the thousands killed in the more than five centuries of terrorism foisted upon them by a Nation that did not care. They also weep for those lives lost on 9/11 and for the lives of the many soldiers lost in Iraq.

A philosopher once said, "Great Nations are judged by how they treat their indigenous people," and I am sad to say that America has failed to pass the test of time.

After 500 years the Indian still lives in fear of the terror that is still lurking just around the corner. The Indian people have lost so much in the past 500 years and they still live in terror of what will come next for them.

When the Indian people pray in song, they sing for the lives of all who have come before, for all who are here now, and for all that are to come. To the Lakota life is "hocoka," a circle. They know that what goes around comes around.

It is a lesson that America should learn and live by. "Great nations are judged by how they treat their indigenous people." If America had treated its indigenous people fairly and justly and had taken this lesson to heart in the way it treats the indigenous people of other worlds, would 9/11 have happened? It is something to ponder. The signs, posters and stickers may be gradually disappearing, but I hope the deep feelings that caused them to be exhibited are never lost.

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School Events

Wednesday, Sept. 13
Safe & Drug Free Schools and Community
Parental Special Topic Night 6-8 p.m.
Middle School Volleyball vs Wounded Knee at 3:30 p.m. at home.

Thursday, Sept. 14
Middle School Volleyball vs Wolf Creek at 3:30 p.m. at home.
Middle School Football vs Wolf Creek at 3:30 p.m. at home.
High School Volleyball vs Todd County at 5:30 at home.
Cross Country aat Custer 3 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 15
NO CLASSES
Professional Development Day
High School Football vs Crow Creek at 1 p.m. at home.

Saturday, Sept. 16
Little Wound School Board Retreat
High School Volleyball Tournament at Kadoka at 9 a.m.

Monday, Sept. 18
Little Wound School Budget Meeting - 6 p.m.
Academy Staff meeting at 8 a.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 19
Middle School Staff meeting at 3:45 p.m.
High School Staff meeting
Middle School Volleyball vs Loneman at 3:30 p.m.
High School Volleyball at Pine Ridge at 5 p.m. away
Cross Country at Hot Springs at 3 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 20
Safe & Drug Free School and Community
Parental Special Topic Night 6 to 7 p.m.
Middle School Football @ Crow Creek at 3 p.m. CST.

Thursday, Sept. 21
Cross Country at White River Classic
High School Volleyball vs Todd County at 5 p.m. at home. Parent Night

Friday, Sept. 22
Back-To-School Pow-Wow (sponsored by Elementary School staff)
High School Football at Red Cloud (away game.

Saturday, Sept. 23 & 24
"Calling Back The Spirit of Lakota Language" workshop by Faith Spotted Eagle at Little Wound School auditorium for all Little Wound School Lakota speaking staff at 9 a.m.
Middle School Volleyball at Wounded Knee at 10 a.m. away.

Caught Being Good Incentive Program earns points for spending

KYLE - The Little Wound School Elementary's Incentive Program "Caught Being Good" is for students Kindergarten through fifth grade to promote and reward positive behavior, good attendance and advance academics.

Students will be given a token for each of the categories listed and worth one point.

Students may earn up to five points per day, one for attendance, two for behavior and two for daily work. Total points per week will be 20 or 25 points depending on the number of school days for the week. Points cannot be taken away once they are awarded.

The students may purchase items from the Little Wound Elementary Store, which will be open three times a week, 30 minutes per class. The tentative schedule will be as follows: Tuesday, K-1st; 12- 3:30; Wednesday, 2nd - 3rd from 12:30 - 2:30 and Thursday, 4th - 5th from 12 to 3 p.m..

Attendance (1 point per day)

"The elementary store will be located in the old elementary concession room, where school supplies and small items will be available for students to purchase," said Reva High Horse.

In order to receive the point for attendance, the student can not be tardy and must be in attendance all day. Excused school absences do not count for the point.

Behavior (one point per session a.m. and p.m. subject to change)

The student is to abide by all school rules as outlined in the student handbook and the classroom rules. The student is not to be disruptive and must not be written up for anything. The student must display the Lakota Values of Respect, Generosity, Wisdom and Courage.

Academics/Daily Work (1 point per session)

The student must complete assigned school work adequately and/or participate in class.

The students may keep and record their daily points (may be assisted by SA and/or the teacher.)

Beginning in October, the elementary school will again initiate Family Literacy Nights, which were a success last year.

The events will focus around helping families with skills to empower their students in reading and math. Also topics include family health with exercises, walking and alcohol and drug prevention awareness speakers, said High Horse.

Golden West annual meeting

WALL - Golden West Telecommunications hosts its annual membership meeting in Wall at the Wall Community Center at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 25 with a record breaking $2,073,505 in capital credit checks.

Registration begins at 10:15 a.m. and includes a registration gift, a free noon meal, and musical entertainment by a trio called"From the Heart" The business meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. and include a grand prize drawing for $500. Any cooperative member who is disabled can call 279-2161 prior to the meeting for assistance.

Little Wound Elementary promotes academics honors with quarterly luncheons

Purpose: To promote and honor the academic achievement of the Little Wound Elementary K-5 students on a quarterly basis.

Friday, Oct. 20, 2006 - 1st quarter luncheon
Friday, Jan. 12, 2007 - 2nd quarter luncheon
Friday, March 22, 2007 - 3rd quarter luncheon
Friday, May 22, 2007 (tentative date) - 4th quarter luncheon

The luncheon guests will consist of the following: The Honor Roll students, Teachers, K-2 & 3-5 Principals, Superintendent and 1 School Board member (1 per quarter and 2 on the 4th quarter).

4th Quarter - Parents of students who have been on the Honor Roll for the entire year will be invited to the 4th quarter luncheon.

For more information you can contact Reva High Horse, Instructional Mentor @ 455-6196.

Meet the Teachers Night Sept. 26

KYLE - Parents for grades kindergarten to fifth grade are invited to attend the 'Meet the Teachers Night' on Tuesday, Sept. 26 at 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Then from 5 to 6 p.m., there will be a session on 'Strengthening Reading and Math, Understanding the State Standards', Janis Jones,

Refreshments will be served. There will be door prizes!

For more information you can call: Denise Pourier, sechool secretary at 455-6200; Theresa Mendoza, 3rd- 5th Grade Principal at 455-6201; Geraldine Lujan, K-2 Principal at 455-6154.

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Pine Ridge Indian Health Service Electronic Health Record

The Pine Ridge Area Indian Health Service along with Kyle, Wanblee, Porcupine, Allen and Manderson Clinics will be moving toward implementing E.H.R. in the later months of 2006.

Right now all of your medical information is securely stored in a big folder called a medical chart.

The paper chart will continue to contain historical information of use to providers for sometime leading to a truly paperless record.

This will significantly reduce patient safety concerns associated with illegible handwritten notes, misplaced or incomplete records, E.H.R. will also allow providers to prescribe medications, order labs and x-rays and retrieve results faster than waiting for paper results to arrive.

E.H.R. has the ability to display and graph blood pressure, weight, blood sugar and labs.

For more information you can contact:

Merry Afraid of Bear- Compliance Officer
605-867-3013
Tracey Bement, PI Assistant Kyle/Wanblee
605-455-8246 or 605-462-6264
Frances Ashley, Medical Support Assistant- Wanblee
605-462-6239



SECTION B

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Two Sections

Chris Bussey is the new general manager at the Rosebud Casino

'It's hard not to like each other if we know each other well'

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Chris Bussey of the Grand Traverse band of Ottawa and Chippewa of Michigan is the new General Manager of the Rosebud Casino. He apparently assumed his new role on August 28 after the Rosebud Fair and reports that he is happy to be here. He said, "I love to be here. I have never worked on a reservation and there is such a large land base here."

The consulting firm of Tracy McCarty of Las Vegas and California was responsible for the executive search that resulted in the hiring of Bussey. He said, "There were a lot of candidates and I was honored to be chosen."

As a traditional dancer, himself, he will fit in well with the summer powwow schedule on the Rosebud. He says he has read a lot of materials about the Pine Ridge reservation as he has a couple of step sons from there and cannot wait to do much more reading about the social and cultural fabric of the area. He also has two children of his own and all are now grown up.

Bussey brings to the Rosebud Casino a wealth of experience that is steeped in experience and continuing education. His experience was gained on the job as he steadily worked his way up the gaming ladder. He began in 1984 as a black jack and craps dealer, then to pit supervisor. Later, he moved on to floor manager and then assistant manager. He got his first job as a manager in 1996 at the Turtle Creek Casino in Traverse City, MI.

His background is in finance as he worked for Merrill Lynch as a broker. His credentials include a Series 7 and Series 66 which allows him to trade stocks and bonds. He is also licensed as an insurance and mortgage broker.



Chris Bussey

"It's hard to not like each other if we know each other well," he said, which is part of his philosophy in building relationships with other communities and businessness.

Chris Bussey signed a three year contract to make a financial difference and provide appropriate leadership to a tribal business that is very viable, yet, appears to be struggling with holding down related operational costs.

He appears up to the challenge as he notes, "One of my skills is to strengthen existing relationships. It is hard to not like each other if we know each other well." It is a great attitude and philosophy given the diversity of cultures and geographical service area that is the Rosebud Casino.

He explained further, "I have been involved in the Chamber of Commerce. I believe in networking and I understand those things and the need to augment that. We can develop and strengthen partnerships in Valentine and Winner."

Bussey will also serve as the marking director with a staff of four people. He said that in marketing one of their campaigns is a "Call to Action" which apparently explores a comprehensive look at a range of strategies. He understands the need to strengthen and train his management team. He said, "We are getting together on a weekly basis in order to gather ideas. Everyone belongs in marketing."

The casino is giving back or 'comping' about three percent of its gaming revenues to the public and Bussey said that is an acceptable level as long as one can eventually see the impact and benefit of it.

He also said that the majority of the revenue comes from the slot machine, up to ninety five percent, and that John Two Strike as the head of the slots department is very conscientious in his work. Bussey said he hopes to work with Two Strike closely and understand the income fluctuations and trends of income generation.

"One has to have continuing education to keep up with the trends. There are tons and tons in gaming. It is about statistics and ratios" he added.

He said if any young person is planning on a career in gaming, the slots are the place to begin as a good slot director is highly sought after. The pay is good and the work goes beyond just Indian gaming.

One of Bussey's priorities is conducting budget training for his managers and to ensure that RST gets its regular payment from the casino. Finally, when asked about how to involve others in the process, Bussey said, "The first step is to shop in their stores and get to know them. Maybe there is some tourism we can promote for them. The Ottawas were traders and I rely on my ancestors to guide me through such decisions."

The Rosebud Casino has more than 200 employees and an average of $13 to 14 million in revenue yearly.

OLC to hold board elections

KYLE - Oglala Lakota College will hold Board of Trustee and Local Board elections in conjunction with the Oglala Sioux Tribe General Election on Nov. 7.

There are five Board of Trustee positions open. Those districts are Pine Ridge, Oglala, Wounded Knee, Pass Creek, and Eagle Nest.

There are fifteen Local Board positions open. Those districts are: Eagle Nest (1), Oglala (2), Pass Creek (1), Pine Ridge (1), Wounded Knee (1), East Wakpamni (2), Pejuta Haka (3), LaCreek (2), and Pahin Sinte (2).

Any registered eligible Tribal member who meets the district residency requirement may run for a position on the main Board of Trustees or the Local Board in that district.

Petitions will be available September 18, 2006. Board of Trustee petitions must be picked up and returned to the President's Office at Piya Wiconi by the person running for office. Local Board petitions can be picked up from the President's Office or the local district college center but they must be turned in to the President's Office at Piya Wiconi by the person running for office. Each petition must have AT LEAST twenty five (25) valid signatures of district residents.

All main and local board members are subject to Alcohol and Substance Abuse test as per OLC Policy.

Deadline for submission of ALL petitions is Sept. 29, 2006 at 5 p.m.

Oglala Lakota College Election Committee members are Karlene Janis, Chairperson, Jonnie Clifford, member, Cindy Iron Cloud, member, and Diane Winters, member.

For information or questions call (605) 455-6000.

RST tribal electric bill crediting program now accepting members

ROSEBUD - The Rosebud Sioux Tribe is now accepting and adding tribal members to the tribal bill-crediting program who are members of Lacreek Electric Association, Cherry-Todd Electric Cooperative and Rosebud Electric Cooperative only.

Eligible members can phone the RST Tribal Utilities Commission office in Rosebud Toll-free at 877-837-8729 or 605-747-4097.

The deadline to submit your name is Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 5 p.m.

If you are already on the tribal bill crediting program you DO NOT have to re-apply.

Once again, if you need more information please phone the RST Tribal Utilities Commission office Toll-free 877-837-8729 or (605-747-4097.

All defendants sentenced in Kyle Health Center AFLAC fraud case

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) All five people with ties to the Kyle Health Center who stole nearly $100,000 from AFLAC have been sentenced in U.S. District Court.

Gwendolyn Cuny, 51, will serve one year in prison and Patricia Twiss, 57, will serve 18 months in prison after they both pleaded guilty to conspiracy, according to court documents.

Cuny and Twiss, both of Manderson, also must pay total restitution of $99,917.

They are both former Indian Health Service employees.

Sheila LaDeaux, 38, of Rapid City, was given three years of supervised release and, along with other co-defendants, make $36,785 in restitution.

LaDeaux and Paulette Herman, 34, of Kyle, pleaded guilty to health care fraud. Herman was given five years of probation and must make more than $5,600 in restitution.

Victor Goings, 54, of Pine Ridge, was convicted by a federal jury of aiding and abetting health care fraud. He was sentenced to three years probation and ordered to pay $1,240 in restitution.

The scheme began in Jan. 1, 2001, and continued through April 30, 2005, according to court documents.

Cuny and Twiss used their positions with IHS to change dates, names and other information on patient records in order to collect money for themselves and family members from the American Family Life Assurance Company.

The five received a total of $99,917 in false claims from AFLAC, according to documents.

Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
First meeting of the year to look at constitution, elect officers nd plan the year for school pow wows, Friday, Sept. 8 at Wolf Creek School with supper at 6 p.m. and meeting at 7 .pm. for information call Mike at 867-5174.

OST Commodity Issue
Thursday, Sept. 14 in Porcupine at Evergreen Housing and at CAP office; Monday, Sept. 18 in Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni and Tuesday, Sept. 19 in Oglala

SD Vietnam War Memorial Dedication
Friday and Saturday, Sept. 15 and 16 in Pierre with Beach Boys in concert on Friday, dedication ceremony on Saturday mc'd by Adrian Cronauer with Steve Miller Band on Saturday, for information call 773-3688.

Fast Pitch Tournament
2nd annual Cliff Fast Horse fast pitch tournament on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 15 and 16th at the Okreek ball field, for info contact Keever at 856-2815 or 208-1937.

Finale Slow Pitch Tourney
Rainbow Valley's Finale 2006 Slow Pitch tourney on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 15-17 at the Porcupine School ball field, for info call 862-2447, 862-6700, 867-6015.

Health Fair
Monday, Sept. 18 in Martin at the LaCreek College Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., refreshments provided and a walk and run set for 10:30 a.m.

Carpentry and Electrical classes
Classes get underway Wednesday, Sept. 20 at the Lakota Training and Leadership Institute-Old 7th Day Adventist facilities at #4/Payabya, for info call 867-2287.

Fall Ag Expo 2006
Friday, Sept. 22 from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the OLC's Oglala College Center with a program featuring range management in a drought, water testing/water quality, forage alternatives, ration balancing, estate planning, pesticide applicator training and agriculture technology, for info call 455-1362.

Little Wound School Board Election
Deadline for petitions and background checks, Tuesday, Sept. 26 by 4:30 p.m.

Health Fair
Thursday, Sept. 28 at the East Wakpamni College Center in Batesland from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with walk and run set for 10:30 a.m. and refreshments to be provided.

Lakota Nation Invitational Volleyball Tourney
Friday and Saturday, Sept. 29 and 30 at the Civic Center starting 9 a.m. each day with 12 high school teams.

9th annual LNI Cross Country meet
Saturday, Sept. 30 in Rapid City in Memorial Park starting at 1 p.m.

20th Annual He Sapa Wacipi Na Oskate
Oct. 6-8 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City, championship pow wow, fine arts and games.

Honoring Veterans Wacipi
Friday and Saturday, Oct. 20 and 21 in Sioux Falls at the W.H. Lyons Fair Grounds, 12th Street and Lyons Avenue in memory of Roger Andal, grand entries set for 7 p.m. on Friday and 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Saturday, for information call 334-4060.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
School pow wow on Thursday, Nov. 9 at Loneman School in Oglala with grand entries at 1 p.m.

Prayer Walk & Ride
for Wellness In Memory of theresa "Tess" LeBeau
Oct. 1, 2006 10 AM. Walk & ride will begain @Porcupine College Center to Our Lady of Lourdes School. Memorial dinner & Giveaway to follow.
Contact:Feather LeBeau 867-2469/454-2417or Gloria Cournoyer 455-1184/441-4540
or Echo LeBeau-454-2869

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I am writing this to you because it's been on my mind lately and I was wondering if you could help me understand this question as to why do Lakota women, in general, go with married men who have children?

And who know that these men are married and have been for a long time? It amazes me that our Lakota women are like that.

When I was married I had other women flirting with my then husband and even making crude jokes as to why he was with me?

And their answer was that our marriage was for the sake of the children!! Now that I'm a divorced I see women fighting for left over scraps of another broken down man. It is just amazing for me and my children to see this turmoil happening.

Now, my ex-husband makes no room or time for his kids and he behaves like a child instead of his age and he goes out with women who are our children's age or younger.

It isn't just me that is asking it's others as well cause it's like these women have no shame or self respect or respect for others as well and they go around like their happy while children suffer the consequences. My exes horoscope sign is Taurus.

Just curious

Dear Just Curious:

A generalized answer for every woman and married man is not easy. There are many contributing factors; but the following may create some common denominators:

1. There don't seem to be an abundant number of eligible single men that are responsible, sober, ethical, respectful and healthy. Most of the young eligible men have addiction problems coupled with co-dependency issues.

2. Due to the large number of pregnancies outside of marriage that result in marriage; it is often times assumed by women that all marriages are a result of the desire to create a stable home environment "for the children."

3. According to some of my Lakota women friends, there is a social stigma surrounding being a single woman. It may be interpreted that the single woman is undesirable or somehow "less-than" a single woman and that she is not able emotionally to share her life with a man. There is also the rumor mill that may assume that she is a lesbian.

4. Due to the statistically inordinate high number of alcohol and drug addicted Lakota people, co-dependency is a rampant disease. Many Lakota women go from one relationship right into another; feeding a feeling of insecurity and alone-ness that shakes the very core of the woman's being. Most women would rather be with a man that is not right for her than no man at all.

5. "Winning" a man seems to be a competition. Lakota women are (by my observation) competitive. That is one reason that they do so well in achieving a good education and the seeking of higher employment. They are the successful ones (by percentage comparison to the men), on the reservation and off.

They create new programs, new business endeavors, and a better life through their application of their intelligence and education in their lives. They are the dreamers and are constantly competitive with each other for recognition and acknowledgment of their value in their homes and in their communities. This also leads to much deception, petty jealousies and even the plotting of ruining one-another in the work place to become victorious over one another.

Their co-dependency issues run amok inside their personalities, often times destroying everyone around them so that they feel successful and better than the rest. So they get the promotion, the money, the recognition and create the best homes, the nicest cars and clothes, and the best lives for their children.

Thus said, it is easy to discern why women plague each other. Vast personal insecurity leads them to compete and win at any and all costs.

In a better world they would enjoy each other's successes, be happy for each other and unite together to create what each of them individually wants to create; but cannot create due to the large aggravated problem of competitive behavior.

They are adversaries not sisters. They don't know how to be happy without comparison to each other. They don't know how to feel good about what they are without tearing another woman down and somehow, in their minds, placing themselves above other women.

The sickness in Lakota, is known as being nawesee. It is not a Lakota tradition, but it is a result of years of oppression and co-dependency.

I hope each woman that sees this within herself will begin a new path to wellness and allow herself the freedom from this co-dependency disease.

Dear Anna,

I hope all is well with you. I recently left home for school and I consider it pretty far from home. I was just wondering what you see in my future here, besides the "freshman 15".

Can I make it? The classes are pretty hard for me. I don't want to let anyone down. Will I find love here?

I know that I don't need a man but I feel so alone sometimes. It would be nice to have someone like that around. There is a guy that I really like and I'm not sure how he feels. I'm also scared that I might lose connection with my spiritual ways. I have been having dreams, but am not sure what they mean. I feel like I don't know enough to hang on to HOME, when it comes to the Lakota ways. Will I get help?

Will someone or something guide me to what I need to do? I am so scared that Wakan Tanka has forgotten about me and left me here alone. I'm also worried about my family. Will they be okay and healthy? Do you see my accomplishing my goals and dreams? It seems so impossible.

There is one big dream of mine that I had since a little girl. It feels like it's so far away. Is it even possible? I just want to do something special. What do you see for me?

Looking for guidance

Dear Looking:

God bless you. What you have is home-sickness. We all get it. You are strong in your relationship with Tunkasila and Wakan Tanka and they are strong in their relationship with you. The spirits from home watch over you. Talk with them.

It is hard for anyone who is in an environment that is not culturally "in tune" with their beliefs to demonstrate their own religion or beliefs. For instance, I live somewhere where a "spirit plate" is not understood...so I put aside small pieces of my food before I eat and place them on the edge of my plate and I silently pray as I do this. Sometimes I pocket some food and take it outside and place it on a napkin, usually in a tree.

I know that Tunkasila and Wakan Tanka and the spirits know that I am limited in what I can do and that they understand. I spend quiet moments outside, praying, where my "star-gazing" is not considered disruptive nor rude nor crazy.

Know that the dreams you are being given are demonstrating your strong connection to home and your religion. Know you are not being forgotten. Do not allow others beliefs to interfere with your truth. Even though other people's views may be the majority view that does not make them correct. Remember, once people were put to death because they said the world was round, and that it circles the sun. This was considered heresy.

In that case, as in many others, the majority view was not right. It was so far wrong as to be ridiculous. That is what I remember when I am the only one or just one of a few that know and believe something.

You are where you are so that you can create your dream. Education is necessary and so is expanding your horizons and meeting new people.

Opportunity is more easily found when you expand the number of people you know. I do see music and "the arts" around you.

A boyfriend? Well, okay. Just don't get too carried away, because the right man - the one you are waiting for is quite a while from now in your future.

Make new friends that are different from you. You may be able to teach them something and open their minds; and they may be able to teach you something too.

You are in a good place. Your family is fine. Your spirit is protected and guided and you are creating your dream. Blessings to you.

Dear Anna,

I've been seeing this other man even though I'm already married to another. I am not sure what is with this other man, I think about him a lot. I don't know if he feels the same about me but I'd like to know what do you see coming out of this?

Will I get caught by my spouse or will I get a chance with the other man? I know this probably sounds ridiculous.

Ridiculous

Dear Ridiculous:

It sounds like its about boredom. Creating danger is what you are doing and of course you will get caught unless you quit - it's just a matter of time.

What is it about? Sex. Adventurous sex and personal empowerment. It is, however, a destroyer of all that you hold dear. That's it, that's all...it is not about love nor building a future together.

Maybe it's a lesson you need. If you continue, then I will assume it is what you need to learn about life, loyalty and yourself. Good Luck!

Dear Anna,

I have a friend whom I care about deeply. He loves women. Most of his friends are women, his entertainment is to use the Internet to email women and he subtly flirts with them.

Since I have known him, I have seen women come and go out his life in different contact levels but yet I have to see him sincerely get involved with anyone of them.

Basically, he is what most women would call "a womanizer." To me he has a validation and self esteem issue about his manhood. It is hurting our friendship as I am near the end of wanting to be in this friendship with him.

This last time I found out that he was in contact with a friend of mine through email, I got the feeling of almost feeling like I was dealing with a predator and it isn't a nice feeling. When I talked with him he still can't see what I am telling him.

He tells me over and over that it is alright for him to have female friends that way and that basically it is not my business. It is not my business as we aren't in a permanent relationship but yet he is my friend and I care about him and it's like I want to see him emotional healthy.

This problem had affected him in his work life and his personal life and has cost him past relationships. My question is who is right? Is this an addiction he has or not? He seems to think it isn't but I see it as one. Isn't this just the same as alcoholism with the same behaviors?

Seeking back up

Dear Seeking:

Yep, you're right. That said, so is he - in that it isn't your business, and to add to that and what is even more maddening, is that you cannot control him or make him see the truth or fix him.

He has to come to the understanding all on his own; that denial is not just a river in Egypt. He has a problem, pray for him. That is all you can really do, except to quit associating with him because his behavior is exploitative of lonely women and their feelings.

Therefore; your interpretation that it is sickening mirrors a truth: it is. That feeling of being exposed to someone who is sickening will eventually color your feelings towards him and you will distance yourself from him. When - well, when you quit listening to his excuses and understand your truth is a good one.

Dear Anna,

Hello and how are you? I've been told that there is a person who goes around with me, yet I don't know who they are and I can't see them.

Would you know if it is a family member that is with me? It kind of scares me but I don't really know of anybody else to go to who could help me.

Wondering who it is

Dear Wondering:

This is an interesting question. All of us have "spirits" that go around with us. Usually they are passed-on family members that want to help us and keep us safe. They constantly send messages which can result in just a general feeling about what to do and what not to do. Often they talk with us in dreams. Sometimes they move things or flick lights to ask us to pay attention.

I "see" a grandma. She has long hair with some gray in it and she is also holding a baby. She has a man with her in the background that looks to be quite stern and authoritative (but loving). I "hear" mee-maw, a nick name or possible slandarization of grandma. I also hear, "Denise or Janis."

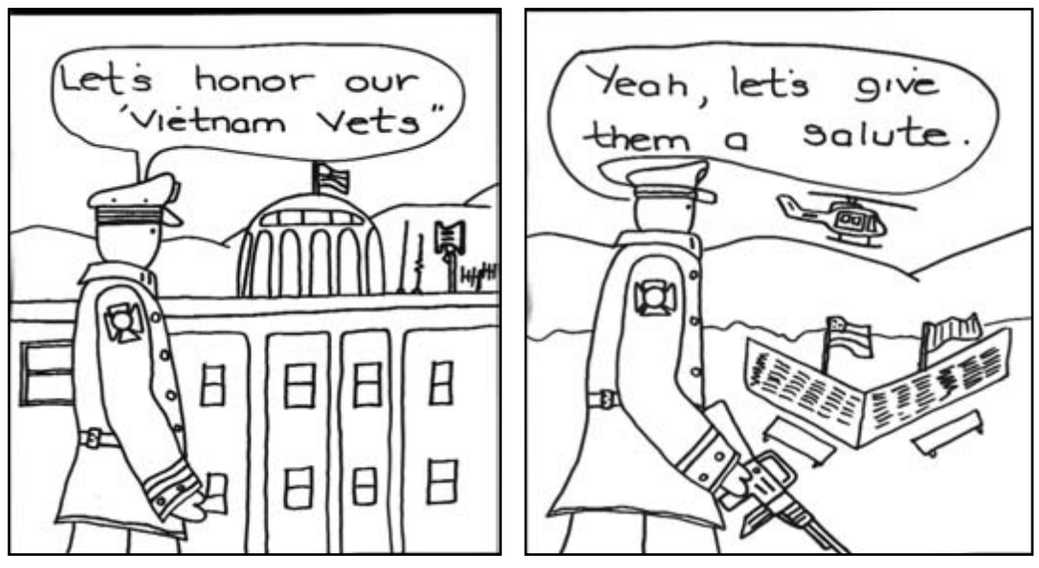
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By Beaux Beauvais

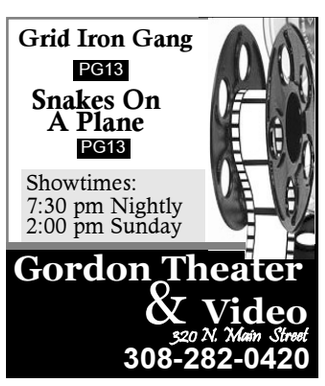


Frybread By Thom Little Moon



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LaCroix T. Whitecalf, 54.....Pine Ridge
Marian C. Steele, 71.....Rapid City
Casper Lee Kettle, infant.....Pukwana
Frank Jacob High Crane, 77.... Rapid City

LaCroix Thomas Whitecalf

PINE RIDGE - Lacroix Thomas Whitecalf, 54 died Aug. 14 in Salem, Ore. He was born in Pine Ridge Lindy and Florence Whitecalf.

He is survived by siblings Sandra, ReaLynn, Royce, Irvin, Ruby, Quintan, Renee May, and adopted mother Shirley Stauber, all of Pine Ridge, and family.

He had been involved in counseling ministries in Arizona and Madras, Ore. He was a gifted artist and created drawings of his native heritage and illustrations for children's stories.

He loved the Lord, was caring, compassionate and lived a simple life. For those whose life he touched he will be greatly missed.

A prayer service will be held on Saturday, Sept.16 at 1 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hall in Pine Ridge.

Marian C. Steele

RAPID CITY - Marian C. Steele, 71, Rapid City, died Monday, Sept. 11, at her home.

Survivors include her husband, Kenneth W. Steele, Rapid City; one daughter, Julia Steele, Rockyford; one son, Dan Steele, Rapid City; seven sisters; three brothers; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. Visitation was Sept. 13 at Osheim-Catron

Funeral Home, with a wake. Burial was Thursday, Sept. 14, at St. Isaac Jogues Church in Rapid City, with the Rev. David Matzko officiating.

Burial was at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis.

Casper Lee Kettle

PUKWANA - Casper Lee Kettle, one month, Pukwana, died Sept. 6, at Mid Dakota Medical Center in Chamberlain.

Survivors include his parents, Amy One Feather and Vincent Kettle, Pukwana; three sisters, Alecia Meyer, Pukwana, and Lara Kettle and Jerrin Kettle, both of Lower Brule; one brother, Alexander Kettle, White Earth, Minn.; his maternal grandparents, Sharon White, Pukwana, and Frank One Feather, of Little Eagle; and his paternal grandmother, Valerie Kettle, White Earth.

Wake services Sept. 8, at Hilltop Baptist Church in Lower Brule.

Funeral services were Sept. 9, at Hilltop Baptist Church in Lower Brule. Burial was at St. Alban's Cemetery at Fort Hale Bottom.

Hickey-Wevik Funeral Home of Chamberlain was in charge of arrangements.

Frank Jacob High Crane

RAPID CITY - Frank Jacob High Crane, 77, Rapid City, died Sept. 5, at Sturgis Regional Hospital.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. Survivors include one sister, Mary Ann High Crane, Rapid City.

Memorial services were Sept. 8, at Serenity Springs Funeral Chapel in Rapid City.

Burial was at Pine Lawn Memorial Park in Rapid City.

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Answers from last week's puzzle

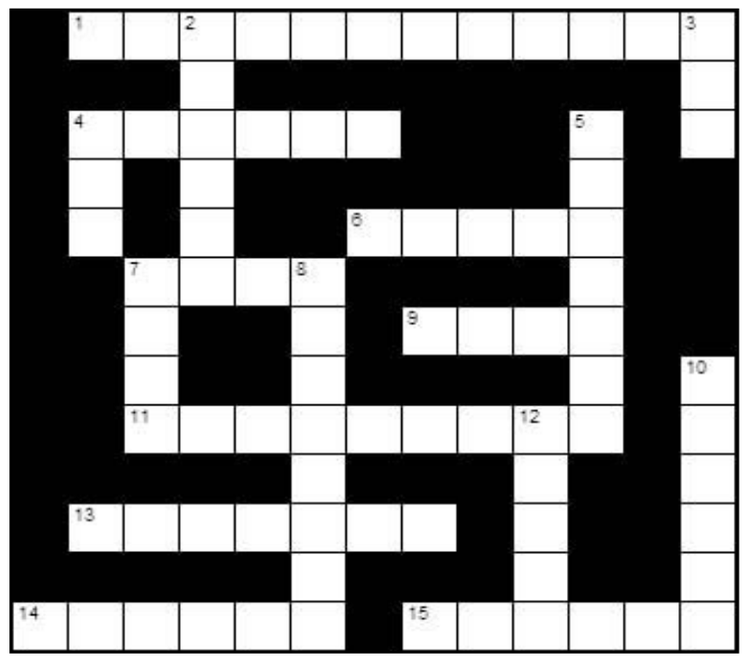
The words for the Lakota Crossword Puzzle is from the text of *Everyday Lakota, An English-Sioux Dictionary for Beginners*.

Lakota Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)

Across
1. newspaper
4. owl
6. oil
7. meat
9. fat
11. lion
13. wake (up)
14. marrow
15. breath

Down
2. tripe
3. face
4. yes
5. ink
7. liver
8. kiss
10. woman
12. crow



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MINUTES

Little Wound School Board
Regular Meeting
July 3, 2006

Little Wound School Board members Present: Taylor Little Whiteman, Linda May Archie Hopkins, Everett Janis
Little Wound School Board Members Absent:
Little Wound School Board Members Excused: Cecelia Fire Thunder
Others Present: Linda Hunter
Call meeting to order: at 6:00 p.m.
WOCEKIYE: by Linda May
APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve agenda. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to table School Board minutes until the Budget Meeting.
OLD BUSINESS: a. Terry Friend/ Tabled
b. Policy Review/ Motion by Linda May seconded by Archie Hopkins to approve the (30) day Policy Review. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.
NEW BUSINESS: a. Election Committee Advertisement (School Board Election)
Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by seconded by Linda May to approve and advertise in the Lakota Country Times for two weeks. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused, motion carried.
b. PACT Board Info. No discussion didn't have the information.
c. Request to Advertise for all service products for 2006-07 FY. tabled until the Budget Meeting.
Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to post minutes in the paper and designate Lakota Country Times as the official paper.
VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.
CONSULTANTS:
None
TRAVEL:
None
PERSONNEL:
None
ADJOURNMENT:
Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to adjourn at 6:40pm.
VOTE: 4-for 1-excused, motion carried.
PP/LH
Approved 08-07-06

Little Wound School Board
Annual Meeting
July 10, 2006

Little Wound School Board Members Present: Everett Janis, Archie Hopkins, Linda May
Little Wound School Board Members Absent:
Little Wound School Board Members Excused: Taylor Little Whiteman, Cecelia Fire Thunder
Others Present: Linda Hunter, Paula Pourier
CALL MEETING TO ORDER: 6:00 p.m.
.WOCEKIYE: Given by Archie Hopkins
.AGENDA: Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Linda May to Recess Annual Meeting to July 31, 2006 out of respect for Kenneth Janis 6:00 p.m.
.Linda Hunter, Superintendent, Recording for the Meeting
.*Approved 8-7-06*

Little Wound School Board
Budget Meeting
July 17, 2006

School Board Members Present: Linda May, Everett Janis, Archie Hopkins, Taylor Little Whiteman
School Board Members Excused:
School Board Members Absent: Cecelia Fire Thunder
Others Present: Linda Hunter, Paula Pourier
CALL MEETRING TO ORDER: at 6:00pm
WOCHEKIYA: given by Taylor Little Whiteman
APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to reschedule Budget meeting for July 24, 2006 due to a death of a community member.
VOTE: 4-for 0-against, 1-absent, motion carried.
Approved 08-07-06

Little Wound School Board
Budget Meeting
July 24, 2006

School Board Members Present: Linda May, Everett Janis, Archie Hopkins, Taylor Little Whiteman, and Cecelia Fire Thunder
School Board Members Absent: *None*
School Board Members Excused: *None*
Others Present: Linda Hunter, Dorothy Thunder Bull, Paula Pourier, Lila Caspers, Clint May, Audrey Beaudreaux,
CALL MEETING TO ORDER: by School Board President Everett Janis at 6:17 p.m.
WOCEKIYE: given by Dorothy Thunder Bull
APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve the agenda with the addition of ACTS membership fee. VOTE: 3-for 2-excused motion carried.
APPROVAL OF SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES:
June Regular Meeting Minutes: Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve June Regular meeting minutes. VOTE: 3-for 1-not voting, 1-excused, motion carried.
June Budget Meeting Minutes: Motion by Linda May seconded by Archie Hopkins to approve Budget meeting minutes with changes on adjournment that for the record Archie Hopkins would like to be excused as he knows how the decisions are made during executive session.
VOTE: 4-for 1-not voting, motion carried.
June Special Meeting Minutes: Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to table the special meeting minutes as personnel minutes were not attached and bring back to August Regular Meeting. VOTE: 5-for, motion carried.
SCHOOL BOARD REPORT: Linda May Taylor Little Whiteman
SPED: Motion by Cecelia Fire Thunder seconded by Linda May to set up a training with SPED to up-date on laws,etc. for school Board members, Community members, and parents before school starts . VOTE: 5-for, motion carried.
Lakota Language: Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to set up a meeting with Lakota language Dept. before school starts. VOTE: 5-for, motion carried.
FMIS Training: Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Cecelia Fire Thunder to send some individuals to FMIS training, also bring this up at the August ONEC meeting so other schools can get in on this training also. VOTE: 5-for motion carried.
FINANCIAL REPORT: Motion by Linda May seconded by Cecelia Fire Thunder to accept the financial report given by Business Manager Paula Pourier. VOTE: 5-for, motion carried.
OLD BUSINESS: Lease Agreement /HIS Motion by Cecelia Fire Thunder seconded by Linda May to approve the lease agreement with I.H.S with changes on # 5 and add Little Wound School to #3. and would like to see a permission slip that they would utilize for the services.
VOTE: 5-for, motion carried.
Request to advertise for all Service Products for 06-07
Motion by Linda May seconded by Cecelia Fire Thunder to approve the bid advertisement for two weeks and bring back to the budget meeting in August.
VOTE: 4-for 1-not voting, motion carried.
NEW BUSINESS:
Clint May
Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to approve the purchase of new bleachers for Elementary. VOTE: 5-for, motion carried.
Qty. (5) BP130 5 Tip –N-Roll indoor bleacher 15'3 rows @ $995.00 - $ 4,975.00 seating capacity 30.
Qty. (2) PB20 Tip –N-Roll indoor Bleacher 15'2Rows @ 698.00 - $1,395.00
Riding lawn mowers (2)
Motion by Cecelia Fire Thunder seconded Linda May to approve the request for the trade in and financing of two riding lawn mowers. VOTE: 5-for, motion carried.

Insurance Renewals /Lila Caspers
Motion by Cecelia Fire Thunder seconded by Linda May to approve the insurance renewals and set premium short term disability at $10.00.
VOTE 4-for 1-against motion carried.
Membership Fees:
DACTS: Motion by Cecelia Fire Thunder seconded by Linda May to approve the DACTS registration fees for the amount of $1,000.00.
VOTE: 4-for 1-against, motion carried.
ACTS: Motion by Cecelia Fire Thunder seconded by Linda May to approve the ACTS membership fee in the amount of $1,200.00 less 10% for the amount of $ 1,080.00.
VOTE: 4-for 1-against motion carried.
ONEC:
Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Linda May to table until the August 7, 2006 Regular meeting and would like to have this in writing from ONEC.
VOTE: 5-for motion carried.
CONSULTANTS:
Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to accept the consultant request from Wolakota for Dean Haley for Cultural Week. VOTE: 5-for, motion carried.
TRAVEL:
Motion by Linda May seconded by Cecelia Fire Thunder to approve travel for the month of August. VOTE: 5-for, motion carried.
Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Linda May to approve travel to Las Vegas
VOTE: 5-for, motion carried.
PERSONNEL:
Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman go into executive session @ 8:22pm.VOTE: 4-for 1-against, motion carried.
Archie Hopkins would like to excuse himself from executive session and personnel as nothing has changed from the previous meetings.
Personnel minutes taken by Morris Brewer, Personnel Director

PERSONNEL (July 24, 2006)
Declare to come out of executive session at 9:10 p.m.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Cecelia Fire Thunder to offer a contract to Wilbur Ferguson as High School Athletic Director for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 3-for, 1-abstained, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Cecelia Fire Thunder to offer a contract to Joel Ballasy as High School Math Teacher for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 4-for, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Linda May to offer a contract to Carol LaDeaux as High School Alternative Teacher for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 3-for, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Cecelia Fire Thunder, seconded by Linda May to advertise (2) SAC Counselor positions for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 4-for, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to offer a contract to Phyllis Heathershaw as Elementary School Teacher for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 4-for, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Cecelia Fire Thunder to offer a contract to Carol Shots as Elementary School Special Education Teacher for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 4-for, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Linda May advertise the Elementary P.E. Teacher position until filled for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 4-for, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Cecelia Fire Thunder to offer a contract to Donna McKay as the Middle School Counselor for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 4-for, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Cecelia Fire Thunder, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to offer a contract to Anne Hunter as Technology Coordinator for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 4-for, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Linda May advertise the School Improvement Curriculum Specialist position until filled for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 4-for, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Cecelia Fire Thunder to offer an extra duty contract to Keith Ferguson as Summer Recreation Coordinator. VOTE: 3-for, 1-abstain, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Cecelia Fire Thunder to offer an extra duty contract to Marla Herman as High School Cross Country Assistant Coach for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 3-for, 1-abstain, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Cecelia Fire Thunder to offer an extra duty contract to Sheryl Janis as Junior Class sponsor for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 3-for, 1-abstain, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Cecelia Fire Thunder to offer an extra duty contract to Marla Herman as Sophomore Class sponsor for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 3-for, 1-abstain, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Cecelia Fire Thunder to offer an extra duty contract to Aqualynne Garnette as Freshman Class sponsor for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 3-for, 1-abstain, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Cecelia Fire Thunder to offer an extra duty contract to Lori Hunter as 8th Grade sponsor for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 3-for, 1-abstain, 1-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to adjourn meeting at 9:20 pm. VOTE: 4-for, 1-excused, motion carried.
ADJOURNMENT: *on Personnel Minutes*

Approved 08-07-06

Little Wound School Board
Annual Meeting
July 31, 2006

School Board Members Present: Linda May, Everett Janis, Taylor Little Whiteman Archie Hopkins, Cecelia Fire Thunder
School Board Members Absent: *NONE*
Others Present: Linda Hunter, Dorothy Thunder Bull, Paula Pourier, Dana Brave Eagle, Amelia Black Bear Sharei Mousseaux, David Hilliard, Lila Caspers, Charlie Abourezk, Anne Montileaux, Jim Christensen, Cecelia Haas, Jeanette Lays Hard, Tom Allen , White Dove Clifford, Marilyn Lays Hard, Loris Few Tails,
CALL MEETING TO ORDER: @6:30pm by Everett Janis, President
WOCHEKIYE: given by Dorothy Thunder Bull
APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
Motion by Cecelia Fire Thunder seconded by Linda May to approve agenda with the addition of Realignment Lawsuit to (g) on New Business. VOTE: 5-for, motion carried.
NEW BUSSINESS:
David Hillard
Merrill Lynch /Wealth Management Process
Client Review
LWS Endowment Account/Growth
Account List
Risk vs. Analysis
Bond Summary
Bond Detail
Bond Authorization and Accretion by Project
Bond Amortization Accretion by Product

Lila Caspers
Wellmark BC/BS
Delta Dental
VSP Vision Plan
Basic Life w/Ad&d
Voluntary Life
Self Funded STD
AUL 401(k)

Charlie Abourezk
Up-dated the School Board on the NEXTRIA ONE Lawsuit
Up-dated on the Realignment Lawsuit

Norma Tibbetts / (no show)/ Tom Allen
CASE Statement
Council on International and Trans-regional Accreditation Self-Study and Visit.
Annual Report 04-05
Semester Reports on the Board
Parent /Students /Staff Survey
Monthly Reports
Athletic /Activities
Strategic Plan
Objectives 06-07
Obj. for External Support Contract for July 06- June 07
Keep CASE statement updated for Little Wound School especially funding priorities and research funding sources to meet priorities.
CITA/ACTS self study
Assist with Annual Report for the Community
Meet with Admin. On Action Plans and Work Experience
Do quarterly Reports
Assist with semester reports to the Board by Principals in January & June
Submit monthly reports
ANNUAL REPORT
Motion by Cecelia Fire Thunder seconded by Linda May for the Little Wound School Board president to writ a thank you letter to the staff of 2005-2006 for the great job they have done this also pertains to the staff who were non-renewed.VOTE: 5-for, motion carried.
ORGANIZATIONAL CHART
Motion by Cecelia Fire Thunder seconded by Linda May to approve Organizational Chart with changes and advertise the LSAPP Director by itself.
VOTE: 5-for, motion carried.
Realignment Lawsuit
Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to formally join the Realignment Lawsuit. VOTE: 5-for, motion carried.
Alternative AYP info. at Regular August 7,2006 meeting.
ADJOURNMENT:
Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to adjourn at 8:30pm.
Dorothy Thunder Bull, Recording Secretary
LH/PP
Approved on 08-07-06
PERSONNEL (August 1, 2006)
Declare to come out of executive session at 10:45 a.m.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Linda May to advertise the Elementary Lakota Language Teacher position until filled. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to offer a contract to Lynn Hernandez as Middle School SPED Student Assistant for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Linda May to offer a contract to Steven Dubray as High School Lakota Language Teacher for the 2006-2007 school year and to name Everett Janis as alternate. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to advertise High School I.S.D position for the 2006-2007 school year until filled. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Linda May to approve LSAPP Assistant position description. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to advertise LSAPP Assistant position for the 2006-2007 school year until filled. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Linda May to offer a contract to Diane Truckenbrod as Math Lab Teacher for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to adjourn meeting at 10:57 am. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
PERSONNEL (August 1, 2006)
Declare to come out of executive session at 10:45 a.m.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Linda May to advertise the Elementary Lakota Language Teacher position until filled. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to re-advertise the Middle School Head Football, Basketball, and Track positions for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to offer a contract to Lynn Hernandez as Middle School SPED Student Assistant for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to offer a contract to Steven Dubray as High School Lakota Language Teacher for the 2006-2007 school year and to name Everett Lone Hill as alternate. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to advertise High School I.S.D position for the 2006-2007 school year until filled. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Linda May to offer a contract to Diane Truckenbrod as Math Lab Teacher for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to re-advertise the Middle School Head Football, Basketball, and Track positions for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to amend the Organizational chart for the 2006-2007 school year by removing the Transportation Department from the Support Services department and moving Transportation to the Business Office. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Linda May to advertise the Elementary Lakota Language Teacher position until filled. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to advertise LSAPP Assistant position for the 2006-2007 school year until filled. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Linda May to offer a contract to Lynn Hernandez as Middle School SPED Student Assistant for the 2006-2007 school year. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to amend the Organizational chart for the 2006-2007 school year by removing the Transportation Department from the Support Services department and moving Transportation to the Business Office. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.
Motion made by Linda May, seconded by Taylor Little White Man to adjourn meeting at 10:57 am. VOTE: 3-for, 2-excused, motion carried.

The Shannon County School Board
Minutes
August 28, 2006

The Shannon County School Board held the regular monthly meeting on Monday; August 28, 2006 at Red Shirt School. President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:22 p.m.
Board members present: Angie Eagle Bull, Todd O'Bryan, Ruth Cummings, Melvin Cummings.
Members absent: Chuck Conroy.
Other present: Dr. Margo Heinert, Superintendent, Maurice Twiss, Special Services Coordinator, MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager, Loretta Giago, Wolf Creek Principal, Darrell Eagle Bull, Wolf Creek Dean of Students, Bob Hall, Rockyford Principal, Monica Whirlwind Horse, Rockyford Asst. Principal, Wayne Goff, Batesland Principal, Marlene Stout, Red Shirt Principal, Robert Two Crow, Lakota Studies Director, Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary, Ted Hanson, Special Education Director, Karen Bowen-Raymond, Curriculum Coordinator, Myron Pourier, Facilities & Maintenance Director, Lorraine Swallow, Red Shirt Teacher, Toni Fast Wolf, Red Shirt Secretary, Larry Fast Wolf, Darwin Two Bulls, Susan Shockey, Bobbie Sullivan.
All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise notes.
7041 Approval of Agenda: Motion by M Cummings to approve agenda, with additons noted. Motion carried.
7042 Approval of Minutes: Motion by R. Cummings to approve minutes of the 7/24/06 regular meeting. Motion carried.
7043 Executive Session: Motion by O'Bryan to go into executive session at 5:27 p.m. to discuss personnel. Motion carried.
President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 6:48 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.
7044 Personnel: Motion by M. Cummings to approve personnel recommendations, as presented with the understanding that all pre-employment drug testing was carried out according to appropriate procedures. Motion carried.
7045 Dress Code Policy: Following review of the proposed Dress Code Policy, motion by O'Bryan to refer the policy back to the committee for revision, taking into consideration board concerns. Motion carried.
7046 Fuel and Gasoline Bids: Bids were received in the administrative office until August 25, 2006 for #1 & #2 diesel fuel and gasoline, as follows:
Westco, Alliance, NE: Diesel: 3.01 Gasoline: 2.5645
Muddy Creek Oil, Pine Ridge Diesel: 3.009 Gasoline: 2.599
Motion by O'Bryan to accept the bid from Westco for gasoline & diesel fuel from 9/01/06 through 8/31/07. 3 voted yes, R. Cummings voted no.
7047 Propane Bids: Bids were received in the administrative office until August 25, 2006 for propane to be delivered to small tanks through the school district, as follows:
Westco Alliance, NE 1.44.9
Motion by O'Bryan to table the propane bid until the October regular board meeting, extending the current contract until that time. Motion carried.
7048 Red Shirt Pavement Bids: Bids were received in the administrative office for installing pavement at the Red Shirt School site, as follows:
Hills Materials $123,501.90
Simon Contractors $141,709.95
Stone Paving $71,620.23
Motion by M. Cummings, Whereas the lowest bid was from Stone Paving for $71,620.23 and whereas, on the fact of the bid, the computation showed a plain error and Stone Paving was advised of the error and whereas the error was corrected now, therefore be it resolved that the bid was awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, Stone Paving, in the amount of $93,920.11.
Motion carried.
7049 Rockyford Gym Ceiling Insullation: Motion by O'Bryan to table the price quote to insulate the Rockyford gym until outside repairs of the gym roof are completed. Motion carried.
7050 Surplus Property: Motion by M. Cummings to declare surplus property, aunthorizing administration to identify the items and prepare them for sale at the auction on 9/31/06. A complete compilation will be provided to the board
Motion carried.
7051 SCCEA Negotiations: Motion by M. Cummings to approve the Shannon County Classified Education Association negotiated agreement for the 2006-07 school year. Motion carried.
7052 Public School Exemptions: Motion by R. Cummings to approve the applications for public school exemption for 11 students, as listed on file. Motion carried.
7053 High School Tuition: Motion by R.Cummings to approve the application for out-of-district high school tuition for one student. As listed on file. Motion carried.
7054 Failure Is Not An Option: Motion by M. Cummings to approve the district's participation for designated staff members and administration in the Failure is Not an Option Conference in San Francisco, CA, in October, 2006. Motion carried.
7055 Financials: Motion by M. Cummings to approve the financial report, receipts, payroll expense and disbursements, as listed. Motion carried.
7056 Red Shirt Air Conditioning: Motion by O'Bryan to authorize administration to research possible funding sources to provide an air conditioning system for the Red Shirt School. Motion carried.
7057 Red Shirt School Buildings: Susan Shockey, a Red Shirt parent, was in attendance to inquire of the status of ownership of the old Red Shirt School buildings. The board informed her that as per contract with the Oglala Sioux Tribe, when the school district no longer is in need of the buildings and are declared as surplus, they will revert to the Tribe. Motion by O'Bryan to request administration to meet and determine a suggested plan in the regard and present it to the board at the September board meeting.
7058 Proposed High School: Discussion was held in regard to the possibility of constructing a Shannon County Technical High School, in an attempt to provide the high numbers of high school drop-outs an alternative means of acquiring a high school education, while providing them with skills acquired through trade courses. The board requested administration to look into implementing a feasibility study in regard to need, approximate cost, possible location, etc. and report at the January meeting.
7059 School Resource Officer: Administration presented the board with a job description for School Resource Officer, as requested.
7060 Home School Coordinator: Motion by M. Cummings to request the Superintendent and Batesland Principal to develop a job description for the position of home-school coordinator at Batesland School. Motion carried.
7061 September Board Meeting: The board will hold its September regular meeting on Tuesday, 9/26/06 at Batesland beginning at 5:00 p.m.
7062 ONEC: Motion by M. Cummings to join the Oglala Nation Education Coalition for a one-year period, negotiating the membership fee and location of the meeting place. Motion carried.
7063 Parent Concern: The superintendent informed the board of a parental concern she received in regard to the length of school day for kindergarten students.
7064 Red Shirt Open House: The administration and school board will host an open house celebration at the new Red Shirt School building on Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2006.
7065 Per Diem Rate: The board requested administration to compare travel reimbursement rates as compared with area schools and the state department.
7066 Administration Reports: Prnicipals and Directors gave verbal reports to the board.
7067 Adjournment: Motion by O'Bryan to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Motion carried.
Signed: MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager.

(Personnel B)
employee, school, position and salary
Aides Y 06-07
Black Feather, William, Wolf Creek, Sped Aide $19,.950.84; Black Crow, Debra, Batesland, Pre School aide $19,328.40; Brewer, Vincent, Wolf Creek, Alt Aide $17,160.78; Briggs, Monte, Wolf Creek, Sped Aide $13,581.75; Brings Him Back, Illa, Wolf Creek, Sped Aide $25,443.60; Buresh, Lorine, Batesland, Title I Aide $24,078.60; Carrick, Tim, Wolf Creek, Sped Aide $13,581.75; Clifford Shane, OLL, Title I aide $26,658.45; Clifford, Pat, Wolf Creek, Sped Aide $17,062.50; Condon, Colleen, Wolf Creek , Sped Aide $15,970.50; Conroy, Elizabeth Ann, Wolf Creek, Title I Aide $24,761.10; Cummings, Charlotte, Batesland, Title I Aide $17,594.85; Dick, Cara, Wolf Creek Sped Aide $15,888.60; Ecoffey, Allen, Wolf Creek Sped Aide $15,912.26; Ecoffey Laura, Wolf Creek Sped Aide $11,439.61, Sped Monitor $3,496.35; Emerson Janette, Rockyford, Sped Aide $23,191.35; Feather Earring Cyrstal, Wolf Creek Sped Aide $15,574.65; Feather Earring, Eli, Wolf Creek Alt Aide $16,584.75; Fire Thunder Robert, Wolf Creek, Alt Aide $12,357.80; Gomez, Porfirio, Rockyford, Sped Aide $16,584.75; Gomez, Soni, Rockyford Sped Aide $12,776.40; Good Crow, Violet Rockyford, Sped Aide $18,700.50; Haller, Kim, wolf Creek Sped Aide, $19,288.36; Has NO Horse, Regina, Batesland, Pre School aide $18,304.65, Heesacker, Jerene, Rockyford, Title I Aide $28,514.85; Hernandez, Floyd, Rockyford, Sped Aide $18,304.65; Hernandez, Toni Rockyford, Pre School Aide $13,240.50; High Hawk Gary, Rockyford, Sped Aide $14,605.50; Iron Cloud, April, Rockyford, Sped Aide $13,240.50; Iron Cloud, Margaret, Rockyford, Title I Aide $13,322.40; Iron Cloud, Roberta, Rockyford, Sped Aide $18,304.65; Kadlecek, Patsy, Wolf Creek, Sped Aide $16,025.10; Little Bear, Richard Sr., Wolf Creek, Sped Aide $15,970.50; Little Moon, Pam, Wolf Creek, Pre School Aide $14,209.65; Looking Elk, David, Wolf Creek Alt Aide $21,089.25; Mesteth, James, Wolf Creek, Sped Aide $21,485.10; Mills, Tyson, Rockyford, ISS Aide $13,240.50; Monnens, Lenore, Red shirt, Title I Aide $22,795.50; Muiller, Virginia, Batesland Sped Aide $27,832.35; O'Donnell, Christine, Wolf Creek, Health Aide $22,031.10; Parmenter, Michelle, Batesland, Sped Aide $14,605.50; Patton Tom, Wolf Creek, Sped Aide $14,892.15;

Phelps, Ted, Rockyford, ISS Aide $15,574.65; Peneaux, Carol, Rockyford, Sped Aide $23,.054.85; Pino, Erma, Rockyford, Sped Aide $20,174.70; Przybyla, Ann, Rockyford, Aide $17,335.50; Red Cloud Katherine, Wolf Creek, Sped Aide $24,378.90; Richards, Wanda, Rockyford, Health Aide $23,396.10; Ross, Ryan, Wolf Creek, Sped Aide $13,513.50; Running Hawk, Phoebe, rockyford, Sped Aide $18,304.65; Salway, Dean, Wolf Creek, Pre school Aide $15,970.50; Sether, Darlene, Rockyford, Sped Aide $14,209.65; Shedeed, Sheryl, wolf Creek Sped Aide, $13,581.75;
Skanadore, Linda, Wolf Creek, Sped Aide $22,372.35; Smith, Bryan, Rockyford, CCC Lab Aide $14,209.65; Star Susie, Wolf Creek, Title I Aide $13,240.50; Steele, Julia, Rockyford, Sped Aide $11,542.44; Stiffarm, James, Rockyford, Sped Aide $18,304.65; Stouffer, Vickie, Wolf Creek, Sped Aide $15,970.50; Swallow Elizabeth, Red Shirt, Sped/Title I $19,301.10; Walton, Amy, Batesland, Title I Aide $21,539.70; White Face, Dori, Batesland, Sped Aide $16,707.60; Yankton, Debbie, Batesland, Sped Aide $15,888.60; Young Bear Melvin, Rockyford, Pre School Aide $14,209.65; Zimiga, Carol, Wolf Creek, Title I Aide $25,102.35.

Misc Y 06-07

Conroy, Rena, County, Record Clerk $31,355.60; Cummings, Candy, Batesland, Secretary $21,872.60; Cummings, George, Batesland, Maintenance $27,915.60; Fast Wolf, Antoinette, Red Shirt, Attend Clerk $14,744.00; Gibbons, Deborah, Wolf Creek, Sec/Reception.
$24,400.00; Halverson, Marilyn, County, Acct Payable $31,871.60; Kelly, janet, Rockyford, Secretary $24,672.00; Lawrence, Micheal, county, Maintenance Coordn. $29,962.40; Lonberger, Dawn, County, Asst. Bus Mgr $28,775.60; Martinex, Andrew, Rockyford, Grounds/Maint
$20,072.40; Nelson, Patti, County, Admin Sec $30,788.00; O'Bryan, Carolyn, Rockyford, Attend. Clerk $28,272.00; Red Owl, Brookly, county, H. Resources $29,935.94; Reitz, Carol, County, Food Svc. Sup $36,230.88; Rosane, Robert, Batesland, Mech/Grounds
$26,230.00; Roth, Jackie, County, Fed Prg Asst/Sec $28,827.20; Shedeed, Nancy, County, Receptionist $18,834.00; Spotted Bear, Jennifer, Wolf Creek, ATL Sec $18,976.00; Steele, Greg, Rockyford, Mechanic $24,905.60; Steele, Mary, Wolf Creek, Attend. Clerk $20,576.00; Two Lance, Stacy, Rockyford, ERF ADmnAsst $20,816.00; Vocu, Tom, Wolf Creek Activities Coordn/ISS $25,104.16; Williams, Rory, Rockyford, Maint/Grounds
$24,424.00; Wilson, Mary, Wolf Creek, Secretary $27,872.00; Yankton, Torey, Batesland, Attend. Clerk $15,520.00; Youngman, Evans, Wolf Creek, Grounds Keeper $13,106.40; Youngman, Wilmer, Wolf Creek Mechanic $33,522.80

Cooks Y 06-07

Conroy, Bertha, Batesland, cook $26,135.20; Crow, Harold, Batesland, Cook $16,409.12; Cummings, Michelle, Rockyford, Cook $11,211.20; Mesteth, Brenda, Wolf Creek cook $15,579.20; Pourier, Dawn Rose, Rockyford, Cook $12,113.92; Pourier, Devona, Rockyford, Cook $22,640.80; Pourier, Rona, Rockyford, Cook $15,681.12; Red Starr, Anson, Wolf Creek cook $15,943.20; Richards, Delmer, Batesland, Cook $17,035.20; Rowland, Ron, wolf Creek cook $21,403.20; Swallow, Susanna, Red Shirt Cook $21,767.20; Yellow Boy, Fawn, Wolf Creek, Cook $11,211.20.

Bus Drivers Y 06-07

Big Crow, Francis, Wolf Creek $10,155.52; Big Crow, Francis Sr., Wolf Creek $8,404.56; Black Feather, William, Wolf Creek $16,160.04; Brewer, Vince, Wolf Creek $12,720.04; Charge On Him, Virgil, Wolf Creek $11,844.56; Condon, Mary, Batesland $14,495.08; Eagle Bull, Darrel, Wolf Creek $9,470.96; Ecoffey, Allen, Wolf Creek $13,538.56; Fire Thunder, Robert, Wolf Creek $10,945.00; Gomez, Soni, Rockyford, $11,805.00; Haller, Kim, Wolf Creek $10,945.00; Hart, Bonnie, Rockyford $19,613.80; Harvey George, Batesland $17.033.80; Has No Horse, Delane, Batesland $15,313.80; Iron Cloud, Margaret, Rockyford, $10,945.00; Johnson, Clay, Rockyford $18,753.80; Jumping Eagle William, Rockyford $13.683.24; Kaiser, Herb, Red Shirt $13,129.40; Kehn, Bryan, Batesland $14,424.56; Kirk, John, Wolf Creek $13,886.20; Pourier, Curtiss, Rockyford $15,313.80; Pourier, duane Jr., Rockyford $10,945.00; Pourier Duane Sr., Wolf Creek $10,945.00; Red Cloud, Bernard, Wolf Creek $14,849.40; Steele, Julia, Rockyford $10,945.00; Tayle, Manuel, Batesland $15,313.80; Temple, Merle, Rockyford $15,872.80; Vocu, Dale, Rockyford $17,893.80; Vocu, Thomas, Wolf creek $7,505.00; Wince John, Wolf Creek $7,505.00; Youngman, Evans, Wolf Creek $7,505.00.

Custodians Y 06-07

Black Crow, Dwight, Batesland $22,016.72l; Black Crow, Jaydee, Batesland $12,135.20; Dillon, Kathy, Wolf Creek $18,470.72; Janis, Ross, Batesland $15,681.20; Jumping Eagle, Frank, Rockyford $12,135.20; Kirk, John Wolf Creek $16,544.06; O'Donnell, Richard, Wolf Creek $12,135.20; Pourier, Jeannie, Wolf Creek $20,440.72; Sitting Holy, Karen, Batesland $17,288.72; Standing Soldier, Ken, Wolf Creek $16,863.20; Swallow, Mary, Red Shirt $18,864.72; Tibbetts, Donald, Rockyford $21,228; White Eyes, Patricia, Rockyford $20,440.72.

BIL Trainees Y 06-07

Fortin, Tracy, Batesland $7,098.00; Lakota, Cindy, Red Shirt $7,159.43; Makes Him First, Valentina, Rockyford $7,787.33; Shedeed, Deborah, Rockyford $,889.43; Swallow, Gene, Red Shirt $7,159.43.

Misc. NTCS Y 06-07

Donovan, Mark, Country, Social Worker $45,115.60; Janis, Luwana, Wolf Creek, Coun/Soc Worker $28,938.00; Lawrence, Virginia, Wolf Creek, Nurse $29,879.85; Miles, Judy, Batesland, Nurse $29,415.75; One Feather, Delmar, Wolf Creek, Social Worker $28,838.00; Winters, Karla, Rockyford, Social Work/HS Coordn. $28,187.25.

Wolf Creek Extra Curricular assignments

Fall activities 2006 "In House": Football: coaches Vince Brewer, Eli Feather Earring, Robert FireThunder. Volleybal: Coaches Evaleen Brave Heart, Jenny Spotted Bear. Dance Club: Sandra Lone Elk, Jenny Spotted Bear. Hand Games, Drub Group: Mike Carlow, Kathy Red Cloud. Cross Country: James Mesteth, Anson Red Star.

21st Century Tutors/Activities:

Evaleen Braveheart, Jennifer Spotted Bear, David Looking Elk, Brian Wechsler, Anson Red Star, Stephan Eagle Bull, Pat Clifford, Cliff, Riniger, Bennett Sierra, Sheryl Shedeed, Richard little Bear, Sandra Lone Elk, Brenda Mesteth, Fawn Yellow Boy, Ron Rowland, Daryl Waters, Stephanie Carlow, Christine O'Donnell, Kathy Means, Jodi Weisz, Denise Schulz.
8th Sponsor: Beverly Bertram.
Scorekeepers: David Looking Elk, Pat Clifford, Anson Red Star.

Red Shirt School Extra Curricular activities: Destination Imagination Coach-Lorraine Swallow, Girls Volleybal Coach-Amaris E. Swallow, Cross Country Coach-Margaret Ross, Track Coach-Mary Swallow, Eight Grade Sponsor-Mary Swallow.

Resignation: Ann Prsybyla, Rockyford Aide effective immediately; Cara Dick, Wolf Creek Pre School Aide effective 8-1-06.

Request for Early Retirement: Edward Boyle, Jr. Rockyford Upper Grade Teacher end of 2006-07 contract year.

Contracts for Approval: Stephanie Carlow, Wolf Creek Teacher from 8-18-06 to 5-23-07 $31,500; Travis Benson, Batesland Teacher from 8-18-06 to 5-23-07 $41,500; Tara Fanning, Batesland Teacher from 8-18-06 to 5-23-07 $31,500; Amie Kuxhaus, Batesland Preschool teacher from 8-18-06 to 5-23-07 $33,000; Jana MrBride, Wolf Creek Teacher from -18-06 to 5-23-07 $31,500; Shawna Pourier, Wolf Creek Preschool Teacher from 8-18-06 to 5-23-07 $31,500; Wilbert Buckman Jr. Wolf creek teacher from 8-18-06 to 5-23-07 $31,500; Jodi Kauffman, Wolf creek Teacher from 8-18-06 to 5-23-07 $31.500; Kathryn Bauer, Wolf Creek Teacher from 8-18-06 to 5-23-07 $31,500; Kim Villa Rockyford Teacher from 8-18-06 to 5-23-07 $41,500.

Batesland School Recommendations: Clarinda Moran, Aide; Leah Brown Bear, Part time-Custodian/6hr; Lloyd Yanton Sr, full time night time custodian.

Wolf Creek School Recommendations:

Larry Eagle Bull, Custodian; Tim Carrick CDL Busdriver PM route; Wilmer Youngman Jr. CDL Busdriver permanent; Donovan Youngman, CDL busdriver: Daryl Waters, Cook; Sheryl Martin, Aide; Tanya Clifford ERF Preschool aide; Patricia Standing Soldier, ERF Preschool Aide; Bennett Sierra, ER Preschool aide; Alice Big Crow ERF Preschool aide; Tyson Bradfor, Special Educatin Aide; Fracis Big Crow, One on One Special Educaiton Aide; Micheal Patton, One on One Special Education Aide.

Rockyford School Recommendations:

Brian Waala, Computer technician; Rose Gordon, Special Education Aide; Laticia Martin, Special Education Aide; Roberta Whiting, SpecialEducation Aide; Anna Rae, Preschool teacher; Jonathan Long Soldier, Custodian.

Red Shirt School Recommendations: Amaris Swallow, CDL Busdriver; Gale Brewer, Maintenance.

Extra Curricular Recommendations: Dawn Pourier, Rockyford-Cheerleading coach; Devona Pourier, Rockyford School Dance club sponsor; Valentina Makes Him First-Rockyford school Dance Club sponsor; Frank Jumping Eagle-Rockyford School Asst. Footbal coach; Melvin Young Bear-Rockyford Hand game Sponsor; Melvin Young Bear-Rockyford School Footbal coach; Regina Whipple-Batesland 8th grade sponsor; Ann August-Batesland 8th grade sponsor; Tony Cross-Batesland girls Volleyball coach; Chrystal Feather Earring-Batesland Volleybal asst coach; Connie Lebeau-Batesland dance club sponsor; Sandy Two Lance-Batesland cross country coach; Travis Benson-Batesland Boys Football Coach.
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Description of goods or services: SD Dept of Motor Vehicles $10.00, SPED Parent $211.20, Dept of Criminal Invest $484.00, Dollar General $124.28, Rodney Coon $550.00, SPEd Parent $55.68, Maurice Twiss $459.72, Tom Vocu $183.20, SPED Parent $138.24, Golden West Telecom $41.55, Margo Heinert $459.72, Dawn Lonberger $122.40, Dept of Criminal Invest $704.00, SPED Parent $142.08, Postmaster $8.76, Total $3,694.83.

General Fund

A & B Welding supply supplies $66.77, $64.15, Vendor total $130.92; ASBSD membership $869.63; ASBSD Insurance $98,731.00; ASCD membership $79.00; AT&T long distance $963.41; Abouresk & Zephier PC fees $54.00; Action Mechanical repairs $115.61; Advanced Business & Computing services $5,395.00; Alco Store supplies $297.05; ALSCO supplies $576.26, $620.64, $614.06, $29.66, Vendor total $1840.62; Anduja, Angela reimburse $30.00; Apple Computer repairs $461.95; Bauer, Katie supplies $278.20; Black Hills Electric $413.42; Borders Inc supplies $512.91; BP gasoline $45.76; Branch Shelly services $685.76; CCD Chiesman Government Inc, computer supplies $5,860, $1,500, $96.00, $64.00, $250.00, $330.00, $330.00, $360.00, Vendor total $8,790.00; Chris Supply comp maint $307.34; City of Gordon summer school $47.00, $74.00, Vendor total $307.34; Clark, Kimberly services $600.00; Classroom direct supplies $180.27; Cole Pest Control $200.00, $214.00, $138.00, $303.00, Vendor total $855.00; Computers ETC Learning Centers training $9,000.00, $699.95, license $439.50, Vendor total $10,139.45; Conroy Charles mileage $3.20, $297.40, Vendor total $300.60; Contractors Supply Inc supplies $340.70, $216.00, Vendor total $556.70; Corporate Card paymt $12,832.14; Crescent Eletrical Co supplies $136.46; Culligan Water Conditioning $684.50; Cummings Candy travel $70.40, $70.40, Vendor Total $140.80; Cummings, Melvin mileage $73.60; D & R Service supplies $33.02; Dakota Supply Group supplies $197.80; DataComputer Products supplies $487.50; Debbies Cakes & floral supplies $23.00, $15.00, Vendor total $38.00; Deuter, Patti consultant $250.00; Eagle Bull, Andrea mileage $16.64; Emerson Janette supplies $56.10; ETs Educational Testing supplies $40.00; Evergreen Office supplies $3.60, $27.48, $1,199.40, $1,224.15, $243.78, $190.42, $317.95, Vendor total $3,206.78; Family Thrift Center Halverson Marilyn travel $183.06, $161.36, Vendor total $344.42; Hammond & Stephens supplies $293.84; Handi Stop gasoline $100.08; Harcourt Assessment testing $1,139.81; Harlow's Bus Sales supplies $263.09; Hauff Mid America sports football $2,969.00, $2,478.50, $314.60, $278.80, Vendor total $6,040.90; Hillyard supplies $1,986.57, $559.36, $71.00, Vendor total $2,616.93; Homestead Building supplies $1,335.05; Huber Carmen services $600.00; Hunt Peggy services $685.76; Husker Auto Parts $212.04, $509.89, Vendor total $721.93; Ideal super market supplies $206.68; International Laser Group supplies $786.15, $670.65, Vendor total $1456.80; Joes Body Shop repairs $1,200.00; Johnson machine parts $1128.27; Kaplan Early Learning Co supplies $619.53, $929.26, $335.30, $619.53, Vendor total $2,503.62; Kelly Janet travel $41.60; Kuxhaus Amy supplies $143.62; Laboratory Corp of America drug testing $33.00; Lacreek Electric Ass'n $9,835.48; Lakeshore Learning Materials supplies $92.00, $379.14, $217.85, $326.45, $836.74, $222.75, $836.74, $1255.11, Vendor total $4166.78; Lakota Cindi reimburse $500.00; Lakota Country Times mtg $403.20, bids $169.60, $115.20, Vendor total $688.00; Lakota Language Consortium supplies $295.25; Lee's Flooring supplies $53.00; Lonberger, Dawn $164.00; Makes Him First, Valentina reimburse $1,000.00; McDonalds trip $139.79; Mckie Buick Pontiac GMC repairs $310.96; Menards supplies $831.60, $369.89, $219.65, $159.87, $190.92, $260.86, $750.18, $161.88, $19.99 Vendor total $2,964.84; Mikes Heating & Air conditioning $1,918.00; Minerva's Rapdi city $35.00; Mt Rushmore Telephone $571.50, $179.37, Vendor total $750.87; Muddy Creek & Oil diesel $9,258.22; NAFIS registration $900.00; NJL Associates $851.07; National Geographic Society $2,691.00; Native American Review $437.50; Nebraska Dept of Revenue taxes $100.00; Northwest pipe fitting supplies $51.77, $15.40, Vendor total $67.17; OST Water & Sewer utilities $105.00; O'Bryan Todd mileage $63.36; Oglala Lakota College $475.00, $227.00, Vendor total $702.00; Olson Auto repairs $349.18; Pearson Education Inc math $775.34, $324.90, $18.19, Vendor total $1118.43; Pearson NCS license $8,600.00; Perfection Learning Corp writing $485.46; Peterson Madonna travel $273.20; Positive Promotions supplies $489.56; Pourier Duane supplies $75.97; Ramkota Rapid City travel $99.00, $69.00, $69.00, $109.00, Vendor total $346.00; Rapid Chevrolet repairs $739.32, $118.72. Vendor total $858.04; Rapid City Journal $ 234.40; Rushmore Waterslide Park $406.00, $584.50, Vendor total $990.50; Russell Luanne consultant $685.76; SDASBO registration $230.00; SD Dept. Environment & Natural fees $10.00; SD Dept Revenue license $14.00, $14.00, Vendor total $28.00; SD Federal Property Agency supplies $335.00, $45.00, Vendor total $380.00; SDSSA regist $150.00; Salomon Sanitation $1,20.00, $260.00, $780.00, $780.00, Vendor total $3,030.00; Sam's Club supplies $370.92, $10.35, $60.05, $194.40, $784.80, $74.81, $892.04, $89.60, Vendor Total $2476.97; Scholastic Troll Carnival Trump supplies $1297.55; SD Dept Revenue return tax $20.00; SDN Communications telephone $1870.22; Sears Commercial One supplies $33.99, $299.88, Vendor total $333.87; Seger Ginny reimburse $500.00; Shannon County School imprest $1499.91; Shannon County School Lunch $1470.00; Shedeed Nancy travel $70.40; Singing Horse Trading post supplies $137.00; Sioux Nation Shopping Center $563.84; Steele Mary Ann travel $62.08; Stephens Danelle consultant $600.00; TIE contract $22,500.00, $28,800.00, Vendor total $51,300.00; Tatonka Capital Corporation $564.00, $265.20, $564.00, $275.20, Vendor total $1678.40; Teacher Direct $206.12; Teacher Discount $36.88; Temperature Technology $2671.00; Thompson Publishing Group $318.50; Town of Batesland $500.00; True Value $1802.93; Tschetter, Stacie services $642.88; University of Sioux Falls fees $4160.00; UVA Bookstore $152.00; Vanway Trophy & awards $65.03; Walmart Community $350.08, $98.77, $1290.37, $196.31, $16.71, $540.43, Vendor total $2492.67; Ward Nancy services $1998.30; Westco gasoline $9206.57; Western Dakota Tech $690.00; Winners Circle trip $242.00, $250.85, Vendor total $492.85; Workers comp Fund $82,592.00; Yankton Tory travel $70.40; Zimmerman Leeann supplies $64.99l Fund Total $408,436.60.

Capital Outlay Fund

Apple Computer equip $14,011.93; Best Business Products $176.66; $506.69, Vendor total $683.35; Corner Construction Corp RS project $131,117.57; Creative Edge Mast Shop $1,522.50, $1,522.50, Vendor total $3,045.00; Dell Marketing $6170.75; Houghton Mifflin Company $11,078.45, $971.97, $585.37,Vendor total $12,635.79; Lakeshore Learning Materials supplies $37.50; national geographic $551.56; Sam's Club $3,259.40; School Speciality $882.00, $2901.50, $2490.72, Vendor total $6274.22; Tatonka Capital Corporation $4186.00, $4186.00, Vendor Total $8372.00; Twiss Construction $3600.00; Zanner Bloser Ed Publishers $2,258.56; Fund Total $192,017.63.

Special Education Fund

Bennett County Hospital services $280.00; Brimark Inn travel $95.00; Childrens Care & rehab services $3894.00; Childrens Care Hospital & School $40.00, $4734.50, Vendor total $4774.50; Childrens Home Society $1387.57, $876.36, Vendor Total $2263.93; Donovan Mark travel $40.00; Hanson Ted travel $115.20, $173.44, Vendor total $288.64; Ramkota Pierre travel $60.00; SDASP registr $120.00, $35.00, Vendor total $155.00; Shannon County School Imprest $547.20 travel $441.60; USD School of Medicine $572.52, $1145.04, Vendor total $1717.56; Wellspring tuition $293.88, Fund total $14,851.31

Food Service Fund

BTU Services $701.88; Food Services of America $2,342.17, $3,795.92, Vendor total $6,138.09; Harker's foodservice $488.83, $260.80, $1596.67, Vendor total $2346.67; Kemps Gillette Diary $623.70, $537.67, Vendor total $1161.37; Pourier Dawn reimburse $25.60; Reinhart Institutional Foods $557.56; Sheraton Sioux Falls travel $328.60; SiouxNation Shopping Center $6.90, Fund Total $11,266.30.

Federal Programs

Special Service

Corporate Card pymt $252.19; Division of Criminal Investigation $352.00; Heathershaw Designs $708.00; Shannon County School Imprest $1647.72; Twiss Maurice $459.72. Vendor total $3,419.63, Checking Account Total $629,991.47.

General Fund

SD School District Benefit coverage $102,343.90. Checking account total $102,343.90.

Invest Account

Trans Date, Maturity date, Desc., Dollar amount, Rate, Interest earned
03JUL06, 05JUL06, Repo, 947,557.41, 3.93750,353.81,05JUL06,6JUL06,904,287.31 3.87500, 97.34, 06JUL06, 07JUL06, 714,236.43,3.87500, 76.88,07JUL06,10JUL06, 511,377.08, 3.87500, 165.13, 10JUL06, 11JUL06, 526,704.18, 3.87500, 56.69,11JUL06,12JUL06,517,155.41, .81250, 54.77, 12JUL06,13JUL06, 1,222,322.82, 4.12500, 140.06, 13JUL06, 14JUL06, 1,216,252.62, 4.12500, 139.36, 14JUL06, 17JUL06, 1,234,213.14, 4.12500, 424.26, 17JUL06, 18JUL06, 1,177,219.92, 4.12500, 134.89, 18JUL06, 19JUL06, 1.036,109.65, 4.06250, 116.92, 19JUL06, 20JUL06, 1,037,051.87, 4.06250, 117.03, 20JUL06, 21JUL06, 957,268.55, 3.81250, 101.38, 21JUL06, 24JUL06, 875,161.29, 3.81250, 278.05, 24JUL05, 25JUL06, 841,088.55, 3.81250, 89.07, 25JUL06, 26JUL06, 837,670.38, 3.81250, 88.71, 26JUL06, 27JUL06, 814,925.25, 3.81250, 86.30, 27JUL06, 28JUL06, 474,758.06, 3.81250, 50.28, 28JUL06, 31JUL06, 339,306.13, 3.87500, 109.57, 31JUL06, 01AUG06, 698,667.45, 3.87500, 75.20,

Monthly Interest Earned, 2,787.78, Regular Account, 2787.78, Saving Account, 28,281.45, RS BLDG, 10.66,Total Interest 31,079.89.

Shannon County School District
Disbursment Report
July 31, 2006

Fund/Account	Amount
General Fund	$160,061.64
Capital Outlay Fund	$335,235.65
Special Education Fund	$1,624.76
Impact Aid Fund	$0.00
Food Service Fund	$805.88
T/A Support Service	$80.98
T/A Wolf Creek	$0.00
T/A Batesland	$0.00
T/A Rockyford	$0.00
Total of All Funds	$497,808.91

Shannon County School District
Payroll Report
July 31, 2006

Types of Services	Salaries	Benefits	Total
1000 Instruction Service	$76,278.77	$15,523.68	$91,802.45
2000 Support Service	$80,723.04	$16,129.50	$96,852.54
3000 Other Community Serv	$10,092.50	$843.69	$10,936.19
6000 Co-Curricular	$1,463.21	$113.92	$1,577.13
General FundTotal	$168,557.52	$32,610.79	$201,168.31
Special Education	$21,578.01	$4,623.29	$26,201.30
Food Service	$3,176.09`	$678.89	$3,854.98
Total All Services	$193,311.62	$37,912.97	$231,224.59

Shannon County School Distric 65-1
REVENUE REPORT
July 31, 2006

Revenue Sources	General Fund	Capital Outlay	Special Education Fund	Pension Fund	Food Service	T/A Service	Impact Aid
Local sources							
Taxes	$3,612.58	$2,109.79	$975.46	$196.49	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Other	$36,071.54	$10.66	$0.0	$0.00	$16,207.10	$0.0	$0.0
County Sources							
County Apportionment	$26.52	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
State Sources							
State Aide	$346,373.00	$0.0	$116,711.00	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Other	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Federal Sources	$1,411.26	$0.0	$51,010.90	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Other		$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Operating Transfer In	$0.0	$0.0			$0.0		
Total Revenue For Fund	**$387,494.90**	**$2,120.45**	**$168,697.36**	**$196.49**	**$16,207.10**	**$0.0**	**$0.0**

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Happy B-Day to Stacy White Face on 9-6-06. Hope you had a good day. We luv you lots. Stay strong in Denver. From ur ciz Pearl LWM & family in Kyle Village.

Congratulations to Jeremy Kills Straight Rosebud Old Horse. We are very proud of you two love birds. Stay strong. Hang in there, winer is soon too arrive..
From all your friends in Kyle Housing.

Happy 11th Birthday to my beautiful daughter, Kiersten Mae Thigh on September 7th! Hope you have an awesome day my girl! love, Mom

Happy 1st Birthday to our nephew Davin Dale Apple on September 9. Best wishes and we didn't forget bout you. Love, your Aunties Lorie, Tiff, Brenda and Uncle Casey.

Happy Birthday
Gage DeVon Bordeaux
Sept. 16, 2006

Happy Birthday Melissa Hill, Luv ya My luv you're one of a kind. Luv ya lots
Bud Beane

Happy Birthday to my handsome cousin Coby Janis I LUV U cousin. Good luck with College. & to my beautiful Cousin Charlie Jo Janis, Love, your cousin, Mandy Clifford

Happy 1st B irthday to my beautiful baby boy, Gabriel Carl White Plume, Jr. on S ept. 16th Mommy & Daddy love you very much. Love, Amanda Clifford & Gabe Wh ite Plume Sr.

In memory of Hank "Stubba" Black Feet Happy B-day on 9-10. We love you and miss you ver much! Candi, Sam, Travis & Alvin

Happy Birthday Byron Kills Ree Sept. 15 William Ghost Bear jr. Sept. 26 and many moe to come from Willow, Kills Ree & Ghost Bear families & relatives in Ethete, Wyoming

In Memory of Lana Whislier-Long Soldier
In Memory of our Mom
Lana Whisltier Long Soldier
If roses grow in heaven, Lord, Please pick a bunch for us, Place them in our Mother's arms, and tell her they're from us, Tell her we love her and miss her, and when she turns and smile, place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her for a while. Because remembering her to easy, we do it everyday, But there is an ache within our hearts that will never go away. We love you and miss you so much Mom! Love, Alissa Apple, Vine B lack Feather, Cherilyn Manthcher, Emerson DeCory and grandkids, Mathew, Nathan, Vine Jr., Kristin, Brandy Jo, Naomi, Sky, Spring, Jayce, Marcus and Susan.

Congrats out to Emi Lyn Marie Zimiga on starting Kindergarden. Mommy is very proud of you. I love you always baby girl. you know mommy supports you 110% on whatever you do. much love, Danielle DK

Congratulations out to Jeffery L. DullKnife on starting kindergarden. Your doing it, much love baby bro I got your you know it's true. We love you, From Nellie, Emi, Baby Eric

Happy Birthday!
Sept. 12th to our little precious grandaughter
Tenisha Sage Old Horse
We love you very much
Hugs & Kisses From Grandma Deb & Unci Evelyn

I would like to wish my baby boy, William D. Thunder Horse, Jr. a Happy B-day on 9-5-06. Yum. It's been 3 years since you brought joy to my life and they have been the best I've known. Have a good one son, you deserve it. I love you with all my heart. Love, Mom (Cass) and Len

Happy 13th Birthday to Brandon Lee Estes on September 8th
Love, from Ate' & Juanita
Happy Birthday to our brother Brandon Estes
Love, Bobo, Sissi, Ronnette, Kelsey, Jr., J-Line, Camron, Sasha, Kyle, & Marley!

Would like to send a Belated Birthday -Happy 44th Birthday Goes out to Aaron Two Crow on Sept. 5, 2006. Keep up the good job at the road department. Comes from the people around you, just-kyle crew in your behalf Smile!

Birth Announcement
Name: Eric Thomas Red Elk, Jr.
Birthday: May 12,2006
Time: 4:50 pm
Wt: 5 lbs. 12 oz
19 inches long

Proud Parents:
Eric T. Red Elk & Danielle Dull Knive
Grandparents:
Guy Dull Knife
Roger & Annie Red Elk

Happy Birthday
21 years Belated
9-11-06.
Vanessa Jade
Stay strong, stay beautiful, always sister
Jen, Jason, Brittany, Baby J & Wakiyan

Happy Birthday Septe. 12th to my little angel Tenisha Sage Old Horse. We love you baby girl, from Mom & Jatin

Happy Belated B-day to Amanda B. Clifford your finally a woman and a very beautiful one at that. Happy Birthday on 8-6-06 Love, your proud Mother, (Mena)

Happy Birthday to our big sister Kiersten Thigh. We love you & Miss you! Love, Camron, Sasha, Kyle, & Marley

Happy Birthday to my wife Renee Janis on Sept. 14. From JV

Shannon County School District Vacancy
Updated: September 12, 2006

The Shannon County School District 65-1 is accepting applications for the following non-certified positions.

All positions are OPEN UNTIL FILLED unless indicated

Rockyford School
2-Busdriver (CDL required)
4-Special Education Aides (48 college credits or pass the paraprofessional test prior to employment)
1-Receptionist -Closes 9-26-06
1-Evening Custodian

Wolf Creek School
1-Maintenance (2 years experience with Maintenance, boiler, air conditioning, refrigeration and carpentry certifications preferred, other duties to be established) ***closes 9-20-06***
1-One on One Special Education Aide (48 college credits or pass the para professional test prior to employment)
3-Special Education Aides (48 college credits or pass the para professional test prior to employment)

Batesland School
1-Part-time Aide/Part-time Home School Coordinator 48 college credits or pass the para professional test prior to employment)
1-Cook (8 hours a day) Closes 9-29-06

The Shannon County School District provides equal opportunity in employment to all persons regardless of age, race, creed, color, sex, national origin, religion or disability.

Background checks: SDCL: 13-10-12. The Shannon County School District requires a pre-employment Background check on all persons who will be applying for employment.
Temporary employment pending receipt of negative results of the criminal background check and pre-employment drug tests.

For more information contact:
Ann Red Owl
Human Resources Facilitator
Phone: 605-288-1921
Fax: 605-288-1814

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Due to the high fire danger and drought conditions which presently exist on the Rosebud Reservation, the Rosebud Agency and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe have decalared a **"BAN ON OPEN BURNING"** for the entire Rosebud Reservation. **THIS BAN IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.**

At no time is anyone allowed to start a campfire or have any sort of open flame in any area other than those designated in the park area. Tribal Game Wardens and the Police officers will be patrolling and will take action against any individual violators of this ban.

If it is determined that a wildfire occurred due to an open fire. the individual who ignited the fire will be billed the entire cost of the suppression of this wildland fire. Violators of this ban will be prosecuted to the fullest extent possible.

TO REPORT A FIRE:
CALL: 911

TO REPORT VIOLATORS, PLEASE CALL :

FRANK VANDERWALKER OR
BRIAN DILLON AT
RST GAME, FISH AND PARKS DEPT.
605-747-2289 OR
CHARLES RED CROW,
POLICE CHIEF
AT 605-208-3880.

Please cooperate with the BAN in order to keep everyone safe from fire and loss of property.

If you have any questions or require further information, please call:
GENE EMERY
ACTING FIRE MANAGEMENT OFFICE
605-747-2700
Or stop in at the Office located in Rosebud, SD

Approved: *Elton Hawk Wing, Acting Superintendent*
Approved *Rodney M. Bordeaux, President-Rosebud Sioux Tribe*

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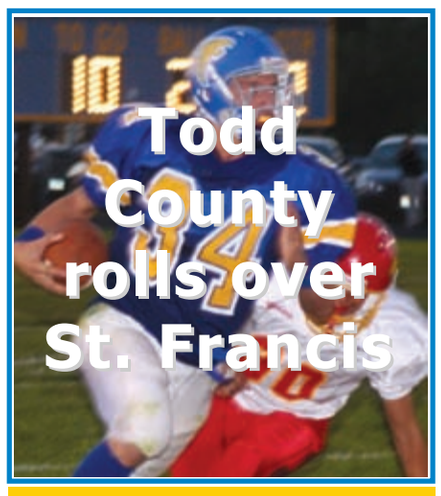
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Porcupine to break ground for $14 million new school

By Amanda Takes War Bonnett
Times Editor

PORCUPINE - The reality of a new school for the community of Porcupine is finally here and construction should be completed by December of 2007.

On Friday, Sept. 22, Porcupine School will share in that celebration with the community and parents in a ground breaking ceremony. The activity will begin at 10 a.m. in the school gym followed by a ribbon cutting ceremony at the site of the new school. A power point presentation will be made showing the design plans of the new school.



The new school will be located uphill north of the present school, said Paul Iron Cloud, president of the Porcupine School board.

It has been a team effort from the community in getting the money for the new school and crafting the design of the school, said Iron Cloud. Tom Daschle played a role in helping

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Left and above: Architectural designs by Encompass Inc. depicting the new Porcupine School. The exterior of the building and the star circle of the interior.

Eleanor and James Charging Crow

An EMT story of courage

By Anna Bee
Times Correspondent

RAPID CITY - In 1966 there was no formal ambulance service on the Pine Ridge reservation. The Wanblee District through the Tribal Work Experience Program obtained money for a van and interviewed 18 men to run two 12 hour shifts a day on the east side of the reservation. James Charging Crow, who had been a member of the police force on Pine Ridge and had certification as a Emergency Medical Technician accepted one of the two positions for $118.00 every two weeks. Shortly after the new program began, the other employee quit. That left James alone to handle the entire east side of the Pine Ridge Reservation.



Left: Eleanor and James Charging Crow have been married 54 years with over 40 years being in service to the Pine Ridge Ambulance and the people on the reservation.

James said, "We had a lot of emergencies, people hurt, people that hurt each other, accidents and births. We rode in that old van, and the stretcher would bang me in the back of the head, and we drove in all kinds of dangerous weather at all hours of the day and night. We helped a lot of people."

In 1972, Essie Kirk White Face developed another program and James began to make $30 a run (round-trip). James and Eleanor birthed at least 14 babies and also had a lot of horrific experiences during that time. "We saved a lot of lives without the equipment that they have now, and during the time of Wounded Knee. Everybody held guns on us. Eleanor said, "We are full-bloods, Jimmy and I, but we drove a van that had U.S. government on it and we went in to save lives on both sides. We couldn't get anybody to help" Eleanor said "so sometimes Jimmy had to carry a stretcher all by himself." Eleanor also said, "Both the goons and the AIM would point their guns at us, I don't know how we did it except that Jimmy would smoke his pipe, but we lived through it and saved lives."

Eleanor became a licensed EMT in 1972 and today is still active with the ambulance service. Eleanor worked as a volunteer beside James for 15 years before she was put on as an employee. "We were always needed by the community" Eleanor said "sometimes we rode with the doctors and the nurses with critical patients." She told

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Rosebud hospital collects millions in third party billing

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Shelly Harris, the CEO of the Rosebud Comprehensive Healthcare Facility delivered an overview of health services to the Rosebud Sioux Tribal council on Wednesday, September 13. The overview was in the form of a quarterly report on the fund status, third party resources, health care services, and pharmacy services at the hospital.

It appears as if one of the initiatives that Harris proposed earlier in the year will become reality. She envisioned a redesign of the emergency room area so that patients arriving by ambulance could be afforded some privacy and confidentiality. The solution was a separate entry way for the patients bought in by ambulance and a separate one for those who walk in or are ambulatory.

The hospital received funding in the amount of $150,000 from the Aberdeen Area Office facilities program to undertake the redesign. The new design will allow better patient access and a specific triage room that will allow better flow of traffic.

Third party collections in the form of private insurance, Medicare, and Medicaid have shown a steady upward increase since January of 2005 and that appears to bode well for achieving positive financial health for the institution.

The fund status report reveals an increase of 23 percent improvement over the previous fiscal year in third party collections. It showed an increase from $7,164,835 in fiscal year 2005 to $9,298,799 in fiscal year 2006.

In terms of third party resources, there were 2270 patients with Medicare in January 2005 and by July 2006 that number had increased to 2413 patients. Those patients with Medicare Part D had increased from 0 in January 2005 compared to 470 patients in July 2006. There were 7369 patients with Medicaid in January 2005 and it increased to 7892 patients with Medicaid by July 2006. Finally, there were 929 patients with some form of private insurance and that number had increased to 991 patients by 2006.

Harris' report also does a very credible task of tracking and cataloguing the five leading diagnoses of hospitalization at the Rosebud Comprehensive Healthcare Facility from October 2005 to August 2006. Pneumonia, acute bronchitis, congestive heart failure diagnosis, gastroenteritis, and chest pain were listed in

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Porcupine School

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Porcupine to get their new school. "We owe a lot to Daschle and our congressional people," Iron Cloud said. An architectural report was crafted on the poor conditions of the present school, which showed the dire need for a new building. With that information in hand, assistance was provided by Daschle to educate the Congress to assist in the need for Porcupine School to have a new building.

The grant award is $14.9 million. The architectural design of the new school is completed and next is taking steps to start the construction of the school, hopefully by late fall of 2006.

The design of the school has been an effort of the students, parents and community. Glen Barber is project manager for the new school. Barber has more than 40 years of experience in the construction field and some of those include schools in Kyle, Allen and Wanblee and a portion of Batesland School and building for Oglala Lakota College. He retired from the construction business in 2000 but responded to the need for a project manager for the new Porcupine School.

"The project has been really exciting. When you plan a school, you do the research, ecology and environment assessments, hire an educational specialist and that person helps with the standards for classroom space," said Barber. The new school will be 71, 865 square feet, which is double the size of the present school. That is a major change from the old school. There will be 19 classrooms, a media center, a shop, and 20 offices spaces for special needs as well as administration needs.

Iron Cloud said seven architectural firms were interviewed; six were Indian owned and from those, three firms were selected to present to the school board. The architectural firm Encompass Architects of Lincoln, Neb. was selected. Tammy Eagle Bull-Hesson, Oglala Lakota, is president of the firm. The firm has 20 years of experience in design.

The firm brought a strong design team and worked with the school, students and parents on input of the design of the school. "This is the first time I have known a community to get directly involved in designing their school," said Barber.

"The community, the advisory committee, faculty, students, parents, they all worked through this thing from start to finish. They discussed the needs of the desires of the community," said Iron Cloud. Plans were available on "I CARE" nights, which is a parent night at the school, to address the design.

"Today's technology has changed so much, from 40 years when this was built. We didn't have adequate technology, the building is out of date as far as today's technology, This new school will bring the latest state of the art in technology to the students," said Iron Cloud.

"We have been pleased with Encompass' work and that they have worked with us so well," said Iron Cloud. "We are 100 percent completed and waiting for the safety review from Albuquerque, N.M. to make sure all safety requirements are met."

Barber said once construction begins, there will be jobs available for the community. The project will meet with TERO requirements. My experience is that there is a lot of good available help, he said.

The school serves students in most of the districts on the Pine Ridge reservation, including Martin. The enrollment is averages 250 with 60 school staff.

Porcupine School was recently a year-round school with school in session 12 months out of the year but is in the process of going back to a nine month school schedule, said Iron Cloud.

"We operated a 12 month school with a 9 month budget and it caught up to us. We will be going back to a nine month school. We did have summer school," he said.

School board members are Paul Iron Cloud, President; Beverly Tuttle, Marlin Weston, Richard Iron Cloud, Phillip Good Crow, Bernard White Face and Sid Long Hill, district community representative. The school liaison is Bill Koenen; business manager is Leslie Cournoyer and Tom Raymond, Porcupine School principal.

Charging Crow

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how they worked so many hours, "It is 220 miles round trip from Wanblee to Pine Ridge…many nights we would have to make three or four trips...through blizzards and black ice, deer, cows and we kept the patients safe and got them there" she said.

She recalls the worst and hardest transport of her life, "On Jan. 3, 1995, I came on duty at midnight. My 35 year old son, a traditional sun-dancer and pow-wow dancer had chest pains and said he couldn't breathe. The ambulance was on another call, so the Bear Creek ambulance met us and he got into the ambulance. I used shock pants and life support. I worked on him all the way and gave him CPR with another paramedic. He died in my arms. He left four children. Everyday we think of him."

James recalls a night in the late 1970s when there was a bad accident where a semi-truck had hit a car, "There were three in front and two in back. One died, but four were alive. They got a log chain and pulled the truck up, but it kept falling and crashing into the car. I had them empty the truck and I got a handy-man jack and I jacked it up high and we used the Jaws of Life and pulled the people out. One of those people still lives in Wanblee."

James had to retire in 1996 due to health reasons but Eleanor still works for the Pine Ridge Ambulance both as a debriefer and a cultural specialist. "I understand the language pretty good," said Eleanor. "I taught James English," she said chuckling. I train employees in the culture on how to treat the elderly and how to behave in people's homes." In her job as a debriefer Eleanor helps employees to reduce the stress caused in traumatic situations. "I mostly listen and let them cry," Eleanor said; "and then I help them to shift their focus to more pleasant things."

James Charging Crow was formally recognized by the Wanblee district where he received a district flag. "They tell my story" said James, "of how I'm working all my life and gave me the flag." Eleanor has never been formally recognized or thanked by the tribe. "I guess what makes me feel bad is that the tribe only wants to recognize what is wrong and forget about all the good people do" she said. "Here it took a lady from Phillip to get me the highest nation award for an EMT. That really shocked me, but I didn't get to go and get the award, it was in Nevada" she added.

Eleanor said, "Today, things are better. Even though the ambulance is not everything we want it to be it is much better. We have training and better equipment and more people. I think we do pretty good…we are always doing better."

The Charging Crows have been married 54 years with over 40 years being in service to the Pine Ridge Ambulance and the people on the reservation. They had nine children of their own and raised five orphaned children and several children who did not have good homes.

OST President White Plume makes allies at United Nations

PINE RIDGE - Alex White Plume, President of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, met with Bolivian President, Evo Morales Ayna, and Foreign Minister, David Choquehuanca during the United Nations General Assembly on September 16 in New York City.

Also in attendance were Chief Sid Hill, Faith Keeper Oren Lyons of the Onondaga Nation, Willie Littlechild (Cree) and Tonya Gonnella Frichner, also Onondaga, Kent Lebsock of the American Indian Law Alliance (AILA) and attorney, Tom Blanco, General Counsel of OST.

Choquehuanca said, "Our Mother Earth is mortally wounded. We have been called her to work to say we, the Indigenous people, can no longer tolerate this." He also said that the pollution of water resources was a most important challenge faced by leaders today.

White Plume invited the two Bolivian leaders to the sacred Black Hills. White Plume also plans to travel to La Paz, Bolivia at their invitation in October. Discussion at the U. N. General Assembly focused on the Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous People.

Looking Cloud gets new lawyer in AIM slaying appeal

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) _ The man convicted of killing American Indian Movement activist Anna Mae Pictou Aquash in 1975 has a new lawyer to handle his appeal.

Fritz Arlo Looking Cloud, 53, is serving a mandatory life prison sentence for a 2004 conviction in Rapid City of first-degree murder committed in the perpetration of a kidnapping.

A three-member federal appeals court has since upheld the conviction and denied his request for a rehearing.

Looking Cloud is at a federal penitentiary in Pollock, La., according to the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

In October, he sent a handwritten note to his lawyer at the time, Terry Gilbert of Cleveland, asking that the attorney withdraw from the case, which Gilbert did in December.

This summer, Looking Cloud filed a handwritten habeas petition, the next step in his appeal, and asked for a new trial on three grounds: inadequate counsel, government misconduct and evidence at trial, according to the document.

U.S. District Judge Lawrence Piersol of Sioux Falls has now appointed defense lawyer Mike Butler of Sioux Falls to handle Looking Cloud's habeas request, according to an order filed Sept. 5.

Butler has handled several other high-profile cases in South Dakota and currently represents Elijah Page, a 24-year-old death row inmate who has asked to end his appeals and die by lethal injection.

Another man charged in connection with Aquash's murder, John Graham, is free on bail in Vancouver, British Columbia, at least until Oct. 30, when another bail hearing is scheduled. He is fighting extradition to South Dakota to stand trial.

Aquash's slaying on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation came amid a series of bloody clashes between federal agents and AIM. She was among the Indians who occupied the village of Wounded Knee for 71 days in 1973.

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Appeals Court adds American Horse, Hawk to Chief Judge primary ballot

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Citing a lack of consistency between the election ordinance and the Oglala Sioux Tribe law and order code, the OST Election Court of Appeals on Monday ordered the OST Election board to put the names of Joe American Horse and Steve Hawk on the ballot for the OST primary election scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 3.

The certified list of candidates issued by the election board on Wednesday Sept. 13 included only Lisa Adams on the list of chief judge candidates for the primary election. American Horse and Hawk were not certified because of not meeting two major criteria, both American Horse and Hawk did not provide proof of a juris doctorate or submit written findings or certification from the Supreme Court as required by the election ordinance.

In 1997, a secretarial election approved the popular election of the OST chief judge stating that the chief judge would be elected by members of the tribe at large under ordinances promulgated by the tribal council. The council, through ordinance, required certified candidates to have a juris doctorate from an American Bar American certified law school and a license to practice law in any state or federal jurisdiction and required the candidate to submit a completed review of his qualifications by the OST law and order committee.

Since the 1997 Secretarial election, Patrick Lee was elected to a four year term in 1998 and Cheryl Three Stars Valandra was put in as his successor in 2002 running unopposed. Lee and his opponent, Diane Zephier and Three Stars-Valandra all met the criteria of a juris doctorate from an ABA certified law school, a license to practice law and the submission of a review of their qualifications by the supreme court or judiciary committee.

This is like swatting flies with a twig," said two time past tribal president, Johnson Holy Rock, "the secretarial election took the choice of a chief judge out of the hands of the tribal council and gave it to a vote of the members at large under a criteria established by ordinance of the council, ordinances are the law of the land."

Past election board members and attorneys are saying that the election is governed by the election ordinance not the OST Law and Order Code. As the ballot on the secretarial election stated the election of a chief judge would be made at large by members of the tribe under ordinances promulgated by the council, added past election workers.

The order was signed by Javan Tony Ten Fingers, election appeals chief judge, Francis Pumpkinseed, election appeals judge and Cornel Conroy, election appeals judge on Monday, Sept. 18.

According to Maretta Champagne, election board member, sample ballots may be challenged until Thursday, Sept. 21.

The election court of appeals concluded that the OST Law and Order Code is the law of the land and it does not require judges to have a juris doctorate or a license to practice law and does not require a review of findings from the Supreme Court. The appeals court also stated that the election court of appeals decision is final and that no further appeals to tribal court or the Supreme Court are available.

LWS board election deadline set for Tuesday, Sept. 26

KYLE - With three vacancies on the school board at Little Wound School, the deadline for submitting a completed petition is rapidly approaching, according to election committee chair, Melanie Janis.

Terms of office are expiring for Everett Janis, Taylor Little White Man and Cecelia Fire Thunder. Completed petitions of a minimum of 30 signatures need to be submitted to the LWS business office no later than 4:30pm on Tuesday, Sept. 26.

Linda May and Archie Hopkins are the two board members remaining on the board. The voting for the Little Wound School board will be held in conjunction with the OST general election set for Tuesday, Nov. 7. Those elected on the 7th will serve four year terms.

Little Wound is a K-12 school located in Kyle and serves families in Wounded Knee, Porcupine, Medicine Root, Pass Creek, LaCreek and Eagle Nest districts on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

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descending order with total number for each category.

During the same period, there were 30,254 living patients registered at the institution with 698 new patients registering and 22 births and 7 deaths reported. There were also 52,775 ambulatory or walk in visits and 4,976 were for visits for injuries. There were 10,572 visits to the emergency room and of these 2,619 had an injury diagnosis. 679 of those visits were accompanied by an alcohol related diagnosis.

The dental department saw 1,831 patients and the pharmacy had 127,942 new prescriptions and 13,842 refills during this same period.

One graph visually presented the leading causes of injury. Unspecified falls led the list with 356, unarmed fight or brawl had 280, struck by an object was 270, accident from over exertion had 217, and being injured as a result of a cutting instrument had 175.

Finally, a pie chart listing suicide completion statistics for the Aberdeen Area from 2000-2005 revealed 30 females and 93 males.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Little Wound win junior high cross country, Pine Ridge dominates sixth and under

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Kyle Blacksmith won the individual boys 7th and 8th grade cross country run last week in Pine Ridge as OLL won the team title 18 to 19 over Loneman. Calandra Wanatee of Loneman won the 7th/8th grade girls individual title while Little Wound beat Pine Ridge 27-30 for the team title.

Kiley Weston was OLL's top finisher in second place and was assisted by Lyle Jacobs/8th, JD Plume/9th, Julian Hernandez/15th and Trey Goings/16th. In addition to Blacksmith Loneman included Randy White Horse in 6th, Orin Morrison/12th and Charles Barrett in 17th.

Dalton Buckman/Wolf Creek was third while Pine Ridge runners Albert Cottier and Jon Pone were 4th and 5th. Other finishers included Craig Goodlow/LW in 7th, Stephan Ashley, Tim Fast wolf and Justin Stone of American Horse were 10th, 11th and 14th, John Holy Rock/WK was 13th.

Talisha Goodlow's fourth place finish helped to lead Little Wound who got help from Kristen Clifford/6th, Wilma Watkins/7th, Emily Iron Horse/10th, Katherine Janis/14th, and Alaina Clifford/15th. Jasmine Hoof's second place led Pine Ridge with additional finishers including Tiana Yankton/5th, Sharay Brewer/11th, Alicia Perkins/12th and Tylee Janis in 18th.

Additional finishers in the Pine Ridge Big Foot Conference meet included Corinna Sitting Bear/WK 3rd, Destiny Watson/LM 8th, Sara Clifford/Porc 9th, Kateri Means/Porc 13th, Ashley Lays Bad/Porc 16th, Iris Three Fingers/Porc 17th, Kyra Young/LM 19th, Cenedra Morrison/LM 20th, Juanita Deaton/AH 21st, Norma Comes Killing/Porc 22nd, Tipi Marshall/Porc 23rd, Patricia/OLL 24th, Gypsy Cross/OLL 25th, Mozella Long/WC 26th, Asabrina Conquering Bear/WC 27th and Brittany Steele/WC 28th.

Darrel Lays Bad, Jr. of Porcupine beat Trey Walking of Pine Ridge to win the 6th grade and under competition while Pine Ridge beat Porcupine 20-37 for the team title; American Horse was third with 38 while Wolf Creek was fourth with 54.

Pine Ridge runners included Jacob Brown/4th, Jesse Brown/6th, Adonis Saltes/-8th, Misun Mills/15th, Michael Swallow/16th, Joe Morgan/17th, Joseph Courn-oyer/23rd, Brian Harris/27th, Teton Saltes/35th, Terrell Pulliam/36th, Brandon Mes-teth/39th, Eston White Pipe/43rd, Andrew Johnson-/44th and Toby Long Soldier/45th. Runner-up Porcupine included: Parnell Running Shield/9th, Ranzel Lays Bad/10th, Adam Kills Back/18th, Cody Horn-beck/22nd, Jordan Red Cloud/24th, Sam Weston-/33rd and Myron Brave Heart/34th.

American Horse took third with Darren Ridhards/5th, Darien Plenty Arrows/13th, Chance Ber Killer/19th, Myron Dillion, Jr./21st and Shamauri Hawkins/37th. Wolf Creek's fourth place included Brandon Benson/12th, Jared Rencountre/14th, Shane Star/26th, Gabriel Standing Soldier/28th, Sidney Row-land/29th, Richard Brewer-/31st, Brian Sherman/40th, Jim Rodriguez, Jr./41st, Harlan Standing Bear/46th, Teristan Davis/47th and Troy Weston/50th.

Additional runners participating in the Pine Ridge Big Foot Conference run included: Loneman-Eugene Chief Eagle/11th, Justin Eagle Hawk/30th and Logan Scabby Face/42nd; Our Lady of Lourdes-Patrick Not Help Him/20th; Little wound-Nathaniel Brown Bull/25th; Wounded Knee District School-Lance Black Tail Deer/32nd, Max Broken Nose/38th, Ohitika Gibbons/48th and Merle Broken Nose/49th. .

For the girls, Crystal Kills Back of Porcupine beat Brooke Pond for the individual girls 6th grade and under title 11:07 to 11:20 while Pine Ridge beat Loneman 10 to 88 for the team title.

The Pine Ridge Lady Thorpes included Delores Janis/3rd, Cheree Cottier/-4th, Francis Morgan/5th, Shaniah Richard/9th, Andy Janis/10th, Alice Oldson/-15th, Shawin Thunder Hawk/16th, Jada Janis/17th, Tear Ecoffey/18th, Tracy He Crow/20th, Terra Garnier/-21st, Juliana Alford/22nd, Koty Janis/24th, Janelle Black Elk/25th, Carly Shott/-26th, Sheree Brown/27th, Stella Caldwell/28th, Kiya Provost/30th, Brandy Grant/31st, Lareese blue Legs/33rd, Trista Merrival/-36th, Rhea Running Hawk/37th, Adaynia Poor bear/42nd, Shaylene Rich-ard/43rd, Mariah Shang-reaux/44th, Kayana Janis/47th, Lashawn Poor Bear/48th and Toree Little/49th.

Runner-up Loneman included: Mariah Young/11th, Collene Dreaming Bear/23rd, Kila Blacksmith/32nd, Veronica Fast Wolf/45th and Athena Little/46th. Wolf Creek included: Alanaha Weston/19th, Tierra Swift Bird/29th, Leah Richard/34th, Genriel Ribitsch/39th, Celeste Conquering Bear/40th and Summer Marshall/41st.

-Additional participating runners included: Batesland-Justina LeBeau/7th, Whitney Black Elk/8th and Sydney Brown Bear/14th; Little Wound-Denisha

Lays Bad, Kills Back repeat in 6th grade races as Pine Ridge wins three of four team title

PORCUPINE - American Horse won the 7th/8th grade boys cross country run hosted by Porcupine School on Thursday 22-23 over Our Lady of Lourdes preventing a Pine Ridge sweep as the Thorpes won the girl's 7th/8th grade team title 19-33 over Little Wound, won the 5th/6th grade boy's title 26-37 over St. Francis and the 5th/6th grade girl's title 14-44 over St. Francis.

Loneman's Christian Tobacco defeated his teammate Kyle Blacksmith, last week's winner with a time of 8:18 to 8:27 for the 7th/8th grade title while Pine Ridge's Jessica Tall knocked off last week's 7th/8th grade winner from Loneman, Calandra Wanatee in 9:09 to 9:15. In the 5th/6th grade divisions, both winners made it two in a row as Porcupine's Darrell Lays Bad. Jr. beat Loneman's Wayne Eagleman 6:40 to 7:11 and Porcupine's Crystal Kills Back downed Batesland's Sydney Brown bear 7:11 to 7:38.

Big Foot Conference cross country is in Manderson, next week they are in Batesland and the finals are set for Little Wound in Kyle on Oct. 4.

Little Wound School announces Corrective Action Status

KYLE - Little Wound School sent out a letter to all parents, community members and staff regarding its recent entry into Corrective Action Status under the No Child Left Behind Act. The letter informs them that the school is in Corrective Action Status. This occurs when a school fails to make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) as determined by national and state adapted tests in the area of language arts, reading, and mathematics. Other areas of importance are student attendance in grades K through 8 and graduation rates in grades 9 through 12. Adequate yearly progress is the progress needed each year to have all children proficient and advanced in reading and math by the year 2014.

The school improved on the attendance goals in grades K-8, but still needs to improve on the high school graduation rate and also reading and math scores school-wide.

To address these issues the school will be working closely with the school community and implement a corrective action plan that will be effective during the 2006-07 school year. The plan will initially include; appointing outside specialists to advise the school on its plan and progress, getting assistance from teacher preparation programs at colleges and universities and restructuring the elementary school into K-2 and 3-5 grade units to provide greater focus on student reading and math needs at each level.

The school seeks the trust of the school community and parents and their input in working together to develop a corrective plan that will improve academic achievement, attendance, and graduation rates for LWS. If you have any further questions or concerns please contact Linda Hunter, Superintendent at 455-6174

At a special board meeting on August 28, the Little Wound School board unanimously agreed to officially go on record as approving corrective action status "Under Protest" because of the pressure of deadlines that negatively impact effective school planning and guidelines of NCLB that interferes with the attainment of established student outcomes of the school and community.

Todd County senior spends summer at Stanford Aspires for admission to Stanford University next fall

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent



Todd County senior, Tootie Herman, of Mission spent the summer at Standford studying political science. She aspires to attend Stanford in the fall.

MISSION - Todd County High School senior, Tootie Herman, spent the summer at Stanford which is often referred to as the "Harvard of the West' where she was admitted to the "Junior Statesmen of America" program and studied political science.

Stanford is a rather elite west coast academic institution and Tootie was able to catch a glimpse of the demands of a post high school education. She said, "Going to Stanford this summer, I realized that is not easy at all. I was in the middle of three-hundred students. I met people from all over the country and my roommate was from Saipan."

The aspiring Sicangu senior was the only Native American student chosen among the three-hundred and she admitted that the others were quite impressed with her participation in the event.

The determination to attend Stanford is reflected in her personality, attitude and smile which exude a great deal of confidence. She has plans to meet the deadline for application to Stanford on November 1 and then, work very hard to earn her Bachelor of Science degree in political science with a minor in journalism. What is most admirable is that she is also planning to pursue a graduate degree at Stanford in the same disciplines.

Tootie's grandmother, Gwen Herman, is employed as a secretary at the Rosebud Sioux Tribe's vice president's office and she has been a great motivator and supporter of Tootie's dreams of higher education and a place in the work world later on. Tootie explained her grandmother's style of motivation when she said, "I have a curfew on weekends at 11:00 p.m. I can't go anywhere without my work being done. At first I hated it but now I am happy."

Tootie would like to earn her credentials and see the world before coming home to work on the Rosebud. She has a strong desire to work for the 'rights' of the people and their individual freedoms as guaranteed by the U. S. Constitution.

Her outstanding achievements, thus far, include being on honor roll, being the class president during freshmen and sophomores years and having dual enrollment at Sinte Gleska University since her junior year. She also participated in the South Dakota Miss Teen pageant where she was voted 'most photogenic.' Grandma Gwen is quick to point out that Tootie has also earned Advanced Placement in macroeconomics at TCHS and also one credit hour of college work from Stanford in 'honors' political communication.

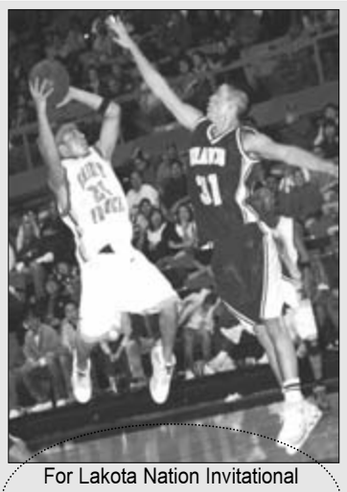
Tootie is also listed in "Whose Who Among High School Students" and is currently on the RST gang and prevention committee. She also has a sister, Rachel, who is sixteen and is planning to attend UCLA one day.

The daughter of Teddi Rae Herman, Tootie has been planning her career for many years. She understands the need for studying and class preparation and, in fact, is also making application for a Gates Millennium Scholarship which is administered by the American Indian College Fund.

The Rosebud anticipates the future achievements of Tootie as she apparently has been an excellent role model, having led a healthy lifestyle and her dreams of academic excellence are equally as achievable.

Finally, Tootie is quite appreciative of the financial support she has received from the Shakopee Mdewakanton tribe of Minnesota, Wells Fargo, Buches and others.

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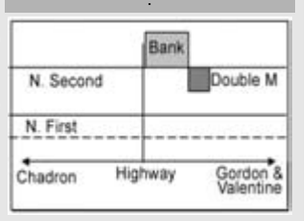


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Guest Editorial

Is Iktomi back in town?

By Ivan Starr
Oglala, S.D.

It is election time again; however, this year is unusually different. Aside from the fact that we have repeated this election every two years for seven decades, things have been quiet.

It is rather eerie not knowing what our people are promising if they win. Even the usual roadside campaign placards, bumpers stickers, or newspaper ads are not out yet.

As with previous elections, we have a large number of legislative candidates. I am sure these people are hoping to win a tribal council seat, to be one of the lucky 18, for the next two years. Yes, a few of these men and women are going to become the most powerful people on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

According to our constitution, our tribal council can remove our tribal president.

Actually, this group has an established record of removing a president without due process; and nothing can reverse their action… except the council itself. That is what I call power.

In view of this reality, though, we have a significant number of presidential and vice-presidential candidates. I believe their goal is to be in charge of the executive committee.

Whatever their goals are, I think they are a courageous bunch of people. I am sure they know the president is at the complete mercy of the all-powerful tribal council.

In using the term all-powerful, I am referring to the absolute authority vested in the tribal council by the Constitution of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. Accordingly, our legislature controls the president and the executive committee as well as the court system, including the Supreme Court. This should be common knowledge by now.

Sadly, I know people, including some of our current candidates, who refuse to acknowledge this.

They will charge blindly into the political sphere with the idea that they are affiliating with a government that accords equal political, economic, and legal rights to every tribal member. Because we vote every two years, they actually believe we have a democratic system.

When the framers of this Indian Reorganization Act imposed it on the Lakota people in 1935, they did not teach it to the masses.

Classroom instruction could have made a difference regarding our situation today. Consequently, not one tribal member today was ever formally educated about the Wheeler-Howard Act.

At the same time, the federal government's general policy was to enervate the powerful Lakota via a long, systematic, and brutal assimilation process. Forced to attend federal schools for "Indians", children did not learn anything about treaties or the traditional system of government. In fact, they could not speak their time-honored language.

Here we are in the 21st Century, and I can say I am one of those "Indians" who actually endured racial apathy right here on the homeland. I am one of those who endured punishment for speaking Lakota in a parochial residential school. I am one of the diminishing few who can still communicate effectively using the Lakota language.

Anyway, the primary election is set to occur on Oct. 3 in every district on the Pine Ridge. The general election will be taking place on November of 2006.

The new tribal administration will take their oath of office in January of 2007.

However, nothing will change. I believe we are in for another two years of the same stuff we endured for the past 70 years.

The con artist Iktomi comes to mind. Especially, when he duped a bunch of ducks into dancing with their eyes closed. He told them his bag of songs was to honor them. While they danced, the hungry Iktomi clubbed them one by one. The story goes on to tell of one little duck who dared to open his eyes, at the risk of having red eyes forever.

The small duck saw what Iktomi was doing and gave the alarm.

All the remaining ducks scrambled to escape, including the ones in the bag. Iktomi tried to block the doorway with his body but the terrified ducks nearly trampled him to death in search of their freedom. Is there a moral to this story? Anybody can figure that out.

All I know is that after the oath of office, the commotion of inauguration, the speeches and the honoring, most of us will return to our homes and continue living as we have the past two years, and the two years before that.

Actually, we have done this for seventy years and we are going to do it again.

It is not the end, though; there are a few who will get to enjoy the privilege of being related to an election winner. This situation has existed since 1935 and we cannot truly blame individuals.

It is really nobody's fault; the constitution created this situation, not the people.

Well, maybe a small handful may be corrupt. The real culprit, however, is the document that supposedly contains the people's laws.

Now, this is not to punish our candidates. I know most of our candidates and they are good people.

I also know of the clandestine few who are not so good. If any finger pointing needs to occur, then let us point them at the cause of our demise - the Constitution of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. I am talking about a Separation of Powers amendment.

This particular idea seems to scare some people.

I don't really know who these people are, but, somebody is certainly resisting such an amendment.

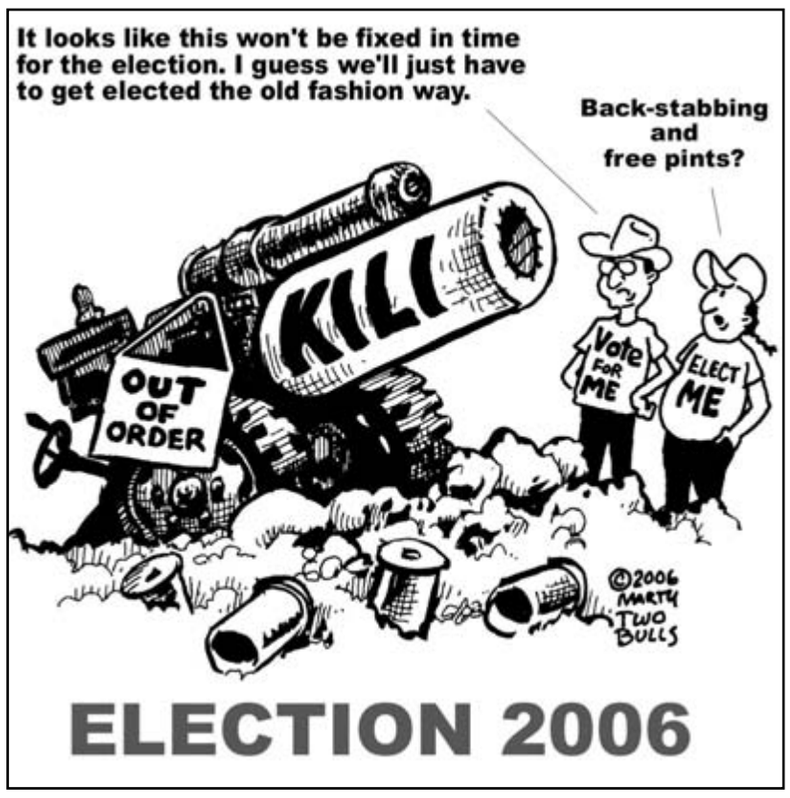
I believe the only amendment we need is one that will take that absolute power away from the Tribal Council and divide it equally and equitably with an Executive and Judicial branches of government.

Elections are approaching fast; I do encourage voters to think seriously about our future. Are we going to allow this miserable lifestyle to continue indefinitely? Are we going to let our grandchildren endure the same things we did? Bear in mind; the only thing that will change things positively is to amend that constitution.

My little "rantings" will not make a difference in how things are running today.

However, I did the next best thing by putting my research and views on paper.

Maybe our youth, at some point in the future, can benefit from my writings.



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Exploiting us for the sake of funding

Dear Editor,

Much of the funding for tribal programs is the result of the head count of Rosebud Sioux Tribal members by the census. Many complaints exist concerning lack of assistance and respect from many programs who utilize this head count to bring in the funding for the programs saying they provide service. Many complaints surface of negative program

Directors, who only help certain individuals, or of their drinking and drugging and no one seems to be able to hold them accountable.

Some of our council representatives fall right into the same pattern of continuing to out right exploit each and every tribal member for the sake of funding for the Limited Liabilities corporation, which the Rosebud Sioux Tribe is.

If many of you will wake up and realize that we don't have to allow these programs to exploit us for their funding, Especially if they treat our Lakota Oyate poorly, don't provide the needed services like adequate housing, heat, clothing for the children and even gravel to provide decent roads. Remember that You are being used to bring in funds, regardless if you're residing here on the Rosebud Indian reservation or in Rapid City or incarcerated some where.

It is time to say enough is enough, don't count us any more for your program funding, which are selective in helping, There is a legal way that this may be done.

If enough of us stand by this issue and demand that the tribal programs and government quit exploiting our People. It can happen. It may be a petition or another form which we can send to the United states and the funding sources telling them,

These programs will have to get our permission to fund raise in our name, The churches here on the Rosebud Indian reservation are another example of exploitation.

Think about this, and we will have to begin the process soon, it won't matter if it affects the services and funding several years down the road, They don't help any now and hasn't for years even though they have been using us to bring in the money.

Hecetu yelo,
Alfred Bone Shirt
Saint Francis, S.D.

Will Peter's 12 point plan

*Editor's Note***The Lakota Country Times welcomes Oglala Sioux Tribal election candidates to submit their platforms. The platform below was submitted by Will Peters, candidate for president.*

Ta Chunku Luta
Waunspewicakiya

1. Stabilize Tribal Government: We must continue to work to totally eliminate graft and corruption from tribal government. Until we stop corruption, we will not be able to entice outside entities to invest in the homeland with businesses that could provide jobs for the People. Nobody wants to get ripped-off, that's why nobody wants to bring their industries here.

2. Protect Tribal Finances: The groundwork has already been laid by the current treasurer to stabilize tribal finances; additional work must be done to safeguard the People's funds by installing internal mechanisms that would totally prevent anyone from accessing funds in an unauthorized fashion. I will require the treasurer to provide bi-weekly reports via K.I.L.I. Radio directly from the President's Office.

3. Complete and Immediate Land Audit: This will be one of the first tasks to be performed. We are nothing without our land, and we are losing more everyday. The Oglala Lakota currently have a controlling interest in only 49% of our original 100% land base. 51% is controlled by outside interests. We must find out how we lost so much land! I suspect that a complete land audit will uncover many instances of illegal land deals.

4. District Allocation Accountability: We must work together to stop the practice of certain people always getting help from their respective districts, while many others are not helped. I will, on your behalf, require districts to provide complete monthly reports to be posted at their respective district C.A.P. Offices. In addition, spreadsheets must be made available when called upon indicating who has been helped.

5. Control Government & Program Spending: We all know at times, it is necessary for tribal officials to travel to lobby on the tribe's behalf. However, that being said, I have seen way too many instances of unnecessary spending in regards to in-services and conferences. When the new casino is finished, we will have with it a new hotel with conference facilities. Through legislation, all tribal programs will be mandated to hold their conferences here at home. This is turn will keep tribal dollars circulating here on the homeland and the savings can be passed on via extra services to the People.

6. Positive relationship with Treaty Council: There has been almost no activity in regards to the Black Hills Claim. The money will never be accepted, but we must act on the many violations of the 1851

Please turn to Will Peters: A5

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Northern Perspectives

Stuck in the "60s" tonight



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

I am happy that I took my son to the South Dakota Vietnam Veterans Memorial dedication in Pierre over the weekend. I don't recall my own father telling about his tour of France and Germany during WWII. The only thing I remember was that he and my uncle had met up in Germany. Also, my grandmother Lottie Hawkins as they called her went to a 'yuwipi' and she was told correctly that they would be coming home safe from the war.

I don't know if we 'Nam Vets' are stuck in a time when the nation itself was defining itself, as we were also doing as young men, but the whole experience was good for me. The day afterward, I felt a bit of sadness for many of my fellow Vietnam veterans who have had losses and left a part of themselves in that faraway Asian land.

When we point to statistics that say the young don't know any geography and past events such as the Vietnam War, I am thankful that my little one was able to see the Huey choppers flying and to listen to some of the stories and see many veterans dressed up in their uniforms.

I never took the time to attend Vietnam Veteran gatherings so the event was a cleansing time for me.

I thought of my brother, Edward, who lives in New Mexico and who served with the 25th Infantry Division before I got to Vietnam. He should have been there at the forefront of the parade, because he never has heard the ovation of the crowds or been honored the Lakota way for his sacrifice.

The veterans are an interesting group of guys because they remind me of the Lakota culture.

They don't do a lot of self promotion or brag about their achievements and sometimes that can be a drawback. Sometimes we need to honor them even if it has been done before.

All of Vietnam was a combat zone and you had to be there to get a sense of the smells, sights and sounds. Almost 40 years later, the sounds of helicopters and the white sands of Cam Rahn Bay remain in one's mind. The hills of Pleiku were dry and dusty at time and wet during the monsoon.

Listening to AFVN while on guard duty was forbidden, but I did it anyway and just about snoozed on guard duty. It reminded me of 'Good Morning Vietnam.'

Steppen Wolf sang "Magic Carpet Ride", Otis Redding sang "The Dock of the Bay" and most of us were nineteen. We didn't know anything about the politics of the war; we just wanted to return unharmed to "the world" and to do the simple things like watch television or eat a steak.

Hearing music coming from nearby villages in Pleiku was a reminder of just how close the villages were. I only spent one night out beyond our perimeter and got the chills toward morning as I only had a towel to cover up with. Seeing an occasional child or adult lying in some entry way was not unusual, but the tendency was to ignore it. I remember meeting a Montagnard villager or two who acted as guides for our American forces. They were very much the indigenous people of the land.

Anyway, I am happy that I could share some of my Vietnam experiences with my son as he will remember it and retell it to his own children. My experiences were not traumatic, but relatively uneventful except for a few incoming mortar attacks, at which point the sirens would blare somewhere and we would quickly move to our bunkers. It was funny because we didn't have any place to sit, so we would just stand crowded in the dark sometimes sweating from the heat. We would listen for any ensuring gunfire, but most of the time it didn't come. Most of the time we didn't have our weapons in base camp and I was telling my son that I thank 'tunaksila' that we didn't have to engage the enemy or were not overrun.

Notes From Indian Country

After many years traditionalists are taking the lead



By Tim Giago

(Nanwica Kciji)

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One sunny day, Tatanka Iyotanka (Sitting Bull) was sitting on a bench outside of his log home on the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation conversing with his two wives when a Christian minister rode up to the house in his buckboard.

The minister exchanged a few pleasantries and then got down to the business that had brought him to the home of the great Sioux leader. He told the Chief that it was un-Christian of him to have two wives. It went against the will of God. It was barbarian. It was the way of heathens.

Sitting Bull listened patiently, probably with a small grin on his face because he had heard all of this before from the white man, and said to the minister, "Well, there they are. Now you tell them which one has to leave."

Which of these Lakota women would you deprive of a loving home? It was an answer based on plain Lakota logic. But then Lakota logic had baffled the white man for a century. And well it should because it was logic based on centuries of cultural beliefs totally unknown to the European settlers.

The problems between the two races began because by not understanding the culture of the Lakota, the white man then disrespected it. He disrespected it by trying to remake it into something he could understand. If he could not remake it, he attempted to diminish it or destroy it.

Lakota logic and European logic did not blend. It was like trying to mix water and oil.

A Lakota man took more than one wife for many reasons. Perhaps a brother had died leaving a widow with children. In the Lakota way, the surviving brother then became responsible for his brother's wife and children. It was his duty to give them food and shelter. His brother's children became his children and his brother's wife became his wife. Unchristian? Uncivilized?

When the settlers moved west they saw it as their responsibility to disrupt the civilization of the Lakota. Of course we know this as Manifest Destiny. Just as the Spaniards made it an edict to either convert the indigenous people of South and Central America or kill them if they did not convert, so too did the settlers moving west try to convert a people by destroying their culture. Culturecide?

Of course, changing a culture is something that cannot be done over night. As so many conquerors have discovered in history, the best way to create a new culture in their own image is to start with the innocent children.

Institutionalization seemed to be the best way. But in order to do this the new government of the United States needed help. It turned to the many Christian churches and organizations that were already intent upon saving the souls of the so-called heathens. In the late 1800s the government and the church convinced tribal leaders like Red Cloud and others to donate land to the Catholic Church (and other religions) in order to construct Indian missions that would be turned into boarding schools.

Institutionalization had begun.

In collusion between church and state, the boarding schools sprang up all across Indian country. They were precursors of the federal boarding schools like Carlisle and Haskell, schools intent upon acculturation. Stewart, Pine Ridge, Phoenix, Santa Fe, and Albuquerque, were just a few of the Bureau of Indian Affairs boarding schools that soon became familiar institutions across the west.

Hundreds of religious institutions from Arizona to Washington State to the Dakotas had already begun the tedious process of destroying the different Indian cultures and traditions. The same thing was happening across Canada. They called the schools "residential schools" up there. A continent-wide, methodical destruction of language, attire, religion and culture of many indigenous tribes had begun. The same thing was happening across Central and South America.

There will always be that argument by church and state that this was done for the good and for the survival of the Indian people. But was it? Didn't the eventual illegal seizures of millions of acres of Indian land and resources enter into the equation?

The thinking was, at the time that if the Indian was made over in the image of the white man, there would be an end to the Indian problem. The acculturated Indians would assume their roles in society and the headache they presented would vanish. Everybody would just be plain and simple Americans.

However, the process of acculturation did not provide for inclusion. Indians were not recognized as citizens of the United States. They were isolated on lands known as Indian reservations. In Canada they were known as Reserves. They were excluded from participating in the governments of the newly formed states. The message was, "you can act like us, dress like us, speak English like us and worship our God, but you are not welcome to our table.

The process of acculturation was not a complete failure. Many Indians converted to Christianity and became, in the eyes of the federal government, productive citizens. Those who did not were shunned. They were given names by the converted Indians of bucks, wild Indians, full bloods and traditionalists. What is worse, this stigmatization forced the traditional Indians into various stages of poverty. They became the have-nots.

While those who acculturated and converted to Christianity prospered somewhat, the traditionalists remained as the poorest of the poor. And this condition exists even to this day.

Modern terminology still points this out. When someone does not conform, they are said to be "off the reservation."

But I believe those who have been shunned for many years, the traditionalists, are winning over the hearts, mind and spirits of those who converted.

The traditionalists have remained steadfast in their beliefs, they have retained their spirituality and language, and have set the example for those who thought that by abandoning their culture and traditions they would be better off.

When Sitting Bull told the minister to select the wife to leave his home, he spoke volumes of what was to become the assault upon the culture and traditions of the Lakota people.

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and 1868 Treaties. Remember that these are legally binding documents that even the Supreme Court recognizes. We must engage in federal breach of contract lawsuits that do not give up the lands. There can be potential positive outcomes from such lawsuits that will benefit all Lakota, Dakota, and Nakota Oyate. The Oceti Sakowin must come together to support this effort, with our combined financial resources, we will be able to hire the best attorneys. The Treaty Council of the Oglala must take the lead in bringing the Oceti Sakowin together for this effort

7. Treaty and Trust Obligations: Our very condition throughout the decades is more than enough evidence to prove that the United States Government has not fulfilled their obligations to us. Here again we must engage in legal activity and start a dialogue in regards to Trust obligation Modifications. With all the cuts the Bush administration is making, we have no recourse but to stand on the legal contracts that have been made with our People.

8 .B.I.A. Accountability: We must call for a federal inquiry into the B.I.A's adverse activities. From my experience, it is clear that although there are some good people within that organization, for the most part; B.I.A. seems to be working against the Tribes instead of with the Tribes. Remember, they are supposed to be there to assist in our quality of life; instead they are financially top-heavy with very little financial resources seeping down to the People.

9. Gaming: It has long been said that we should not be negotiating with the state in regards to gaming. If we are a sovereign nation, why do we not negotiate with the federal government itself? This is the direction we must attempt to move in. Never, in a million years, will Governor Rounds make a decision in our favor, the man seems to have no clue to the fact that because we do not as of yet have an economic infrastructure, all our money goes off the rez. More gaming machines will not only benefit us, but the off-rez economies as well, Vote for Jack Billion, we might have a chance there, otherwise, we have no recourse but to stand on our sovereignty.

10. Tribal Education Department: Thus far, the Tribe and O.N.E.C. have been moving forward in developing the education department. O.N.E.C. is to be credited for the amount of work they have done to support this effort. We are very close to seeing this become a reality. 1% of the 2% right to work fee will be used to fund the department.

11. Constitutional Revisions: A matter of great importance. The constitution of the United States has been amended a total of 18 times to the best of my knowledge. T hose amendments allowed the constitution to evolve as the times changed. Times have changed for us, yet the way we are governed has not, this is why we are not moving ahead in a socially progressive manner. W hen our elected officials take the oath, they are swearing to uphold the constitution of the United States. As a Lakota I would rather sweat to do all in my power to look after our people.

12. Keeping the People Informed: This is what a good leader should do. Before K.I.L.I. went off the air, I either went up there or called in every Friday to report to the Lakota People, they are my bosses. I hope the next council members will take the time to get on the schedule at K.I.L.I. and make reports to the People. Everything the Tribe does should be reported on, in the papers, or on the air.

Conclusion-we spend way too much time fighting the federal government and the B.I.A. over Uncle Sam's Table Scraps, that is political oppression. It is time we take action on a bigger scale. Homelessness, violence, drug & alcohol abuse, and all the other negative issues we face are classic symptoms of POVERTY.

We must now take a stand to aggressively resolve these issues and collectively demand our fair share of the so-called "American Dream" to insure a better quality of life for all of us. We are coming apart trying to hold each other accountable, let us stand together to hold Uncle Sam accountable. It is the only way.

Differences must be put aside for extreme efforts on behalf of the People. Others say we like to fight each other too much. That's only because we have no one who wants to fight us. We are Oglala, the descendents of a great People. We are a hard People, each and everyone of us have strength and are without fear. From the youngest to the oldest, we are strong, can you not see that Mitakuyepi? We must re-establish our place within the Oceti Sakowin, and that is a place of strong leadership.

When I become your next President, I will take that as a great honor and responsibility. I will immediately begin work on this 12 point plan. We will all see who our true enemies are. That will give us something to come together over. We have not, as a People, been into battle for a long time now. Our hearts have become restless as we continue to struggle. We need something to look forward to so we can take it easy on each other. None of us want to live like this. It is time for the Oglala to stand up again; we've been sitting down too long.

This is what I offer the People, my heart and the willingness to do hard work. Nothing is impossible, I am willing to walk into tomorrow and find something better for us. I want to be the President, I know I can do the job, I know how to walk with my People, I know I can't do it alone. I do not fight for personal position and financial gain. I will fight for something greater than that for all of us. Look at the list Mitakuyepi, you have seen the rest, now put a strong Oglala to the test. Friends and Relatives, if you agree with what has been presented, then vote for Will Peters. Together we will walk forward and see what tomorrow will bring. I can't promise nothing but my love, courage, and hard work. These things, I hope you have seen in me. Hece tuwelo, Ta Chunku Luta Waunspewicakiya he miyelo!



Lakota Vietnam Veterans participate in memorial dedication

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent









Left: Vietnam Veteran, Francis Whitebird and U.S. Marine, James Eagleman, both of Rosebud take a break before heading to the South Dakota Vietnam War Memorial dedication. Middle: A float representing the Cheyenne River Sioux Vietnam Veterans was an entry in the Heroes Parade held on Saturday on Capitol street. There were 8 entries representing the Lakota oyate. Right: Vietnam Veteran, Dr. Archie Beauvais of Rosebud, poses with the newly unveiled Vietnam Veteran memorial statue during dedication ceremonies emceed by Adrian Cronauer of "Good Morning Vietnam" fame. The ceremonies were also carried live on SD public radio and television. Below right: The enduring symbol of the Vietnam Veteran adorned a building across from the dedication ceremonies in Pierre on Saturday. The symbol is fashioned after the Vietnam Service Medal which was created using the motif of the S. Vietnam flag.

Photos courtesy of Beaux Beauvais.

PIERRE - The state did itself proud as it hosted the South Dakota Vietnam Veteran's Memorial dedication ceremony on Saturday, Sept. 16 with an unveiling of a 7 foot bronze statue depicting a soldier in Vietnam created by artists Sherri Treeby and Lee Luenig.

Choppers flew overhead all day long and Vietnam era rock and roll music played all day behind the capitol building as Vietnam Veterans and their families could be seen relaxing in the shade or looking at names on the moving wall.

The weekend included a whole lineup of activities intended to make 'welcome home' the many South Dakota veterans who served in Vietnam during the period of 1961 to 1975. During that period 28,000 South Dakotans served their country in Vietnam and 210 were killed or missing in action. Lakota warriors from many of the nine reservations have always been credited with serving proudly in disproportionate numbers as they also come from a proud warrior tradition. In fact, Lakota families endeavor to honor them in their own special way.

The city was dressed up in a patriotic theme of red, white and blues as many businesses had emblazoned on their billboards, "Welcome Vietnam Veterans." With the price of gas having dropped to $2.41 in some locations in Pierre the crowds were well in to the tens of thousands. The city had not seen such a gathering ever, according to some vendors.

It was a powerful event and one which allowed fellow Vietnam Veterans from South Dakota to congregate and enjoy the reception given to them. Francis Castaway of the Sicangu Warriors said, "We did the Rosebud Sioux proud. It felt good finally to get a 'welcome home' in South Dakota. We were given a standing ovation." Chet Stoneman of Rosebud added, "It was touching…today was truly inspiring to Vietnam vets, what we went through. During the war we lost our comrades." Nick Leading Fighter, Bob Gassman, William Menard, Cornell Menard, Trudell Guerue, Donovan Shangreaux and Bob Emery were some of the other Lakota veterans in attendance.

On Friday, helicopter rides were available, the traveling memorial wall was open and a quilt of tears was display in the capital which remained opened for visitors throughout the weekend.

Continuous counseling was available through the weekend for veterans. The evening concluded with a concert by the Beach Boys at 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday a hero's parade was held at 9:30 a.m. which traveled a mile and a half east on Capitol Street. The Sicangu Warriors were twenty third in line according to Castaway. A number of Sicangu warriors had attended the gathering in a van and then were camped out on the north edge of Pierre Indian Learning Center.

Colder weather had been forecasted with high winds during the rest of the weekend.

The Oglala Sioux had also rented a van and were to bring 27 Vietnam Veterans to the dedication according to volunteer veteran's service officer, Frank Marshall.

Other floats were in evidence from the Cheyenne River Sioux as well as the Oglala Sioux. One from Pine Ridge Agency carried a sign in memory of Vietnam Veterans who had died. The American Indian Veterans Association participated as well as the Pine Ridge American Legion, the Sisseton Wahpeton Vietnam Veterans and the Sicangu Warriors of the Vietnam War.

The memorial dedication ceremony began at 2 p.m. with the unveiling as a large screen digital television was available for those who could not get into the seating area for dignitaries.

The program which was carried live by South Dakota Public TV and SD public radio was also available in two USO tents and several locations in case of inclement weather.

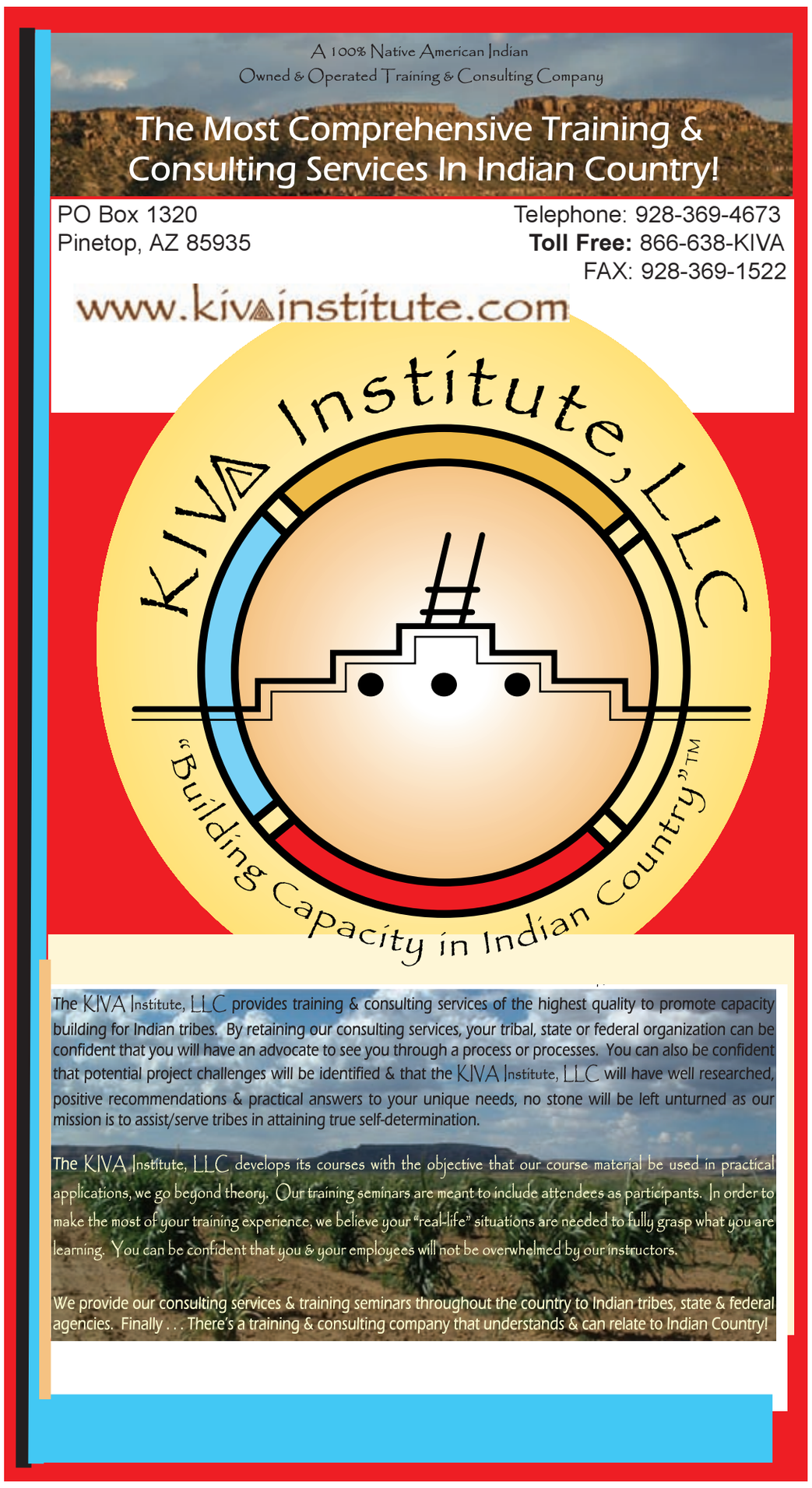
Sicangu Lakota, Francis Whitebird, gave the invocation in Lakota, while the Red Leaf drum from Two Strike community on the Rosebud headed by Pat Bad Hand sang the Lakota Flag song and the Vietnam Lakota Warrior song.

The traveling wall is a replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, DC and stands 8 feet high at its highest and is 370 long. It will remain open 24 hours a day through Monday, Sept. 18 and it is where many Lakota Vietnam warriors are memorialized forever. Names like Blair Two Crow, Frank Jealous Of Him of Pine Ridge and Gabriel Two Eagle and Larry Wayne LaPointe of Rosebud are but a few of the more than 58,000 names on the wall.

A book entitled, "The Vietnam War: South Dakota Remembers" presents stories and photographs of South Dakotans who served in Vietnam was on sale for $64. Adrian Cronauer of "Good Morning Vietnam" fame was the master of ceremonies. His life was loosely portrayed by Robin Williams in the movie. Meanwhile, the duo of Big and Rich sang a tribute to a friend entitled "8th of November."

The memorial dedication ceremony was an overdue heartwarming event for South Dakota Vietnam Veterans and many seemed pleased that it went so well.

Many could be heard expressing their thanks or welcoming each other home. Others simply were not ready to go home as the event was to conclude with a free breakfast on Sunday,



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Krogman leads Falcon ground attack over St. Francis

Michaud bulldawgs Crusaders for first Thorpe win

Mustangs run roughshod over Chieftains

By Tom Crash
Times Sports Correspondent

MISSION/KYLE/PINE RIDGE - Todd County controlled the line of scrimmage as junior running back Gunner Krogman rushed nine times for 175 yards and controlled the airwaves running two interceptions back for touchdowns in their 48-0 win over St. Francis on Friday.

The Falcons rushed 31 times from the line of scrimmage for 294 yards. Krogman scored the last two Falcon touchdowns in the second quarter, one on a 75 yard run from scrimmage and another on a 40 yard return of an interception as Todd County was up at the half 30-0.

Mike Neiss, a 140 pound junior running back carried the ball three times for 53 yards and scored touchdowns on runs of 11 and 26 yards. Jarrett Allen opened the scoring for Todd County with a one yard plunge, CJ Spotted Tail opened the second half with a 21 yard run for a TD and Charlie Moe closed out the Falcon scoring with a three yard run for a TD. Canku One Star, a freshman defensive back scored a third quarter TD returning an interception 50 yards for a score.

Krogman and senior, Albert Her Many Horses led the Todd County defense with nine tackles a piece while Chris Rahn had seven tackles and a sack.

After opening the season with a loss, the Falcons have put together two straight wins and head for Crow Creek on Friday with game time set for 1:30 p.m. central. St. Francis hosts Bennett County at 7 p.m. Friday night.

"This is the first time in the school's history that Little Wound has opened the football season with a 3-0 record," said third year head coach, Darrell Hunter, "and for a little icing on the cake, the Mustangs get an honorable mention nod in the Class 11A football poll out on Tuesday."

The Mustangs rolled up 329 yards of total offense on Friday as they spread out the wealth with seven different players scoring in Little Wound's 46-6 win over Crow Creek. Bryce Hornbeck opened the scoring on a 49 yard end around for a touchdown, Johnny Cloud plowed over from the 10 yard line for the Mustangs second score and JC Mesteth made it 20-0 in the first quarter with a seven yard sweep around the end,

Cloud completed four out of ten passes while freshman quarterback, Jeremy Red Cloud completed his only pass hitting Devon LeBeau with a 12 yard TD pass to open the second quarter and Shiloh Pierce finished the game with 15 carries for 82 yards and one touchdown, a ten yard slant off tackle giving Little Wound a 33-0 halftime lead.

Crow Creek's Larry Gayton, a 175 pound junior wingback, put the Chieftains on the board to open the third quarter with a 90 yard TD pass to Eric Dolezal for Crow Creek's only score of the game.

Averaging over seven yards a carry, Rich Big Boy, a 212 pound senior fullback rushed for 58 yards on eight carries and chipped in a fourth quarter touchdown on a 12 yard drive up the middle. Harold Top Bear closed out the scoring for Little Wound with a 12 yard TD run in the fourth.

"We still have too many penalties," said Hunter, "and I have to continue to remind the boys that we have played smaller schools so far that we need to continue to improve each week; last year we went into the playoffs with a good record and were blown out by Belle Fourche at home in the first round, we need to learn from that and prepare accordingly."

Little Wound travels to Red Cloud on Friday for a 2 p.m. game and Crow Creek hosts Todd County.

In an unusual state of affairs, Pine Ridge on Friday, traveled to Red Cloud; the Thorpes were 0-2 while the Crusaders were 2-0. The Thorpes broke open a tight defensive game with 20 second half points including their first points of the year on offense to pick up their first win of the year 28-8 over Red Cloud.

JD Two Bulls intercepted two AB Morgan passes in the first quarter, running the second one back from the Red Cloud 17 yard line for the first score of the game, Juan Ramos ran the two point conversion in to give Pine Ridge an 8-0 lead. Defense on both sides of the line dominated the rest of the first half with the second quarter closing out with the Thorpes up 8-0.

"Turnovers killed us all day long," said Nick Dressel, Red Cloud head coach, "with seven interceptions and two lost fumbles I'm surprised the score was as close as it was. We would get some momentum going and then turn the ball over"

Will Brewer recovered a Red Cloud fumble midway through the first quarter, then Michael Jack intercepted a Crusader pass to keep Red Cloud scoreless in the first half. On the opening kick-off of the second half, Red cloud's Shay All Runner grabbed the short kick turning it into an onside kick and ran it down to the Pine Ridge 23 yard line. DJ Big Crow cut the opportunity short by intercepting a Morgan pass deep in Pine Ridge territory.

Bulldawg Michaud broke an offensive drought that stretched over 10 quarters in the new season by turning the left end and hustling for a 67 yard TD scramble to put Pine Ridge's first offensive score of the year on the board. Michaud had scored last week on a fumble recovery and an interception and the Thorpes first score Friday was off the Two Bull interception.

After Pine Ridge stopped Red Cloud on a three and out, Michaud came right back with a 15 yard scamper to give Pine Ridge a 22-0 lead.

Billy Scott put Red Cloud on the board with a six yard plunge up the middle and added the two point conversion on the ground. Scott was the workhorse again on the ground for Red Cloud carrying the ball 31 times for 142 yards and a touchdown.

Michaud closed out the scoring for Pine Ridge recovering a Crusader fumble on the Red Cloud 44 yard line and running it back for the score.

"We new it would be a tough game coming into Red Cloud, they werfe pumped up starting the season 2-0, both teams played well," said Pine Ridge head coach, Dave Michaud, "our defensive line put a lot of pressure on their quarterback all day long - we really needed a win and each of our players did their fob and got it sone."

Dominating the game with a smothering defense, Pine Ridge closed out a seven interception day as Two Bulls picked off his third interception of the day as the third period came to a close. DJ Clifford picked off a Red Cloud pass with 4:17 to go in the fourth and with :30 seconds left Michaud picked off an errant Crusader pass to go with his 21 tackles on defense, fumble recovery for a TD and two rushing touchdowns. Michaud finished with 10 rushes for 120 yards as he dominated the game on both sides of the line.

After throwing five TD passes against Hill City, the going was a bit tougher for Red Cloud's senior quarterback, AB Morgan, who finished with 11 completions out of 28 passes for 118 yards and seven interceptions. Andrew Twiss led the Crusader defense with nine tackles and Dave Giago grabbed four passes for 28 yards with three of the catches worthy of the highlight reel as one hand grabs in ;traffic.

"Our close loss to Bennett County that was a battle for 48 minutes really prepared us for a tough game like this," said Michaud, "We were disciplined and focused throughout the game, we just need to build on this win and build some momentum in the upcoming games."

Pine Ridge is 1-2 and hosts Cheyenne Eagle Butte in their 2006 homecoming on Friday night at 7 p.m. while Red Cloud is now 2-1 and hosts Little Wound in their 2006 homecoming game Friday afternoon at 2 p.m.



Above: Rich Big Boy, Little Wound's senior fullback picks up a Crow Creek defender along the way as he rumbles toward the goal line and a 12 yard TD run in Little Wound's 46-6 win over Crow Creek on Friday in Kyle.
Below: Gunner Krogman, Todd County's junior running back, eludes two St. Francis tacklers Friday night as Todd County shutout St. Francis 48-0; Krogman finished with 175 yards on nine carries with one touchdown and added a second TD on a 40 yard interception return for a TD. Photos courtesy of Double M Photography, Hay Springs, Neb.



Football scores

Lower Brule 44-10 Edge-Oelrichs
Mobridge 48-0 Cheyenne Eagle Butte
Todd County 48-0 St. Francis
Little Wound 46-6 Crow Creek
Stanley City 27-6 Bennett County
Waverly-S Shore 30-14 Tiospa Zina
Harding County 56-6 McLaughlin
Faith 26-0 Dupree
Gayville-Volin 42-6 Marty

Games this week

Cheyenne Eagle Butte at Pine Ridge
Little Wound at Red Cloud
Edge-Oelrichs at Dupree
Bennett Cty at St. Francis
Lower Brule at Kimball
Marty at Centerville

Community Calendar
Rez Happenings

Shannon County Democrats Organizational Meeting
Thursday, Sept. 21 at the Porcupine Clinic
5:00 p.m. with meal served

Carpentry and Electrical classes
Classes get underway Wednesday, Sept. 20 at the Lakota Training and Leadership Institute-Old 7th Day Adventist facilities at #4/Payabya, for info call 867-2287.

Ground breaking ceremony
Friday, Sept. 22 at the Porcupine School at 10am in the school gym, Porcupine School has been awarded a grant to build a new K-8 school, for information call 455-6464 or 455-6467.

Fall Ag Expo 2006
Friday, Sept. 22nd from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the OLC's Oglala College Center with a program featuring range management in a drought, water testing/water quality, forage alternatives, ration balancing, estate planning, pesticide applicator training and agriculture technology, for info call 455-1362.

Homecoming
Friday, Sept. 22 at Red Cloud School with a homecoming parade at 10 a.m. and the game against Little Wound at 2 p.m. and in Pine Ridge at Pine Ridge High School with pageant in the morning and homecoming game Friday night against Cheyenne Eagle Butte at 7 p.m.

LWS Board Election
Deadline for petitions and background checks, Tuesday, Sept. 26 by 4:30 p.m.

Health Fair
Thursday, Sept. 28 at the East Wakpamni College Center in Batesland from 10.a.m. to 2 p.m. with walk and run set for 10:30 a.m. and refreshments to be provided.

Back to School Pow wow
Thursday, Sept. 28 at Red Cloud School north of Pine Ridge with supper scheduled for 5:30 p.m. and the pow wow at 6 p.m.

Lakota Nation Golf Tournament
Friday, September 29th in Rapid City

Lakota Nation Invitational Volleyball Tourney
Friday and Saturday, Sept. 29 and 30 at the Civic Center starting 9 a.m. each day with 12 high school teams.

9th annual LNI Cross Country meet
Saturday, Sept. 30 in Rapid City in Memorial Park starting at 1 p.m.

20th Annual He Sapa Wacipi Na Oskate
Oct. 6-8 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City, championship pow wow, fine arts and games

Honoring Veterans Wacipi
Friday and Saturday, Oct. 20 and 21 in Sioux Falls at the W.H. Lyons Fair Grounds, 12th Street and Lyons Avenue in memory of Roger Andal, grand entries set for 7 p.m. on Friday and 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Saturday, for information call 334-4060.

ASK ANNA

Psychic - Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I really enjoy your responses to people and the wealth of spiritual knowledge and encouragement you provide.

I am writing as a spouse at an impasse. I have a spouse who has been on line for years, I believe, meeting ones needs with numerous activities outside of our relationship.

Do I continue to close my eyes and be the strong person I am, or do I go in another direction? I have been at this point for years, until I just move forward in other personal growth development ways and ignore what I think my spouse is doing.

It is kind of like living with an addict who is somewhere but not so present. I question sometimes if I am imagining all this and creating a problem that does not exist.

Sometimes, I wonder if I am losing it.

If I just focus on my life, I am happy but quite sad for where I think my partner is in life. I am a spiritual person and have received no bolts of directives.

My spouse is a good person in many ways and sometimes I feel I must be very strong to live with this. Strong or perhaps in denial, I don't know.

I appreciate any ideas and advice you have.

In a quandary

Dear In a quandary:

Thank you for your question. You are not alone. I think it is much simpler to bring it down to the basics. Would it be acceptable for your mate to have close-up and personal relationships with the opposite sex?

It is a fact that on-line discourse escalates over time to include emotional attachment and a private and personal relationship. It is also a fact that sex and the discussions of sex, fantasy and the possibility of an implied future relationship are present.

Men and women that create and participate in on-line correspondence with the intention of fulfilling a need for sexual stimulation and do that in an obsessive way are often addicted to the stimulation and fantasy sex act without wanting a personal commitment.

The problem is, of course, that it victimizes many people. Many lonely hearts are searching for a life-partner and utilize the on-line availability to search for "the one." People that cruise the internet for fulfillment of sexual fantasy are playing a dangerous game.

There are somethings that are understood when two people make a commitment to be together. One of them is to be faithful to each other; that does exclude many things besides the actual act of intercourse.

It implies no lewd conversations with members of the opposite sex, no soliciting of sex with others, no hanky-panky, etc. Was President Clinton being faithful to his wife because he didn't actually have intercourse with Monica Lowinski?

I know quite a few people that are now living together or are married that met on-line. That demonstrates how personal the correspondence can be, and where it can lead. Given that, if a person is not available (meaning that he/she is now involved in a committed relationship) why would he/she cruise on-line?

Any correspondence that includes intimacy is an act of betrayal to the wedding vows and agreements between to conscious committed adults.

What should you do? That is not such an easy question to answer. Your husband's on-line relationships are placing an emotional gulf between you and him You are feeling isolated with the problem and insecure with his intentions.

Eventually, it will take your relationship into more of a platonic type of lifestyle as you lose your trust and your respect for him. The motivation behind his on-line activities demonstrates a lack of respect for the intimacy you and he have shared.

Do you have to get a divorce? No. He can stop. He can understand that it is a betrayal of your marriage. He can see that it is an addiction. He can get help.

What if he doesn't see it that way? Well then it depends on how you see it. Where do you see the two of you next year? In five years? In twenty years? Can you live with this?

I feel sad for you, I know you love him, I know he is basically a good man. I know that you have a lot of memories and have overcome many hard-ships together.

Give him a chance to recover from this unhealthy habit.

If he chooses to ignore your view-point, then remember life is about quality and make your decision based on your internal happiness and understanding of what is acceptable in your life. Good Luck.

Dear Anna,

Right now I'm in high school and I don't know anybody and I just want a boyfriend and could you send me the answers to my question, would I get a boyfriend?

Wants a boyfriend

Dear Wants:

Try making alliances and friendships with the girls first. After you have a lot of girlfriends, you can hang out with them, and where the girls go, the boys will follow.

You will have a boyfriend, but not for a while. Take the pressure off from that focus and just decide to make a place for yourself with friends and activities. Sports are a healthy outlet and boys like girls who are athletic.

Some boys like girls with brains and are attracted to the smart ones (those are the really smart boys).

Relax and quit feeling bad about what you don't have and look at what you do have. Everybody likes a person that is happy and friendly; not lonely and desperate. Being in high school can have some really rough days - but you are young and sometimes having a boyfriend can be the worst thing for you; as it can take you away from the focus of your studies, activities and other friends. Hang in there kid.

Dear Anna,

I had an affair on my husband about two years ago, I got pregnant at that time and had a son. I don't know which guy is the father, but think since my baby looks like my husband that he is his. Is he?

The guy that I was seeing just got married and he and his wife are having trouble and I think he wants to see me again.

He said he thinks the baby is his. What should I do?

Wondering

Dear Wondering:

Can I ask you a question? What do you think life is about? Your child belongs to you and your husband. Stay away from the past. Please write me and tell me what are you thinking: What do you want in life? What do you think about yourself?

Are you in addiction? Who do you want to be when you grow up? What relationship do you have with the Creator?

What do you want for your children? What kind of world do you want to live in? How are you helping to make your world a better place? What are you contributing? Why are you married?

Dear Anna,

Everything is crap in my life. My boyfriend just broke up with me, I am not getting along with anybody at work and I might be fired, I can't pay my bills, my auntie just passed away, my car needs a new carburetor and tires, my sister is pregnant and the guy wants nothing to do with her, I live with my family and there are too many people at my house, my mom's boyfriend came home drunk and broke my mom's lamp and my fish-bowl and my dog has mange. Will things ever get better?

Life Sucks

Dear Life Sucks:

Yep. It has to. Just before everything changes things tend to fall apart: The boyfriend thing is good, he wasn't anybody you needed to have in your life; the job: you will be laid off; so this is an opportunity to go back to school.

Your car will be repaired, fix it before you lose your job; I know it is hard but death is within the natural order of life - don't take it personally, don't consider the guy having nothing to do with your sister a bad thing; you can move away from home in six months and there is a new inexpensive treatment for mange, you just put a little on the back of the neck and it clears most cases up.

What you have described my girl, is life.

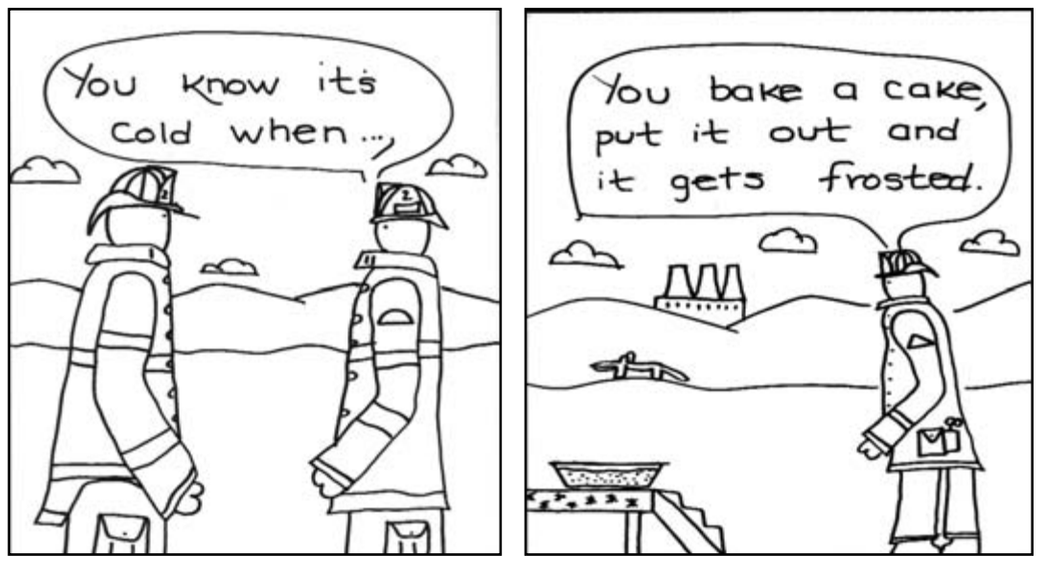
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Lakota Crossword Puzzle

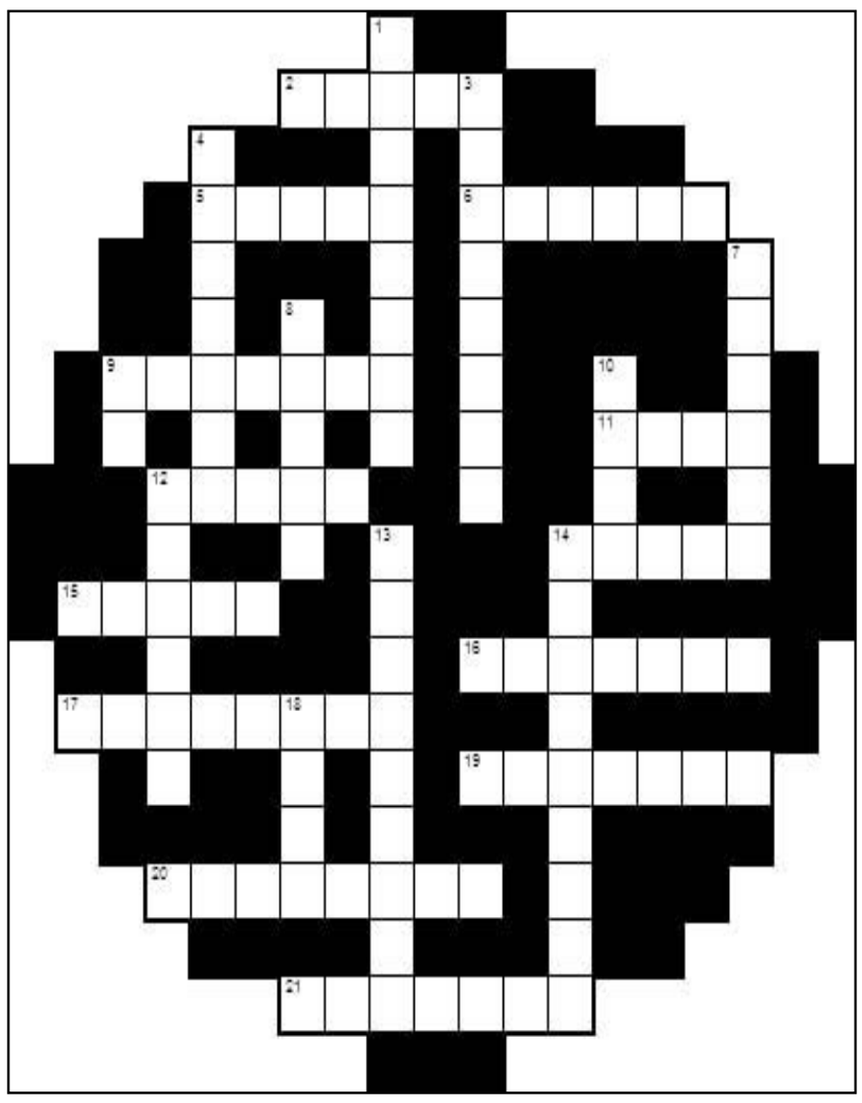
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11 pole (4)
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14 egg (5)
15 law (5)
16 leaves (7)
17 four directions (8)
19 night (7)
20 prayer (8)
21 school (7)

Down

1 lightening (8)
3 gloves (8)
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7 telephone (6)
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Eloise B. Lame, 52..... Oglala
Julia Dog Eagle, 95..... Mobridge
Wayne American Horse, 51. Gordon, Neb
John Fast Horse, 62..... Sioux Falls

Cecelia M. "Sister Babe" Cottier

PINE RIDGE - Cecelia "Sister Babe" Cottier, 69, died Sept. 16 at Pine Ridge of natural causes.

She is survived by sons Darrell Cottier, Dean Cottier, Jerry Cottier, Jim Cottier and Tom Cottier all of Pine Ridge; sisters Ann Conroy of Batesland and Mildred Apple of Potatoe Creek.

One night wake begins at 4 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 21, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services are at 10 a.m. Friday, Sep. 22, 2006 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hall in Pine Ridge with Rev. Steve Sanford officiating.

Burial was at Holy Cross Episcopal Cemetery at Pine Ridge.

Funeral Arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Jerry P. Elk

WOUNDED KNEE - Jerry P. Elk, 45, died Sept. 7 at the Rapid City Regional Hospital of natural causes.

Survives his wife Christel Elk, Alingsas, Sweden; sons Mark Elk, Pine Ridge; Justin Elk, Wounded Knee; a brother Emerson Elk, Jr., Wounded Knee; an adopted brother Tony Wounded Head, Porcupine, sisters Kathy Wells, Allen; Noretta High Hawk, Wounded Knee; and Carol Weston, Porcupine and Phinette Elk, Huron and one grandchildren.

Wake services were Tuesday, Sept. 12 at The Church of God, Wounded Knee. Funeral services were Friday, Sept. 15 at the Church of God with Rev. Ernest White Eagle, Rev. Pedro Sharpfish, and Rev. John Two Bulls. Traditional Lakota services by David Swallow, Jr.

Burial was at Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery, Wounded Knee.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Phyllis M. Two Crow-Johnson

KYLE - Phyllis M. Two Crow-Johnson, 66, Kyle, died Sunday, Sept. 17 at Beverly Care Center in Rapid City.

Survivors include two sons, John Solano, Rapid City, and Jerome Johnson Jr., New Underwood; four daughters, Gloria Two Crow and Lois Solano, both of Kyle, and Cathy Johnson and Ramona Johnson, both of Rapid City; two brothers, Aaron Widow and Keith Fast Horse, both of Eagle Butte; and two sisters, Phinetta Anaya, Rapid City, Peggy Janis of Kyle and Janice Elk-Two Crow, Eagle Butte.

Wake services were Wednesday, Sept. 20, at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Hall in Kyle.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 22, at the hall, with the Rev. Cordelia Red Owl officiating.

Burial will be at St. Barnabas Episcopal Cemetery in Kyle.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Ethel R. Red Bear

POTATO CREEK - Ethel R. Red Bear, 62, Potato Creek, died Tuesday, Sept. 19, 2006, in Pine Ridge. Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge.

Eloise B. Lame

OGLALA - Eloise B. Lame, 52, Oglala, died Friday, Sept. 15 at Mercy Hospital in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Survivors include her husband, William Richards, Council Bluffs; two sons, James Cottier, Sioux Falls, and Steven Pete Jr., Omaha, Neb.; and two daughters, Bonnie Pete, Omaha, and Stephanie Pete, Chandler, Ariz.; brothers Leroy Pretty Bird, Rapid City; Charles Little Bear, No. Four Community; John Little Bear, Sioux City, Iowa; Jerry Little Bear, Sioux Falls and sisters Anna Little Bear of Hot Springs.

Wake services were Wednesday, Sept. 20, at Makasan Presbyterian Church in Oglala.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 21, at the church, with the Rev. Asa Wilson officiating.

Burial will be at Makasan Presbyterian Church Cemetery in Oglala. Funeral arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Julia Dog Eagle

MOBRIDGE - Julia Dog Eagle, "Wawokiya Waste Win," 95, Mobridge and formerly of Little Eagle, died Saturday, Sept. 16, at Beverly Healthcare Center in Mobridge.

Wake services were Thursday, Sept. 21, at Blue Gym in Little Eagle.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 22, at Blue Gym, with Rev. Leslie Campbell and Standing Rock Episcopal lay ministers officiating. Burial will be at Good Shepherd Cemetery.

Wayne V. American Horse

GORDON, Neb. - Wayne V. American Horse, 51, Gordon, died Sunday, Sept. 17, in Gordon.

Survivors include one son, Michael Lovejoy, Gordon; one daughter, Kaylynn Lovejoy, Gordon; and two sisters, Patricia American Horse, Gordon, and Constance American Horse, Kyle,.

Wake services were Sept. 19, at the Rob American Horse home in Gordon. Funeral services were Wednesday, Sept. 20, at the Rob American Horse home, with the Rev. Phil Compton officiating.

Burial of cremains will be at a later date. Funeral arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

John Fast Horse

SIOUX FALLS - John Fast Horse, 62, Sioux Falls, died Friday, Sept. 15 at Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls.

Rosary services were Sept. 18 at Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Sept. 19, at the funeral home, with the Rev. Tony Grossenburg and the Rev. Jim Hoerter officiating.

Burial was at St. Aloysius Catholic Cemetery in Bullhead.

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In memory of Genevieve Swiftbird

In loving memory of our dear sister, mother, grandmother, aunty, cousin, Genevieve Swiftbird. It's been 15 years since you left us, you are gone, but not forgotten. We still cherish your memories and your graceful caring ways in our hearts. We love and miss you everyday. May you rest in peace until we meet again. Love, your sisters, Lavinia, Pauline A, Carmalita, Delvina, your five loving children, grandchildren and families and relatives.

In memory of Willard Z. Eagle Chasing

In loving memory and happy belated birthday to our son, dad, brother, uncle and friend, nephew and cousin Willard Z. Eagle Chasing

Sept. 3, 1963 to April 27, 2005

You are gone but not forgotten, we love you and very much miss you so we will always keep your spirit alive in our hearts and cherish the memories too. May you rest in peace "Misu" love and miss you. Your loving six children, aunties, family, relatives and friends in Eagle Butte, , Pierre, Mission, and Montana and Florida.

In memory of Freida J. Blue Arm-Fish

June 20, 1982 to Sept. 3, 1945

We love you dearly and miss you. Not a day goes by that we don't think of you. But we do pray for you always and have your spirit and we cherish the memories alive in our hearts forever. May you rest in peace until we meet again. Love, your sisters Lavina, Pauline, Carma, Delvina, your six loving children, 16 grand children and three great-grandchildren and family and relatives.

In memory of Amy C. Garter

Sept. 14, 1989 to Dec. 28, 1910

It's been 27 years since you left us. You ae gone, but not forgotten. We always will cherish the memories of raising us into a good person and taught us how to be mature and learn our Lakota ways and keep our head up as a leader or teach one another the values of life.

Because you and LaLa were always there and loved us unconditionally. We very much love and miss you everyday Unci, we know in our hearts that you are up in Heaven with LaLa Moses, Cuzin Joey, Jack, Aunt Irene and family and relatives too. Love and miss you always, your grandkids, great-grandkids,

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Unapproved Shannon County Board Meeting September 11, 2006 Minutes

The Shannon County School Board held a special meeting on Monday, August 11, 2006 at Batesland, SD, for the purpose of reviewing the budget and personnel considerations. President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:22 p.m.

Members Present: Angie Eagle Bull, Todd O'Bryan, Chuck C onroy

Member absent: Melvin Cummings, r uth cummings. Other present: Dr. Margo Heinert, Superintendent, Maurice Twiss, Special Services Coordinator, MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager, Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

7068 Approval of Agenda Motion by Conroy to approve the agenda, including additions. Motion carried.

7069 Personnel Motion by O'Bryan to approve the administrative recommendation for termination of a classified employee. Motion carried.

7070 Propane Bids

Bids were accepted until Aug. 25, 2006 for propane to be supplied to the district (small tanks only), as listed: Westco, Alliance, NE, $1.449 per gallon (firm bid). Motion by O'Bryan to accept the bid submitted by Westco to supply propane to the district's small tanks through August 31, 2007. Motion carried.

7071 Housing Committee Motion by C onroy toapprove the administrative recommendation to change the designated housing committee members from the Superintendent, Building Principal and Board President to Superintendent, Building Principal and Director of Facilities & Maintenance. Motion carried.

7072 District Mileage Reimbursement

Motion by O'Bryan to keep the district's mileage reimbursement rate as determined by the state. Motion carried.

7073 Dress Code policy

Motion by Conroy to acknowledge the first reading of hte proposed District Staff Dress C ode Policy. Motion carried.

7074 Surplus Property Motion by O'Bryan to acknowledge receipt of the list of surplus property as recommended by administration and declared as surplus at the August 28, 2006 board meeting. Motion carried.

7075 Rockyford Receptionist Position

Motion by Conroy to authorize establishing the position of Rockyford School Receptionist and advertise for applicants. Motion carried.

7076 Fuel Bids

Following review of the diesel fuel bids considered by the board at the August 28, 2006 meeting, it was determined that the low bid for #2 diesel fuel was received from Muddy Creek Oil. Motion by O'Bryan to rescind his original motion designating Westco as recipient of the diesel bid and redesignate the district's supplier of #1 & #2 diesel fuel through 831/07 as Muddy Creek Oil. A letter of explanation will be sent to Westco. The gasoline bid submitted by Westco and accepted by the board, will remain in effect through 8/31/07, as acted upon at the 8/28/06 meeting. Motion carried.

7077 Review of Bids

Motion by O'Bryan to request administration to present the original bids to the board in the future, for their review, prior to consideration. Motion carried.

7078 Budget Review

The budget review was postponed until September 27, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. at Wolf Creek School, prior to the regular board meeting.

7079 Adjournment

Motion by O'Bryan to adjourn the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

Motion carried. s igned-MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager.

Advertisement for Bid
Rosebud Sioux Tribe Water Resources

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BIDS

Office of Water Resources-Administrative Building, Rosebud, South Dakota 57570

TECRO Office

Rosebud, South Dakota 57570

Bid security in the amount of 10 percent of the bid must accompany each bid in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

By submitting a proposal, the bidder agrees to comply with the provisions of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe's Tribal Employment Contracting Rights Ordinance (TECRO). The CONTRACTOR shall contact the TECRO office BEFORE a bid will be accepted.

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, waive informalities, or accept any bid or combination thereof which appears to serve the best interests of the Tribe.

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The Prairie Wind Casino is soliciting proposals for auditing services for the accounting period ending December 31, 2006

The audit must be conducted in accordance with the National Indian Gaming Minimum Internal Control Standard 542.3 (f), "An independent certified public accountant (CPA) shall be engaged to perform procedures to verify, on a test basis, that the gaming operation is in material compliance with the tribal internal control standards or a tribally approved variance that has received Commission concurrence. The procedures may be performed in conjunction with the annual audit. The CPA shall report its findings to the Oglala Sioux Tribe, Tribal gaming regulatory authority and management. The Tribe shall submit a copy of the report to the Commission within 120 days of the gaming operations's fiscal year end."

The proposal must state your understanding of the work to be done and must include the qualifications and experience of your firm and staff. A copy of your firm's latest quality review letter must be included in your proposal.

If applicable, minority and Indian preference must be requested in the proposal.

Cost will not be the only determining factor in awarding the proposal. The Prairie Wind Casino reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Proposals must be sealed and postmarked by October 31, 2006, at 5:00 PM. Please address to: ATTN: Controller's Office - Audit 2006 Bid, Prairie Wind Casino, HC 49 Box 10, Pine Ridge, SD 57770.

Call 605-867-6300 Extension 134 for more information.

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1 permanent full time Resource Conservation and Development Coordinator (GS-401-11/12) White River, SD

Additional information, application procedures can be found on the USA JOBS web site http://www.USAjobs.gov/
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JOB TITLE: Shift Boss
REPORTS TO: Senior Shift Boss
OPENING DATE: September 18, 2006
CLOSING DATE October 2, 2006

SUMMARY:

This position is the front-line representative of management and the Oglala Sioux Tribe, therefore, must represent professionalism at all times to everyone whether they may be in contact with the guests, employees, general public and co-workers. Primary purpose is the protection of Casino assets, money, guests, and employees. The Shift Boss is the administrator of Gaming and Non-Gaming Divisions of the Prairie Wind Casino, when one duty.

To explore these opportunities further, please inquire:

Prairie Wind Casino
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The Little Wound School Board is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2006-2007 school term:

High School Dept.
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SPED Teacher

Middle School Dept.
Reading Teacher

Elementary Dept.
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(2) Student Assistants
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K-12 Social Worker

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Middle School: 6) Boxing Club Sponsor 7) Competitive Dance Sponsor

Elementary: 8) Wrestling Coach (AAU K-8) 9) K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 10) K-12 Drum Group Sponsor

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a completed LWS employment application to: Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD-214 to claim Veteran's preference, official college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials.

For more information, call: (605) 455-6179 or 455-6178.
www.lws.k12.sd.us

>>> NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS <<<

It is the policy of the Little Wound School to provide an alcohol and drug-free workplace. All appointments for employment are contingent upon receipt of a verified negative drug test through pre-employment drug testing, receipt of a favorable background investigation and the availability of federal funds. The legal policy of Indian preference will be followed to qualified applicants. Veteran's preference shall be applied to qualified Veteran applicants.

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Ref# 091-WNO-0046
Telephone Operator/Mail Clerk-
Ref#091-WNE-0040
Diagnostic Radiologic Technologist-
Ref# 091-WNO-6-0036

Number of Positions: Three
Location: Wanblee Health Center, Wanblee, SD.
Qualifications:All applicants will be scored using criteria. The applicant with the highest point total will be offered the position:

For more information Contact:
Terry Campos (605)867-3037 or
Tracy Bement (605) 462-6155.
***Opening Date*: 09-13-2006**
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Happy Belated Birthday to our Angel, Kaylee Jo Reddest, whose birthday was September 7. We love you and are very proud of everything that you do! Keep up the good work at School and BEHAVE…Hugs and Kisses xoxoxxo Mom and Dad

We would like to say Happy 19th Birthday to our Brother Ben High Horse on 9-22-06. Love, your Brothers & Sisters

Happy Birthday to the Rooster 63 yrs. Old Sept. 17, 1943. I still around!

We would like to say "Hi" to the hot dog lady at Angels, Tasha, From you know who

Happy B-Day on Oct. 7 to Lola Brewer from: Dakdota Coy-K-K-Emmalick

I would like to say Happy B-Day to my honey Jess K.B. and to my brother Benji Love ya guys Tish

Happy Birthday to Grandma Dora Apple. Love you lots have a good day. From Roy, Eileen & Jamie Helper

Leo, Hang in there and enjoy your vacation. See you in a few weeks. Love, Tami, Coy, Rose, Ced, Deldra, Calvin, Emmaliah and Alex

Happy B-Day to Lola B. Enjoy your Day From: Tami & Leo

Happy 22nd Birthday to Frank J.E. on Sept. 8th.] Hope you had a blast.. still love you.. S.

Happy Belated 21st Birthday to Bro Rueben C. Clifford on 9-3-06. We luv you and hope you enjoyed your Special Day! From Mom, Dove, Tess, Ryan, Autumn, Sylvia and Aroha.

Happy Belated Birthday to Destiney Leftwich coming from Jazzie R. Liz M., Ashley W, and Javon R. Much Love, Big D Have a good one.

In Loving memory of our cousin Casey D. Belt a.k.a "Pockets" We love you. Love Corey, Carley, Stacie, Josh, Callie

Happy Birthday on Sept. 21, 2006 to my favorite Grandma, hope it's a blast! Love, Crystal A.

Happy Birthday to
Kay Takes War Bonnett
Hope to see you soon!
From
Grandma Amanda

Happy Birthday to my little Sister Shayne Reddy on September 30th Hope you have a good one.

Happy early B-day. 2 my brother and my niece to my vocu and Babygirl Maudi Vanna from ur Sis N Bro Sonny & Lizzie

Happy 19th B irthday to my beautiful lil S is Amanda "Tess" Clifford on September 23 I love you alnd wish you the best in life because you deserve it. Love, White Dove, Sylvia & Aroha

Happy Birthday to Aunti Lola in Kyle October 7 From Baby Lee, Deidra,Cecily

Happy Belated Birthdayto my home girl Ellen Kills Small on 9-16-06 from A homie Staci S.

Happy Birthday "Brittany Rose Poor Bear" From Archie & Beaux

WANTED - HOME VISITOR

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Supervisor: Oyate Tec Project Admin. Director
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Closing Date: Friday, September 22, 2006
Applications can be picked up at the Oyate Teca Project (Kyle Youth Center).
For more information Call: 455-2544

- CORRECTION -

The August 1, 2006 Personnel Minutes included in the Little Wound School Board Minutes in Vol. II Iss. #50 had an error in the Personnel Minutes. It should read Motion made by Taylor Little White Man, seconded by Linda May to offer a contract to Steven Dubray as High School Lakota Language Teacher for the 2006-2007 school year and to name Everett Lone Hill as alternate. (Everett Janis's name was incorrectly printed instead of Everett Lone Hill)

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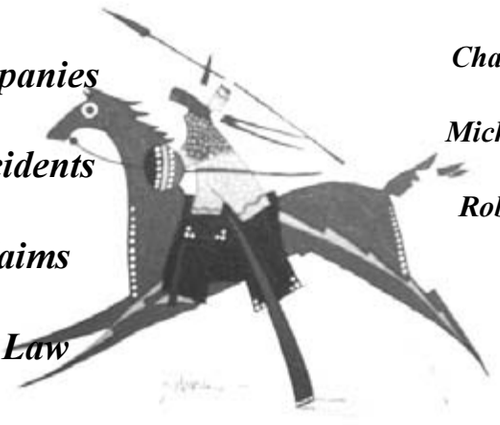
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Catherine Two Bulls 9-6
Sara Lance 9-17
Tasia Y.B.B 9-19
(my lil Sissy bug)
I Love u all so so much
Your Mom and Lace

Congratulations to Jessica Two Bulls and Tony Martinez on the Birth of their Beautiful Lil Girl - Lanie Viola Martinez- 9-9-06 May you all have many days of Happiness. The Crew from 7 East

Happy Birthday & Best Wishes to
Lacey Two Bulls 8-6
Kimberly Long Soldier-Ohmer 8-12
Jennifer Janis 9-2
Catherine Two Bulls 9-6
Courtney White Thunder 9-9
Sara Lance 9-17
Shantasia Young Bull Bear 9-19
Duane Lund 9-29
From: The Two Bulls Family in Kyle

For the love of my life,
Miss Stacy Marshall,
We "finally" get to be together and make our dreams come true! I missed you sweet honey!
I hope I make you happy!
From you know who,
(no longer a secret admirer!)

Wishing a very Happy Birthday to Veronica Black Crow, Hope you get what you wish for!
always your fren, Tamz

Welcome Home!! Stacy Marshall a/k/a "Big Sexy"!
I sure did miss you cuz! Glad you are home!
Love ya like a sis, always your cuz, Tamz

Welcome Home!! Stacy Marshall a/k/a "Big Sexy"! I sure did miss you cuz! Glad you are home! Love ya like a sis, always your cuz, Tamz

Happy Belated birthday to our Greatest Ina & Unci in the whole world! Lavinia M. Hale-Eagle Chasing on 8-29-06. "Yu 'on'ihan Winyan" Dearest Ma, you are the one who gave us life, our mother and our friend. A mother with her special carig ways, whom loves us just the way we are. So we give you this keepsake of ou rlove, you will always know that you are being appreciated in everything you have done for us so God Bless you in good health,srengh, faith & happiness in life. We wish you many, many more years to come!Have a good one on your special day! Love, your 6 children, 4 adopted children, and especially your 23 grandchildren, & 3 great-grandchildren.

Happy Birthday to our family members for September, 2006
9-1-06-Andrew B.W., 9-13-06-Patrick E.S., 9-11-06-Jarrett R.B., 9-11-06-Pauline E.C., 9-15-06-Sarah G., 9-25-06-Westley R., 9-23-06-Prestin E.C. From all your family & relatives, we love you.

9-3-06-Willard E.C.-Memorial Belated Birthday, 9-3-06-Freida B.A.-Fish-Memorial Belated Birthday.
We love & very much miss you knowing you're both together in Heaven. From your loving children & grandchildren, & all families & relatives.

Happy 6th Birthday on 9-19-06 to my little sis, Shantasia "Tasia" Y.B.B.
I love you so much. Have fun, from your sister Sara L.

Happy 18th Birthday on 9-17-06 "Jinx" Sara F.Lance. Have a great day, because it's just for you! Enjoy every minute of it, just don't party too hard. Shellz P.S., Luv ya always & forever.

Happy Birthday to Courtney White Thunder and Catherine Two Bulls from your family.

Congrats 2 Jess & Tony on their beautiful little girl, Laney Viola Martinez from the Two Bulls Family

Happy Belated Birthday in our family for August ,2006.
Brent E.C. 8/02,
Kenton E.C. 8/07,
Marvin N.H. 8/09,
Deacohn G. 8/15,
Faye H.B. 8/21,
Maria R.B 8/21,
Dawnelle G. 8/24,
Macine E.C. 8/26,
Jacob M. 8/27,
Charla W.F. 8/27,
Jacqueline R.B. 8/29,
Aunty-I'na-Unci-Lavinia E.C. 8/29.
Have a great one on your special day God Bless you all. We wish you all many, many, more years to come Love from the whole family in Eagle Butte, SD.

Happy B-day to my handsome grandson Gabriel Carol White Plume Jr. Hope you get lots of presents. Baby! You're the light of my life. Love, your grandma Mena Clifford

Happy Belated Birthday on Sept. 13th to my mother, Shirley We hope your day was very special because you're a very special person deep within my heart...with love, your son, Jon. B. from Vale, S.D.

Happy 21st Birthday to Melissa Hill on Sept. 4th. I miss & Luv ya very much muh gurl, can't wait to see ya. BB

Congrats to Jessica Two Bulls and Tony Martinez on the birth of their baby girl, Lanie Viola Martinez, 9 .lbs. 5 oz, 20 ½ " long. Wishen you guys the best. From your family in Kyle.

Happy Birthday on 9/21 to our beautiful mother, Eula Young, Mom we love you for everything that you do for us. We never have to ask for your help because you are always there, and we love you for that. Love your daughters, Raquel,Joni, and Marie

Happy Birthday to the September people
Lariah Christensen
Kaylee Reddest 9/17
Sarah DuBray 9/11
Melissa yellow Boy 9/18
Eula Young 9/21
Raquel Reddest 9/26
And the new baby Skyler Ray 9/5 From your family in Allen.

I'd like to wish a belated birthday to Catherine Two Bulls on 9-6-06. I hope you had fun. Kili Radio" jokes "Love ya" Vanna

Wishing our beautiful grandma, Eula M. Young, a very happy birthday on September 21st. We love you and hop you enjoy your day, we know you'll be at the Casino. Thank you for taking care of us, we know some days we drive you crazy, but you know you would be bored without us. We love you grandma with all our hearts. Kaylee, Cleveland and Duane Reddest & Katie "honey Girl" Vocu.

Happy Birthday to Melissa Yellow Boy. Enjoy your day, thanks for always making us laugh with your crazy ways. Love Kaylee, Cleveland, Duane, Katelyn, Marie, Joni, Raquel and Joe.

Happy Belated B-day to Courtney White Thunder on 9-9-06. Just remember your not getting old. Love ya, Vanna

We would like to welcome two new handsome boys to our family, Joshua James DuBray, born 7-14-06 to Sarah DuBray and Skyler Ray DuBray born Sept. 5, 2006 to Sandra "Baby Jay" DuBray. Enjoy your little heartbreakers...Coming from your family in A-town

Happy Belated Birthday to our beautiful big sister Kaylee Jo Reddest. You know we love you even though we torture you by getting into your STUFF! Love, your two lil bros Cleveland and Duane Reddest.

Happy 18th Birthday to Sara Lance on 9-17-06, Just remember cuz your legal eagle now. Be careful and don't party too hard. Love your Cuz, Yanna.

Happy 18th Birthday to Sara lance on 9/17/06
From your Girls

Happy Birthday to our uncle Rudy Reddest, September 1, 2006. We didn't forget about you. Hope you had fun! Love Kaylee, Cleveland and Baby Duane Reddest.

Good luck Thorpes, my team. RIP Dave Mousseau 12 Class of 82.
From Liz Mousseau

WANTED Mentors

Maza Tiopa is a nonprofit program that mentors American Indian children with a parent who is incarcerated.

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Pine Ridge Indian Health Service Electronic Health Record

The Pine Ridge Area Indian Health Service along with Kyle, Wanblee, Porcupine, Allen and Manderson Clinics will be moving toward implementing E.H.R. in the later months of 2006.

Right now all of your medical information is securely stored in a big folder called a medical chart.

The paper chart will continue to contain historical information of use to providers for sometime leading to a truly paperless record.

This will significantly reduce patient safety concerns associated with illegible handwritten notes, misplaced or incomplete records, E.H.R. will also allow providers to prescribe medications, order labs and x-rays and retrieve results faster than waiting for paper results to arrive.

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OST Headstart gets $1.5 million for renovation of centers

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PIYA WICONI - "Oglala Lakota College is totally committed to operating the Headstart program that was taken over from the Oglala Sioux Tribe in August of 2005," said both Tom Shortbull, OLC president and Michelle Yankton, OLC Headstart director, "our goal is to work for higher enrollments and to work at improving the program each year."

The college received good news on Monday as South Dakota's congressional delegation announced an award of $2 million dollars from the Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities program of which $1.5 million represents a one year construction grant to renovate current Headstart centers and build new headstart centers on Pine Ridge Reservation.

"Last year we were funded for the construction of two student dormitories one in Kyle and one in Pine Ridge and even though we did not know if we could get another construction grant funded so soon the need to improve the Headstart centers was so great that we had to try," said Shortbull.



Michelle Yankton and Tom Shortbull

"The building in Pine Ridge that houses nine headstart centers is an absolute mess, there are problems with the roof, with the heating system and the kitchen and it is basically just worn down," said Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge Village and chairman of the Education Committee who with then tribal president Cecelia Fire Thunder were instrumental in moving the headstart program from the tribe to the college last year.

"We knew when we took over the program from the tribe that the facilities were not up to par, that we would really have to work to find the resources to renovate them, rebuild some and replace others," said Shortbull, "the grant provides $1.206 million to renovate the Pine Ridge center and money to purchase three Governor homes and put one in Batesland and two in

Please turn to Headstart: A2

John Around Him journeys home



KYLE - Respected Lakota language teacher and Vietnam Veteran, John Around Him, journeyed to the spirit world and was laid to rest on Wednesday in Kyle. As a highly regarded sun dance helper and 'eyapaya' in Lakota country, his legacy in perpetuating Lakota spirituality and culture has left an indelible path for all to follow. The wake and funeral saw hundreds of Lakota people who came to together to say goodbye. A Cheyenne River veterans group presents a blanket to John Around Him, Jr. during wake services, while many other dignitaries from several Lakota bands came to pay their respects throughout the day and night. See page B2 for more articles. Photo courtesy of Tony Brave of Oglala Lakota College.

Changing gas prices impact Lakota country

RST to purchase station despite fluctuations

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - It is difficult to accurately gauge the impact of 'up and down' gasoline prices on the lives of Lakota without examining the reasons for the fluctuations.

Apparently, a couple of issues nationwide impacted the increase in recent months. When refineries in the Gulf Coast region increased production in anticipation of another hurricane which did not come, it created a greater inventory for the Midwestern region.

The price of crude oil has fallen below $60 a barrel and this summer BP oil shutdown a pipeline in Prudhoe Bay, Alaska and the ripple effect kept gas prices high.



The Gus Stop in Mission reflects the slowly falling price of a gallon of regular unleaded at $2.39 per gallon.

Apparently, gas prices in eastern South Dakota have been less than the western part of the state. Gas prices in Sioux Falls are around $2.32 per gallon, while prices in Rapid City per gallon were around $2.47. This difference is apparently due to a system of pipeline that eastern South Dakota is able to access at a cheaper price.

The price of gasoline has gone from well over $3.00 per gal a month ago or so, to as low as $2.37 at the Allstop in Rosebud to $2.32 at the BP self-service station in Mission. The slow descent has been a positive sign for those who live in an already tight economy.

The recent upswing in prices has had a definite impact on the frequency of travel and volume of traffic

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TWO SECTIONS

Children of the corn syrup:

Obesity, diabetes becoming epidemic

By Mark Butterbrodt
Special to the Times

PINE RIDGE - "The McDonald's "Happy Meal" for children used to be the standard adult portion size," says Dr. Stephen Ponder, Sac & Fox tribal member, and a pediatric endocrinologist at Driscoll Children's Hospital in Corpus Christi, Texas. "That is how much serving sizes have increased in recent years."

"Americans now spend $37 billion a year on fast food, using credit cards, ten times as much as just a few years ago," he pointed out to a large, appreciative audience of Oglala Lakota health professionals at Casey Family conference room in Pine Ridge on Sept. 14.

Dr. Ponder, who is a Certified Diabetes Educator and has juvenile diabetes, devotes much time to presentations about how adult diabetes, sometimes called type two diabetes, can be prevented by healthier lifestyles. "The earlier we health professionals encourage healthy nutrition and exercise, the better," he emphasized, by showing a picture of a six month old baby. "We need to get involved early. By the time I see children, they are often 50 or 100 pounds overweight. To me, this is exactly like waiting until someone's cancer has spread throughout his or her body and then the doctor decides to send the person to a cancer specialist."

"We have a weight reduction clinic at Driscoll Children's Hospital, and it's a good one, but even at our clinic we have only about a ten per cent rate of weight reduction," he cautioned.

His talk, entitled "Children of the Corn Syrup," suggests that the current epidemic of obesity and diabetes is paralleled by increased use of cheap corn syrup, or fructose. "Remember when pop dispensers were behind the counter? Today children can get unlimited refills of pop because it's cheap. In the last two years consumption of milk has dropped 40 per

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Dr. Stephen Ponder spoke to health officials on youth diabetes and obesity.

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Wanblee."

The just awarded grant starts on Monday, Oct. 2 so work on the Pine Ridge center is scheduled right away.

According to Yankton who came in as the temporary director in March of this year and became permanent director on July 28, the Headstart Bureau in Washington SC AHS funded OLC for 611 slots, 511 in headstart and 100 in early Headstart with 25 of those slots for prenatal.

In the first year OLC had 422 students and this year they are up to 432 with 27 headstart centers and five early headstart centers.

"Our goal is to continue to improve the operation," said Yankton, "obviously work on the facilities is a priority, this new grant will really help us but we will continue to look for additional resources to help renovate more of the centers and maybe purchase or build new centers. We are also committed to improving the educational program for the students, building a stable qualified staff and improving each staff member through regular training and support for each teacher and aide to work towards a degree in early childhood education."

Enrollment takes place throughout the year and interested parents who would like to enroll their children may contact a center in their local community or call the main office at 455-6117. At the present time Headstart has eight job openings; four bus drivers, one in Porcupine, three in Pine Ridge, one teacher aide in Pine Ridge and one in Oglala and teachers at Manderson Early Headstart, Porcupine Early Headstart and Pine Ridge Headstart.

"We need to improve on our turnover rate with staff, we are committed to hiring qualified personnel, especially those who want to continue their education and we always need bus drivers who have their CDL's," said Yankton, "and we really need to improve our enrollment, I know there are no shortage of children out there, call us."

"Taking over the tribe's Headstart Program has been a big challenge for the college," said Shortbull, "the facilities needed a lot of work and the staff had been up in the air for months about where things were going but we are committed to bringing stability to a vital program on Pine Ridge Reservation, a program that has the potential to build a strong foundation for the future of the Oglala Sioux Tribe and the Lakota people."

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even in Indian Country. As a matter of fact, it has had a noticeable impact on those driving to the casino and the profit margin realized at the Rosebud Casino according to RST Vice-President, Wayne Boyd. The May and June net profit figures from earlier reports did not meet expectations and lower gas prices will likely lead to an increase.

"The cost of gas is only one aspect. The cost of propane effects who we can serve. A hundred dollars doesn't go very far" Boyd said, as he referred to the tribe's administration of LIHEAP funds. He also pointed out the cost to travel to Sioux Falls, for example, had doubled.

A similar impact on other businesses reservation-wide has also been felt by some. Shelly Harris, the CEO of the Rosebud Hospital said that when gas prices were higher only work related travel was allowed. She said, "The increased expenses have been outrageous. We had to cut down on travel and it had to be work related. The public health nursing department goes out every day as well. It has helped us financially, especially with services we provide. We are able to use the money somewhere else." With the lower gas prices, the hospital will now ease travel restrictions.

For RST and the Rosebud Hospital, the medical evacuations of tribal members to Rapid City or Sioux Falls has likely represented a substantial increase in underwriting that vital function and any additional easing of gas prices will allow the re-programming of funds elsewhere.

The recent drop in the prices of a gallon of $.70 cents or more will likely be good news for Rosebud and Pine Ridge residents as Lakota people can now resume some of their routine trips to powwows, shopping in Rapid City, or when they find themselves 'cruising' the boulevard.

On the Rosebud, after a feasibility study was conducted the RST council passed RST resolution 2006-239 which authorizes the purchase of Ralph's Service Station in Mission for $330,000. All financial and closing documents will be taken back to the council for final consideration. Boyd said, "The primary goal is to have a place to service vehicles and to be able to change tires. The tribe needs a motor pool." At present, many of the tribal programs have their own vehicles and a central motor pool would consolidate them and put them under one roof.

Boyd also pointed out that with RST owning its own gas station, it will be able to save the Rosebud Law Enforcement Services some $36,000 on gas for its vehicles. The former Swenson's gas station was one of the other locations examined, however, it did not allow for any expansion.

An updated check of the local gas prices revealed the variability of prices on the Pine Ridge reservation and in Martin. In Pine Ridge at Big Bat's regular unleaded sells for $2.37 a gallon, in Kyle at Lil' Angels it is $2.47 per gallon, while in Martin at the Fresh Start a gallon of unleaded sells for $2.44.

Children of the corn syrup

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cent, while consumption of soda pop has increased by 300 percent," he stated.

"Just one can of 16 ounce soda pop per day results in a 16 pound weight gain in a year's time," he continued. "Over 65 percent of American children have television sets in their rooms and are bombarded with over 10,000 food and soft drink ads in a year."

"Fructose-enhanced foods and beverages in excess exert several bad effects on the metabolism of children, resulting in overweightness and eventually diabetes," Dr. Ponder pointed out.

"A little fructose is all right, but the government heavily subsidizes the American corn-growing and processing industries which produce the fructose which is fueling the present crisis. The significant increase in being over weight and adult diabetes in teenagers and children occurred at the same time the American food industry began using large amounts of corn syrup (fructose). Countries like Mexico where we are exporting large amounts of fructose corn syrup are seeing the same problems with obesity and diabetes," he said.

The solution to the epidemic of being over weight and diabetes is early prevention in the form of plenty of exercise and a healthy diet. "Speaking from the experience of raising three children, you have to use lots of patience. On average, we need to offer toddlers a new vegetable 15 times before they will accept it. We cannot give up after just one or two tries," he said.

To illustrate how far we are from feeding children a healthy diet, Dr. Ponder observed that if everyone was eating as healthy as is currently recommended, we would only have 50 per cent of the fruits and vegetables that we need in this country.

"We need to get involved early. By the time I see children, they are often 50 or 100 pounds overweight. To me, this is exactly like waiting until someone's cancer has spread throughout his or her body and then the doctor decides to send the person to a cancer specialist."

-Dr. Ponder

The SAFE campaign at Driscoll Children's Hospital has been developed by Dr. Ponder and his colleagues to combat the epidemic of overweightness:

Skip or stop high calorie drinks, Alter your snack habits, Forget unhealthy fast foods, Exercise daily (SAFE). Specific steps include: Choosing diet sodas over regular sodas;

keeping snacks small and healthy; reducing fried foods; limiting TV and video game playing to two hours a day. More information on this positive campaign to encourage healthy lifestyles is available at www.driscoll-childrens.org.

Dr. Ponder was in Pine Ridge as a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics" Committee on Native American Children's Health, which was making site visits also at Rosebud, Standing Rock, and Sioux San in Rapid City. CONACH advocates for the health needs of Native American children, most notably by bringing the epidemic of diabetes in Indian Country to the attention of the medical community.

CONACH members, who included Judith Thierry, RN, head of maternal-child health for the Indian Health Service, met with both community people and Indian Health Service employees at Pine Ridge to discuss the health needs of Oglala Lakota children. Members finished the day at Wakanyeja Pawiciyapi in Porcupine. This innovative mental health program which utilizes Lakota healing concepts, was recently awarded a grant by Indian Health Service Department of Maternal-Child Health.

The committee's suggestions and recommendations will be made available to the Oglala Sioux Tribe and to the Indian Health service unit at a later date.

Dr. Ponder's presentation at the Casey Family building was attended by representatives of several tribal organizations including the Community Health Representatives, students and staff from Oglala Lakota College Department of Nursing, Bright Start.

Also the the Indian Health Service Diabetes Prevention Program, the Indian Health Service public health nurses, and several interested individuals from the community. Mary Tobacco and Karen Red Star of OST Health Education sponsored the talk and were ably assisted by Arlene Iron Cloud and Elaine Yellow Horse.

Shannon County celebrates new Red Shirt Community School

Enrollment nearly doubles in first year of new school

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

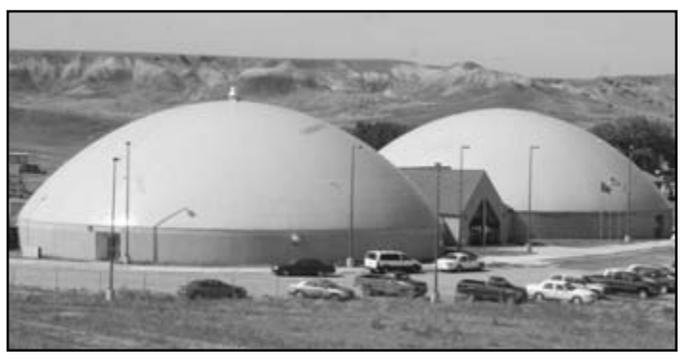
RED SHIRT - On Wednesday, Sept. 20, the board of Shannon County Schools, the community and school staff and visiting officials celebrated the new Red Shirt Community School. Although not totally completed, students started their fall semester in the new school on Wednesday, Aug. 23.

"Ground breaking for the new $4.2 million school took place in September of 2004 and it should be completed in a month or so," said Maurice Twiss, longtime staff member of Shannon County Schools, "you would really have to go back to 1984 when the board made a commitment to keep the school at Red Shirt open and to work at investing in it but it wasn't until 2002 when the board asked for a needs or parent interest survey and with the results started to really plan for a new school in Red Shirt."

The 31,000 square foot school is really two domes with a connecting building that includes four classrooms, a gym, a kitchen, space for community meetings and room for a community health clinic.

"We still have some paving to do," said Twiss, "and we have some landscaping that includes what I call beautification with lawn and trees and shrubs."

"The new school means so much in the way of opportunities for not only families and their children and educational opportunities but also it means a lot for the community with a new school that has room for community meetings as well as space designed for a community health clinic," said Ruth Cummings, a school board member.





Above: As drivers come down off of Red Shirt Table they are surprised by the new Red Shirt Community School, two domes that stand out in Red Shirt Community, Corneer Construction built the 31,000 square foot $4.2 million facility that has a capacity of 125 students. Below: Shannon County School Board members pose for a photo on Wednesday in Red Shirt and include from the left: Todd O'Bryan, Angie Eagle Bull, Ruth Cummings and Melvin Cummings; Chuck Conroy, newest board member not pictured; Photo courtesy of Double M Studios of Hay Springs, Neb.

To build the school, the board made an investment in a three phase electrical line from Hermosa that cast Shannon County Schools $750,000.

"The new school is wonderful," said Marlene Stoudt, starting her third year as Red Shirt principal, "the building is new, a new gym, it is warmer, it is more quiet and already the morale of the students is up, we love it and are so thankful that the school board decided to invest in the Red Shirt community."

Last year the school had an enrollment of 29 students and this year after a month of school, there are 49 students enrolled; the school has a capacity of 125 students.

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Kyle	Lakota Fund	Thursday, 10am - 3pm
Wanblee	Crazy Horse School	Alternating Fridays, 10am - 1pm
Oglala	Loneman School	Alternating Wednesdays, 10am - 3pm

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Porcupine School breaks ground for new building

PORCUPINE - Emerson Skeets, director of the BIA Office of Financial Management Compliance, joins Porcupine school students during the groundbreaking ceremonies on Friday, students include Ernest Weston, Daylon Black Bull, Aaron Black Bull, Kateri Means and Katie New Holy.

Black Bull spoke on behalf of the student during the ceremony on Friday.

On Sept. 22 the community of Porcupine celebrated the ground breaking ceremony of a new $14 million school.

Construction will begin in the late fall and should be completed by December of 2007.

The new school will be 71,865 square feet and will promote a design for improved technology resources for the students.



State absentee voting under way

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) - Secretary of State Chris Nelson said all counties have received copies of the Nov. 7 general election ballot, and absentee voting may start. By state law, the deadline for absentee voting to begin is Tuesday, but the process may start whenever ballots are ready, he said.

``Almost everything is set,'' Nelson said recently. ``All of the counties have their ballots. We are still working on some of the final AutoMARK programming. That's taken a little longer than we hoped it would, but the ballots are in place.''

The AutoMARK is an electronic voting machine that must be available for use by the disabled at each polling place. It allows voters who are blind, have impaired vision or conditions that make it difficult or impossible for them to mark ballots in the usual way; the machines also will provide language assistance for American Indian voters who are not fluent in English.

By midmorning Wednesday, four people had cast absentee ballots at the Hughes County auditor's office, said Jennifer Deyo, junior deputy finance officer.

``We've had a few come up to the office and vote,'' she said.

Deyo said 58 absentee ballots had been requested earlier and were mailed out to voters. Several people also have picked up sample ballots and information explaining the 11 issues that are on ballots in addition to candidates, she said.

Nelson said many people may vote absentee so they can take ballots home and study those issues.

Absentee ballots can be picked up and later returned to auditors' offices, they may be requested for mail delivery, or people can vote early by simply going to auditors' offices.

Those who are sick and confined may designate others to bring them the ballots.

Early voting has been popular in South Dakota since the 2004 Legislature changed state law so no excuse is needed for absentee voting.

Previously, people wishing to vote absentee had to swear that they would be away from home that day, were unable to get to the polls because of illness, could not get off work, were observing a religious holiday, or attending college away from home.

Almost one-fourth of all votes cast in the 2004 general election were done by absentee balloting.

Nelson does not believe early voting will be as heavy this year.

``I don't see it being quite as high as two years ago simply because we don't have two huge Senate campaigns out there pounding the drum for it. I think we will end up somewhere in the 20 to 24 percent range,'' he said.

``Those who do vote absentee may wait towards the end of the absentee period simply because there's a lot of these campaigns out there that people haven't even heard from yet,'' Nelson said.

Among hot-button issues for South Dakota voters are measures that would:

*Ban most abortions

*Add $1-a-pack to the tax on cigarettes

*Revise the valuation of real estate for tax purposes

*Legalize the use of marijuana for medical purposes

*Repeal video lottery

Coop members to recieve capital credit checks from Golden West

WALL - The recent million dollar rain didn't keep at least 492 people from registering at the Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative's Annual Membership Meeting in Wall on Saturday, Sept. 23.

Nearly all of those registering also received their portion of the nearly $2.1 million in patronage capital credit checks the Cooperative returned to its members.

The checks included $1,575,505 in margins or profits for the operating years 1988 through 1991 along with an additional $500,000 that was spread proportionally across the remaining margins through 2005. In all, nearly 18,000 checks were handed out at the meeting or have since been mailed to Co-op members.

Golden West Board Chairman Rodney Renner focused his remarks on the "You're in Good Company" theme from the Company's 2006 annual report. Renner pointed to the significant dollars the Cooperative continues to invest in technology upgrades, the Company's education program that makes $1,000 scholarships available each year at 44 high schools throughout the state and the Company's economic development program that annually invests $200,000 in local job creation projects as signs that "you are, indeed, in Good Company with Golden West."

Golden West General Manager/CEO George Strandell thanked the membership and employees for the excellent year the Cooperative experienced before touching upon some of the service improvements, growth and cost saving products that have been introduced since last year's meeting. Those accomplishments included an investment of $19 million in technology upgrades, the tripling of Internet speeds, the extension of the Company's call center to Hot Springs and its further expansion in Rapid City and the introduction of SmartPAKS that enable people to save money by bundling together their phone, TV and Internet service. The SmartPAKS are currently available to approximately 70% of the Golden West customers and should be available throughout the Golden West service area by the end of the year.

Strandell also encouraged those attending the meeting to vote NO on Initiated Measure 8 that was introduced by the cell phone industry to remove the 4% Gross Receipts Tax from cell phone bills. "Golden West pays gross receipts taxes, in lieu of property taxes, to support our schools and communities and so should out-of-state corporations who do business here," said Strandell noting that Golden West recently paid more than $2.5 million in gross receipts taxes.

Director elections at this year's meeting saw two incumbents running unopposed for seats on the 12-member board. Those reelected were incumbents Kenneth "Sonny" Zickrick, Jr. of Long Valley and Dale Guptill of Interior in District III.

Following the business meeting, Cooperative members were entertained by the music of From the Heart. Several lucky Cooperative members also went home with door prizes including Esther Murtha of Hot Springs, the winner of the $500 grand-prize drawing.

Cheyenne River man named Minority Small Business Person of the Year

SIOUX FALLS - The U.S. Small Business Administration has named Robert Laurenz of Pierre as its Minority Small Business Person of the Year for South Dakota. Dakota 2000 of which Laurenz is the President is a Native American-owned company that supports commercial, state, local and tribal government agencies with information technology services.

He offers Internet service, email and assistance in computers and website building.

Dakota 2000 was founded in 1995 and it has successfully completed contracts with several government agencies according to a press release from the SBA.

Laurenz is enrolled at Cheyenne River and grew up on a ranch in central South Dakota and is still active in the family ranch. He is dedicated to improving the economic and social conditions of Indian Country.

He was presented the award in Pierre on Sept. 18 and will be recognized also during SBA's Small Business Week next spring.

Obituaries

Tammy Ghost and unborn daughter Sweeta Stands

MANDERSON - Tammy Ghost, 30, and unborn daughter, Sweeta Stands died on Sept. 29 in Minneapolis, Minn. as a result of an automobile accident.

Survivors include her parents, Curtis Ghost and Mary White Face, both of Porcupine and significant other of 13 years, Harold Stands; daughters, Jessica Stands, Ashley Stands, and Monique Stands, all of St. Paul, Minn.. Brothers include, Travis and Brent Ghost of St. Paul, Minn. and Julian Has No Horse of Potato Creek. Her sister is Bridgette Ghost of Manderson.

A two night wake service begins at 4 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 28 at the Wounded Knee District School.

The funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Sept. 30.

Officiating will be Pat Janis. Interment will be at the St. Agnes Catholic Cemetery in Manderson.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in the care of the Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

William 'Bill' Vocu

PINE RIDGE - William "Bill" Vocu, 53, died on September 18 at Scottsbluff, NEB.

Survivors include a significant other, Flora Yellow Boy of Scottsbluff, NEB and daughters; Jolene and Angela Condon both of Scottsbluff, Neb..

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sept.r 30 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Pine Ridge.

Officiating will be Reverend Steve Sanford. Interment will be at the Vocu Family Cemetery in Kyle.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge

Brain injury support group to meet in Porcupine

PORCUPINE - The Protection and Advocacy Traumatic Brain Injury Program of South

Dakota Advocacy Services, along with the Oglala Lakota National Vocation Rehabilitation Agency will be assisting the development of a brain injury support group for the Oglala Sioux.

Traumatic Brain Injury can be a life-altering event for survivors and family members. Such a support group may be the one place where others understand the unique challenges associated with TBI.

The group will meet on the second Wednesday of every month at 1:00 p.m. at the Porcupine Clinic. If you have any questions call 867-2798 or the SD Advocacy Services at 800-658-4782.

SGU and OLC to receive funding to aide services

WASHINGTON, DC -Sinte Gleska University has been awarded a $500,000 Serving Institutions-Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities Program Grant from the U.S. Department of Education.

Oglala Lakota College also will receive $600,000 in funding to improve the nursing program at Oglala Lakota College has passed through the Senate Appropriations Committee.

"This is important funding for Sinte Gleska University. It is a priority to continually improve tribal education opportunities across South Dakota," said Sen. John Thune.

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Mel Gibson film preview, native as lead actor

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK - A select audience of American Indians will preview Mel Gibson's new film entitled "Apocalypto" which casts Rudy Youngbood. Youngblood is a Commanche/Cree/Yaqui and lived in Ada, OK before moving to Los Angeles.

Gibson scheduled three previews in September, but they were cancelled due to last minute problems.

An upcoming private screening will be held soon and Gibson is due to speak prior to the screening of the film which he co-wrote. It is an action-adventure film of the final days of the Mayan civilization.

It is scheduled for release on Dec. 8. It will be the first time a Native American will be cast in a lead role in a feature film.

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Thoughts that come from the heart

John was truly a legacy



By Amanda Takes War Bonnett
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Last week, the Lakota Nation not only lost a valuable link to the richness of the language and the history of our nation, but he left a legacy. Samuel John Around Him died Sept. 20. He was 64.

He spent a great deal of his life teaching and he taught with a passion and dedication to the belief that we needed to preserve the Lakota language, history and ceremonial way of life.

He touched the lives of many through his teaching and through his humility. That is made John so easy to learn from, was his humility.

Humility is a human trait that is hard to come by. It is a trait that bonds one to the Creator and to compassion of the people.

He was a highly respected sun dance helper, father, language teacher, and he spent many years helping inmates at various prisons with song and ceremonies and helping them to understand the spiritual ways of the Lakota people.

I valued John's help many times. He worked many years at Little Wound School, teaching our kids the language, song and history of the Lakota people. His teachings touched the lives of many, many children.

He touched my life and my children's lives as they attended school at Little Wound School. He touched the lives of many. I worked at the school for ten years and he was there.

He was my mentor at the school, anytime I need help with the language in working with public relations. Anytime I had questions on the language, history or culture, I would go to him. He had patience. He believed it was not only up to the schools to teach the language but it needed to be taught at home within the tiwahe.

Years ago, there was controversy at the Bennett County High School over the way their coronation was depicting Lakota spirituality. I asked John to go to the board meeting to explain why it was an insult and he was treated rather rudely. He told me that he was a veteran and he didn't care for the way he was treated.

He was a historian, he knew the history of the how that event evolved and it wasn't racism, we needed to learn, both sides. It was ignorance.

When my mother died in 1998, John came to pay his respects and he told the story of how he and his wife were married and they had my mom 'stand good for them' or be their witness at their wedding. He told me she was good luck for them as their bond had their longevity.

He has such strength, not only in his teachings and humility but in his journey home. When someone like John journeys on, it makes us afraid at times, because people like him have a wealth of knowledge and patience in sharing it that was never ending. We have few left like John that didn't believe in using Lakota language and healing as a commodity but as part of life. It is a way of life.

In reality though, his teachings will go into the next generation, it may change a little with time and how society changes but the core of it will go to the next generation. The songs will be carried on.

It is fitting and appropriate that we salute and honor our friend, John Around Him, in this particular issue. He made it a point to stop in for coffee when we first begin our work in Kyle at the Lakota Fund building and then, when we moved to Martin, he didn't disappoint us.

He often stopped by to chat and to share the latest news or to find out the latest news. In Lakota circles, when people meet they will often say, "oyakiye" which means to "tell it" or tell the news. As many people know, John was dedicated to his work in preserving and promoting Lakota spirituality and language.

At the school, his skill as a great resource to staff and community was legendary and which was a tremendous example of his "tacan waste' or generous heart. His leadership in practicing the sun dance the traditional way was well known.

He graced us with his presence and for those of us who recognized his special gifts, we are better for it. There were times I would get discouraged in publishing the paper and he was encouraging in that we needed to always teach, the language and the history and the spiritual ways. When he would tell me that I felt encouraged, it was because I respected him greatly. We will miss you, leksi.

Upcoming tribal election

In more mundane matters, the Oglala Sioux Tribal elections are fast approaching and all tribal citizens are highly encouraged to get out and practice their constitutional right.

When we endeavor to be good tribal citizens, the right to vote stands right up there with our other individual freedoms of speech, due process, and so forth.

We have a responsibility to examine the profiles and platforms of all of our candidates at all levels and contribute our voice to the process. When we are fully involved as such, we are less likely to be frustrated by the electoral process as the hope is that the best candidate will be chosen by a majority of people who have the wisdom to make the choice that we can live with for two years.

There are many obstacles and opportunities, alike that are confronting the Oglala Lakota oyate. The manner in which they are outlined as priorities in this election will be best served by those individuals who have the foresight and the best interest of the people in mind as they go forward with a vision in mind. The solutions are likely at hand and our responsibility is to elect those candidates who approach their work with a sense of dignity and concern for the oyate.

Take a stand and get out and vote on Tuesday, Oct. 3.

Our publication date is on Thursday, but we will have the results posted on our website at www.lakotacountrytimes.com.

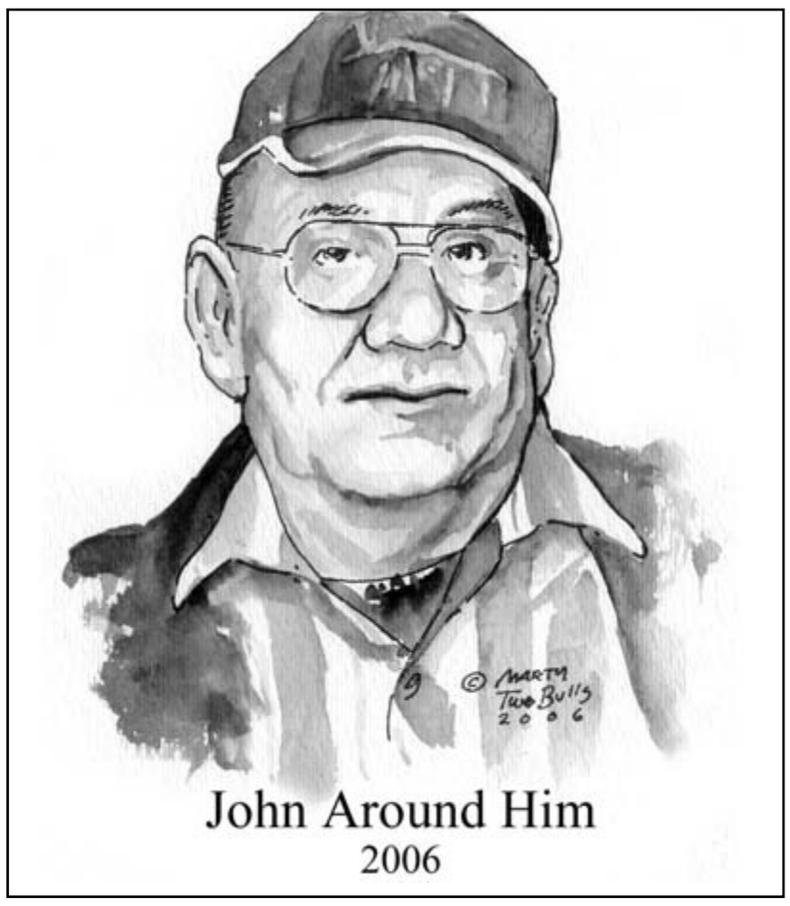
No smoking on hospital property

Effective Nov. 15, Pine Ridge Indian Health Service will enact their policy of no smoking on the hospital compounds of their facilities where patient care takes place.

These facilities include the Pine Ridge hospital and the parking lot, the Kyle Health Center and parking lot and the Wanblee Health Center and parking. This has been a national move involving most hospitals like Rapid City Regional and Sioux Falls hospitals.

In the past years, airports, educational institutes and restrurants have been enacting this policy for healthier environments. Little Wound School enacted this policy for their entire compound several years ago for students, staff and community.

The Rosebud Indian Health Service hospital will start their policy on no smoking effective Dec. 1.



John Around Him
2006

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What do the State of South Dakota, Oglala Sioux Tribe, and Flandreau Sioux Tribe have in common?

Dear Editor:

Long ago, tribal societies did not use corporal punishment, but instead used shame and ostracizing of wrongdoers to keep their communities in line.

With shaming, community members knew when they had overstepped the boundaries of local laws and mores.

Long ago, even newcomers to this land were convinced their land would be far different than the monarchy they left behind. The laws they wrote were dependent on community values and mores.

In today's society, laws exist to corral and isolate those who cannot exist in our society.

When these perpetrators are isolated and taken out of the community, where is the help from the community to assist in training the perpetrator on what is or is not acceptable?

Recently I read about how the State of South Dakota is trying to retract the law limiting terms of service for Congressmen. I read about how the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council ousted their president without due process.

And now I read about how Flandreau Sioux Tribal members elected a new Chairman, but the former chairman's family, on the election board, will now not allow the new chairman to be seated.

It brings me back again, to traditional tribal ways.

Long ago, tribal government was set up with deliberateness, so that no one could accumulate power and ultimately abuse power.

In the old days, tribal government was set up so that every person had to serve a short term in government for two reasons:

1) so they would know that taking that leadership position didn't mean power for themselves, but to accomplish things for the people; and

2) because absolute power corrupts absolutely. This concept crosses all nations.

So how do things like lengthening term limits for Congressmen even cross the minds of honest people? How can you have a good and fair government if you don't follow your own laws of due process?

And how is it tribal members can elect a new tribal chairman (I think the people believed it was time for a change) and then the relatives of the ousted chairman come together and take that victory away from the winner?

I think it all comes down to shame.

Community members need to stand up and provide that ounce of sanity, that pint of shaming, that visible and audible OUTRAGE at those without shame as they continue to do these things.

For those of you, who refuse to follow due process or procedures within your own governments, shame on you!

No one elected you to be a politician for life. If you truly want to make change in this world of politics, train others to accomplish your position because we should each and all be responsible for teaching our future replacements good and positive governance qualities.

And to those of you, who are without shame, wake up and smell the coffee! Is this how you want to be remembered?

As someone who couldn't let go of power and stayed in office by treachery?

You continue to shamelessly use your relatives to oust someone who legally gained the voice and trust of the people; go look for your morals because you lost them somewhere.

Who am I to write this to you? I am no one; except that I have determined to speak up with a small voice of conscience in the face of injustice.

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Things to empower yourself

Good energy, bad energy

By Patty Pourier
Columist

**Negative energy withdraws.*
Positive energy contributes.
**Negative energy kills.*
Positive energy gives life.
**Negativity creates depression.*
Positive energy creates exhilaration.
**Negative energy stifles good ideas.*
Positives energy releases creativity.
**Negative energy creates fear.*
Positive energy creates confidence.
**Negativity is condemning*
Positivity is affirming.
**Negatively creates doubt.*
Positivity creates possibilities.
**Negative thoughts create stress.*
Positive thoughts create endorphins.
**Negative thoughts create disease.*
Positive energy creates health.
**Negative thoughts are a choice.*
Positive thoughts are a choice.
It's YOUR choice.

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Northern Perspectives

Hihanni ki, wi cokan hiyaye wahehanl



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

The Lakota phrase comes from leksi Albert White Hat's book and it translates, "tomorrow when the sun is in the middle of its journey."

It is an interesting phrase that in English could simply refer to the time of the day. In Lakota, the feeling is that the sun is a living being that is on its daily journey. As Lakota people went about their daily affairs, the sun as the messenger of warmth and light was intimately connected to those daily activities that spelled survival and growth.

Autumn is a time of harvest while cooler temperatures seem to sweep through Lakota country all too quickly, although we do not have a lot of variety in the colors that we enjoy.

Ghost Hawk park on the Rosebud 'rez' is barely beginning to begin a changeover to yellow, while Yellow Bear canyon and lake toward Kyle has already seen the leaves start to fall off because of windy conditions. Doggone it, I wished we had more reds and oranges as they do in the northeast.

There are many ways in which we also find ourselves 'in the middle of our journey' especially when we are young.

As we journey through this contemporary world which is wreaking havoc on Lakota life, it is getting increasing more difficult to navigate. There are so many ways in which we are assaulted, from car wrecks to illnesses to the scourge of alcohol and drugs.

I will be thinking of leksi John Around Him of Kyle who has journeyed into the spirit world last week as he will be laid to rest. He often came by the *Lakota Country Times* office to visit with the staff and I only caught a glimpse of his generosity of spirit and wonderful repository of Lakota language and culture. He was the kind of elder that you didn't want to ask questions of, but you simply sat and listened to what he might offer. It was the kind of setting which one tried to learn something in Lakota, but you knew that he would be moving on all too quickly.

Lately, I often wonder why we praise people so profusely when they pass on to the spirit world instead of doing it when they are amongst us. We should talk kind to them while they are walking amongst us with their greatness and generosity rather than making ourselves look foolish and coming up with phrases to describe their contributions to Lakota life when it is too late.

The greater lesson that leska John would have rather we learned is to value each other in a sincere way and stop being jealous of others who might have out achieved you on many fronts because that is something you cannot control.

There are those who have fancy cars, jobs and job titles and I applaud them without a bit of envy in my heart because that is the Lakota way.

We need to elevate those who are so fortunate because as I like to say 'time is the great equalizer' and we need to enjoy each day that we are given.

When the sun is past the time of the middle of the journey it is written, "wicokan sanm iyaye ki' and it is a time reference that can easily be applied to our life as we journey each day toward the end.

The end of the day may be written as, *"anpetu wi icana wiohpeyatakiya ki mahel iyakte* - the daylight sun will soon go down in the west.

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Wayne Weston: platform for Oglala Sioux Tribe vice president

By Wayne Weston

Candidate for OST Vice President

What is the definition of leadership? I want to give my understanding of leadership to the Oyate so there are no misunderstandings to my philosophies. I believe a leader must be in sync with the conscience of the people.

The conscience of the people is not by only what is vocalized, I sometimes think there are special interest groups that abuse this to make people believe they are speaking for everyone, but that the conscience of the people must also come from the spirit of the people. I believe this conscience understanding must come from prayer, meditation, listening, and interacting with the Oyate.

It must take an open heart and open mind and making the best decision based upon those criteria's. I truly believe that we have been conditioned into a "win/loss" philosophy where we dwell in contention amongst ourselves and there is no continuity, if we do not agree and find ourselves in the "loss" column we find ways to put ourselves in the "win" column.

This vicious cycle is extremely frustrating and causes us to fail our obligations to the Oyate. I have heard of the "Win/Win" approach, but I believe this is not realistic, what I believe is the "Middle-Ground" philosophy which takes hard work and working together. I believe our ancestors lived this way and found balance in their lives.

I have heard this way called "making a compromise", where we ask ourselves "Can I live with this?" if we are able to come to this point and talk I believe we have made progress and therefore having continuity.

My background has been mainly in program development; this is taking a critical look at projects and/or programs and finding the best approach on developing or strengthening those existing components or projects.

What I believed to be my strength was not that I possessed all the expertise, but I sought out the right individuals who had the expertise and directed them of what needed to be done and worked directly to keep everyone on track, giving each specific tasks and deadlines.

I believe this is what development is about.

I do not believe in micro-management, but giving direction and encouragement.

I believe as the vice president there are certain limitations and advantages this position holds. I believe the vice-president is able to support the overall administration and contribute through research and analysis.

This position would be able to handle projects maybe not at the scale of President or Council, but projects that would complement the overall goal of that administration. With two year terms this position would set two sets of goals:

1. Short term goals that would not lapse two years to complete. This will take critical analysis to reach a realistic conclusion.

2. Long term goals that would be carried into the next administration. Ground work will be done with a plan to carry that out by the next administration.

This should be done with intense research and planning.

I believe as a Lakota "Wicasa" there are two key concepts that must be a part of every decision one makes, that is "Protect" and"Provide" the best interest of the Oyate.

I have grown to appreciate a parable that goes "it is wiser to teach a person to fish then providing that person with a supply of fish". I believe that in order to provide and protect the Oyate they must be given the appropriate tools, skills, and resources so that they are empowered.

It has been too long that we are dependent on outside help to sustain our life way, it is time to look within. This I believe is the greatest challenge we face as a people who have surpassed great odds to be where we are today.

Development of an economic infrastructure is vital to this empowerment.

I believe that once we have developed an infrastructure, this includes our roads, water, courts, law enforcement, laws, land security, and our belief that it can be done, and then we can begin developing strategies to bring jobs to our home land.

I foresee that this endeavor will take hard work and working together as our ancestors lived before we became dependent. As a candidate for vice-president I do not make promises, but the willingness to commit myself to do problem solving.

Hecetuwelo

Cecelia Fire Thunder: platform

Getting the tribe out of "High Risk"

By Cecelia Fire Thunder

Candidate for OST President

Mitakuyepi

Two years ago I asked to borrow the power of your vote to lead our great Oglala Lakota Nation, first in the primary then in the General Election of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. This power was returned to you on May 29, 2006 when the Council removed me as your President in a 9 Yes 5 No vote violating the 2/3rd rule.

I am once again asking you to loan me the power of your vote on October 3, 2006 when you go to the polls in our primary election to be one of the two candidates for the General Election.

I need your support once again to complete the financial accountability efforts started to get the tribe off "high-risk" status.

The years from 1999 thru 2004 spending and financial irresponsibility in Program funds and no opinion audits have taken up much time in this administration to remedy with success and I want to thank all involved in the continued work.

In the first months of my administration records of financial impropriety were turned over to Criminal Investigation of the Federal Government, this investigation is continuing.

The unpaid bills and audit findings totaled millions of dollars for these years in tribal program. We were successful in setting up negotiations with federal agencies with documents and filing of tribal financial records accomplished with the hiring of 5 individuals with the loan from our relatives in Shakopee. The organizing of these records allowed the tribe to find the records needed to answer questions from the audits and we successfully settled large amounts, $18 million of the Shakopee loan settled bills and replaced Federal dollars that were spent that should not have been spent.

I need your support to continue with this effort of getting our tribe off "high risk", which is closing out all the questions from 1999 thru 2004. I need your support to finish a national effort to get a Bill into Congress to fund tribal law enforcement based on the data to be collected in a study.

Law Enforcement

Has not received any substantial increase in many years and I was able to get national tribal leadership to support a study to get the data to support the request for new funding at a level needed to support law enforcement services for Pine Ridge and Indian Country. My administration was able to get $1.5 million dollars to keep our department afloat, along with successfully removing the "match" requirement for additional grants from the Department of Justice.

I need your support to keep the momentum going in completing the Mni Wiconi Water project; the message to Congress and BOR was to not fund any new water projects until this one was completed.

Your voice to all council candidates is to establish a recall process that gives the power to remove a sitting President and representative at the hands of the people who elected them for cause.

This recall process, language for separation of powers and code of ethics need your voice to push as you ask your candidates to complete this and put to referendum along with four year staggered terms and Business Council that have been completed.

Education

Is the answer to ending poverty and need all who care about children to help create a plan including the state schools, parochial and tribal schools leadership, there are around 5500 Lakota children K-12th grade attending school on the reservation.

At any time these children are moving from one system to another, attendance and graduation are two primary challenges and we need the help of parents and guardians of these children to help as well.

My membership on the Great Plains Tribal Chair Association allowed me, with the help of our leaders, to question the services and advocacy on our needs of Tribal schools, which led to the successful injunction against the BIA Indian Education Program to stop the restructuring process for our region.

We are the experts now with the number of Lakota who hold responsible positions of administration within our schools on the Pine Ridge.

District Governments

Under the constitution have the power to plan and find resources to build and enhance the community, this includes immediate and long range planning to meet the growth, economic, health, social and education needs of a community. I have and will continue to support this effort to support strengthening the capacity along with finding resources to sustain and support district development and growth.

Land

Who we are and with the land office and land committee will educate ourselves and others on Oglala Land Issues as only a handful seem to have all the information. There are 95,000 fractionated landowners with a little over half being Oglala and others of other nations. The issues are many, however it is time to take ownership of our land issues, starting with families coming together to districts and tribe.

Consolidation, trading and selling are all important things we need to understand to make better choices about our land individually and collectively. There have been numerous efforts over the years on our land and what is feasible to develop. The land on the surface and under has been documented and each district government needs to invest time in understanding what is in their districts. With the population growth each year increasing by 250-300 births a year, district governments must do more to understand land needs to accommodate housing and development.

FMHA annual payment of $870,000 was reduced to an estimated $342,000 thus freeing up half a million dollars, this successful effort was done thru this administration via a rider on a bill that was signed into law by the President of the U.S. This was an Oglala Sioux Tribe effort that benefited 28 other tribes that had outstanding FSA debt.

Tribal Courts

Need resources to do their job, but what they need is for tribal government to stay out of its business, again for outside investors to invest on economic development projects, we must strengthen the courts and allow them to enforce the law, interpret the law and apply the law. All candidates must make a commitment to make this happen with the first quarter of new administration.

Health Care

Is a treaty obligation and there is never enough money to meet the health care needs of the people.

The real amount we need never reaches Congress and even then the number is reduced, leadership needs to prioritize increasing the amount along with assisting any way we can to find other resources through the tribe and Indian Health for important educational endeavors on prevention as many of the acute health care problems we have are preventable and controllable.

Community based prevention efforts are necessary and even more successful are school based efforts, week long staff in all the schools are needed to assist our children in understanding and getting information to make better choices for mind, heart, body and spirit for a long life. An immediate and long term health care plan for the reservation is necessary so appropriate resource funding can take place.

School based programs are underway, nursing home project is underway, air ambulance project is underway, expansion of outpatient and emergency room is underway and I want to finish helping our hospital get the funding to make the ICU operational so our people stay instead of being sent all over the state for cardiac emergency.

Finally, I want all the schools and college to meet and talk about how we can meet the needs for hospital workers including tribal members to be doctors, dentists, nurses, PA's, etc.

I am asking for your support on Oct. 3, 2006 by loaning me the power of your vote again.

Le miye, Mata Canali Winyan.

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Concerns of Denver area media coverage

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For Denver's Indian community, this month ushers in a political season marked by media bias. In a couple of weeks, the daily *Rocky Mountain News* will begin its annual drumbeat of censure against protestors of the Columbus Day parade.

Much of the most blatant anti-Indian sentiment appears in *On Point* columns written by Vincent Carroll, editor of the RMN editorial pages, but, as indicated below, it also appears both in the subject matter of articles printed and in topics omitted.

Parade opponents have asked parade organizers and the city itself to dissociate the name "Columbus" from the principle of Italian pride on which the parade allegedly is based. They note Columbus' record as a slave trader and perpetrator of genocide, crimes for which he was held accountable even in his own day, and urge an end to a city-sanctioned event celebrating the murderer of some Native Denverites' ancestors.

In contract, a RMN columnist asserts that, "It was inevitable that Europeans would find their way to this continent, that the two civilizations would clash, and that more rational and technologically advanced one would prevail over the primitive and outnumbered one. That's history, traditionally celebrated by the victors and condemned by the vanquished." (Mike Rosen, RMN, Sept. 30, 2005)

After framing the local, annual parade protest as a violation of free speech (rather than terming the parade's name and intent on expression of hate speech or inflammatory speech), the RMN will pray out every morsel of controversy and half-truth it can find.

Than, with October's end, and the RMN's exhaustion of its repertoire of blame re the Columbus parade protest, the newspaper turns its attention not to American Indian Heritage Month, but to a glorification of Thanksgiving and implicit disapproval of Native activists who choose to fast on the day that ushered in centuries of death and devastation for Indian people.

Last November was particularly sorrowful, with the loss of Profesoor Vine Deloria Jr., possibly America's foremost Indian scholar and a beloved leader. Native dignitaries came from across the country to his funeral near Denver. The story of his life and death ended up at the bottom of page six in the RMN (compare this to the coverage given the death of Rosa Parks, Euroamerican leaders, Martin Luther King Jr., and others).

Further, the RMN's Carroll chose the day of the funeral (Nov. 18, 2005) to term Prof. Deloria's body of knowledge 'utterly wacky" in his column. It is hard to imagine what further evidence would be required to show the RMN's complete lack of knowledge of and respect for the Indian world. Public outcry was ignored, and no apology to the community was forthcoming from the paper.

In contrast, a couple of months later (Jan. 21, 2006) the RMN devoted a three-page spread, complete with color photos, to the funeral of a Native soldier who died in Iraq. It is unfortunate that such an acknowledgement could not have been extended to professor for his years of service to the Indian community and his national prominence.

Subsequently, the RMN announced the Denver March Powwow (March 24, 2006) and displayed in a separate instance a photo of a child in traditional regalia (March 22, 2006). It provided limited coverage of the North American Indigenous Games held in Denver.

However, the paper did not cover nationwide educational or Native business summits in Denver, major policy developments, such as those that threatened to close down the local urban Indian H=health program, regular National Congress of American Indian news, major initiatives of the Native American Rights Fund headquartered in Boulder or those of the Council of Energy Resource Tribes in Denver. It did not commemorate key anniversaries in connection with the Native American holocaust (which it essentially denies). Regular coverage of Denver Indian Center, Denver Indian Family Resource Center, Denver Indian Health and Family Services, and other programs is simply lacking. Suitable for coverage in the RMN apparently are militarism, athletics, and Natives (particularly children) in beads and feathers or dance regalia that resembles formal clothing of two centuries ago.

Unacceptable are intellectuals perceived to be outside the mainstream, political dissidents or activists, developments of trends affecting contemporary Indian people, attempts to correct American history to accurately reflect what actually happened to Native people, any hint of treaty violations in Colorado or elsewhere, or analyses of such movements as preservation of sites sacred to the indigenous world.

A further sampling from the RMN:

On Point, Oct. 6, 2005: After a supposedly accurate depiction of the grisly details of Aztec sacrificial practices, Carroll opines: "For grotesque cruelty, the Aztec rituals have few if any rivals in the history of high civilizations, but slavery, torture and cannibalism were hardly unusual for the age. The first two could be found almost everywhere on the planet. Cannibalism was less common, but tribes up and down the Americas, from the Iroquois in the north to the Tyupis in what is now Brazil, regularly feasted on their foes." Further,

"Columbus was no saint, as the protesters at Denver's Columbus Day parade this weekend will obnoxiously remind us. What they'll refuse to acknowledge is that this magnificent navigator was also a man of his times. His callousness did not stand out 500 years ago in the same way Hitler's and Stalin's cruelty rocked the collective conscience of the 20th century." According to RMN, "the only real 'Native American's' were dinosaurs and cockroaches. Indians were Johnny-come-latelys, too, many crossing the land bridge from Asia" (Mike Rosen, Sept. 30, 2005)

On Point, Aug. 16, 2005 (Carroll's column, in this instance concerning sports mascots): Carroll published a "wonderfully combative' statement by Charles E. Kupchella (head of the University of North Dakota, home of the "Fighting Sioux") concerning the NCAA's "haughty decision" to ban certain Indian mascots: "The university has a logo, not a mascot," Carroll quotes Kupchella as "indignantly" informing the NCAA. The basic message of Kupchella's letter to the NCAA is as follows, Carroll states: "your recent decision, dear NCAA, is high-handed, ignorant, insulting and intellectually sloppy. Please answer a few basic questions you neglected to answer in your edict so that I can appeal it and, when the time comes, sue you."

(*On Point*, Jan. 10, 06) Carroll takes a passing swipe at the indigenous struggle in Chiapas, noting that Subcommandante Marcos is "an intellectual who professes to identify with the oppressed and who laces his speeches with pretentious claptrap."

The RMN's website records some Indian-themed coverage in "your Hub," a weekly insert featuring citizen-contributed articles, including those discussing lacrosse as a Native American sport (March 28, 2006), appraisals of Native American artifacts (August 29, 2006), and "mines used by Am erican Indians to make paint" (September 3, 2006.

The RMN is an editorial ("Abramoff's Clients Deserve Scrutiny, Too", Jan. 6, 2006) states that "tribes hide behind claims of 'sovereignty' and duck fiscal oversight, to mention many of the taxes other businesses must pay." In fact, casinos are stringently operated under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 and, in addition to being required to fund tribal government services and economic development, must help fund the operations of local government agencies and charities. As a result, millions go to taxes and other revenues for state and local governments.

On Point, July 13, 2006: When the judge in the Cobell case (concerning mismanaged individual Indian trust accounts administered by the Department of the Interior) was removed, the TMN rejoiced. After all, the judge had denounced foot-dragging Interior as the "morally and culturally oblivious hand-me-down of a disgracefully racist and imperialist government…the last pathetic outpost of the indifference and Anglocentrism we thought we had left behind."

It is the 21st Century and the RMN is a prominent publication in a major American City. There are Native people alive today who grandparents knew those directly affected by the horrific consequences of Manifest Destiny. The 9/11 tragedy with its 2,000 deaths does not begin to approach the scale of the millions dead in the North American Native holocaust.

It is a tribute to the courage and resourcefulness of American Indians that at least some people are alive today to begin rebuilding their tribal nations. It is beyond all likelihood that the RMN would comprehend the Native point of view. But it should somehow occur to the editors that demeaning the survivors is cowardly and in appropriate, to say the least.

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THE CAUSE OF CERVICAL CANCER

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A common virus. There are many types of this virus. Some types of HPV (Human Papillomavirus) can be passed from person to person through sexual contact.

How common is HPV?
It is very common! It is estimated that 75% of sexually active people will get HPV in their lifetime.

If I get HPV, will I get cervical cancer?
Maybe. Most types of HPV are relatively harmless and will go away on their own. However, in some women HPV will cause the cells of her cervix to grow out of control. If this is not caught early then cervical cancer can develop.

Will I be able to tell if I have HPV?
Probably not. Most people do not know they are infected with HPV because it does not cause changes that can be felt.

What can I do to protect myself from cervical cancer?
Get a Pap test every year! This test will help your health care provider to see if there are any changes or problems that you cannot see or feel. Regular Pap tests and careful medical follow-up can help catch changes or abnormalities before a woman develops life-threatening cervical cancer.

Can I protect myself from HPV?
A person can reduce their risk of getting HPV by staying in a long-term, mutually monogamous relationship with an uninfected partner, or limiting the number of sexual partners. Also, if used correctly, using condoms can reduce the risk of HPV infection. But remember even if you do these things you can still get HPV and not know it so it is very important to get a Pap test.

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By Tom Crash
Times Sports Correspondent

LEAD-DEADWOOD - The Red Cloud boy's golf team earned a state tournament berth for the entire team with a third place finish in last week's Region 3A tournament hosted by Lead-Deadwood. The Goldiggers, the host team, won the Region with a 316, belle Fourche was second with 356 while Red cloud was third with 361, Little Wound was 7th with 413 and Pine Ridge was 8th with 507.

With an 89, Red Cloud senior AB Morgan took 7th individually, Red Cloud's Montana Sierra and Little Wound's Michael Lays Bad tied for 8th with 90. Red Cloud's Mike Twiss and Joe Richards were 12th with 91's and Corey Mills will go to State also as the Crusaders fifth golfer, he finished with a 99.

"This is a fantastic finish for our developing program," said Lenny Clifford, Red Cloud coach, "all of our golfers make a tremendous sacrifice each day to travel long distances to get to a golf course to practice on-Gordon is 41 miles one way and Rushville is 28 miles, these young golfers have made the commitment and we have seen overall team improvement each year."

The top 20 individuals qualify for State along with the top three teams, Little Wound's Josh Mousseau and Napolean Lays Bad earn their State ticket with a 94. Jess Nichols, Lead-Deadwood, took individual honors with a 73, Lance Collins his teammate finished with a 75.

Local golfers participating included: Joe Keith/PR 96, Eric Long/PR 111, Darrin Merrival Jr./PR 123, Donnie whirlwind Horse/LW 135 and Stephen Ross/PR 177.

Alex Prue, a freshman at Todd County, took 11th in Region 3A with a 93 and qualified for State. The Falcons finished sixth in the region with a team score of 486. Parkston won the Region with a 339 while Parkston's Trevor Freudenthal took individual honors with a 75.

The State A golf tournament is scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 2 and 3 at the Spearfish Canyon Country Club.

Cloud rains on Mustang parade, Falcons cruise over Crow Creek

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE/STEPHAN - Little Wound came into town undefeated with three straight wins to open the season and some honorable mention points in the poll, Red Cloud was trying to bounce back from their first loss of the season against Pine Ridge. The Crusaders ended up winning a hard fought defensive struggle 14-12 in cold, rainy, windy conditions as junior running back, Billy Scott carried the ball 31 times for 208 yards and two touchdowns.

"We struggled with turnovers last week and we really wanted the team to take better care of the ball," said Nick Dressel, Red Cloud head coach, "between our concern about turnovers and the weather conditions, we basically stayed conservative and let our offensive line open up holes for Billy to run through."

Little Wound came into the game with a balanced offense and despite the sloppy field conditions found some success both through the air and on the ground; Shilo Pierce carried the ball 17 times for 119 yards and Johnny Cloud was eight of 13 passing with one touchdown.

The Mustangs opened the scoring as Cloud hit Devon LeBeau for a 19 yard TD pass in the first quarter as Little Wound went up 6-0. Red Cloud came back on a Scott 49 yard TD run in the second and a Sun jung Park point after gave the Crusaders a 7-6 halftime lead. Scott added to the lead in the third quarter with a four yard plunge for his second TS, Park's PAT gave Red Cloud a 14-6 lead. Bryce Hornbeck scored on a seven yard run in the fourth to bring Little Wound within two points at 14-12. Little Wound's two point conversion attempt was stopped by Red Cloud's defensive line.

Cloud gave Little Wound another scoring opportunity as he hit several receivers in a late fourth quarter march down the field that ended as Art Vitalis, a junior defensive back intercepted a Johnny Cloud pass in the end zone to end the Mustang comeback attempt.





Top: Billy Scott, Red Cloud's 175 pound junior running back, bulls his way through the Little Wound line on Friday as he finishes with 208 hard fought yards on 31 carries an two touchdowns as Red Cloud downed Little Wound 14-12. Above: Devon LeBeau (30), Little Wound's senior wide receiver, leaps over David Giago(85) on his way to the end zone after grabbing a 19 yard Johnny Cloud pass for a TD. Below: Wayne "Dynamite comes in small packages" Trueblood (1) motors around the left end as Pine Ridge picked up a 34-14 Homecoming win over Cheyenne Eagle Butte on Friday night. Photos courtesy of Doouble M Studios in Hay Springs, Neb.

Red Cloud moves their record to 3-1 and will host Cheyenne Eagle butte on Friday while Little Wound is also now 3-1 and travels to Martin for a Friday night game against Bennett County. AB Morgan and Breanna White were selected 2006 Homecoming King and Queen with attendants including: juniors-Ken Franks and Audrey White, sophomores-Danielle Locust and Jacob Franks and freshman-Steven Vitalis and Laree Pourier.

Thorpes roll over Braves

Pine Ridge evened their season record at 2-2 with a 34-14 win over Eagle Butte Friday night in cold rainy conditions that produced a number of turnovers on both sides of the line.

Pine Ridge went out quickly scoring three touchdowns in the first half and going up 20-0 as Dave Bulldawg Michaud scored on a 16 yard run and a 19 yard fumble recovery for a touchdown and Louis Ramos two yard run. Eagle Butte got right back into the game taking advantage of Thorpe turnovers to score two TDs on a Tyson Maxon 74 yard TD run and a 93 yard fumble recovery and return for a TD by Spencer Peterson to close out the first half down 20-14.

Michaud closed out the Thorpe win in the second half with a 10 yard run for a TD in the third and a 55 yard TD run in the fourth finishing with 13 carries for 149 yards and three touchdowns and a fourth TD on a fumble recovery return. Michaud added 18 tackles on defense to lead the Thorpes, Ramos added 15 tackles and DJ Clifford helped with 10.

Pine Ridge hosts Todd County on Friday night. Michael Jack and Robin Webber were named 2006 Homecoming King and Queen.

Todd County closed out their road game at Crow Creek at halftime with a 50-0 win over the Chieftains.

Gunner Krogman ran for two touchdowns Friday and Mike Neiss caught a CJ Spotted Tail 11 yard pass for a TD and added two two point conversions to lead the Falcons to their third win of the season. Jesus Duran finished with nine carries for 93 yards and a touchdown while CJ Spotted Tail hit two TD passes, the first to Jaden Allen on a 11 yard reception. Albert Her Many Horses added a seven yard TD run and Canku One Star helped with a five yard TD run.

Todd County travels to Pine Ridge on Friday night while Crow Creek travels to St. Francis.

Football scores from week four

Pine Ridge 34-14 Cheyenne Eagle Butte
Red Cloud 14-12 Little Wound
Dupree 34-14 Edge-Oelrichs
Bennett County 62-8 St. Francis
Kimball 26-22 Lower Brule
Centerville 50-0 Marty
Clark 54-0 Tiospa Zina
Todd County 50-0 Crow Creek

Games this week

Woonsocket at Lower Brule
Cheyenne Eagle Butte at Red Cloud
Todd County at Pine Ridge
Little Wound at Bennett County
Crow Creek at St Francis
Great Plains Lutheran at Tiospa Zina
McLaughlin at Sully Buttes
Dupree at Jones County

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Sunday, October 1, 2006

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Effective Friday, December 1, 2006 the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Facility will be implementing and enforcing a Tobacco-Free Policy in an effort to protect the health and safety of all I.H.S. employees, contractors and visitors.

Research indicates that smoking is the major preventable cause of illness and premature death in the United States. Over 400,000 people die annually as a result of tobacco use. Exposure to second-hand smoke is linked to a variety of negative health consequences and is responsible for approximately 3,000 lung cancer deaths annually among non-smokers in the United States.

The use of tobacco will be prohibited on all I.H.S. - operated properties. This policy applies to all I.H.S. employees, clients, contractors and visitors.

EXCEPTIONS:

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2. Space Not Operated by the I.H.S.: Any spaces outside the leased areas of multi-tenant facilities not solely operated by the I.H.S.

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ENFORCEMENT:

Managers and supervisors at all levels will be responsible for the enforcement of this policy and for documenting verbal warnings.

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B. Visitors and Patient Violations: Visitor and patient violations Shall be handled accordingly.

1)The visitor or patient is to be informed politely of the I.H.S. Tobacco-Free Policy.

2)Security personnel shall ask patients or visitors who refuse to comply with the policy to leave the property and shall document the incident

The implementation of the Tobacco-Free Policy is a component of a larger initiative to improve the health and wellness of our employees, patients, and visitors.

All "No-Smoking" signs will be removed and replaced with new signs stating that "No Tobacco Products" may be used in the tobacco-free environment.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION PINE RIDGE SCHOOL BOARD

Under the provisions of PL 95-561, specifically Part 31a, Subsections (P), the Pine Ridge School Board is recognized by the Oglala Sioux Tribe, from whom its powers are derived, as the Local School Board for the Pine Ridge Bureau of Indian Affairs schools.

Voters and candidates are limited to persons who are 18 years of age or older, enrolled members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, and who reside on the Pine Ridge Reservation within the service boundary of the Pine Ridge School.

Petitions shall be available on October 2, 2006 and shall be returned no later than 4:30 PM on October 13, 2006.

Each candidate shall sign a Request for Petition for Candidacy before picking up a petition.

A $20.00 fee (money order) will be required for each candidate so a background check can be conducted by the Oglala Sioux Tribal Public Safety Office (DO NOT fill out the money order, it needs to be filled out at the Public Safety Office). Also a $5.00 fee (money order) for fingerprints is needed. Candidate will take fee and petition to the Public Safety Office in Pine Ridge for the background check.

The Pine Ridge School Board election shall take place on November 7, 2006, between the hours of 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

Polling places will be announced at a later date.

The four positions vacant shall be filled by the order of finish by the candidates; the highest vote getter to serve one two (2) year term, the second highest vote getter to serve one two (2) year term, the third highest vote getter to serve one two (2) year term, and the fourth highest vote getter to serve one two (2) year term,

PINE RIDGE SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION TIME FRAME

Petitions for the candidacy of the following will be issued at the Pine Ridge School beginning on October 2, 2006

Four two (2) year terms.

October 2, 2006 – ISSUE NOMINATING PETITIONS TO CANDIDATES

October 13, 2006 – PETITIONS RETURNED BY 4:30 PM TO PINE RIDGE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

October 16, 17, 18, 2006 – CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATING PETITIONS

October 16, 2006 – BEGIN BACKGROUND CHECKS

October 18, 2006 – COMPLETE BACKGROUND CHECKS

October 18, 2006 – CERTIFY CANDIDATES AND NAMES DRAWN FOR LOTS

October 19, 2006 – POST SAMPLE BALLOTS

November 7, 2006 – ELECTION

November 8, 2006 – BEGIN CERTIFICATION OF CHALLENGED VOTES

November 10, 2006 – COUNT CHALLENGE VOTES

November 13, 14, 15, 2006 – CHALLENGE OF ELECTION

November 16, 2006 – CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION

Interested people may pick up petitions at the Pine Ridge School Administration Office, or call 867-5198. A $20.00 and $5.00 money order (DO NOT fill out money order) for background check ($20.00) and fingerprints ($5.00) is required of all candidates.



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Two Sections

Area youth participate in cultural sharing at Mitchell

MITCHELL - On Sept. 16, area Pine Ridge youth traveled to Mitchell for the Mitchell Pre Historic Indian Village's Harvest Festival and Native Discovery Pow Wow. The event was coordinated by the Native Discovery Partnership, which includes the Pine Ridge Area Chamber of Commerce, Four Bands Community Fund, the Sicangu Fund and the Pre Historic Indian Village and is a promotional tool to attract visitors to the reservations.

It is also designed to educate potential visitors on the different aspects of the pow wow to include dance styles, regalia and etiquette.

In addition to the pow wow, visitors had the opportunity to sample foods such as Indian tacos and buffalo burgers, to view art creations from various Native American Artist and try their hand at archery. Richard Red Owl, Red Owl Art Gallery of Kyle was the featured artist at the Prehistoric Indian Village for 2006 and provided a very nice display.

Although the day was a little on the warm side, approximately 400 - 500 visitors attended the event on Saturday. With a calm breeze blowing off Lake Mitchell, visitors enjoyed the sounds and sights of dancers dancing to the beat of a drum.

Dancers, singers and speakers from Cheyenne River, Rosebud and Pine Ridge Reservations provided the entertainment and education. There were 13 youth from three different schools around the Pine Ridge reservation attended and presented their particular style of dance.

The schools represented included Red Cloud Indian School, Little Wound School and Bennett County Schools. The presenters included Tyler Little Boy, traditional, Vaughna Blacksmith, fancy shawl and Hunter Blacksmith, fancy feather all of Red Cloud. Lindsy New Holy and Candice Pinkerton both jingle and Dave McBride, grass all of Little Wound. Stephanie Sorbel, fancy shawl, Alexandra Hunter, jingle, Jason Drapeaux, traditional, Jacob Sorbel, fancy feather, Fallen Sorbel and Brittney Poor Bear, both jingle and one tiny tot, Wakinya Drapeaux all of Bennett County.







Above: Vaugna Black Smith of Red Cloud, Brittany Poor Bear and Fallen Sorbel of Bennett County Schools. Left: Stephanie Sorbel of Bennett County. Right: Jason Drapeaux of Bennett County and Tyler Little Boy of Red Cloud. Photo courtesy of Pine Ridge Chamber of Commerce.

The students showed exceptional poise and were very professional during the three-hour demonstration and trough out the weekend.

They have proven to be outstanding ambassadors of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. The Pine Ridge Chamber is very proud of them and the work they did, said Ivan Sorbel, chamber president. Their professionalism is a testament to their families, schools and to the Pine Ridge Reservation.

The Chamber would like to thank all of the participants who traveled to Mitchell to participate in this event. \



Pine Ridge High School royalty

Robin Webber and Michael Jack were named the 2006 Homecoming King and Queen at Pine Ridge high school on Friday. Robin is the daughter of April Merrival and the granddaughter of Patricia Fager while Michael is the son of Lyle and Pidgeon Jack. Robin runs cross country and track and plays volleyball and basketball, she was the 2004 State A Cross Country champion; Michael plays football, basketball and baseball and runs track.

The Homecoming attendants include: Freshman-Emily Lopez and Paul Pulliam, Sophomore Justina Brown Eyes and Billy Reddy, Junior Aimee Pond and Shawn Keith and Senior Ashley Two Bulls and Austin Red Shirt and Dave Michaud and Devon Red Cloud with Alonie Mesteth as the crown bearer and Roger Bettelyoun as the gift bearer. Photo courtesy of Double M Studios of Hay Springs, Neb.



Ghost Bear ships out to Iraq

FORT RILEY, KAN. - Four soldiers enjoy some relaxation time before shipping off to Mosul, Iraq on Friday, Sept. 22 for a 12 month tour of duty as part of the United States "War on Terrorism. " Pfc. Donroy "Cubbie" Ghost Bear (back row Left), from Oglala, is pictured with three fellow soldiers from Samoa, Pfc Jabal Wendall, Sgt. Joseph Prichard and Pfc. Wayne Tailai.

Ghost Bear is a 2000 graduate of Pine Ridge High school, the son of Calvin and Carla Ghost Bear and is married to Meghan Casey. All four soldiers are in the U.S. Army, First Infantry Division, First Brigade, First Engineering Battalion, 111 Sapper Company based out of Fort Riley, Kan/. Photo courtesy of Meghan Ghost Bear.

Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Health Fair
Thursday, Sept. 28 at the East Wakpamni College Center in Batesland from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with walk and run set for 10:30 a.m. and refreshments to be provided.

Back to School Pow wow
Thursday, Sept. 28 at Red Cloud School north of Pine Ridge with supper scheduled for 5:30 p.m. and the pow wow at 6 p.m.

Lakota Nation Golf Tournament
Friday, Sept. 29 in Rapid City.

Lakota Nation Invitational Volleyball
Friday and Saturday, Sept. 29 and 30 at the Civic Center in Kyle starting 9 a.m. each day with 12 high school teams.

9th annual LNI Cross Country meet
Saturday, Sept. 30 in Rapid City in Memorial Park starting at 1 p.m.

Festival of the Arts
"Peace is Like a River" gathering of poets, activists and musicians at Kiza Park, north of Manderson on Saturday, Sept. 30 gates open at 10 a.m. with a free giveaway of books for children and a free community meal. In case of the bad weather, the event will be at the school.

Walk and Run
Saturday, Sept. 30 starting at the Wounded Knee District CAP Office in Manderson, registration at 9 a.m. and walk/run at 9:30, the First Annual Wiconi un Wicaki Pan Pi co-sponsored by Wakanyeja Pawicayapi and the Emergency Youth Shelter, for information contact 867-251`5 or 455-1226.

Flea Market
Sunday, Oct. 1 at the Our Lady of the Sioux Catholic Church in Oglala in Brother Rene Hall from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

Youth Jam
End of the Summer Youth Jam, Friday, Oct. 6 in the LaCroix Hall at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City from 8:30-11:30 p.m.

20th Annual He Sapa Wacipi Na Oskate
Oct. 6-8 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City, championship pow wow, fine arts and games.

Skateboard Tournament
Saturday, Oct. 7 at the Rapid City Skate Park from 1-4 p.m. with two divisions, 12 and under and 13-18 years of age.

Fall Church Bazaar
Sunday, Oct. 8 in Oglala at Our Lady of the Sioux Catholic Church in Brother Rene Hall from 11am until 3pm with food, games, bingo and a raffle.

Honoring Veterans Wacipi
Friday and Saturday, Oct. 20 and 21 in Sioux Falls at the W.H. Lyons Fair Grounds, 12th Street and Lyons Avenue in memory of Roger Andal, grand entries set for 7 p.m. on Friday and 1pm and 7pm on Saturday, for information call 334-4060.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
School pow wow on Thursday, Nov. 9 at Loneman School in Oglala with grand entries at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with supper set for 5 p.m.

Pow wow and Art Show
Lakota Red Nations 9th Annual Pow wow and Art Show, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 24 and 25 in Gordon, Neb. at the Gordon City Hall with grand entries set for 7 p.m. on Friday and 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Weight watchers class
Large conference room at the Indian Health Service Hospital in Pine Ridg at 5:30 p.m.

Carpentry and Electrical classes
Classes get underway Wednesday, Sept. 20 at the Lakota Training and Leadership Institute-for info call 867-2287.

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson,
Porcupine AA meeting: Every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Pahin Sinte College Center.



John Around Him was a well known emcee and wacipi announcer. Beside the gift of song and prayer, his speaking was often filled with humor.

Lakota spiritual helper and language teacher journeys home

By Associated Press and Times Staff

KYLE - Lakota spiritual helper and language instructor John Around Him has died of bone cancer at his home near Kyle. The parking lot and auditorium at Little Wound School were filled to capacity on Monday and Tuesday night as wake services were held. Lakota people, relatives and friends from across the state came to say goodbye.

The funeral was held at at 2 p.m. on Wednesday in Kyle, preceded by traditional wake services held at Around Him's sun dance grounds in Yellow Bear Canyon.

As in traditional wake and funeral services, star quilts, flowers and cakes are brought to the services to honor. There were many, many star quilts, cakes, and flowers adorning the school gym where John's wake was being held.

A Vietnam Veteran, Around Him was a highly regarded emcee at cultural events, powwows and honoring on the northern plains. His many years of service to Little Wound School in promoting and perpetuating Lakota language use was a hallmark of his life's work. He also was an instructor with the Lakota Studies Department at Oglala Lakota College.

Around Him's service in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War sensitized him to the emotional and counseling needs of young returning Iraq War veterans. He also helped at-risk young people and worked off the reservation with American Indian inmates in South Dakota prisons.

Around Him worked tirelessly to maintain connections to their culture and heritage by offering pipe and sweat-lodge ceremonies. He also did cultural awareness training for prison staff.

Because of his work, he was honored last month when Gov. Mike Rounds declared Aug. 28 ``John Around Him Day'' in South Dakota. The honoring was held at OLC's He Sapa branch campus in Rapid City.

Around Him spoke Lakota as his first language and he was generous in teaching and illustrating its proper written and spoken form.

Matilda Montileaux, a second-grade teacher and language teacher at Little Wound School who worked closely with Around Him, said he taught elementary, middle school and high school students over the years.

He gave opening prayers at school functions, announced for powwows and helped start a youth drum group.

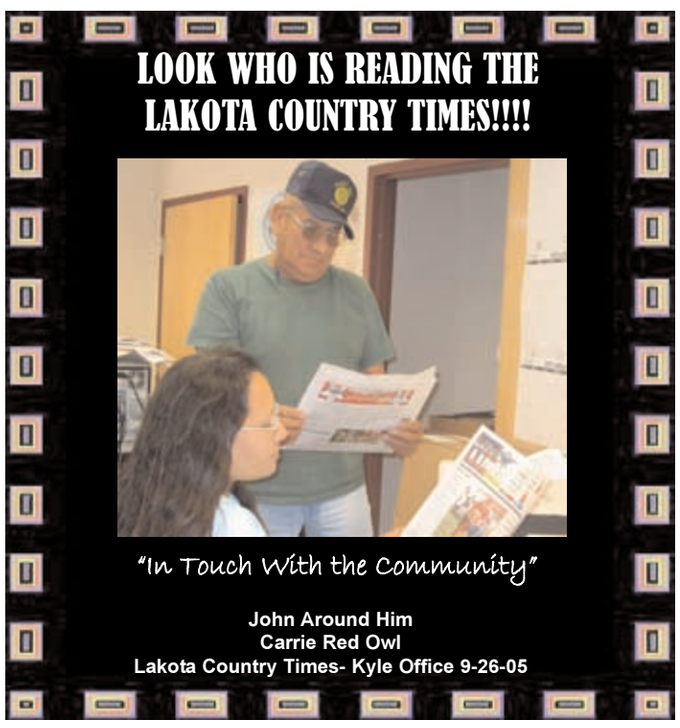
``They were young boys then, and now they basically have families of their own,'' Montileaux said. ``And they're still singing.''

Around Him had taught Lakota language at Oglala Lakota College for three years and took on more leadership when longtime Lakota language teacher Calvin Jumping Bull died last year, according to Tom Short Bull, President of OLC.

``Now the issue is who is going to come and fill the void that John has left,'' Short Bull said. ``Hopefully someone will step forward, but we're really losing a lot of really good people on this reservation.''

Those who knew Around Him said his passing is a big loss for Lakota people.

``But I think what he has taught us, we should be able to use to carry on,'' said Montileaux, also Around Him's niece. ``Basically it's up to us to carry on the teachings. Not just about the language, but about life in general.''



John Around Him highly respected spiritual helper, Lakota language teacher and Vietnam Veteran speaks on the language and tiwahe

*Editor's note*** The following interview was published by Lakota Country Times in the summer of 2005.*

By Dr. Archie Beauvais and Nanette Kills In Water
Special to the Times

KYLE- John Around Him was a highly respected spiritual helper and Lakota language teacher. A Vietnam veteran, Around Him, was able to relate to the young returning Iraq war veterans. As a sun dance leader and singer, he also promoted the use of Lakota language by encouraging those present to pursue the language. He says that tunkasila only understands the Lakota language and that anyone who is involved in ceremonies should learn the language at least.

Around Him taught in the Lakota Studies Department at OLC. Previously, he taught the Lakota language at Little Wound School and was able to draw some comparisons between teaching college students and school age children.

He said that he was able to look backward and see that, "There should be some uniformity in the language curriculum standards reservation wide. This would enable a child who transfers from one school to another to make the transition in Lakota easier."

He noted that, "In elementary and high school, one cannot simply give handouts as a way of teaching Lakota. Lakota language, history, and culture cannot be separated out, but that is the way the school districts approach language learning. Parents also have to be involved in the life of their child in order to promote and encourage Lakota language use."

When students are studying a topic in Lakota, there needs to be a specific block of time, like five continuous days, devoted to the subject so that it can be learned.

Some topics simply cannot be learned in one day, such as the kinship terms. Standard school district lesson plans usually require topics to change quickly and not enough time is set aside to learn each lesson, he said.

Around Him said that reservations schools need to develop their own language curriculum so that there is uniformity among schools.

That is where the college can collaborate with the schools in promoting good language use. Language teachers do not have a lot of freedom when teaching; even working in P.L. 95-638 contract schools and that is a hindrance.

He often spoke of the proper usage of the Lakota term "mitakuye oyasin" noting that it was inappropriate to use it at the end of prayer these days or as misused by politicians. The origin of the word is very powerful and more complex than most people realize. The word is held sacred in history and was used in a sacred manner with respect to spirituality. When broken down into its component parts, "mi" means "me," "takuye" is "everything" and "oyasin" means "come to me." He concluded by saying, "Wico'iye le unu'onihanpi sni waste sni yelo" or "It's not good the way they use the word without respect."

With respect to the eagle feather, Around Him made the point that the eagle feather requires special care because of its significance. When giving a feather, the sponsor has a responsibility to teach about its care. It as seen as spiritual messenger from all eagle nations of the universe. Furthermore, it should not be used as a fashion accessory as is seen now days.

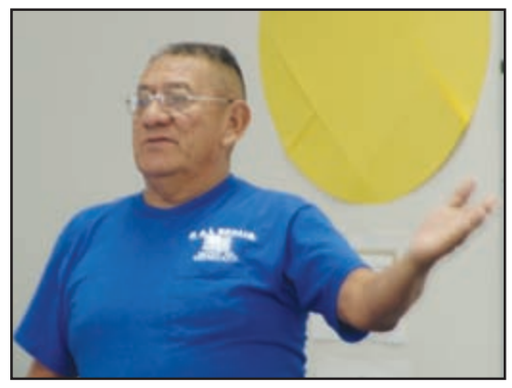
At the college level, students have not retained enough Lakota from their school days and often need to be taught basic Lakota again.

"They should learn it at the reservation high schools and why are we teaching those things again," he said. "Such things as colors, numbers and phrases. Lakota language use should begin at the Head Start level. They should be teaching language immersion at least one hour a day. Parents can put Lakota terms on the refrigerator and this can be a great way to learn." according to Around Him. Desire is an important part of the process.

"The language has to start at home. Language is everything, the culture and history. Parents that are fluent have to teach their children. But yet they don't." He said "takuwe?" Why is it that way?

For example, parents can put labels up in the home with words to help teach children. "You can't really blame the schools and the college for not speaking the language, it has to start at home," he said.

The Vietnam War is an experience that often lingered in the mind of Around Him.



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He was fortunate in that he was spiritually grounded in the Lakota way. It allowed him to leave the horrors of war behind and to integrate back into society.

He noted that, "Many young Lakota warriors who also follow the Christian way often follow the ten commandments. One says 'thou shall not kill.' It is a source of confusion for them as they are trained to kill if put in a combat situation."

Today, many of the returning veterans of the Iraq War often need some kind of counseling intervention, also, so that they can put the war behind them.

Around Him said, "We need to recognize the kinds of interventions that will help them adjust, such as the Pipe ceremony, the Christian way, or the Native American church. We need to accept the young veterans in order to recognize the stress and flashbacks that they may have."

Around Him was also a highly recognized sun dance leader on the northern plains.

His sun dance grounds are located in a beautiful location in Yellow Bear canyon. He believes in the authenticity of the sun dance and, as such, allows only Native people to participate. He said, "You have to follow the seven laws at your sun dance, so it is more understandable and respectful."

"The tiospayes now do their own. It is run inside of the communities. Like mine, I will know how many would be dancing next year because of the commitment they made last year,"he said.

He also spoke of the importance of women's ceremonies in Lakota life. He said, "I think there are only four ceremonies in existence, because we know the songs and how to do the ceremony.

The *Hanble' ceya,* the *hunka pi, onikage,* and the *wi wang wacipi.* It is a culture change. Some of the ceremonies are lost, but I know they are trying hard to continue the women's ceremonies."

At the time of the interview he said his granddaughter would be going through a *Isnati awica lowanpi* (womanhood) ceremony.

He said, "This lady in Rosebud, one time she held a ceremony and she told the men, 'All you men move back a little, this is a woman's ceremony.' I have respect for her."

It takes a year to learn many of the ceremonies. Language is a very important part of ceremonies, also. He said, "I have a tape of Uncle Stanley Looking Horse, before he passed away. He stated, 'We are going to bring the pipe out. I want all of you to learn your language. Learn it, speak it, the pipe is going to come out. The only language they understand is Lakota. When you pipe fast, you pray in Lakota." Stanley Looking Horse was one of the original pipe carriers and a spiritual singer.

Around Him was a great resource and cultural teacher. He often served as a Lakota cultural consultant to area schools, in addition to his regular teaching load at Oglala Lakota College.

He is well traveled on the northern plains and often assisted at other sun dances and ceremonies. He authored a Lakota language tape and booklet with Albert White Hat of the Lakota Studies Department at Sinte Gleska University.

He was often heard as an "eyapaha" at powwows, speaking at cultural functions and conducting veteran's honorings.

He has three sons and two daughters, Milton, Amaris, Clovia, Charles and Samuel and nine grandchildren.

Sentencings under way in theft of Missouri River tribal money on Standing Rock

By Carson Walker
Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) - Probation and repayments have been ordered for six of 10 people who stole from a Standing Rock Sioux Tribe fund that gets interest from federal money for land the tribe lost when the Oahe Dam and reservoir were built.

The six have been ordered to repay thousands of the nearly $100,000 stolen, according to documents in U.S. District Court.

All defendants were elected officers in the Running Antelope District and were charged with stealing and embezzling.

The main amount the federal government awarded to the tribe, about $90.6 million, is held in trust by the federal government. The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe draws money from the interest earned, according to a release from the U.S. attorney's office.

That amounted to a $1 million payment to the Running Antelope District in January 2002.

District Chairman Leslie Bobtail Bear, Vice Chairman Virgil Standing Crow, Secretary Gayle Henry, Treasurer Susie Long Elk and Planning Commission members Ralph Taken Alive, Jennifer White Eyes, Leroy White, Dale Weasel and Alvina Howard all pleaded guilty to felony embezzlement and theft.

All nine received money illegally for unauthorized travel, consulting fees, loans and other payments, according to prosecutors.

Restitution ordered so far includes: $10,500 from Howard; $8,500 from Weasel; $4,000 from Henry; $2,700 from White; $2,500 from White Eyes; and $2,000 from Taken Alive.

Sentencing dates are Sept. 25 for Long Elk and Standing Crow and Oct. 16 for Bobtail Bear.

Long Elk signed a factual basis statement indicating she took $94,600 by withdrawing money from a Mobridge bank, according to court documents.

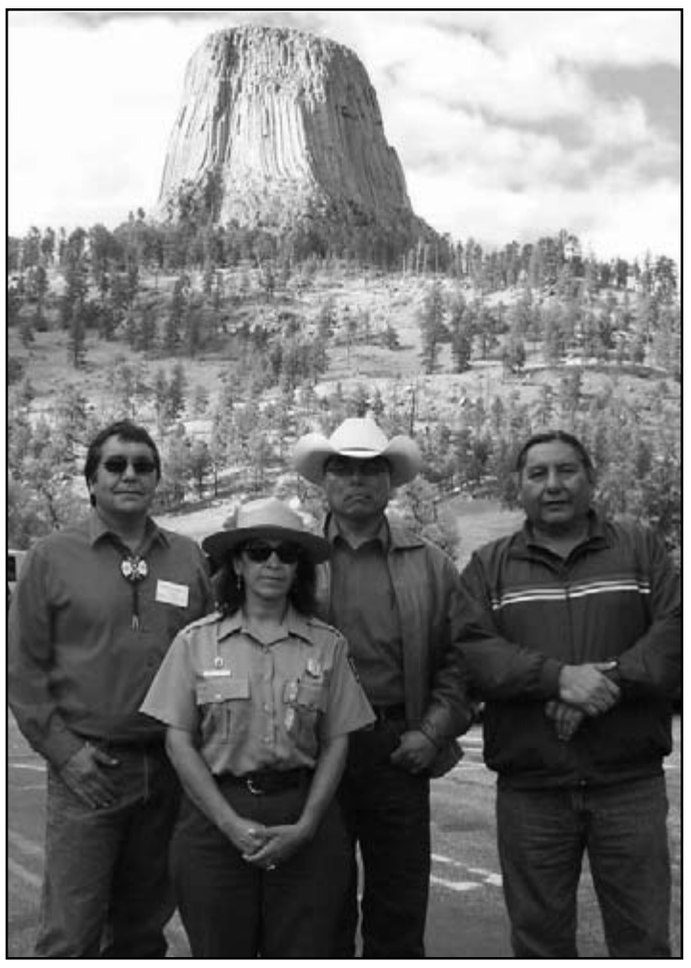
``She kept some of the money for herself and distributed the rest of the embezzled funds'' to the nine other defendants, according to the statement.

Standing Crow stole $17,000 and Bobtail Bear took $6,000, according to factual basis statements signed by each and filed in court.

Instead of pleading guilty, Allen Flying By stood trial in Aberdeen in August and was convicted of three felony counts and one misdemeanor count of embezzlement and theft from an Indian tribal organization. The jury acquitted him of two other counts.

He's scheduled to be sentenced Nov. 20.

Flying By was the Running Antelope District representative to the tribal council when the money was stolen. The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe removed him from office in 2003 for financial mismanagement.



100th anniversary observed at Devils Tower

DEVILS TOWER, WYO. - A three day celebration was held last Sunday to mark the 100th anniversary of Devil's Tower in northeast Wyoming. Special guests included, Rodney M. Bordeaux, Rosebud Sioux Tribe president; Wyoming Governor Dave Freudenthal; Eugene Little Coyote, president of the Northern Cheyenne; RST council representative Russell Eagle Bear; RST traditional chief John Spotted Tail and Dorothy Fire Cloud, monument superintendent. Fire Cloud emphasized the management of the park takes into consideration the concerns of the Lakota and Northern Cheyenne who honor the historic site.

Yankton tribe gets grant for correctional facility

LAKE ANDES - The Yankton Sioux Tribe Adult and Juvenile Correctional Facility will receive $695,000 for its justice system, Sen. Tim Johnson said in a release.

The grant supplements a previous $2.9 million award to finish construction of the 21-bed facility, which will house nonviolent offenders under tribal jurisdiction.

``This funding will help nonviolent offenders transition back into society by providing the necessary facilities and adequate rehabilitation programs,'' Johnson said.

Judge A. Peter Fuller to visit Shannon County

PINE RIDGE - Judge candidate for the Seventh Circuit, A. Peter Fuller, will visit Shannon County this Saturday, Sept. 30 and Sunday, Oct. 1.

His visit will begin at the Porcupine Clinic at noon with a traditional meal.

He will then walk through the neighborhood of the Evergreen Housing.

His day will end at with a meal and "question the candidate session" at approximately 5:30 p.m. at the Lakota Prairie Ranch Resort Restaurant and Motel in Kyle.

Big Bats will be candidate Fullers first stop on Sunday morning for breakfast at 10 a.m.

Free Biscuits and gravy will be served to the public from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Eagle Butte man charged for killing his wife

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - An Eagle Butte man has been charged with killing his wife.

Federal grand jurors in Pierre indicted Jamie Kevin Roach, 42, on one count of second-degree murder, according to court documents.

He is accused of killing Debbie Sue Roach, 44, on Sept. 5 at their Eagle Butte home on the Cheyenne River Indian Reservation.

The indictment said Roach killed his wife by strangling and cutting her throat.

The maximum sentence if convicted is life in prison.

Roach is scheduled to stand trial in November.

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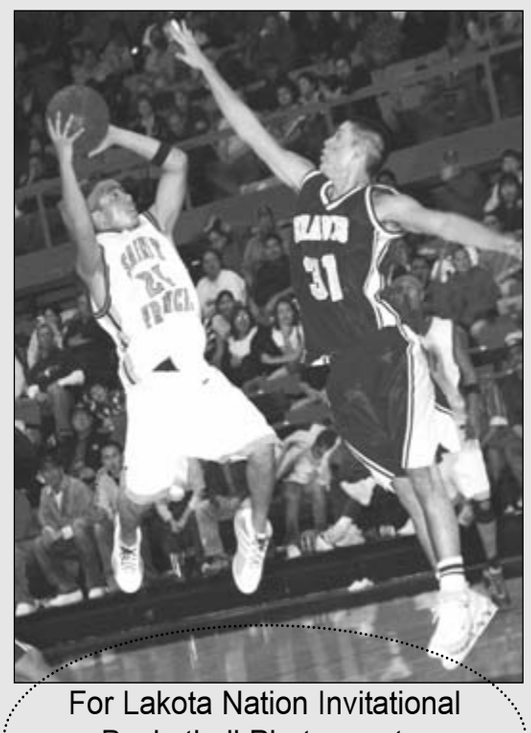
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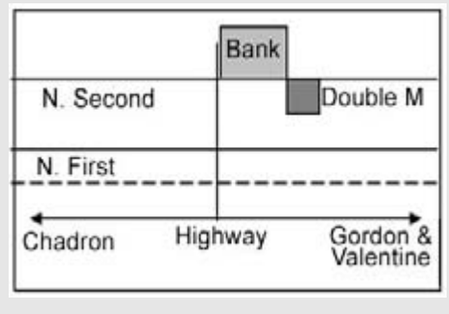
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SFIS students experience electronic theater



Elementary students watch with great interest of Dr. Hasler's show. "This is great in 3-D! said some of the students as they donned their 3-D glasses. Photo courtesy of the St. Francis Indian School gifted and talented program.

ST. FRANCIS - More than 500 St. Francis Indian School students and staff enjoyed three presentations of "Looking at Earth from Space: An Hour of Spectacular Visualization" by Dr. Fritz Hasler recently.

Dr. Hasler is a NASA Emeritus Scientist and Adjunct Professor at University of Utah who has presented his program internationally.

His visualizations appear on covers of magazines such as Newsweek, National Geographic, Popular Science, and TIME as well as on National and International Network TV.

The NASA REASON Project and the SFIS Gifted and Talented Program sponsored the presentations. Students and teachers alike saw HDTV and video projection technology on the large screen.

Some of the pictures included the 1972 Apollo "Blue Marble" image of the Earth. Other images included Hurricane Katrina, thunderstorms, annual blooming of the northern hemisphere land masses and oceans, fires in Africa, and carbon monoxide exhaust from global burning as well as the currents and vortexes in the oceans that bring up the nutrients to feed tiny plankton and draw the fish, whales and fishermen. Other images included how the ocean blooms in response to El Nino/La Nina climate changes.

Dr. Hasler demonstrated the use of Google Earth for satellite and aerial photography to help find a house.

The purpose of the presentations was to give those present the opportunity to see fantastic pictures of the earth from outer space, help students connect the pictures to classroom science instruction, and to generate some excitement and motivation for learning about science. Thank you to Dr. Hasler and the NASA REASON Project!

Other happenings at SFIS included the music program by Todd Green, who played 30 different instruments.

Green presented two assemblies to the students on Sept. 5 and a public concert on Sept. 6.

The SFIS Gifted and Talented Program seeks gifted student nominations in the categories of Intelligence, Creativity and Divergent Thinking, Academic and Achievement, Leadership, and Visual and Performing Arts.

The above enrichment experiences bring opportunities for all students that they ordinarily don't get to see.

If you know of a student who seems unusually talented or interested in one of the above areas, call or stop in at the Crazy Horse Resource Center at SFIS and ask for one of the Gifted and Talented Program staff members.

Artist's camp on Sept. 30

MANDERSON - A festival of the arts "Peace is Like a River" will be gathering of poets, activists and musicians at Kiza Park, north of Manderson on Saturday, Sept. 30. The gates open at 10 a.m. with a free giveaway of books for children and a free community meal. In case of the bad weather, the event will be at the Wounded Knee School. There will be some well known writers, artists and poets attending.

State conference seeks to improve education of Indian students

PIERRE (AP) - Educators need to gain a better understanding of American Indian students so they can help those students perform better in South Dakota's schools, a state official said Monday.

A state conference being held this week seeks to create ``an understanding of what Indian students and communities go through and how we can better reach those families and kids, how we can cross fences,'' said Keith Moore, director of Indian education for the South Dakota Education Department.

South Dakota teachers, school administrators and state officials are working to improve the academic achievement of Indian students, Moore said.

The average score of Indian students falls below statewide averages in standard achievement tests.

Educators also have to address cultural differences that can affect Indian students' performance, Moore said.

In a federal test that is given to fourth- and eighth-graders in all states, the scores reported last year showed Indian students were improving in math and reading achievement but still lagged behind the state average.

And in the test used to measure South Dakota's progress under the federal No Child Left Behind law, 59 percent of Indian students scored as advanced or proficient in reading, compared with the statewide total of 83 percent.

And 43 percent of Indian students scored advanced or proficient in math, well below the 73 percent statewide total.

In addition, Indian students drop out of high school at a higher rate than the statewide average.

In a presentation Monday, an education consultant told those at the state conference that students can escape poverty if they get a good education.

'Poverty-stricken families often discourage young people from leaving to get an education because relatives are one of their most cherished resources and they don't want their children to leave.'

-Littlejohn

Those students also need the help of a teacher or someone else to encourage them to pursue an education, said Jim Littlejohn of Columbia, S.C.

Littlejohn explained research done by Ruby K. Payne on the impact of poverty on learning.

He said people of all racial groups wind up stuck in poverty, which he defined as a lack of resources.

People of different income levels take different approaches to situations based on what they need to do to survive, Littlejohn said. Teachers dealing with students from poor families must understand those students and help them learn the rules that apply in schools, which are largely operated on middle-class values, he said.

Littlejohn said he escaped poverty after growing up in Pennsylvania because a coach helped him realize he needed to improve his grades in order to attend college.

He said after he got a job in South Carolina, he had to learn some new rules because he had no idea how to eat grits and he initially did not understand that golf was about making business contacts.

Poverty-stricken families often discourage young people from leaving to get an education because relatives are one of their most cherished resources and they don't want their children to leave, Littlejohn said.

A teacher can help encourage students to get advanced educations, which is the best way to boost income, he said.

``Give them the tools so they will have an opportunity,'' Littlejohn said.

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Baily James Thunder Hawk, infant...Kyle
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Sarah Marie Yellow Face-Herman, 63.....

Zlite E. Marshall

ALLEN - Zlite E. Marshall, 57, died Sept. 23 of natural causes. He was veteran of the U.S. Army.

Survivors sons Alvin Marshall, Hank Marshall-Dubray, Richard Marshall Dubray all of Martin; brothers Eli Marshall of Allen, William Marshall of Porcupine,

Michael Marshall of Wanblee, Jacob Marshall of Allen, Robert Marshall and Joe Marshall, Jr. both of Rosebud; sisters Lois Thunder Hawk of Porcupine, Shirley Hamel of Allen, Nora Marshall of Martin, Kathy Arcoren of Rosebud, Neva Rousey of Denver, Colo., and Melinda Marshall of Florida

A two night wake begins at 2 p.m. on Thursday Sept. 28, at the Allen CAP office in Allen. Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, at the Allen CAP office in Allen.

Officiating will Rev. Sonny Richards with burial at the Trinity Episcopal Cemetery in Allen, SD

Funeral Arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Samuel John Around Him Jr.

KYLE - Samuel John Around Him Jr., 64, Kyle, died Wednesday, Sept. 20 in Kyle. He served in the U.S. Army. Survivors include three sons, Milton Around Him, John Around Him III and Samuel Around Him, all of Kyle; two daughters, Amaris Around Him and Clovia Around Him, both of Kyle; one half brother, Raymond Hopkins, Rapid City; two sisters, Annie Fineran, Allen, and Elizabeth Around Him, Pine Ridge; and 10 grandchildren. Wake services were Monday, Sept. 25, at Little Wound School in Kyle. Funeral services were 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 27, at the school, with the Rev. Cordelia Red Owl and the Rev. Simon Looking Elk officiating, and traditional Lakota services by Jerome LaBeau, Rick Two Dogs and Richard Moves Camp. Burial was at St. Barnabas Episcopal Cemetery in Kyle. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Ethel R. Red Bear

POTATO CREEK - Ethel R. Red Bear, 63, died Sept. 19 at the Pine Ridge Hospital of natural causes.

Survivors include sons Soloman Red Bear III of Sante Fe, N.M., Elesh Montez, Pine Ridge; daughters Woyatanwin Iona Red Bear of Omaha, Neb. and Salome Echo Red Bear of Potato Creek.; brothers Virgil Plenty Bull and Clifton American Horse both of Porcupine and a sister Roseanna Spotted Bear of Wounded Knee and five grandchildren.

Wake services were Friday, Sept. 22 at the Ethel Red Bear Residence in Potato Creek with traditional Native American Wake Begins at the Ethel Red Bear Residence.

Funeral services were Monday, Sept. 25 at the Native American Church Tipi Grounds, Potato Creek with Rev. Lorenzo Shields, Sr. officiating.

Burial was at Native American Church Cemetery in Potato Creek.

Funeral Arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

William S. "Bill" Vocu

SCOTTSBLUFF, Neb. - William S. "Bill" Vocu, 53, Scottsbluff and formerly of Pine Ridge, S.D., died Monday, Sept. 18, , in Scottsbluff. Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Sunshine White

LITTLE EAGLE - Sunshine White, 22, Little Eagle, died Saturday, Sept. 23 at Mid Dakota Medical Center in Chamberlain. Arrangements are pending with Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge.

Daryl White Buffalo

RAPID CITY - Daryl A. White Buffalo, 43, Rapid City, died Thursday, Sept. 21, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include one daughter, LaRae White Buffalo, Rapid City; one son, Jacob White Buffalo, Rapid City; one brother, Shannon White Buffalo; two sisters, Barb White Buffalo and Laverda White Buffalo; and special friend, Kelly Horstman.

Arrangements are with Osheim-Catron Funeral Home in Rapid City.

Ernest Leonard "Dutchie" Frazier

FORT MEADE - Ernest Leonard "Dutchie" Frazier, 78, Fort Meade and formerly of White Horse and Timber Lake, died Sunday, Sept. 17, at Fort Meade Veterans Affairs Medical Center. He served in the U.S. Army. Survivors include one daughter, Holly Sue, Denver; two sons, Thomas, Aberdeen, and Billy, Bath; two brothers, Mervin, Dupree, and Harold, White Horse; two sisters, Alta Hernandez, West Covina, Calif., and Ione Frazier, Denver; four grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Funeral services were Monday, Sept. 25, at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Whitehorse, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat officiating.

Burial was at Timber Lake Cemetery. Kesling Funeral Home in was in charge of arrangements.

Baily James Thunder Hawk

RAPID CITY - Bailey James Thunder Hawk was stillborn to Sinquah Thunder Hawk and January Rendon on Thursday, Sept. 21, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

There are no services planned at this time. Serenity Springs Funeral Chapel in Rapid City is in charge of arrangements.

Family and friends may send condolences to www.serenity springsfuneralchapel.com.

Sarah Marie Yellow Face-Herrmann

OKREEK - Sarah Marie Yellow Face-Herrmann, 63, was born on Oct. 26, 1942 in Okreek to Joseph Yellow Face and Irene Afraid Of Bear. Sarah passed away on September 5th, 2006 at the Cherry County Hospital in Valentine, Neb. surrounded by her family.

Wake services were held on Thursday, Sept. 7, at the Okreek Community Center in Okreek.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Sept. 8. Interment was at the Okreek Community Cemetery.

Sarah lived most of her life as a Christian woman and loved the Lord Jesus. Sarah worked as a certified nurse's aide for 30 years and loved working with the elderly.

Sarah shared most of her life with her husband Tobias Herrmann of Mission, S.D. sons; Richard Yellow Face of Mission, S.D., David and Mark Herrmann of Valentine, Neb. Daughters; Donna Marcus of Soldier Creek, South Dakota, Jennifer Herrmann of Mission S.D. and Kathy White Lance of New Castle, Wyoming. Grandchildren; Richenda Stead, Ashley Herrmann, Jerome & Sarah Eagle Bear, Jacob Herrmann, Aspen, William Jr., Keanu White Lance. Great grand children; Aaron Iron Heart Jr, Hugo Eisenbraun Jr., and Aaliyah Eisenbraun also survived by 2 sisters Alva Fast Horse & family and Joyce Hibbs and family of Mission along with numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, mother, three brothers and five sisters.

Holmes Funeral Home of Valentine Nebraska was in charge of the arrangements.

Victor E. Shoulders

MANDERSON - Victor E. Shoulders, 51, died Sept. 25 of natural causes. He served in the United States Army.

Survivors include sons Victor Shoulders, Jr. of Sharps Corner; a daughter:Victoria Shoulders of Sharps Corner

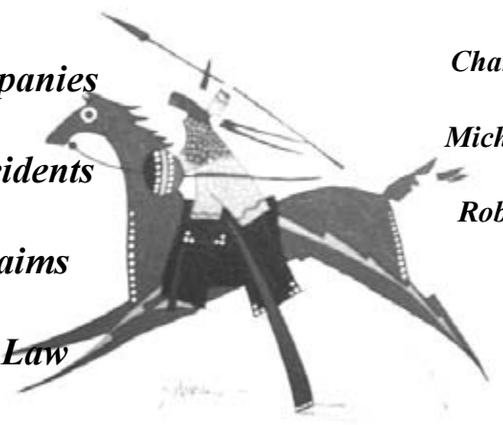
Sisters Debra Shoulders and Margelyn Shoulders both of Scottsbluff, Neb. and Colleen Shoulders of Lincoln, Neb. and three grandchildren.

A two night wake begins at on Thursday, Sept. 28, at St. Agnes Catholic Church Hall in Manderson.

Funeral services are 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, at the St. Agnes Catholic Church Hall in Manderson Rev. Chris Collins officiating.

Burial will be at St. Agnes Catholic Cemetery in Manderson.

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Miss Curious

Dear Miss Curious:

We come into the earth with an agreement with the Creator. It is pre-arranged with us and with the Creator that we will be born into a certain family (family dynamic lessons), live in a certain geographic area (social and economic climate), and join together with other certain individuals for life experience.

All of these conditions are agreed upon for our highest good (the best lessons for each of us, in accordance with what the personality (spirit in person-hood) needs to become the most enriched soul that we can be. We come to the earth and are born into our soul family. We meet others on our life path that are also our soul family and included in that, and not ever separate from that is the experience of joining with a mate. Some people do have an agreement not to mate (priests, nuns, and others with a particularly strong soul mission). However, for most people, there is always a mate.

Someone to teach us, to learn with us, to unite with us, to grow with us, to teach us the most about love that can be learned. To assume that you are excluded from this Divine Plan, is to assume that you have not been included in the plan of the Creator and in your own soul plan. That is just plain silly and dumb. Each of us attracts the mate that suits our development within the framework of time. For example:

When you are sixteen, and socially dimwitted by hormones and emotions and limited life experience, you will join with another human being to learn the most in your development plan as a spirit on the earth. When you are twenty-five (these ages are arbitrary, these are just examples), you will meet with another human being, most likely to pro-generate (have children), who will then be new members of your soul-circle, and will have the genetic make-up to be who they are designed to be by the Creator. This relationship may or may not thrive, depending on the needs of the persons involved on their soul journey.

Let's say then at 34, the relationship falls apart, and you are joined with another human. The journey may include the dynamic of self-expression through work or avocation for the enrichment of the both of you. We are male and female on the earth. The Yin and the Yang.

They go together and compliment each other. It is the natural order of things. When you have reached the point in your personal development of reasonable balance (spiritually, emotionally, physically, and mentally) you are most suited for a successful relationship. Until the time of balance all relationships struggle. Sometimes the balance can be achieved together, in rhythm - thus you have a successful long term relationship. In most cases, however, due to the imbalances of each person, many relationships are destined to end when the journey of learning is complete. You are not excluded from love in your life. Work on achieving healthy attitudes, understanding, rid yourself of jealousy, easily triggered anger, resentment and emotions of revenge. As you are, so you will attract. Patience will give you your mate when your spirit is ready for the next voyage on your life journey. In the meantime, enjoy the relationships that are presented to you without sucking them dry for the need to be in a permanent commitment.

Blessings to you. You will, by the way, meet the next long commitment person about this time next year.

Dear Anna,

So sorry to bother you again, but I really need your help, I have some things that are bothering me: One guy I keep thinking about him, it scares me that I am ugly or something. Sometimes I like to go to school but I don't want anything bad said to me.

This is so stupid and obsessive, but do you still see me playing basketball?

Sometimes I have doubts about things I feel like I just want to give up and quit, sometimes when people tell me things I don't trust them anymore. Things are just going so bad for me. Will things ever change at school for me? Will things get better? I had so much respect for a guy at school, turns out he said something mean about me and I heard it, what's wrong with me did I do something wrong to him am I an evil person? Right now I am trying , struggling with a goal, to accomplish it. Thank you for your time and I will pray for you.

God Bless and Gracias

De Nada:

You know what? High school can literally be the pits. Self-esteem issues, vicious opinions of others, social inequities, attitudes of dysfunction, and the competitive attitude of corporate America all exist within the institution known as high school.

Now, first of all, you are absolutely beautiful - in spirit as well as physically. Somehow in high school boys and girls are walking around with really heavy-duty shades on their eyes. High school people usually cannot see their own beauty, the beauty of health and youth, physical strength and open and expectant minds, so they obviously miss the obvious beauty of others.

Many boys and girls want so much to "belong" that they sacrifice their respect and honor to be a member of a group, to get attention, to get a laugh.

You have suffered from such a numb-minded young man's insult. I apologize for him. Someday, hopefully, he will grow up and will learn that cruel humor is as much of a weapon as a gun. It kills the spirit of others.

I don't like to go where I feel people are talking badly about me or where they don't respect me either.

Sometimes whether I like it or not, I have to go. I pray for the hearts to open, for the minds to be doctored, for the respect and honor of one human being to another to be realized. That is all that I can do. You know what? It works a little better all the time. The advantage that I have over you however, is that I am an adult. I really have more choices over where I show up.

You can and will play basketball. You are in charge of that part of your life. See yourself playing (in your mind), practice every chance you get, and sign up, show up, and play.

High school is the preparation ground for life. It isn't the last chance or the final arena for success. It is where people learn about other people. It is where choices are made as to future goals and life-path.

You are learning what you need to know for future success. You will go to college, and you will see life differently very soon.

You have a boy-friend in your near future, before the end of the school year. Learn there too, not to let him take advantage of you because you feel the "need" to please him, so that you can keep him.

If you let him dominate you, then you will learn a much harder lesson than if you make the decisions about how much of a role this temporary man will play in your life. Keep your head high, your eyes open and your pants on.

You are brilliant and a star. Your gift of music will light up the world. Hang in there kid, high school will eventually be in your past, and you will be a rich survivor.

Dear Anna,

I like you column, I read it every Friday. I like your advice to people. I was wondering if you can help with some of mine? Will me and my ex-boyfriend ever get back together? Will my schooling be good?

Will my auntie be okay and my mother and grandmother, will my dad's side of his family still remember me? Will I ever get money this weekend? Will I get to talk to my ex? Will we get to gather or just talk will my sister come back?

Stressful!

Dear Stressful:

In sequential order I respond: Thank you. Yes I can help you with some advice. You and your ex-boyfriend may "sort-of" get back together, but it will not work out in the long run. He has just broken up with a girl, and like most men, when they do that they look to the past instead of looking to the future. When they hook up with the past, then everybody remembers why it won't work, and then the woman of the future comes in, and Blewy, Cabooey and Bang! He is unfaithful to the woman of his past (you) with the woman of his future (her). Please be smart and avoid this whole scenario by remembering exactly who he is.

Your education is what you make of it. Study hard and you will do well.

Your auntie is doing very well and recovering nicely. Mom and grandmother are fine. Your father's family will finally get over their internal struggle and welcome you into their hearts. It just takes time.

Probably not much money this weekend - you need to wait another week or so. There probably isn't much conversation with your ex this weekend, but you will talk to him and probably see him next week.

You sister will, eventually, come back.

Blessings to you.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests may be subject to publication.

Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

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The Rez Firefighter (Peta Usniyapi)

By Beaux Beauvais



Frybread By Thom Little Moon



Snoman By Thom Little Moon



Lakota Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)

Across

6 adore (5)

7 kiss (8)

8 mist (2)

9 bunch (3)

10 flower (7)

11 stone (5)

Down

1 to rain (6)

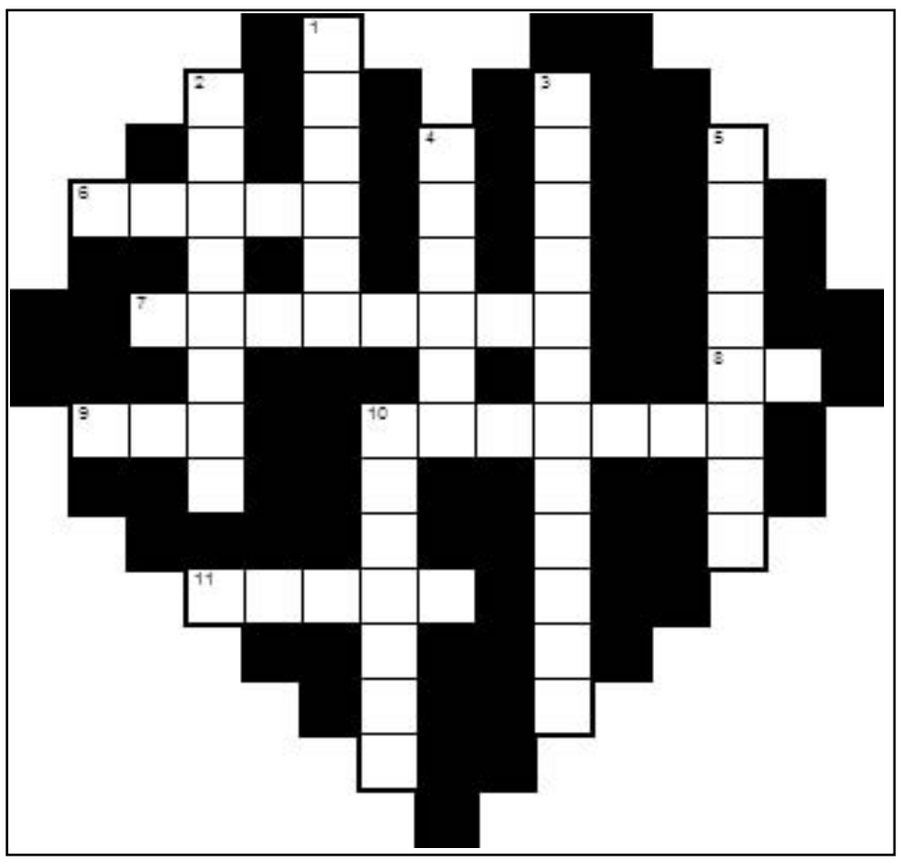
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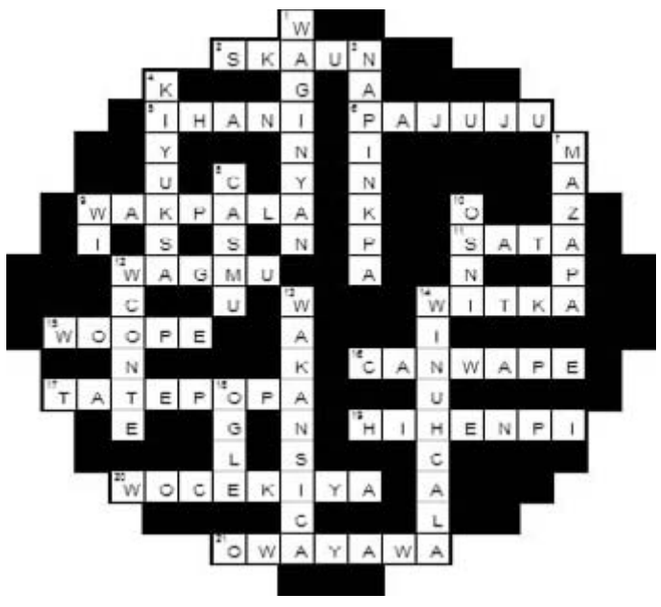
4 elk (6)

5 puppy (8)

10 peace (7)



Answers from last week's puzzle



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I would like to wish our Auntie, Ashley M. Two Crow a Happy Birthday on Sept. 27. Hope you don't have too much fun (Josh) Coming from Creighton & Latecia Yankton

To Jamie.
Get better soon
from Kimberly Apple

I would like to wish my big sister Latoya Sammy Yankton a Happy Belated B-day on Sept. 18 who turned 2 yrs old. Don't act too spoiled. Coming from your lil sis, Latecia Yankton

To sister Eileen keep your head up and thank you. Roy for taking care of her and Jamie from sister Kim

Happy Birthday 17 to
Ashley TC Happy?
from Jenny, Mike, Tyler,
Jerome, Matasha

I would like to wish
Fender Makes Good
a happy birthday on Oct. 31st. Hope you enjoy your day.
from: Lorie B.

Happy Birthday
Aubrey Two Crow (DAD)
Hope you have more.
From: Tyler T.C.

I would like to wish my oldest daughter Latoya Yankton a Happy Belated Birthday on Sept. 18. Who turns 2 yrs old. I hope you had a good one. Love, your mom, Jessica Two Crow

Happy 17th Birthday
Ashley Two Crow
on 9-27. Have fun on your day
From Mom

Happy 2nd Belated Birthday to my sister (daughter)
Latoya Sammy Yankton
I hope you enjoyed your day. your only 2 but you act 15. You're growing up too fast.
Love, your dad
Lloyd Yankton, Jr.

Happy 21st Birthday to Rhonda Janis on October 5. Have a blast but don't get to crazy. From Lorie B.

Happy Belated 2nd Birthday to Latoya Yankton
from The North Route Crew

Happy Birthday to
Ashley Two Crow,
September 27
&
Aubrey Two Crow
September 29
Have fun on your birthday
from North Route Crew

We would like to say a big "HI" to Tasha Rooks
at Angel's Store
From your best customers

I would like to wish my little sister Latoya Sammy Yankton a happy belated birthday on Sept.18 who turned 2 yrs old. Don't get too crazy on your Dora Power wheel. Love, your big bro, Creighton Yankton

I want to wish my granddaughter a happy belated b-day on 9/18. You turned 2 but you act older than that. Love, your Grandma & Grandpa in North Route.

Grandpa Aubrey A Two Crow
Happy B irthday. Don't have too much fun or you'll end up somewhere you don't wanna be.
From Creighton, Latoya & Latecia Yankton

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HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a completed LWS employment application to: Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD-214 to claim Veteran's preference, official college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials.

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Frankie J. Pack
Happy 15th birthday.
Love, your mom and brothers and sisters.



Happy 2nd birthday to
Stefonna Hopkins-Salomon
on August 28th.
Love, your Mom Anna

Happy Birthday for
Terry Clements Jr.
on Sept. 30th
From your nieces: Jasmine & Alajhandr, sisters: baby-Girl & Tamara, brothers: Izzy & Roby & Richard, and your mother Ruby.

Happy 1st birthday to
River Tokala Salomon,
love your cousins. Jyles, Stefonna & Alasandra Hopkins-Salomon.

Congratulations to my sister in Seattle WA Jennifer L. Tail on the birth of her baby girl "Feather Sioux Ann Prater" on 9-20-06, 5 lbs. 8 oz. Sis! Enjoy your new bundle of Joy. Kiss her for us and we will come see her soon. Love your Sis Amanda, Bro-in-Law Cleve & nieces, Summer & Monique Waters

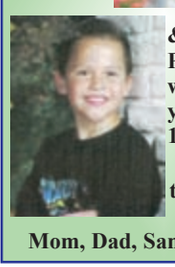
Happy Birthday to
Richard Loafer & Lacey Watkins
on Sept. 25th.
From Tasha, Chris, Ciara.

Happy 16th B-day to
Will Mousseau from
Alex, Oletha, Lil,
Shontel & CJ

Happy Birthdays

Happy Birthday! To our September Angels, Arieanna





& Matthew Pretty Bear who turned 9 years old and 10 years old.
We love you two very much!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Sammy & Mimi

Happy 4th Birthday to
Jyles Hopkins-Salomon
on Sept. 30th-
You are such a big boy starting Headstart,
I'll be there for you always! Love,
your Mom Anna

Congratulations to Travis & Des
on their engagement.
From Rich, Denise, Clay, Yvonne,
Marie & Mariah.

I would like to say Happy 19th B-day to my lil cuz Ben H.H. on 9-22- & 2 my other bro in law, Jesse K.B.
Coming from Tootles & Ayannah

Congratulations
To Officer Ramon Marrufo
on graduating from
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Training Program.
We are all proud of you,
welcome home.
Love You, Randlyn, Ryder,
and Hattie

Happy Birthday to
Percy Zephur.
We love you. From Rich,
Denise, Clay, Yvonne,
Marie, Mariah, Baby Bill,
& Kaydence.

I would like to say hello to
my wonderful child
Ayannah Nasya Amara One Horn.
I just wanted to say I love you very much,
Love Crystal

Happy Belated Birthday to
our Grandmother
Phyllis A. Clifford.
We love you and appreciate
all you have done for us.
To us you are our world
and the arms that
hold us together.
Thank you for our loving
family. From
your children,
grandchildren, and great
grandchildren.

Just wanted to say "hi" to
Great grandpa Joe Janis
hope to see you soon!!!
coming from baby
Mariah LaRose Janis

Happy 6th Birthdya to our
handsome heartbreaker,
Camron Nathan Blaine
Carpenter on September
18th. Love Mom & Dad



Happy Birthday to our
brother
Camron Carpenter,
Love Bobo, Sissi,
Ronnette, Kelsey,
Brandon Kiersten,Jr.,
J-Lin, Sasha, Kyle &
Marley. We love you

Happy Birthday to
Camron Carpenter from
all your family in
Lower Brule.

Happy Birthday 2 our lil
Bro Ben High Horse.
Happy 19th enjoy your cake
& ice cream.
Love, Woni, Punky
& Tisha, Sonny, Chris.

Happy Birthday to
Kay Takes War Bonnett
on 9-21. Have a great day.
Love, Mom, Trevor,
Gary, Miya &
Grandma Aqualynne.

Happy Birthday to our cousin, brother,
nephew, and father,
William Ryan Hernandez.
From your family in Kyle SD.

Happy 29th Birthday
Dana on September 28!
Hope you have a
wonderful day.
With all our love and support
on your very special day.
From Krystal, Kelsey, Kaitlyn,
Chris, Wallace, Bridgett and
Jerrod

Lordy Lordy the Twins
are Forty
Happy Birthday
Dana and Dawn
Have a Beautiful Day

Happy Belated Birthday to Gage Price-Bordeaux 2 years old on 9-16-06. We love you. From Grandma Ruby, Hattie, Belva, Nate, Rex, Nadine, Randlyn, Kobe, Hayley, Ryder, and Ruby Rose.

Happy Birthday Grandma
I miss and love you
Kaleb Brave Eagle

October 9th
Happy Birthday!!!
To Joseph High Hawk
in Pine Ridge, SD.
We wish you the best and hope that all your dreams come true. Hang in there and hope you have a great day!!! You are an awesome young man!!!
From your family in Gering, Ne.
Mom & John, Sonny and Amber

A Belated Birthday Memorial
Myrtle Poor Bear
August 7th.
My Dearest Sister Mert. It's already been one year since you've been gone. Oh my, how time flies by. I miss you so much. I miss our conversations. I miss our happy times, sad times, good times. I'm still here taking care of what you left behind. I'll always be here, but that emptiness will never go away. I love you and I miss you so much, my Dear.
Your Sister, Angie Reyes.

In Loving Memory of
Garry Wayne Kills Ree
9-17-02 and
Jesse Oliver Willow
9-17-05.
Sadly missed by Family
each and everyday.
We love you both
forever.
Willow Kills Ree,
Ghost Bear Familes and
relatives in Ethete,
Wyoming.

Congratulations to Travis Loafer and Destiny Mesteth on their engagement. From Loafer, Clifford & Mesteth Families.

Happy Birthday to
Richard & Lacy on Sept. 25.
from Denise, clay, Yvonne,
Marie & Mariah.
Hope you enjoy your day.

Happy Birthday to our crazy
Aunti Tasha Rocks
on Sept. 26, 2006.
From Clay, Yvonne, Marie & Mariah.
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OPENING DATE:	September 18, 2006
CLOSING DATE	October 2, 2006

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Alcohol Treatment Program

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ASSESSMENTS

GOAL: Determine needs, diagnosing, making treatment services recommendations. **METHODS:** State-certified counselors trained in using viable treatment approaches, including Lakota beliefs/values education, carry out day to day therapy and didactic activities based upon client assessment-driven treatment plan. **ELIGIBILITY:** Native American (tribally-enrolled/enrollable), eighteen years of age, assessment diagnosis of substance dependence and any co-existing condition(s) in a stabilized state.

AFTERCARE PROGRAM

GOAL: Establishing daily practice of inpatient-learned recovery tools. **METHODS:** Cognitive/belief restructuring approach to daily events in which client experiencing negative consequences. **ELIGIBILITY:** Adult Native American, successfully completed inpatient or outpatient phase.

MORAL RECONATION THERAPY

GOAL: Learning how to internalize and practice responsible behaviors. **METHODS:** Completing *Moral Reconation* workbook steps, presenting steps in peer group setting, facilitatioin patterned along Moral Reconation Therapy Program. **ELIGIBILITY:** Native American Adult, US Probation-referred.

RST YOUTH COMPONENT-EVENING GROUP SCHEDULE

MONDAYS:	Young People's AA.
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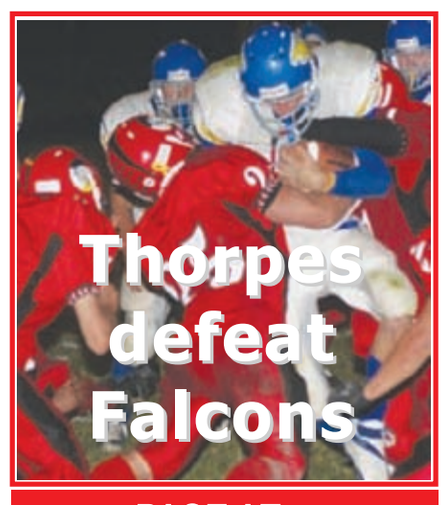
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OST primary election too close to call

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - With close to 400 challenge votes across the reservation left to be counted or discounted, it is too close to determine who will go into the general election in both the president's and vice president's race. When the unofficial results were tallied primary election night, presidential incumbent Alex White Plume finished with 523, four time president John Steele had 462 and past president Cecelia Fire Thunder had 460.

William "Shorty" Brewer finished with a strong lead for vice president with 896 votes in the unofficial tally Tuesday night. Five votes separate second and third place and the opportunity to move on to the general election; Wayne Weston has 614 and Melanie Two Eagle has 609.

The ballot for OST chief judge was challenged with the election court of appeals and Joe American Horse and Steve Hawk were added; American Horse received 1,191, Lisa Adams 850 and Hawk 833.


Alex White Plume


Cecelia Fire Thunder


John Steele

Rounding out the president's race, Harold Salway, two time president, received 416, current vice president Eileen Janis received 374, Pine Ridge council representative, Will Peters was sixth with 367, Larry Swalley 120, Dennis King 106, Jeff Not Help Him 66, Gary Lays Bad 38, Robert Benson 31 and Joyce Sun Bear 15.

Frederick Cedar Face was fourth in the vice president's

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Prairie Wind moves opening back cites water and structural problems

By Tom Crash
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PINE RIDGE - Originally, the new Prairie Wind Casino was looking at an early August 2006 opening to coincide with the annual Oglala Nation celebration; construction delays moved the opening to Labor Day, then it was moved to no later than Nov. 15th but today a combination of water problems and structural problems have most people involved in the casino construction project looking at mid March as the earliest possible time to open.

"In construction you always have things come up, unplanned problems, delivery delays, employee problems and when you work in South Dakota you have weather problems especially if you are building during the winter season," said Doug O'Bryan, tribal member and local contractor.

There is enough water for the new casino and hotel but it seems that to meet code of 100 psi and to have the required fire protection, the new facility needs to have a new water reservoir and two new booster stations, one at the casino and one half way to Oglala.





Left: The new Prairie Wind Casino is taking shape with the casino on the left nd the motel on the right. Above: The present day Casino which has been housed in the dome structure for 12 years.

"On Monday of this week we received a notice to proceed," said O'Bryan, "booster stations are pre-built but take 16 weeks to deliver from the time of the order and once they are here take a week or two to install, depending on the weather. The reservoir takes six weeks to deliver and another couple of weeks to install, depending on

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Rosebud Casino Fuel Plaza celebrates one year of operation

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - There was a definite party atmosphere at the Rosebud Casino Fuel Plaza located 22 miles south of Mission on U.S. Highway 83. The occasion was the one-year anniversary of the Fuel Plaza's opening for business on Sunday, October 1. It is owned and operated by the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.

Complimentary hot dogs, individually wrapped buns, cheese hot dogs and soda were the menu of the day, marking the occasion, while tee shirts and caps were available to those who purchased differing amounts of gasoline. In fact, everyone who stopped at the gas pumps also had their windshields cleaned off. A number of customers could be seen purchasing beer also.



The Rosebud Casino Fuel Plaza celebrated its one-year anniversary with free hot dogs and soda. Deejay, Mark Iyotte, play music all day while visitors from various states stopped by. Photo by Beaux Beauvais.

Mark Iyotte of Rosebud was the deejay for the day as he had his sound system set up and a lot of country and western could be heard throughout the parking area. Travelers from such diverse places as Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Colorado could be seen, according to Iyotte, as well as local traffic from the Sicangu Nation and Nebraska.

Ron Andress, a FEDEX agent from Ainsworth, NEB, regularly stops at the Rosebud Casino and the Fuel Plaza in the course of his work. He said, "I come to play Blackjack often. The prices are competitive. I come by from Tuesday through Friday." He also noted that he had won a drawing for $25.00 a number of times

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over the duration in which he has been stopping by. A customer had to purchase a set amount of gasoline in order to be registered for the drawing.

Earl Bordeaux, Jr. former RST council representative who resides in Antelope community was shopping in the Fuel Plaza convenience store with his family. He said, "This one year celebration is good. It is Lakota owned and that is good."

Kenny Prue, also of Antelope community had hitched a ride and was waiting for a free hot dog and soda. He said he would catch another ride on home. Eustace Night Shield, Principal at Spring Creek elementary was seen with not one, but two hot dogs while he and his wife enjoyed the celebration. Rosie Bad Hand of Two Strike was also enjoying the occasion with her family. She said in Lakota, "Ake' wol yahi?" Did you come to eat again?

Rosebud Casino Manager, Chris Bussey and his girlfriend were also seen visiting amongst the crowd. His office oversees the operation of the Fuel Plaza and he has a vested interest in its successful operation.

Fuel Plaza manager, Emma Michalek, a Sicangu tribal member was able to sit for a brief interview about the one year anniversary sale and celebration.

She has been the manager at the Fuel Plaza since January and comes with management experience from the Corner Market in Valentine and customer service experience at the Rosebud Casino.

Three hundred hot dogs had been ordered, but were all given out by 2:30 p.m. and more had to be purchased in Valentine as the event was scheduled to go until 4:00 p.m. Michalek says her goals are to see the fuel plaza profitable and to treat customers with respect. She said, "When I was hired, there was a lot that had to be done. There was no accountability. We promoted ourselves as a truck stop, but there wasn't anything in the lounge." She proceeded to furnish the lounge and to create a floor plan for the store that was more customer friendly.

She concluded by saying that the Fuel Plaza is perfecting its purchasing regimen in order to keep the shelves adequately stocked, as well as finalizing its capability to process E.B.T. cards for food items.

The Fuel Plaza is located 12 miles north of Valentine, NEB and is strategically located just north of the Sicangu Village housing area. Located a couple of miles away, it is within walking distance during nice weather and the store is able to serve the shopping needs of those Sicangu tribal members.

The Fuel Plaza as a tribal business is located in a strategic location along Highway 83 and sports a large clean space for truckers to park their rigs.

The Fuel Plaza falls under the supervision of the Rosebud Casino, administratively and provides regular reports to the RST tribal council as to profit and loss margins and performance.

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race with 503 and Louis Winters Sr. with 384.

"Everything went well Tuesday night, I want to thank all of the election workers for their good work," said Charlene Black Horse, election board chair, "we will start our official count on Wednesday afternoon and get to work on nearly 400 challenge votes."

In tribal council races across the reservation, 17 incumbents were seeking another term on the tribe's legislative body; Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge Village, chose to run for tribal president. Walt Big Crow, Wakpamni, Mary Poor Thunder, LaCreek and Bernard White Face, Porcupine, will not make it into the general election.

Unofficial results for tribal council include:

Oglala: Valerie Kills Small Janis(Inc.) 96, Jake Little 80, Floyd Brings Plenty 77, Paul Little(Inc.) 76, Wilmer YoungMan Sr. 74, Jackson Ten Fingers 58, Will Garnier 45, Frank Two Bulls Sr. 41, Wendell YoungMan 38, Robert Two Bulls 34, Deb Mousseau 24 and Gerald One Feather 22

Pine Ridge: Ella Jon Carlow(Inc) 150, Don Garnier 145, Gary Janis 134, Lyle Jack(Inc) 119, Carol Crazy Thunder O'Rourke 103, Duane Brewer 100, Gerald Big Crow 98, Jerry Bordeaux 89, Lawrence Eagle Bull 76, Abraham Tobacco 72, Leon Matthews 65, John Mousseau 62, Irving Provost 52, Robert Palmier 50, Elvyn Bissonette 48, Peggy Mousseau 47, Michelle Richards Tyon 43, Fred Brown 34, Nakina Mills 34, Irving Cottier 32, Holly Wilson 32, Lena Hart 30 and Richard Bark 30.

Wakpamni: Sonia Little Hawk Weston 136, Tom Conroy 105, Maxine Lakota(Inc) 96, Sandy Two Lance 90, Ricky Grey Grass 86, Herb Colhoff 65, Lillian Tobacco 64, Kim Killer 46, Walt Big Crow(Inc) 42, Rex Conroy 41, Joann Sierra 38, Richard Mousseau 38, Charles Pourier 37, Vienna Red Feather 31, Lonnie Bettelyoun 27 and Paul Red Feather 26.

Pass Creek: Lydia Bear Killer(Inc) 63, Donna Salomon 60, Ron Duke 59, Clarence Yellow Hawk 27 and Lucy Cottier 20.

LaCreek: Craig Dillon(Inc) 150, Kim Clausen 130, Gerald Bettelyoun 69 and Mary Poor Thunder(Inc) 57.

Eagle Nest: Jim Meeks 131, Ruth Brown(Inc) 61, Tom Poor Bear(Inc) 56, Billy Amiotte 47, Leroy Wilcox Sr. 36, Sylvester Two Bulls 27, Eleanor

Charging Crow 23 and Phyllis Wilcox 9.

Medicine Root: Austin Watkins Sr.(Inc) 110, Cora Whiting 90, Juanita Scherich 76, Archie Hopkins 76, Sandra Old Horse 63, Emily Bull Bear 52, Carrie Romero 36, Daryl Mesteth 32 and Steve Standing Soldier 27.

Porcupine: Wesley Chuck Jacobs 106, Philip Good Crow(Inc) 93, Marlin Moon Weston 70, Dave Pourier 70, Bernard White Face(Inc) 58, Richard Iron Cloud 44, Harvey Iron Boy 39, Todd O'Bryan 34 and Randy Lays Bad 34.

Wounded Knee: Garfield Steele(Inc) 153, Kathy Janis(Inc) 91, Philip Jumping Eagle 87, Garfield Apple 70, Percy White Plume 64, Phyllis Hollow Horn 44, Jeanette Eagle Hawk 38, Emmett Kelly Sr. 36, Melvin Adams 29, Patrick Tom Clifford 25 and Eldon Forney 16.

The general election of the Oglala Sioux Tribe is set for Tuesday, Nov. 7.

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Prairie Wind Casino will be celebrating their 12th anniversary on Friday, Oct. 27. Cake will be served at 6 pm with $250 drawings every 15 minutes and a $2,500 drawing at midnight.

the weather."

There doesn't appear to be the same clarity with the structural problems facing the new hotel and possibly casino. Different people describe a bulge just inside the door that has caused a window to bow out almost a inch and some cracks in the sheetrock.

"There is a clay in the soil underneath the new construction and you work really hard to keep moisture out during construction but sometimes you may even have a bit of vapor and it causes problems and especially when you build in the winter it makes it a real challenge - I don't see any of this as insurmountable, it is definitely fixable and shouldn't hold things up too much," said O'Bryan.

"We had the construction company put some engineered fill in between the clay and the foundation so that should have provided some give if there was any moisture," said Walt Big Crow, council representative from Wakpamni district, "right now the council has a construction audit firm, McGovern Greene, at the site to review all of the construction and how it relates to the blueprints and construction plans and schedules and looking at any cost cutting moves and any change orders. They hope to give us a report by the middle of next week with an action plan to follow."

"On Monday of this week we received a notice to proceed," said O'Bryan,

Peska Construction has brought engineers out to the site earlier this week and Lenart Brown Eyes, OST construction manager has brought in his own engineer as well.

According to those involved in the project, Peska said last week that the casino would be done at the end of October and that the hotel will be structurally done soon after but will still need the installation of fixtures and furniture, both structures will need the added water system to be completed before actual completion.

Construction of the new Prairie Wind Casino and hotel was made possible by a $20 million loan from the Shakopee Mdewankaton Sioux Community in Minnesota.

Currently the casino employs 204 people, the new casino and hotel will employ 30-40 additional workers.



Prairie Wind Casino and hotel is shown above in an earlier stage of construction

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Restraining order to keep Wagner Indian Health Service clinic open

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

SIOUX FALLS - On Thursday, Sept. 28, U. S. District Judge Lawrence Piersol issued a restraining order granting a restraining order that will keep the Wagner Indian Health Clinic open.

The suit filed by Yankton Sioux Tribe general counsel, Charles Abourezk, on behalf of the tribe cites the 1851 and 1868 Ft. Laramie Treaties and other statutes. He said, "Essentially, the judge's ruling is based upon federal statute, regulations and policy, U. S. C. 1631 b1. It requires an impact study. It is also based upon prior allegations of the lack of consultation with the tribe."

The original plan was to close the emergency room portion on Saturday night, as the Indian Health Service and other officials wanted to change it to an urgent care facility which would have also reduced the number of hours that it would remain open.

Abourezk said, "The goal is to keep it open. There is a study being conducted by the I.H.S. called the "Sharpless Study" which shows that tribal members will die if the emergency room closes."

Abourezk as general counsel for the YST filed legal action in 1994 and was able to assist in keeping the clinic open and this recent action is a part of that continuing effort. Over the years, a number of proposed deadlines to close the emergency have been overturned.

Apparently, the local Wagner Community Hospital is unable to adequately accommodate the emergency needs of tribal members if the clinic had closed.

Abourezk said of the latest ruling, "This is part of the ongoing effort to maintain a level of health care and education support at a time when the Bush administration is dismantling the part of the federal government that serves Indian people."

If the federal government does not comply with the restraining order, Judge Piersol said that a contempt of court hearing would be held. Senator Tim Johnson and Senator John Thune have co-sponsored legislation to fund the emergency room at the Wagner clinic at a requested level of $500,000.

Nearly 10,000 empty FEMA trailers are freed up, some will come to Indian country

HOPE, Ark. (AP) _ Nearly 10,000 emergency housing trailers that were intended to be sent to the Gulf Coast to help Hurricane Katrina victims have been freed up for other uses.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency parked the trailers at Hope Municipal Airport in the months following the hurricane. The agency came under criticism when the trailers sat empty.

FEMA officials said that regulations against placing the homes in flood plains prevented their use on the Gulf Coast.

On Friday, Congress approved a homeland security spending bill that included a provision allowing FEMA to sell or donate the trailers to municipalities, nonprofit groups or American Indian tribes.

Sen. Mark Pryor, D-Ark., said he would prefer that the homes had gone to hurricane victims as originally intended, but selling or donating them to cities or community groups was better than letting them sit unused.

``Allowing the homes to sit and deteriorate at the airport is an abuse of taxpayer funding and should not be an option," Pryor said in a statement.

Pryor and Rep. Mike Ross, D-Ark., sponsored the measures in their respective chambers before the provision went to a conference committee. Sen. Tim Johnson, D-S.D., added the option to convey the trailers to Indian tribes to house the homeless.

``I am proud that the 9,778 fully furnished manufactured homes sitting in Hope, Arkansas, may finally be put to good use," Ross said. ``These are the kind of commonsense solutions the American taxpayers expect and deserve."

FEMA was directed to work with the Department of Interior to transfer the trailers to tribes, depending on need.

Indian housing has been a problem for decades. According to a 2003 survey, an estimated 200,000 housing units are needed immediately in Indian country and approximately 90,000 Indian families are homeless or ``underhoused."

The Homeland Security Department's inspector general has said that U.S. taxpayers could be stuck with a maintenance bill of nearly $47 million a year for thousands of trailers that sit parked at sites around the country.

"The goal is make lemonade out of lemons. FEMA has trailers they can't use in the hurricane affected region, and Indian Country is in desperate need of housing," Johnson said. "FEMA said their hands were tied by red tape and this provision undoes the knot."

"While these trailers are not ideal housing, they fill a need and give people a place to hang their hat" Johnson continued.

"This only begins to make a dent in housing problems in Indian Country. I will continue to work to find ways to help families in need find homes across South Dakota and I hope that this is a first step toward addressing the housing needs in Indian Country."

Okreek man gets 46 months for causing fatal accident

PIERRE(AP) - An Okreek man will serve nearly four years in prison for causing an accident that killed a man.

Chester Jason Stoneman Jr., 31, earlier pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court in Pierre to involuntary manslaughter.

He was driving on the Rosebud Indian Reservation in December when he crashed. The accident killed Brandon William White Hawk of Rosebud, according to court documents.

Besides serving 46 months in prison, Stoneman must also pay $673 in restitution.

Public invited to forum on trust land Oct. 18

RAPID CITY - The office of the Special Trustee for American Indians and Dakota Plains Legal Services invite you to attend a special community education forum on Oct. 18 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m..

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The Journey Museum is located at 222 New York St., Rapid City. For more information call Dakota Legal Plains at 605-342-7171.

Inter-Tribal Bison Cooperative receives grant for $285,000

RAPID CITY - Sen. John Thune announced the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has awarded the Inter-Tribal Bison Cooperative a grant for $285,000 as part of the Strengthening the Buffalo Nation Grant Project "The work that the Inter-Tribal Bison Cooperative is doing is educating many on the cultural history of using the buffalo," Thune said.

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Our Views

Happy Birthday to "US" the *Lakota Country Times*

It seems like only yesterday that we celebrated one year of operation. Our two-year milestone just sort of snuck up on us and we didn't get to announce that fact to our readers.

This week announces our second year birthday on Oct. 4 with Volume III, Issue 1.

Our journey has been somewhat 'bittersweet' as the market for Native news seems crowded at times as we all vie for the same advertisement dollars.

We have endeavored to bring the news into as many Lakota homes as possible with as much energy and commitment as we are able to muster.

Our primary target area has been the Oglala Lakota Nation and our neighbors, the Sicangu Lakota Nation.

We continue to grow in circulation and in this last year, we have added our online edition that highlights stories of our area. We will continue to work on the development of the site to be a Lakota news center.

As Connie Blanco, our Business Manager and Graphic Design/Production Department says, "it takes baby steps to grow."

She has been a mainstay at the paper for the past year.

Our philosophy has been to deliver the news in a professional manner, while invoking a philosophy that is imbedded in the spirit of the Lakota.

We certainly admit to making mistakes here and there, but if we were perfect we probably wouldn't be in the journalism business.

Human nature, changing circumstance and the fabric of Lakota society is forever evolving and we work very hard to translate that into up-to-date news that will impact our people, all the while making a positive difference in their *tiospaye*.

We will continue to serve our primary target area, while providing culturally-relevant materials and literacy materials to our schools which will serve to enhance their efforts at language and cultural preservation.

The *Lakol wicohan* or Lakota way as described by Dr. Archie Beauvais in his column is often heard in a song that says "*Lakol wicohan ki tewahila ca winyuskinya waci wauwe*."

The singer is saying that he values the Lakota way of life and he is dancing this way, happily.

It is in that vain that we often approach our work in bringing culturally connected news to our immediate area and the outer lying areas of mainstream America.

We value all of our readers and will continue to bring you news and feature stories that continually integrate lessons, thoughts, and perspectives of the Lakota oyate and news that impacts your family.

We do that happily as we keep grounded in the profound nature that resides in the Lakota way.

Finally, we are able to translate Lakota and English back and forth and that is a feature which allows us to successfully integrate that into our work.

Of course, we have to express our deep appreciation for those wonderful Lakota speakers who have assisted at times. Friends such as the late John Around Him, also Rev. Francis Apple, Albert White Hat, Sr., Pat Bad Hand, Archie Little, Ned Metcalf, the late Calvin Jumping Bull to name but a few have been invaluable in their published materials and occasional advice on proper Lakota.

We appreciate our past employees who contributed their part, even the littliest contribution, still they were a part of helping us grow, Larry Pourier, Nanette Kills In Water, Carrie Red Owl, Ernestine Chasing Hawk, Tish Shangreaux, Jason Wolters, Jackie Jordan, the late Monte Ecoffey, Billy Dubray, Wallace White Dress, and Albert Apple. Brooke Dean is invaluable.

We thank our contributers Dr. Archie Beauvais who brings us that Sicangu news; Tom Crash, who is our sports connection and tribal government writer, Jerry Matthews of Double M Photography, who graciously serves the schools in photogrpahy and lends us his photos; Anne Bee, our reader's favorite columnist; Patty Pourier who writes of emotional healing and Ivan Star, who gives our readers a different view of current issues, and Tim Giago who kindly lends us his syndicated column.

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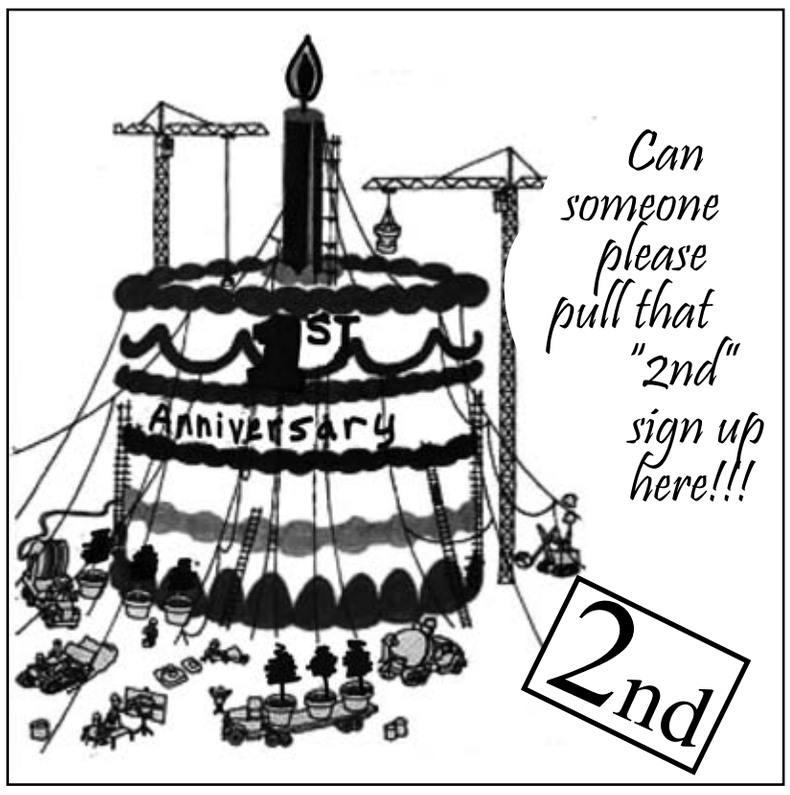
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Other Views

Indian Healthcare Improvement Act did NOT Pass Internet Gaming Bill passed

Dear Editor and tribal leaders:

When Congress is in session into the wee hours of the night and is hurrying to adjourn, that is the time we must be most watchful. And, sure enough: we lost on two key issues. Like Tim Wapato says, "The Whiteman never sleeps, we must be on guard!"

In the Senate, it takes just one senator to place a hold on a Bill. Sen. Sessions (R-AL) and Sen. Coburn (R-OK) both placed a hold on our Indian Healthcare Improvement Act. At the last minute, Senator McCain, Sen. Burns and Sen. Enzi conducted an intense lobbying effort, but Sessions and Coburn refused to lift their hold. Appreciation to Sen. McCain: Phone: 202-224-2309 or 202-224-2235, Fax; 202-224-5429

In a surprise move, the Department of Justice raised last minute objections to Indian healthcare improvement act and Sen. Sessions used the objections to sink the bill!

Gordon Belcourt from Rocky Mt. Tribes and myself from the Great Plains Tribes made last minute attempts to reach tribes in Oklahoma and elsewhere to get to Coburn to lift his HOLD, but all Tribal Offices were closed for the day. The Senate was still in session late on Friday, Sept. 29, 2006.

Please tell Sen. Sessions and Sen. Coburn how disappointed you are in their action: Sen. Sessions: Phone #202-224-4124, Fax # 202-224-3149 Sen. Coburn: Phone #202-224-5754, Fax # 202-224-6008

On another issue: Sen. Kyl (R-Ariz.) was successful in attaching his Internet Gaming Bill to the Ports Security Bill which passed. Indian Gaming Tribes must review the language, which if not correct, could severely impact the revenue numbers under Gaming Compacts.

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Things to empower yourself

Denial- it's not a river in Egypt



By Patty Pourier

Addiction has been in the media a long time. But since the decade of free love and drugs, it has been more prevalent.

Hollywood has been comfortable with addiction. Maybe because of the loose life styles like Marilyn Monroe's, and Elizabeth Taylor's.

But in the past 30 years, recovery from addition has hit the big screen as well.

In this millennium, Shark Tales, the animated movie, talks about a treatment program. Nemo- the orange animated fish speaks about alcoholism and a 12-step program.

Then the 90s brought us "28 Days", a story of a woman played by Sandra Bullock that was in treatment for chemical dependency.

In the 80s a movie titled "Stuart Fix The Family," was based on co-dependency and recovery.

Washington has followed suit. We have the generations of Kennedy's that have had their addictive behavior and consequences thereof, on the 6 o'clock news for going on five decades now.

Then Betty Ford came out of the closet, so to speak, and was a confessed recovering alcoholic. Nancy Reagan toted "Just Say No" to drugs while living in total denial of what was happening in her own family with her daughter smoking dope regularly.

Denial is a defense that is used so the person can continue the dysfunctional behavior.

The thing about denial is it is a behavior that works to keep problems at bay for a while.

A person who is alcoholic, denies the fact they drink too much, they drink out of control and will deny they have a drinking problem at all, for a long time.

Many will deny alcoholism and lose their job, their family, their bank account, their respect, and their health, and continue to deny that drinking has anything to do with it.

The fact is, people who have addictive personalities, use denial when uncomfortable stuff comes up, to keep in their own comfort zone.

The first defense that is addressed in recovery of dysfunctional behavior is denial. It is the first of the twelve steps of a recovery program.

It goes like this, " Step one-We admitted we were powerless over ___-that our lives had become unmanageable." With alcohol the blank would be filled in with "alcohol". If you were married to an alcoholic, making you co-dependant or co-alcoholic, the blank would be filled in with "the alcoholic", for food disorders, the blank would be "food".

That is why being around an alcoholic seems so crazy.

Stuff goes on right in front of you and they deny it is happening.

It is referred to in recovery circles as the pink elephant in the living room. Every one walks around it, cleans up after it, and denies it is there -- all at the same time. Crazy isn't it.

Bob Woodwords new book "The State of Denial" is probably not a big "AH HA!" to many Americans.

I mean, lets face it, George W. confesses putting the plug in the jug decades ago when Laura gave him the ultimatum, "Me or the booze."

However, both George W. and Laura have lived in complete denial of the dysfunctional behaviors and defenses that go along with the disease of alcoholism.

And when a person is suffering from the disease of alcoholism, defenses like denial, are part of the tools one uses to cope on a daily basis.

These defenses become habits and are used to cope with all kinds of problems.

Not just problems around drinking. It is a coping tool used for survival.

George W. continues to use denial on national and international proportions.

Right down to losing our sons and daughters to war in Iraq.

I only hope and pray we can find leaders that are not as dysfunctional as our President and First Lady -the next time around.

It is in our hands to get out and vote for healthy people in our elections.

November 7 is an important day. For state and for Oglala Sioux Tribe.

Do your part and vote for people living healthy functional life styles, if you can find any on your ballot.

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Northern Perspectives

Lakol wicohan ties us to Lakota country



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

As I journey in this last trimester of life, it occasionally dawns on me that are still many ways in which the Lakota life is evident today. The term "Lakol wicohan" is one that comes to mind that describes the unique traditional ways of the people. The term is often heard in traditional Lakota songs and prayers that are offered.

In a day and age when a decreasing number of elders are regularly seen at cultural and social gatherings, we all have a responsibility to maintain the evidence of the beautiful Lakota culture. We need to do what we can to keep in the forefront and demonstrate to the kids what we know as we pass it on. Some now days are obviously more versed in language and culture than some of us, but the rest of us may have some skill where we can also contribute a little something.

I often get positive comments as I work to analyze Lakota and explain its development. Sometimes my particular brand of spelling is based on the way I hear Lakota and I am thankful when someone points out that it was off the mark. The late John Around Him wouldn't tell me directly that my writing made me sound like a 'D" speaker, but he did tell Amanda who passed it on to me. I would sometimes use a 'd' in a word and it is one that is not found in Lakota.

My cousin, Ned Metcalf, once teased me about being highly educated and yet, a writer.

However, he did like my attempt to at least devote some time to writing about the Lakota language and that was encouraging. Writing is a natural part of being an educator, like me, and it is a skill that can only be developed through practice daily.

My target goal is to write a text on some aspect of Lakota life, but I'm still waiting for inspiration from *'wankatuya'* or from way above the earth where *'tunkasila'* resides.

I have one advantage over other writers who sit in some ivory tower and write about Lakota life and promote their career; I was born and raised here and my career isn't going anywhere, but I can legitimately write about Lakota people in an authentic way as I understand the form and function of the language.

I chat with others from time to time on language and it adds to my overall understanding as I learn something new almost daily about Lakota. Pat Bad Hand told me a couple of days ago that he and "Chris" had broken down the term *'na sula'* which means 'brain' in Lakota. He said they decided that it could mean 'to give a seed.' It makes sense, because as Lakota people who first created the word in the beginning of time, may have labeled the sharing of thoughts and words as a 'seed' which is shared and which germinates in the young.

As an attentive and advanced student of Lakota, I told Pat I need to sit down with him and do that kind of word analysis and put it out there to the people. It something that should be done in the schools, but probably is not because there is no time beyond the basic lesson.

There are still some very articulate and wonderful Lakota speakers, but their knowledge must be captured in print or audio form for safekeeping for future generations. I plan to do some of that, as the Lakota language is very special. Some will say *"Lakol wicohan lela tewahila"* which literally means that one 'holds the Lakota teaching and way of life in a treasured way.'

I was at a wake the other night for a relative and the first night's wake saw mostly young people and I marveled at the absence of adults. I was struck, however, by a number of young Lakota middle school students who were practicing a Lakota traditional song in the bathroom.

At first, the young women's singing seemed out of place, but as time went by I realized that their efforts to learn and preserve a song is something we want. I was quite impressed as the young ladies sang the song the next night in front of a much larger crowd as they served as the 'wica glata' for the Red Leaf singers.

I have to applaud my friend, Pat and Dorothy LeBeau for their interest in the Lakota language.

Pat says he always reads my column, especially when promoting the language. He said he has often used Lakota incorrectly over his lifetime and sometimes will get a chuckle when mis-used.

This will be a test to see if Pat really is one of loyal readers. His wife, Dorothy, has had a lifelong interest in the language also and knows its place in the lives of our Lakota children.

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Notes From Indian Country

Unraveling the source of domestic violence in Indian country



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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A recent news series by Jodi Rave, an American Indian writer for the Lee Enterprises newspaper group, has focused on violence against Indian women, and rightfully so. The series includes a number of interviews with women that have been abused or comments from those women involved in programs intended to address this most serious issue.

But what the series does not address are the possible reasons behind this abuse and it also lacks comments from Indian men working to address the same issues, nor does it include interviews with men who stand accused as abusers.

As a Lakota man now in his seventh decade, one that has been an observer of Indian people and issues as a journalist for more than 40 years, I would like to expand upon the series of articles by Ms. Rave, but from an Indian male perspective. As one might not gather from the series, most of us are not women abusers or wife beaters.

For the past 40 years I have employed Indian people, both men and women. I employed them in a coffee and donut shop I owned when I was young and I have employed them for the many jobs it takes to publish a weekly newspaper over the past 26 years.

I didn't keep statistics, but I did make certain observations simply because of the number of women I had in my employ. Yes, I did have women employees that lived in an abusive atmosphere. When they came to work wearing dark glasses to cover the bruises around their eyes I often sat them down and talked to them.

Now mind you, in nearly every case, these female employees of mine were the breadwinners. They were the ones who held the jobs and brought home the paycheck. Their husbands or significant others were the stay-at-homes who did nothing to help support their family.

Much of the abuse usually happened right after a payday. The working women go out with their husbands or boyfriends to a local watering hole to unwind, which of course means getting drunk.

At some point in the evening the woman realizes her kids are home alone and she has to get home to carry out her duties as a mother.

If her spouse or boyfriend has not confiscated her paycheck by then, her attempt at leaving the party seems to be reason enough for him to make a grab at getting the money from her purse so that he can continue to party.

When the women come to work the next day broke and bruised, I always talked to them. "Why are you letting this bum live off of you? You are a good and decent woman and yet you have this terrible guy living in your house with your children taking your paycheck every week and blowing it on booze while you and your children go without? Why are you letting this happen?"

The stock answer usually is, "But I love him."

And the fact that she loves him allows this man to continue to beat her up, take her weekly paycheck, abuse her children and leave her on the fringes of extreme poverty.

Historically, when Indians were forced to settle on small reservations, the Indian male was stripped of his weapons which kept him from doing the one job that made him a man; feeding and supporting his family. While many Indian women found jobs with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Indian hospital, the schools or with the tribal government, most Indian males found themselves without jobs. Unemployment on many Indian reservations to this day exceeds 50 percent.

When an Indian male discovered that he could no longer assume his role as leader and provider for his family he felt totally emasculated. This loss of self-esteem and self-confidence caused many men to turn toward substances like alcohol and drugs to help them forget and to help them cope.

Too often this culminated in the man striking out at the one object he loved, his spouse or girl friend. The hurt he felt within himself often manifested itself in violence against others, especially against someone near to him.

Stripped of his ability to provide for his family through the hunt, an activity that was as much spiritual as economical, and denied the opportunity to find gainful employment, many Lakota men retreated within themselves boiling with an anger even they did not understand.

And then came the horrific time when Indian men and women were forcefully taken from their homes and placed into boarding schools where they were physically, emotionally, and oftentimes sexually abused by their well-intentioned keepers.

How much of the abuse we see today in Indian families is a harbinger of those horrible days spent at Indian missions and Bureau of Indian Affairs boarding schools has never been researched in-depth. But from my personal perspective, I think many of today's problems of alcoholism, drug abuse, and spousal abuse involving both men and women; can be traced back to those days.

I encourage Jodi Rave to continue her articles on this very touchy subject, but I would also advise her to use the deep pockets of her news organization to further research this topic by including the harm caused by the boarding school experience.

Too often all of the blame falls upon the shoulders of the Indian male and if this is the case, the reasons this happens should also be a part of the topic. After all, it is impossible to find a cure if one does not know the source of the problem.

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She also served

A column for and about women veterans

(This month's column features Michael Dennis MA, Clinical Psychology Intern at VA Black Hills Health Care System, as a guest contributor responding to reader's questions.)

Dear SAS:

I just returned from Pierre, S.D. where there was a dedication ceremony for the Vietnam War Memorial. It was an exciting time, but I also felt grief. I have had a hard time sleeping since I got home. I remember the sound of the helicopters. My dreams have not been good dreams. The celebration was a happy time, but now I am feeling tired and sad. How long will this last?

Dear reader:

Based on your letter, it sounds like you have been experiencing mixed emotions about the dedication ceremony for the Vietnam War Memorial.

You mentioned that it was an exciting and happy time, yet you also felt grief, had difficulty sleeping, had troubling dreams, and have had troubling thoughts of the sound of helicopters.

There are a variety of explanations for what you are experiencing, and there are no easy answers.

Perhaps in the past you were exposed to traumatic events that involved actual or threatened death or serious injury, or a threat to the physical integrity of yourself or others. You may have felt intense fear, helplessness, or horror. After exposure to distressing events like this, people may have a difficult time remembering important parts of these events, may feel numb, or may feel like they are in a daze.

People may also experience troubling thoughts, images, of the event. They may have dreams of the event, a sense of reliving the experience, or distress on exposure to reminders of the traumatic event.

Based on what you are describing, it sounds like you may be experiencing distress after the dedication ceremony because you were reminded of your war time experience. While I do not know the details of your past experiences in the service, your attendance at the dedication ceremony may have triggered thoughts about a service experience(s) that you had in which you were overwhelmed with intense fear, helplessness, or horror. In such situations it is typical for individuals to experience symptoms of anxiety or nervousness, such as: Difficulty sleeping, irritability, poor concentration, being easily startled, and restlessness.

Often times, people feel like avoiding reminders that bring back troubling memories of past events. Thoughts, feelings, conversations, places, activities, and people are sometimes avoided. Relationships with family, friends, and co-workers may also become strained.

It is difficult to estimate how long you may experience these symptoms. These upsetting thoughts, feelings, and dreams may fade. If the troubling symptom(s) lasts for longer than four to six weeks, it may be helpful to contact a mental health professional. In the mean time, it may be helpful to stick with your normal routine of activities in the following ways: Trying to stay in contact with family, friends, and co-workers; and maintaining your schedules, such as eating, sleeping, and leisure activities. If you so choose, following a spiritual path through prayer or meditation may also be helpful in relieving these thoughts and feelings. If you are able, communicating with others you trust about what you are feeling may also prove effective. Exercise and relaxation training may also be helpful in coping; however, be sure to consult a physician before doing so.

It is also important to avoid pushing down these negative thoughts and feelings by following a destructive path, such as abusing alcohol or other substances.

Having said all that, it is also important to be mindful of the statement that you made about the Vietnam War Memorial Dedication being a "happy" and "exciting" experience. Crises can provide opportunities for growth. If you have not dealt with thoughts and emotions that you have had about your service, now may be the time to sort those out. You may now be to the point where you can make more peace with your experiences.

For all women veterans: There are many places to get help with problems, or to socialize with other women veterans. Contact your nearest VA community outreach clinic, Vet Center, or VA facility for more information. Some avenues available to women in Western South Dakota include women veteran support groups at Rapid City Vet Center and VA Hot Springs, SD. The Substance Use PTSD treatment (SUPT) program offers a semi-annual retreat for women veterans and spouses of veterans.

Also, the Women Veterans of the Black Hills meets four times a year for luncheons throughout the Black Hills. And, at each VA there is also a committee that can provide information about health/wellness services for women veterans. For more information, contact the contributors listed below.

If you have a question, please write a letter to one of the following individuals:

Dr. Sally Weyer at the VA Black Hills Health Care System, 3625 5th St., Rapid City, SD 57701

Arvine Standing Elk at the Martin Vet Center, PO Box 910, Martin, SD 57551

You may also e-mail your questions to vetcenter @gwtc.net.

John will be missed

Dear Editor:

Which issue of Lakota Country Times would have the information of the passing of John Around Him.

He was a great man and will be missed by us at Oxford federal prison.

We would like to share this information with our Native American men here.

Thank you,
bxjones@bop.gov

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Our youth have to acknowledge their history and only then, can they move on… in freedom

Ivan Star
Oglala Lakota
Special to the Times

I went to a traditional powwow, in Morton, Minn., during the Labor Day weekend. The master of ceremonies was an associate professor from Western State University.

His Dakota name is Ed Hdi Nazin (Stands in His Place). His English surname was Cavender; it is now Dr. Chris Mato Nunpa (Two Bear).

It was one of his relatives, a Mdewakanton elder by the name of Two Bear, who started this particular celebration many years ago.

The older man wanted to remember the warriors that fought in a battle that occurred in 1863 at the current powwow sight.

His dream is now an annual powwow commemorating the heroes who fought in the Birch Coulee Battle.

The oral Dakota accounts of the fight are candid and more truthful telling of a noble struggle.

The Dakota fought to preserve their way of life and their lands. Some of those warriors stood with the 38 executed at Mankato (Maka To) in what became the largest mass execution in United States history.

The biased newspaper accounts of the time did not consider the Dakota side. Instead, the fiery reports promoted resentment among the settlers.

They overlooked the fact that the Dakota resided in that area since the 1500s. The Dakota people were indignant when the newcomers began claiming their lands and treating them like animals.

By this time, the media had stirred up an incredible amount of public hostility toward the Dakota. In the public eye, they were the "savages" and "heathens" who will kill you rather than talk to you.

Local towns as well as the state offered rewards for dead "Indians."

In the Thursday, Sept. 24, 1863 issue of the *Daily Republican*, a Winona, Minn. newspaper, an ad announced the state's reward increase to $200 "for every red-skin sent to Purgatory."

The article further stated that this sum was worth more than all the dead Indians east of the Red River.

All of this occurred during an event called the "Minnesota Uprising". Actually, it was a war, not a civil disobedience, as suggested by the newspapers.

It began in mid-August 1862 and ended on September 26, 1862.

The Birch Coulee fight took place on Aug. 24.

How did all this begin? Let me begin with their first treaty signed in 1805 where the Dakota granted full US sovereign jurisdiction to 100,000 acres in what is now the Twins Cities area.

The federal government agreed to pay 2 cents per acre or "deliver the value thereof in goods and merchandise. The Dakota retained hunting rights in the area.

In 1837, another treaty relinquished 35 million more acres east of the Mississippi River in southern Minnesota. This piece of real estate was ceded for about 8 cents per acre.

Compensation for the land went from the Indian Agent directly to local storeowners to pay off bills. The money never reached the Dakota.

In 1851, the Mendota and Traverse De Sioux Treaties forced the reluctant Dakota to cede more of their ancestral lands, about 24 millions acres.

This left them a narrow strip of land, about ten miles on either side of the Minnesota River.

In 1858, the Dakota were again forced to give up more land, the southern half of the narrow reservation straddling the Minnesota River. The tension between the settlers and the Dakota reached a volatile level.

Although many Dakota were willing to adopt the new ways, they had to cope with many overwhelming obstacles.

The weight of a succession of injustices inflicted by traders, settlers, and local federal government agents had become painfully intolerable. For instance, when a group returned from their annual hunting excursion to the Great Plains in the summer of 1862, they found their village burned to the ground.

Most of the Dakota had lost their previous year's corn crop to an insect infestation and had survived a long hard winter. With the depletion of their natural game and the failed crops, Mdewakanton leaders knew their people were facing starvation in the approaching winter months.

Government Agents at the Redwood River (Lower Sioux) and Yellow Medicine River (Upper Sioux) agencies continued to deny the Dakota access to their treaty rations under the guise of pending authorization from Washington.

They were partial to the "cut hairs" - those who had taken up farming - while denying assistance to the "blanket Indians".

The Dakota, now utterly exasperated, stormed a government warehouse and took their food supplies.

The military were promptly notified and a confrontation ensued. Taoyate Duta (His Red Nation) also known as Little Crow, attempted to mediate the extremely explosive situation. A bitter insult by one of the White traders ended the negotiations.

An interpreter translated the trader's words from English to Dakota, "If they're hungry, let them eat grass." The so-called Minnesota Uprising had begun.

After the deadly melee, the trader who infuriated the Dakota with his antagonizing retort lay among the dead with grass stuffed into his mouth.

Many of the Dakota, refusing to fight, chose to help hundreds of settlers to escape; hundreds of settlers fled the area fearing for their lives.

Many other Dakota, seeing the futility of the war, left the state for their own safety.

When it was over, thousands were imprisoned. The entire Dakota nation was in exile.

A large group, after surviving interment at Ft. Snelling, was transported via riverboat to Davenport, Iowa and then to the present-day Crow Creek Indian Reserva-tion in May 1863.

Many died on the way and many more died after arriving at their destination.

Missionaries devoted themselves to the welfare of the imprisoned Dakota. However, the continued vindictiveness of the White populace hindered them. The hate directed indiscriminately at the Dakota also fell on them; they did not share the majority view. An angry group attacked one such sympathizer and beat him nearly to death.

These priests, like Rev. Steven R. Riggs, were denounced as "avaricious priests," "contemptible fools," and "cold-hearted scoundrels" when it was rumored that they convinced the president to stay the execution of some of the condemned Dakota prisoners.

A large population of Minnesotans outright condemned even Bishop Henry Whipple, a highly respected clergyman, for his frequent public calls for moderation and clemency.

Now, one may be wondering why I am writing about an ugly piece of American history, which has done fine right where it was, on an obscure closet shelf collecting dust.

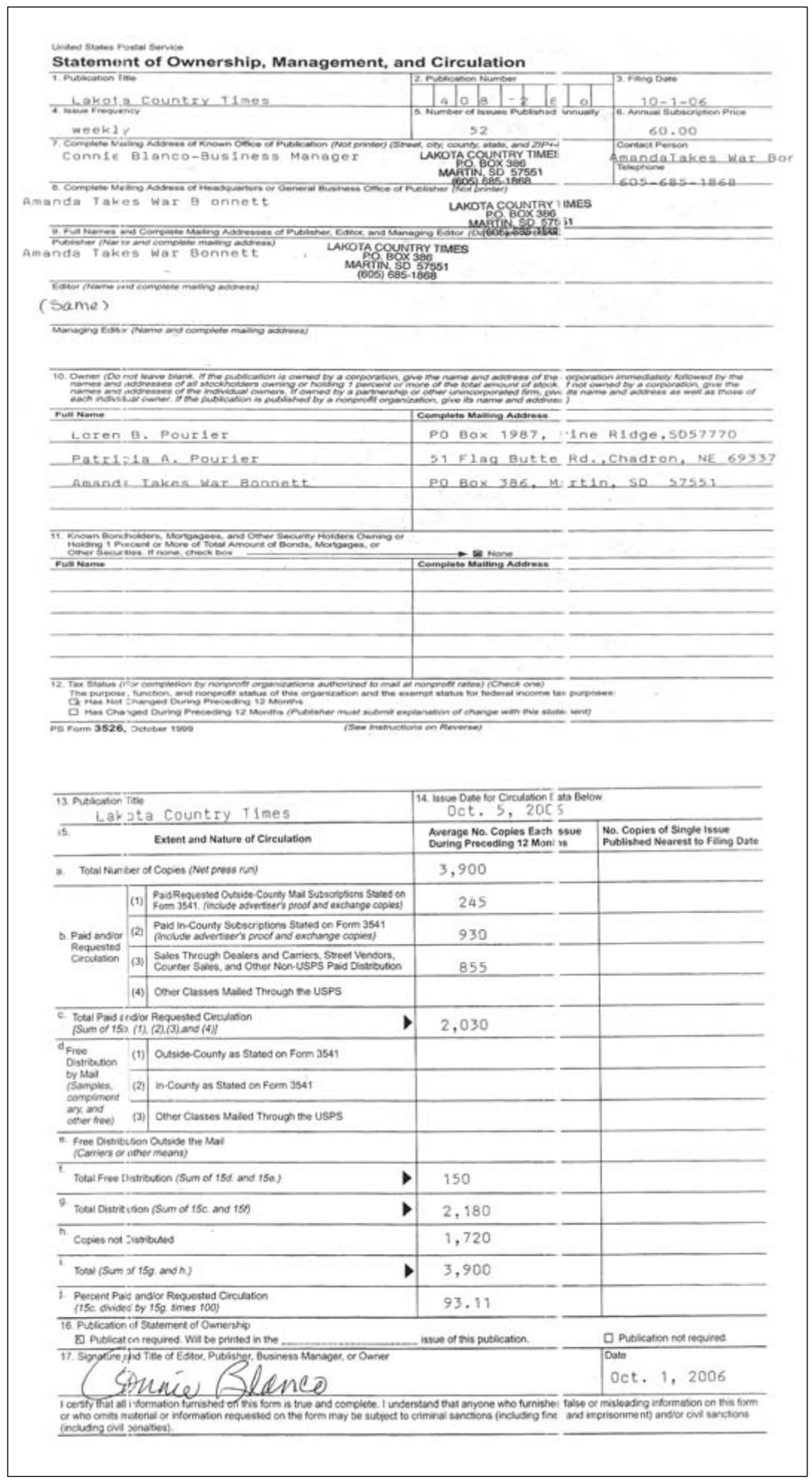
My effort here is to help counter the established practice of concealing certain historical events from the public, especially those dealing with Native America.

By exposing these truths of our history, our youth will acquire the opportunity to become more productive in modern society.

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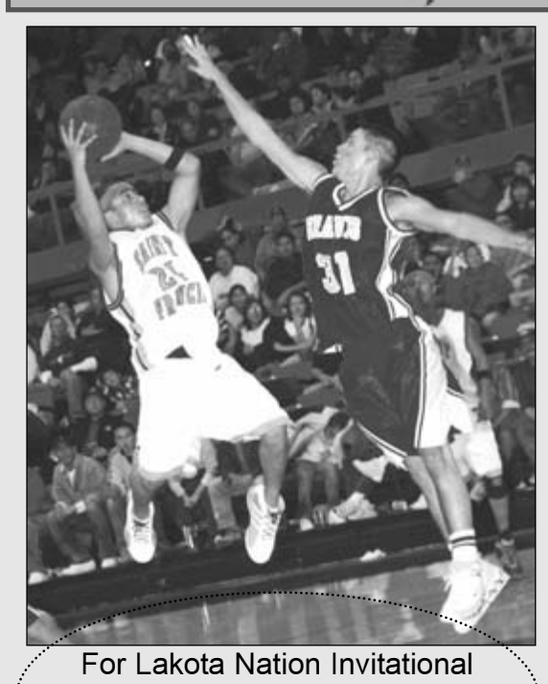
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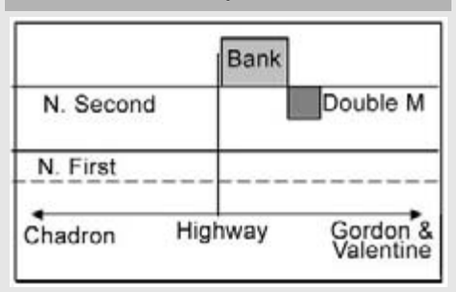
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Mustangs come from behind to knock of Bennett County

Crusader line opens gaping holes for Scott

Thorpes pull out fourth quarter win over Todd County





Left: Mike Cuny (17 and Rich Charging Cloud (24) break up a Cheyenne Eagle Butte pass intended for Tyson Maxon Friday afternoon at red Cloud football field as the Crusaders went on to a 34-16 victory for their fourth win of the season. Above: Pine Ridge's Dave Michaud (25) and Juan Ramos (22) stop Todd County's Gunner Krogman at the goal line during the football game Friday night in Pine Ridge, a game eventually won by Pine Ridge 36-28 over Todd County. Photos courtesy of Double M Studios in Hay springs, Neb.

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

MARTIN/PINE RIDGE - Down 20-6 at halftime Friday night in Martin against Bennett County, Little Wound came storming back to score 28 unanswered second half points to beat the Warriors 34-20 in a key West River Conference game.

"Our players seemed to be putting more energy into complaining about the refs," said Darrel Hunter, head coach, "but when we opened up the second half by stopping their kick-off runback deep in their territory and then stopping them in their end zone for a safety, it seemed to fire everyone up and we started playing the way I know they can."

Austin Haynes, Bennett County's 5'10", 135 pound freshman quarterback, completed three touchdown passes in the first half, two to Andrew Olson of six and 40 yards and an 18 yarder to DJ Toczek to give the Warriors a 20-6 halftime lead.

In a foreshadowing of things to come, Johnny Cloud hit Brice Hornbeck on a slant for a 16 yard TD pass for the Mustangs only first half points.

TJ McCauley, a senior transfer from Pierre, became eligible to play for Little Wound on Thursday and made an immediate impact at flanker grabbing five Johnny Cloud passes for 140 yards including an 11 yard catch for a touchdown on the Mustangs first possession in the second half following the safety.

"Teams used to be able to double or triple team Hornbeck but now we have another target for Cloud's passes and along with Devon LeBeau it sets up a triple threat for our opponents to have deal with," said Hunter.

Cloud unleashed his powerful arm as he went 14 for 21 for 320 yards and two touchdowns and added a one yard plunge for a TD on the ground. Shilo Pierce carried the ball 15 times for 77 yards and had a three yard run for a TD while Hornbeck finished with five catches for 110 yards an a TD.

Late in the fourth quarter, after the Mustangs went up 28-20, Bennett County mounted a drive getting deep in Little Wound territory until LeBeau tipped a Haynes pass that was grabbed by freshman Orin Three Stars who ran it back for an 84 yard interception return for touchdown to shut down a possible game tying drive.

"All year, I've been telling anyone who will listen that we have a balanced team on both offense and defense," said Hunter, "the defense did a great job holding Bennett County scoreless in the second half and stopping their last drive."

This is homecoming week for Little Wound as they put their 4-1 record on the line at 1 p.m. on Friday against Pine Ridge.

Bennett County hosts Hill City Friday night at 7 p.m.

Red Cloud win over Eagle Butte 34-16

Trying to avoid a letdown after their hard fought win over Little Wound the previous week, Red Cloud rode the strong legs of Billy Scott, a 175 pound junior running back, as he piled up 217 yards on 21 carries, scoring three TD's on the ground and grabbing a nine yard TD pass from AB Morgan to lead the Crusaders to a 34-16 win over Cheyenne Eagle Butte on Friday.

"Our offensive line worked hard to open up some holes for Billy to run through last Friday," said head coach, Nick Dressel, "and when there wasn't an opening through the line, Scott had the ability to get outside and turn a short gain into a long one."

Scott opened the scoring with a 67 yard TD run with a slant off the left tackle that found wide open daylight all the way to the goal line. Sang Jun Park added an extra point, the first of six in the game.

On the next Red Cloud possession, Kael Whirlwind Horse knocked the ball loose from the Red Cloud quarterback, AB Morgan, and returned the fumble recovery down to the Red Cloud six yard line. Michael Potter punched it over for a four yard TD run two plays later, Spencer Peterson's two point conversion on the ground gave Eagle Butte their first and only lead.

The Crusaders came right back on the first play from scrimmage with a 65 yard scoring strike from AB Morgan to Marlon Kelly to put Red Cloud right back in the lead, a lead they would not give up again. Morgan added a nine yard TD pass to Scott in the second quarter to give Red Cloud a 21-8 lead. Morgan finished with four completions on six passes for 114 yards and two touchdowns.

After an Art Vitalis interception, Scott scored on a long 30 yard run only to have it called back on a holding penalty.

Eagle Butte held their ground on their own 12 yard line to turn the ball over on downs only to fumble the ball on their own 28 yard line. Given a second chance, Red Cloud made good as Scott rumbled over the goal line on a 28 yard drive right up the middle to give Red Cloud a 28-8 halftime lead.

Scott scored his third TD on the ground late in the third with a 34 yard sweep around the right end.

After back to back fumbles midway through the fourth, Peterson drove up the middle on a quarterback keeper for a five yard TD run and Potter added a two point conversion on the ground.

Rich Charging Cloud shut down Eagle Butte's final drive with an interception with 2:41 left in the fourth. Andrew Twiss led the Red Cloud defense with 13 tackles and an interception. Vitalis made it two games in a row with a pick.

Red Cloud moves their record to 4-1 and travels to Crow Creek on Friday while Cheyenne Eagle Butte is 0-5 and hosts Stanley County on Friday.

Thorpes take out Falcons 36-28

"It takes us a few weeks into the season to get up to speed," said Dave Michaud, Pine Ridge coach, "but when we get several weeks under our belt, we develop an ability to wear teams down in the second half with our endurance and strength; Friday's game with Todd County was an example of that as we went through the game down at the half and down at the end of three but we were able to outscore the Falcons 14-0 in the fourth for a 36-28 win."

Senior fullback, Dave "Bulldawg" Michaud put together his best game of the year pounding through the Falcon defense for 269 yards and three touchdowns.

Todd County's Gunner Krogman carried the baqll 19 times for 191 yards and two touchdowns while Mike Neiss grabbed a 24 yard TD pass from CJ Spotted Tail and ran a kick-off back 85 yards for a TD.

Krogman opened the scoring in the first quarter with a 62 yard TD run and Michaud came right back and reeled off a 64 yard run for a touchdown to even up the game at he end of one.

Spotted Tail hit Neiss on a 25 yard pass play for the Falcon lead; Harley Cortier hit DJ Big Crow on a 24 yard pass play to match until Krogman added a 32 yard run and Todd County trapped Pine Ridge in the end zone for a safety aqnd seemingly cruised into the second half up 22-14 over the Thorpes.

The two teams traded scores in the third as Michaud scrambled.for a 65 yard TD run and Neiss answered right back with his kick-off return. In the fourth Pine Ridge closed the deal with a Wayne Trueblood one yard TD run and Michaud's third TD on a 12 yard run.

Pine Ridge takes their 3-2 record into Kyle on Friday for a crucial game against Little Wound, both teams need the win. Todd County travels to Chamberlain.

Teams keep eye on power points as they look to the playoffs

Last year, both Little Wound and Pine Ridge not only went to the 11A football play-offs but each had the opportunity to host a first round game.

Both Pine Ridge Reservation teams are in the hunt once again for the play-offs and a home game in the first round; at 4-1, Little Wound is currently in second place in 11A Region 3 right behind Winner, both are 4-1. Todd County is in third behind those two teams. Pine Ridge is in 11A Region 4 and is in second place right behind Custer.

Red Cloud, at 4-1, there best record after five games in over a decade is in third place in 11B Region 4 behind St.Thomas More and Stanley County. Crow Creek is 2-3 and is fifth in 11B Region 3.

Lower Brule is currently fourth in 9B Region 4, the Sioux have gone into the play-offs the last two years; Dupree is in third. Tiospa Zina is 2-3 and is in fifth in 9A Region 1.

The top three in each region get automatic bids to the play-offs, those teams in fourth are left up in the air and the top four in points will go on regardless of their place in their region.

Football scores from week five

Pine Ridge 36-28 Todd County
Red Cloud 34-16 Cheyenne Eagle Butte
Dupree 50-0 Jones County
Little Wound 34-10 Bennett County
Viborg 84-34 Marty
Tiospa Zina 12-8 Great Plains Luth
Sully Buttes 50-0 McLaughlin
Crow Creek 30-0 St. Francis

Games this week

Woonsocket at Lower Brule
Stanley County at Cheyenne Eagle Butte
Pine Ridge at Little Wound
Hill City at Bennett County
Red Cloud at Crow Creek
Todd County at Chamberlain
Newell at St. Francis

Rosebud Sioux Tribe
Alcohol Treatment Program

MISSION STATEMENT: Help alleviate the effects of alcoholism/substance abuse on the Rosebud reservation by providing quality alcohol and drug related care to its members, and returning sober people to the Tribe's communities. The RST alcohol program will provide accreditable services in comprehensive facility with Indian professionals working toward certification/licensure. These professionals will be sensitive to the addictive behaviors and cultural needs of tribal members. Lakota culture will be at the center of the program, supporting pride in one's identity as a means of living a sober, spiritual and happy life.

ASSESSMENTS
GOAL: Determine needs, diagnosing, making treatment services recommendations. METHODS: State-certified counselors trained in using viable treatment approaches, including Lakota beliefs/values education, carry out day to day therapy and didactic activities based upon client assessment-driven treatment plan. ELIGIBILITY: Native American (tribally-enrolled/enrollable), eighteen years of age, assessment diagnosis of substance dependence and any co-existing condition(s) in a stabilized state.

AFTERCARE PROGRAM
GOAL: Establishing daily practice of inpatient-learned recovery tools. METHODS: Cognitive/belief restructuring approach to daily events in which client experiencing negative consequences. ELIGIBILITY: Adult Native American, successfully completed inpatient or outpatient phase.

MORAL RECONATION THERAPY
GOAL: Learning how to internalize and practice responsible behaviors. METHODS: Completing *Moral Reconation* workbook steps, presenting steps in peer group setting, facilitatioin patterned along Moral Reconation Therapy Program. ELIGIBILITY: Native American Adult, US Probation-referred.

RST YOUTH COMPONENT-EVENING GROUP SCHEDULE

MONDAYS: Young People's AA.
TUESDAYS: Aftercare
WEDNESDAYS: Education/Prevention
THURSDAYS: Ala-Non (1:00–2:00 PM)
All group sessions at RST Treatment.
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NOTICE OF ELECTION
PINE RIDGE SCHOOL BOARD

Under the provisions of PL 95-561, specifically Part 31a, Subsections (P), the Pine Ridge School Board is recognized by the Oglala Sioux Tribe, from whom its powers are derived, as the Local School Board for the Pine Ridge Bureau of Indian Affairs schools.

Voters and candidates are limited to persons who are 18 years of age or older, enrolled members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, and who reside on the Pine Ridge Reservation within the service boundary of the Pine Ridge School.

Petitions shall be available on October 2, 2006 and shall be returned no later than 4:30 PM on October 13, 2006.

Each candidate shall sign a Request for Petition for Candidacy before picking up a petition.

A $20.00 fee (money order) will be required for each candidate so a background check can be conducted by the Oglala Sioux Tribal Public Safety Office (DO NOT fill out the money order, it needs to be filled out at the Public Safety Office). Also a $5.00 fee (money order) for fingerprints is needed. Candidate will take fee and petition to the Public Safety Office in Pine Ridge for the background check.

The Pine Ridge School Board election shall take place on November 7, 2006, between the hours of 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

Polling places will be announced at a later date.

The four positions vacant shall be filled by the order of finish by the candidates; the highest vote getter to serve one two (2) year term, the second highest vote getter to serve one two (2) year term, the third highest vote getter to serve one two (2) year term, and the fourth highest vote getter to serve one two (2) year term,

PINE RIDGE SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION TIME FRAME

Petitions for the candidacy of the following will be issued at the Pine Ridge School beginning on October 2, 2006

Four two (2) year terms.

October 2, 2006 – ISSUE NOMINATING PETITIONS TO CANDIDATES

October 13, 2006 – PETITIONS RETURNED BY 4:30 PM TO PINE RIDGE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

October 16, 17, 18, 2006 – CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATING PETITIONS

October 16, 2006 – BEGIN BACKGROUND CHECKS

October 18, 2006 – COMPLETE BACKGROUND CHECKS

October 18, 2006 – CERTIFY CANDIDATES AND NAMES DRAWN FOR LOTS

October 19, 2006 – POST SAMPLE BALLOTS

November 7, 2006 – ELECTION

November 8, 2006 – BEGIN CERTIFICATION OF CHALLENGED VOTES

November 10, 2006 – COUNT CHALLENGE VOTES

November 13, 14, 15, 2006 – CHALLENGE OF ELECTION

November 16, 2006 – CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION

Interested people may pick up petitions at the Pine Ridge School Administration Office, or call 867-5198. A $20.00 and $5.00 money order (DO NOT fill out money order) for background check ($20.00) and fingerprints ($5.00) is required of all candidates.

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Words for the People

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White Buffalo Calf Woman Society holds annual awareness march

Rate of violence against Indian women is 23.4 per 1,000, while the rate for other women is 8.1 per 1,000

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Some 40 marchers or more participated in the 20th annual "domestic violence awareness" walk sponsored by the White Buffalo Calf Woman Society. The walk which originated at the Rosebud I.H.S. hospital coincided with the month of October being designated as "Domestic Violence Awareness" month nationwide and on the Rosebud. The Charging Horse singers sang a traditional encouragement song, while other songs were also sung along the way.

A couple of banners were carried by the lead walkers as the first stop was at the Rosebud Law Enforcement Services building or the Rosebud Police Department. Judge Sherman Marshall was presented with a plant representing life, while WBCWS Executive Director, Tillie Black Bear, explained that the police department and other first responders were vital links for those who are subjected to domestic violence. Furthermore, she explained that the WBCWS has been in existence for thirty years and several RST tribal resolutions have reaffirmed their right to apply for domestic violence grant funding.

Nicole Witt of the WBCWS staff explained that the shelter has four different grants which fund its domestic violence activities. The grants are; Stop Violence against Indian Women, an Encourage Arrests Grant, the Tribal Coalition grant, and the Safety for Indian Women from Sex Offenders grant.

Edwin Young spoke on behalf of the Rosebud police department and briefly explained their role. Lino Spotted Elk of the RST courthouse spoke about his responsibility for ensuring that offenders who engage in domestic violence fulfill their court imposed sentences and obligations.



About 40 walkers participated in the 20th annual White Buffalo Calf Woman's Society march from the Rosebud I.H.S. hospital to the RST tribal building to raise to awareness of "Domestiic Violence Awareness" month in October. Photo by Archie Beauvais.

The walkers then marched on while Charging Horse sang an 'akicita' song. The next stop was at the cemetery east of the old hospital where Sicangu leader, Chief Spotted Tail is buried. As the walkers arrived at the RST tribal council chambers, the event was concluded with bottles of water, sandwiches and a brown bag with Doritos, a drink, cereal bar and an orange.

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Cangleska awareness walks scheduled

KYLE - Cangleska, Inc. is sponsoring four walks in observance of October as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. The events include an Oct. 17 walk at 5 p.m. in Porcupine, an Oct. 18 walk at 6 p.m. in Martin, an Oct. 25 walk in Kyle at 10 a.m. and the Oct. 26 Four Directions Walk at 5:30 p.m. in Pine Ridge.

Ohitika, a domestic violence shelter operated by Cangleska, Inc., will sponsor its 2nd Annual Diva Day in Rapid City from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the St. Isaac Jogues/Mother Butler Center in Rapid City.

Please join us for all or any of these events as a way of showing your support in ending domestic violence and creating awareness within the community.

For more information, contact Cangleska, Inc. at 605-455-2244.

Wakanyeja Pawicayapi awarded $274,906

PORCUPINE -Wakanyeja Pawicayapi, Inc. has been awarded a grant for $274,906 by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Wakanyeja Pawicayapi is a program that works with the emotional and mental healing of Lakota youth.

"This important funding will assist Wakanyeja Pawicayapi, Inc. in social and economic development efforts that can improve the quality of life for all the members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe," Sen. John Thune said of the grant.

Oceti Wakan gets $75,000 grant to study Lakota language

PINE RIDGE — Sen. John Thune announced the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has awarded Oceti Wakan (Sacred Fireplace) a $75,000 grant as part of the Native Language Preservation and Maintenance Assessment Grant Program.

"I applaud the efforts of many who are working diligently to preserve the culture and language on our Reservations," Thune said.

Cordier awarded Hagen scholarship

PINE RIDGE - Christina Cordier, a 2006 graduate of Red Cloud High School is one of the eight Native American students chosen to receive the Richard Hagen-Minerva Harvey Memorial Scholarships awarded for the first time in 2006-07. The eight students join eleven others whose scholarships were continued under the program. Together, the 19 students will receive a total of $23,000 this year. The students use their scholarships to pursue their educations at an institute of higher education located in South Dakota.

"The 2010 Education Initiative includes a focus on improving the graduation rate of our Native American students," said Gov. Mike Rounds. "This scholarship provides a powerful incentive for students to finish their high school experience and to purse higher education. These students should be extremely proud.

According to South Dakota's 2006 Report Card, the graduation rate of Native American students from the state's public schools is 66 percent, compared to 89 percent for all students. At Red Cloud the graduation rate was 92 percent. Last year, 100 percent of the members of the class of 2006 came to graduation with their plans in place.


Christina Cordier

Hagen-Harvey scholarships were awarded to recent high school graduates who are enrolled members of one of South Dakota's nine tribes. Recipients must attend an institute of higher education located in South Dakota. Recipients are chosen based on qualities such as leadership potential, demonstration of exceptional talent, ACT test scores, high school grade point average, and other indicators of persistence and drive for success. Students can apply to receive a total of $6,000 over four years.

The scholarship program was established in 2003, after Minerva Harvey left the proceeds of her estate to the South Dakota Department of Education to develop a scholarship program for American Indian students. Richard Hagen was a legislator from Pine Ridge who served in the State House and Senate.

Gary Richards Jr. receives scholarship to attend Creighton

ALLEN - Gary Richards Jr. is one of ten American Indian students from across the nation who will continue their education with the help of scholarship funding from Accenture's American Indian Scholarship Fund. The students were honored last week at a celebration event held at the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian in Washington DC.

More than 140 students applied for this year's Accenture scholarship program, which sought out the highest-achieving American Indian and Alaska Native students seeking degrees and careers in technology, professional and business fields.

"Accenture is honored to contribute to the higher education of these exceptional women and men," said Randy Willis, senior executive sponsor of Accenture's American Indian interest group. "While there were many deserving candidates, these students stood out as future leaders in the American Indian community."

Six Accenture Scholars will receive undergraduate scholarships toward completing four-year baccalaureate degrees:

Gary L. Richards Jr., (Oglala Lakota Sioux) of Pine Ridgewill attend Creighton University; Laura J. Graveley, (Muscogee) of Okmulgee, Okla., will attend Stanford University; Nolan Smith-Kaprosey, (Bay Mills Chippewa) of Fort Snelling, MN, will attend Yale University; Brittnea S. Nemecek, (Choctaw) of Durant, Okla., will attend East Central University; Jana V. Lekanoff, (Qawalangin) of Unalaska, AK, will attend Cornell University;Terra L. Branson, (Muscogee) of Okmulgee, Okla., will attend Dartmouth College

Four Accenture Fellows will receive graduate scholarships towards completing advanced or professional degrees: Jon P. Swan, (Chippewa-Cree Rocky Boy's) of Box Elder, Mont, will attend the Harvard Kennedy School of Government; Jay H. Calhoun, (Cherokee) of Tahlequah, Okla. will attend Dartmouth College; Jeri A. Azure, (Turtle Mountain Chippewa) of Belcourt, N.D., will attend the University of North Dakota; Dana R. Arviso, (Navajo) of Fort Defiance, Ariz., will attend the University of Washington

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Community Calendar
Rez Happenings

Professional Skills Workshop
Workshop - "Professional Skills Development for Secretaries" set for Rushmore Plaza Civic Center, Rushmore G in Rapid City Oct. 5-7, for information contact Valerie Two Eagle at 867-5821.

Youth Jam
End of the Summer Youth Jam, Friday, Oct. 6 in the LaCroix Hall at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City from 8:30-11:30 p.m.

20th Annual He Sapa Wacipi Na Oskate
Oct. 6-8 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City, championship pow wow, fine arts and games.

Skateboard Tournament
Saturday, Oct. 7 at the Rapid City Skate Park from 1-4 p.m. with two divisions, 12 and under and 13-18 years of age.

Fall Church Bazaar
Sunday, Oct. 8 in Oglala at Our Lady of the Sioux Catholic Church in Brother Rene Hall from 11am until 3pm with food, games, bingo and a raffle.

Walk and Candlelight Vigil
Tuesday, Oct. 17, to mark October as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Pahin Sinte College Center and Cangleska, Inc are sponsoring a walk and candlelight vigil in Porcupine at 4:30pm, for info call 867-5404.

Honoring Veterans Wacipi
Friday and Saturday, Oct. 20 and 21 in Sioux Falls at the W.H. Lyons Fair Grounds, 12th Street and Lyons Avenue in memory of Roger Andal, grand entries set for 7 p.m. on Friday and 1pm and 7pm on Saturday, for information call 334-4060.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
School pow wow on Thursday, Nov. 9 at Loneman School in Oglala with grand entries at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with supper set for 5 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 17 at Porcupine School with grand entries at 1pm and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m.

Tribal, State, Federal Election
Tuesday, Nov. 7 is election day for tribal, state and national elections, polls open for state and national elections from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. while polls for tribal elections open 9am to 7 p.m.

Pow wow and Art Show
Lakota Red Nations 9th Annual Pow wow and Art Show, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 24 and 25 in Gordon, Neb. at the Gordon City Hall with grand entries set for 7 p.m. on Friday and 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841

Life after death class
Developing a better understanding of the journey of the soul, Fridays at 7 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Village College Center

Human Rights Coalition
Sicangu Lakota Grassroots Oyate Oct. 21 at Rosebud Casino conference room from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Treaties, land, exploitation and protection of cultural items and sites. Contact Alfred Bone Shirt at 208-4955.

White Buffalo Calf *from page B1*

Meredith Kills In Water, who is employed at the Allstop convenience store in Rosebud, said that she has been on every walk since they first started. She said, "It is good for the heart. Even if one is in good health, it is good to do it for those cannot walk. I support men and women to have a better life. We can take a walk and see the wildlife and then, we can go home and be in a better mood."

RST council representative Russell Eagle Bear addressed the assembled group in the absence of the RST administration and leadership who were on travel to Sacramento, CA to attend the National Congress of American Indians conference.

Eagle Bear was quite articulate as he began in Lakota and then, moved to English. In Lakota he began, "Le anpetu ki yakahnige. Le woableza unciciukte." "You understand what this day is about. We will get some insight" he said, and continued, "We have violence and it is sad to see that our leaders in history had a hand in guiding us. Today, we kind of lost something. We're walking for guidance….we pray for our relatives and those having difficulty. Everyday someone is in need of prayer. Women took care of us. They nourished us. We learned many things through our grandmothers and mothers….you are creating awareness and it is our responsibility as older people."

Black Bear acknowledged the presence of Lakota elder Betty Red Owl who was celebrating her 77th birthday as Charging Horse sang a birthday song. Audrey Cordry of Mission was present as was Oglala elder Elaine Quiver.

The Charging Horse drum was comprised of Lester Kills The Enemy, Joe Flying, Gaylord Two Eagle and Elton Black Spotted Horse. Kills The Enemy explained that five songs they sang were, an encouragement song, a 'wacink sapa' song, 'akicita' song, a memorial song for Nida Eagle Elk, birthday song and then, the encouragement song again.

Eagle Bear presented an RST Executive Proclamation in observance of Domestic Violence Month. The theme was, "Together we can end violence in our homes, society and in the community…" It noted that the rate of violence against Indian women is 23.4 per 1,000, while the rate for white women is 8.1 per 1,000.







Above: Michael Valandra, Director of the Ici Mani Ya Waste' in St. Francis. SFM and the Rosebud Educational Society have made a commitment to increasing their presence in the community, particularly the youth. They will soon complete their office, recreational, and counseling space for the youth. The bottom photo is office space for RES, while the IMY Waste' building above has dedicated space for study, recreation and counseling. Photos by Archie Beauvais.

St. Francis Mission expands Ici Mani Ya Waste recovery center

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ST. FRANCIS - For a number of years St. Francis Mission appeared to be on the decline given its shrinking number of buildings, some of which had burned down and one which was scheduled for demolition.

That appears to have been reversed with the expansion of the 'old' Ici Mani Ya Waste building, formerly Drexel Hall, and the creation of new office space for the Rosebud Educational Society and the religious education program.

The buildings are very contemporary in style and once they are completed along with the parking lot plans are to hold some type of open house for the public.

Michael Valandra has been with the Ici Mani Ya Waste recovery program since 2003 and he has a multifaceted role in leading the center.

He said, "I really believe once we open people will be here. There will be library space, books, and room for homework. Our main focus is activities such as pool tournaments and card games.

To say to the youth they can have fun without drugs and alcohol."

Valandra credits Father John Hatcher for making the commitment to increasing the presence of SFM. He says that the youth will have an opportunity to pray also if they so choose.

He said, "The youth are important to us. We have to bring back their faith in culture and prayer." The center is connected to a spiritual room in the old Drexel Hall which, itself, has been renovated totally inside and the outside is being worked on.

More information and publicity about the center's specific offerings and schedule will be forthcoming once it is complete.

Valandra says that an outdoor basketball court will be constructed so the youth can hold tournaments outside. At present, the Digmann Hall is used for indoor games.

Valandra says that the center feels totally comfortable with combining facets of Lakota spirituality with that of the Catholic faith. Once a month, Mike Cross, from Kyle, holds a sweat and Father Hatcher holds mass. Then, a healing ceremony is held.

The center has also held retreats for men and women and plans to hold one in March 2007. He said, "Last week we had 43 people here for a ceremony. It was unique as we had a spiritual leader, a counselor and a Jesuit priest." He also utilizes the "Talking Circle" as a tool to have clients and the youth talk about their issues. He has been using the approach at the BIA dormitory in Mission and plans to expand it use at St. Francis Indian School.

Valandra is well suited for his role in raising the public's awareness of alcohol and drug recovery as he has hosted guests from Alkali Lake in Canada and often goes on KINI FM radio with host Richard Iyotte, Mike Cross and Father Hatcher in providing updates on the center's work.

Valandra further illustrated his past struggles with alcohol and drugs. He said, "I spent a number of years as a drug dealer and an alcoholic. I got busted in 1998 and served five years in a federal prison. I served it in Waseca, Minn. and also got four years supervised release. My sobriety date is June 25, 1998."

He went through the Little Hoop lodge treatment center and has been sober ever since. He now practices a traditional and Catholic way of life. A sun dancer in his fourth year, Valandra attends weekly Alcohol Anonymous meetings.

He said, "I do everything for the people. I pray for the elderly and the youth. I'm true to the Red Road."

Janklow, the lawyer, argues case before South Dakota justices

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - Bill Janklow started his career as an attorney working on cases involving American Indian law, which also was the subject of a case that marked his public return to the profession.

A year ago, the former governor and congressman asked justices for the early return of his law license, which he had lost after his 2003 conviction of second-degree manslaughter for causing a fatal traffic crash.

He got his license back last winter and returned to the high court Monday as a practicing lawyer during its October session in Sioux Falls.

Janklow, 67, of Brandon, is one of the attorneys representing Daniel Carlson of Sisseton, a father whose 14-month-old daughter died of overheating after he left her unattended in his parked car with the windows rolled up.

The girl, Tehya Carlson, died Aug. 17, 2005. Carlson had dropped off his then-6-year-old daughter, Jacinda Carlson, at his mother's home in Sisseton but forgot to drop Tehya off at her day care in Browns Valley, Minn., where he works as a vice president of a telemarketing company.

The girl was left in the car from about 9 a.m. until shortly after 5 p.m., when Carlson found her.

Carlson was not charged criminally because he was not intentionally negligent, the local prosecutor concluded.

The girl's mother, Barbara Baldwin, is an American Indian and an enrolled member of the Sisseton Wahpeton tribe, as were the couple's two daughters. She filed an abuse and neglect petition in tribal court in Sisseton, and the court removed Jacinda from Carlson's custody. He now is trying to regain custody.

Baldwin moved to Biloxi, Miss., when the couple divorced in 2005 and now is in the Air Force in Grand Forks, N.D.

Carlson, a non-Indian, had custody of the girls during the school year and Baldwin had them during the summer.

In its ruling, the tribal court concluded that though Jacinda did not live on the reservation, she was a ward of the court.

The tribe then filed a motion to enforce the order in state court and a judge agreed that tribal court had jurisdiction because of the Indian Child Welfare Act.

"That's nonsense," Janklow told the justices, arguing that the federal act does not apply because the father had custody and none of the family members lived on reservation or trust land.

Because of that, the Supreme Court should reverse the lower court judge's order enforcing the tribal court's ruling that removed the father from custody, he said.

"We can't all be part of this fraud that's being perpetrated," Janklow said.

Attorneys for the tribe and Baldwin argued that the ICWA does apply and the state judge was right to agree with the tribal court order.

"The tribe has jurisdiction over its members," said Andrew Small of Minneapolis, who represents the Sisseton Wahpeton tribe.

Dani Daugherty of Aberdeen, the mother's lawyer, agreed.

"This is a tribe. This is a sovereign nation. And the state went into an agreement with it," she said.

Justices will issue their written opinion later.

Janklow, a longtime leader in the state Republican party, was the nation's longest-serving governor when he was elected to the U.S. House in November 2002. Janklow's law license was suspended after a jury in December 2003 found him guilty of second-degree manslaughter, for which he served 100 days in jail and resigned from Congress.

In October 2005, Janklow asked the state Supreme Court for the right to practice law again.

Addiction recovery requires balancing good and bad

Editor's Note LLJ tells her story of recovery and has requested that her name not be used. She hopes her story will make an impact on those seeking recovery.***

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The road to successful addiction recovery for LLJ was paved with both the negative and positive. She called it the 'black road' and the good was labeled 'the red road' approach to achieving harmony. She is someone who has journeyed for some 20 years, maintaining sobriety and at the same time using that tremendous pain she felt in order to be a healer to others.

LLJ has engaged in a great deal of study, self reflection, and counseling of others addicted and is able to apply contemporary western philosophy and thought into her work. She also credits her Sicangu colleagues with guiding her in integrating the Lakota spiritual way in order for her to be a more effective counselor and clinical supervisor.

The journey in Sicangu country is coming to end after 11 years and it feels right that she move on to another challenge elsewhere.

She said, "My alcohol use represented a betrayal of trust of everyone I know. It is part of the spiritual malaise or in Lakota it might be called 'ta ta.' When one is on the black road, their thinking is impaired."

LLJ's 'story' of addiction and recovery was a spellbinding account that went all too quickly in two hours time. She could recall a time when her mother would make chokecherry wine and the first time she sampled it at age 11 it seemed like the best thing that ever happened to her. At age 19-20 she experimented with marijuana and it continued to be a part of her adult life.

"I was a full blown alcoholic after I took my first drink" she said as she described the pattern of drinking at her mom's house where all the drinks were consumed in one sitting. She added, "I am not blaming anybody. I think I was primed. We choose our path when we are born in the world. Did I choose a life of disharmony? Yes, I chose it because there was always redemption."

The crossroad came for LLJ when one of her son's got into trouble and her home was investigated. She was referred to inpatient care and she proceeded to lie on her assessment. Her husband was sick and tired of her drinking and lies. She said the moment she reached for the door handle to the treatment center it was a defining moment for her. She said, "Everything told me to turn back and something said open it and go in. Something other than me was in control. It was a spiritual moment. They kept me safe on that black road. I believe I was chosen to walk on that and the 'red road. I believe that I was chosen before I was born."

Addiction is a part of the spiritual walk and the first step in treatment is pain, according to LLJ and she was deceptive and knew it. It is important to be honest and not under report issues that plague one.

She described moving through step three of her treatment phase. It was a time of spiritual awakening. In ceremony she saw herself. She called it "woableza." She saw herself as an empty shell and again at a crossroad where she could turn back to a life of drinking or walk on the 'red road.'

She continued, "I wanted to be alone, sitting there. I never felt so alone and asked my counselor. I told her what happened and she said I did step three." In step four and five, LLJ illustrated her initiation into the sweat lodge, the way of the pipe and joining Alcohol Anonymous. She almost relapsed after three years, but her son had written a lady's name from A.A. and she called her once when she was ready to go out on the town. She said, "My impaired thinking, the insane thinking was going on. But something else was in control. I pray to my relations. I lost my mother a year ago and she is guiding me."

LLJ described her involvement in the sun dance for seven years at Dicky Moves Camp's in Wanblee. One of her son's also danced there and all three have been to treatment. She said, "I learned from the Sicangu that it is a spiritual balance. I learned to be a human being here, so now I am ready to leave." She described the 'cangleska' as a beautiful part of Lakota culture. It has no end and no beginning and it is a paradox.

LLJ summed up the manner in which good and bad are both an important part of harmony and balance. She said, "I can't forget the drinking because it is a part of me. Pain helps me and others. Without that pain I can't put myself in their shoes…my worst hell is my heaven. When I walk through my hell, it is the only way to know my heaven. It is the only way to know the 'red road.'

Finally, she brought the idea of 'pain' closer to home when she said, "My kids watch me. I lost their trust to this day. My young son is working on getting back that trust. I may not get it back. That's what I mean by the 'pain.'"

Mendoza, Wohlleber slam dunk competition at LNI cross country

Cheyenne Eagle Butte, McLaughlin win team titles

By Tom Crash
Times Sports Correspondent

RAPID CITY - The expected dual between Pine Ridge's Alex Wilson-Pine and Kiko Mendoza of Takini, both defending State cross country champs didn't materialize as Wilson-Pine scratched and Mendoza cruised to a 22 second win over Marc Whirlwind Soldier of Todd County for the 2006 Lakota Nation cross country championship at Memorial Park in Rapid City on Saturday.

Jordan Wohlleber, a freshman at Cheyenne Eagle Butte, has placed high in state A cross country as a 7th and 8th grader and has won several races this year; Saturday, the closest anyone finished to the slender young Eagle Butte runner was her teammate, Jordyn Cook, 59 seconds behind her.

With Wohlleber and Cook finishing one-two, the Eagle Butte girls defeated Todd County 23-27 to win the 2006 Lakota Nation Invitational. McLaughlin won the boys competition easily knocking off Todd County 27-45 with Takini in third with 65.

The top twenty finishers in the boys included: 1. Mendoza/Tak 17:13, 2. Whirlwind Soldier/TC 17:35, 3. Ian Wiest.McL 17:36, 4. Sean Red Elk/LW 18:15, 5. Wes Running/TC 18:24, 6. Grey Yellow Earrings/McL 18:28, 7. Dallasa Two Lance/PR 18:43, 8. Frank Waln/WR 184, 9. Anthony Iron Thunder/McL 185, 10. Jerad Weston/RC 18:51, 11. Sam Iron Thunder/McL, 12. Christian Matchier, 13. Julian Defender/McL, 14. brian Taken Alive/McL, 15. Gerald Running Hawk/McL, 16. Steve Antoine/TC, 17. Tyson Grass Rope/LB, 18. Kylie Claymore/SR, Calvin Flying By/Tak and 20. Shawn Johnson/LB.

Top finishers for the girls includes: 1. Wohlleber/CEB 15:04, 2. Cook/CEB 16:03, 3. Julie Bernie/TC 16:07, 4. Christian Jasnis/PR 16:22, 5. Kyla Marshall/TC 16:24, 6. Kayla Weston/RC 16:39, 7. Missy Moreno/WR 16:45, 8. Ashley Iron Mocccacin/CEB 16:47, 9. Gail McIntyre/STM 16:48, 10. Kylie Wilson/TC 16:52, 11. Morgana Running/TC, 12. Sophia Janis/PR, 13. Adrienna Iron Shield/SR, 14. Allie Moran/CEB, 15. Natasha Six T\oes/WR, 16. Anna Two Hawk/TC, 17. Desiree Blacksmith/RC, 18. Annie Bloom/STM, 19. Amy Talks/McL and 20. Mary Two Lance/PR.

2006 cross country season opened Friday with the Douglas earlybird run on the whatchie golf course in Box Elder; Kiko Mendoza, a sophomore at Takini who won the State B cross country championship last year as a freshman, took second in the high school boys division, five and a half seconds behind Rapid City Central's Mike Krsnak who ran the 5000 meters in 15:56.59.



Led by Jordan Wohlleber, upper left, the Cheyenne Eagle Butte girl's cross country team won the high school girl's team competition at the Lakota Nation Invitational run on Saturday in Rapid City with 23 points to Todd County's 27 and included: Jordyn Cook, Ashley Iron Moccasin, Allie Moran, Marissa Laundreaux and Harley Morgan; Photo courtesy of Double M Studios of Hay Springs, Neb.



(above right)

St. Thomas More won the 12th annual Lakota Nation volleyball tourney on Saturday in Rapid City with a championship match win over Todd County 25-18 25-14 and 25-20; the all tourney team included: Tia McCloskey/TC, Summer Afraid of Hawk/Takini, Breona Ziolkowski/Cus, Kelsey Brave Eagle/LW, Saudio Tasso/PR, Shaundai Prue/TC, Marque Lunderman/RC, Hanna Klapperich/STM,
Photo courtesy of Double M Studios of Hay Springs, Neb



(right)
Takini's super sophomore runner, Kiko Mendoza, set the pace and won the Lakota Nation Invitational cross country run Saturday at Memorial Park in Rapid City; Mendoza is the defending state B cross country champ.

Photo courtesy of Double M Studios in Hay springs, Neb.

St. Thomas More downs Todd County for LNI volleyball championship

Standing Rock gets by Pine Ridge for third

By Tom Crash
Sports correspondent

RAPID CITY - St. Thomas More put the finishing touches on a 7-0 Lakota Nation tournament record with a 25-18, 25-14 25-20 win over Todd County for the LNI championship on Saturday in Rapid City at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center.

Led by their MVP, Kristen Doerr and their all tourney Hanna Klapperich, the Lady Cavaliers went undefeated through the pool and tournament play and used the momentum to move their season record to 18-6 and earn a number ten spot in the RC Journal top ten Class A volleyball poll. Parker is rated number one in Class A while Bennett County, District 14A and Region7A champs the last three years are 19-1 and are rated number three.

Standing Rock defeated Pine Ridge 25-23 and 25-19 for third place. STM got by Standing Rock in the semis 25-11 and 25-12 while Todd County eased by Pine Ridge 25-10 and 25-17.

Todd County was the three time defending LNI champs and were led by Shauna Gentry, named as the best setter and Shaundai Prue, named as best defender. All tourneys included: Marque Lunderman/Red Cloud, Breona Zilkowski/Custer, Saudia Tasso/Pine Ridge, Kelsey Brave Eagle/Little Wound, summer afraid of Hawk/Takini, Tia McCloskey and Shaundai Prue/Todd County.

Results of the pool play included: Todd County 25-19 25-5 Little Wound, St. Thomas More 25-10 25-13 Cheyenne Eagle Butte, Takini 25-18 23-25 25-22 Crow Creek, Custer 20-25, 25-15 25-12 Pine Ridge, Standing Rock 25-10 25-22 St. Francis, Red Cloud 25-14, 25-16 Crazy Horse, Todd County 25-14 25-19 Takini, Pine Ridge 25-20, 14-25, 25-20 Cheyenne Eagle Butte, St. Francis 25-12 25-20 Little Wound, St. Thomas More 25-20 25-15 Red Cloud, Standing Rock 25-21 25-14 Crow Creek, Custer 25-16 25-12 Crazy Horse, Todd County 25-17 25-17 St. Francis, Cheyenne Eagle Butte 12-25, 26-24 25-20 Red Cloud, Standing Rock 20-25 25-13 25-20 Takini, Pine Ridge 25-13 25-19 Crazy Horse, Little Wound 25-14 25-17 Crow Creek, St. Thomas 25-22 25-16 Custer, Todd County 25-23 25-15, Standing Rock, Cheyenne Eagle Butte 25-9 25-9 Crazy Horse, Crow Creek 16-25 25-23 25-22 St. Francis, Red Cloud 25-19 25-22 Custer, Little Wound 25-13 25-18 Takini, St. Thomas More 25-14 25-22 Pine Ridge, Todd County 25-15 25-12 Crow Creek, Cheyenne Eagle Butte 26-24 22-25 25-21 Custer, Standing Rock 24-26 25-13 25-20 Little Wound, St. Thomas More 25-9 25-9 Crazy Horse, St. Francis 25-9 22-25 25-10 Takini and Pine Ridge 25-22 25-12 Red Cloud.

Pool standings included Pool A STM 5-0, PR 3-2 CEB 3-2 RC 2-3 Cus 2-3 CH 1-4 and pool B TC 5-0, SR 4-1, LW 2-3, SF 2-3, Tak 1-4 and CC 1-4. Top two teams in each pool went into the single elimination tournament.

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Dear Anna,

How are you? I was just reading your column on-line, I didn't know you had that, that's nice.

I was wondering about my nephew, how is he doing on the other side, I keep thinking about him and I hope he is no longer suffering and is happy. I pray for him alot. He was so young.

Also I was talking to my ex-husband on the internet every now and then and all of a sudden he disappeared, I know you told me to move forward but he was willing to help me with my homework from college and I was glad, is he just totally out of my life now? Am I gonna meet someone soon who will take care of me or be here with me? I am taking college classes again and I enjoy them.

What do you see in my near future, can you give me some good news?

Where is your flower shop in Rapid City? I think about you when I'm in Rapid City but don't know where to find you at?

How is my job, am I gonna have this job? Some of us had to outprocess and process back in till our jobs are advertised and we can put in for them, and they do not want to pay us out for our annual leave that we had, is that gonna change, will we be paid? We earned that annual leave.

This place is still upside down and inside out, things change every day.

A little stressed here

Dear A Little Stressed Out:

Good to hear from you. Your ex is your ex. You could invite him back into your life in the future, but it is not a fulfilling relationship for you. He is fine, just involved with other aspects (and a new girl-friend) of his life. Let go, in your heart you don't really want to spend the rest of your life with this man, he is too mixed up, so let go and move on.

Your nephew is, as they say, in a better place. It is true: life is everlasting. I tend to refer to those that are in Spirit as having gone home. A place where love IS... where the very resonance of the love of the Creator is felt and is part and never separate from you.

Your nephew is with his family. The ones who love him.

There is even more than that going on in the Spirit World. There is learning about the true nature of reality; the awareness that you are never separate from the Creator; there is planning and reviewing of earth life and relationships; there are those in Spirit who chose or are chosen to help those still on the earth - who work with us here.

There is the graduation of experience to encompass the true understanding of the Creator or God - and further, whatever is possible within the Creatorship of God is created. Whatever you can imagine would be a limitation of what God and you together can experience on the next level after physical life has ended. And then, there is the planning of the next life experience, otherwise known as reincarnation.

We, as people, each one of us, is much more than we understand. We (human-beings on earth) are a big investment by the Creator in an earthly body, enriching and of free-will to create ourselves in a reflection of our Creator or in a way that is much less than we have inherited from our Creator. Each life is an experience of Spirit in physical form, a journey to enrich the soul to become all that we can be: love incarnated. Each life has an impact upon all other lives that it touches, it has the potential in the extreme magnification to change the world.

After all of this, what I am telling you is that your nephew is fine, he is with his relatives, he is in a state of love or grace, and that he does not ever suffer.

My office is in Rapid City in the Buell Building, 522 7th Street, my business is called: "2 Crazy Women With An Office."

My business partner and I spend a lot of time on the rez - in Kyle and in Pine Ridge, sometimes Martin, sometimes in Rosebud.

Work, right now, for you is tough. The entire organization is in an uproar with a new leader.

He is trying to establish lines of loyalty and does not wish to include in his team people that are not in alignment with his personal vision.

It would take a fight to receive your leave, you are correct - it is, as least morally, something you are entitled to.

Let it go for now, until after you are hired, and then pursue it. I don't like it when people that have worked in positions for an extended period of time are released and someone without experience is hired. That is not good business practice.

The organization loses continuity, and it is very expensive to train people. It is not done too often in the business world, but it is done a lot in the tribal political world. It is one of the reasons that tribally funded, BIA funded and grant funded programs suffer so little progress.

Economically it wastes hundreds of thousands of dollars each year. When people are below par in the review process, when their work is not adequate, then they should lose their jobs and a person that wants to work should be hired in their place. T

hat should be an exception, not the rule. Quite honestly, start looking for another position. Check with I.H.S. Your workplace will go through this again and again and again, about every time there is a political change.

There will be a new man in your life - but not for almost a year. Hang in there, get yourself in balance and go into the next relationship without a sense of neediness. Go into the next relationship as an equal.

My thoughts and prayers are with you. Give me a call. You know the people that have my phone number.

Dear Anna,

I have a question about if I should do something or not. I know this woman who lives on the next reservation. She has a husband and a child over there. He is older than her and takes care of her.

She comes back home and goes out with guys. I heard of her and what she does but didn't think it would have anything to do with me until now I heard she is doing that with someone important to me and he will probably just be hurt and it is all said and done.

It's like I want to tell her husband so she will quit doing that with guys over here. Should I?

Big Question

Dear Big Question:

NO. MYOB. If you start it, you will be responsible for destroying other people's lives. Why would you want to hurt her husband?

Don't worry about protecting your friends. They are adults, and they can handle what they create.

Dear Anna,

I was wondering, like I read your column like almost every Friday.

I was going ask if you see any future love for me because most of my friends tell me to go around with them but I ain't got no time for that at all so I 'm asking if you see any future boyfriend or any boys at my school who do like me or wanna ask me out thank you again.

Wondering

Dear Wondering:

Read the first letter - it applies to you too. There is a boy at school that likes you.

He is kind of tall, he has beautiful coffee-cream color skin, he has short hair (it may have a little curl to it), he wears a baseball cap backwards, he wears a lot of shirts that are sports-type of shirts with numbers and teams on them, he plays basketball (at least in his spare time) he usually gets a ride to school, because he doesn't live right in town.

You will know he likes you soon, because he will talk to you and give you a piece of candy or a cookie or something small to eat.

He doesn't have any money, so asking you out is kind of hard, but hanging out at a game or something and walking around is cheaper and will happen. Good Luck!

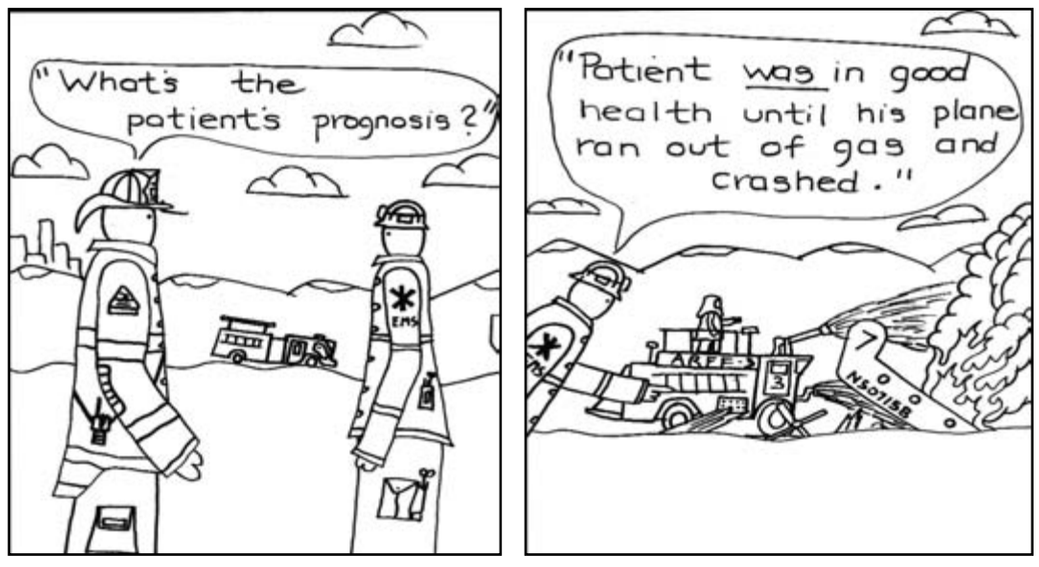
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The Rez Firefighter (Peta Usniyapi)

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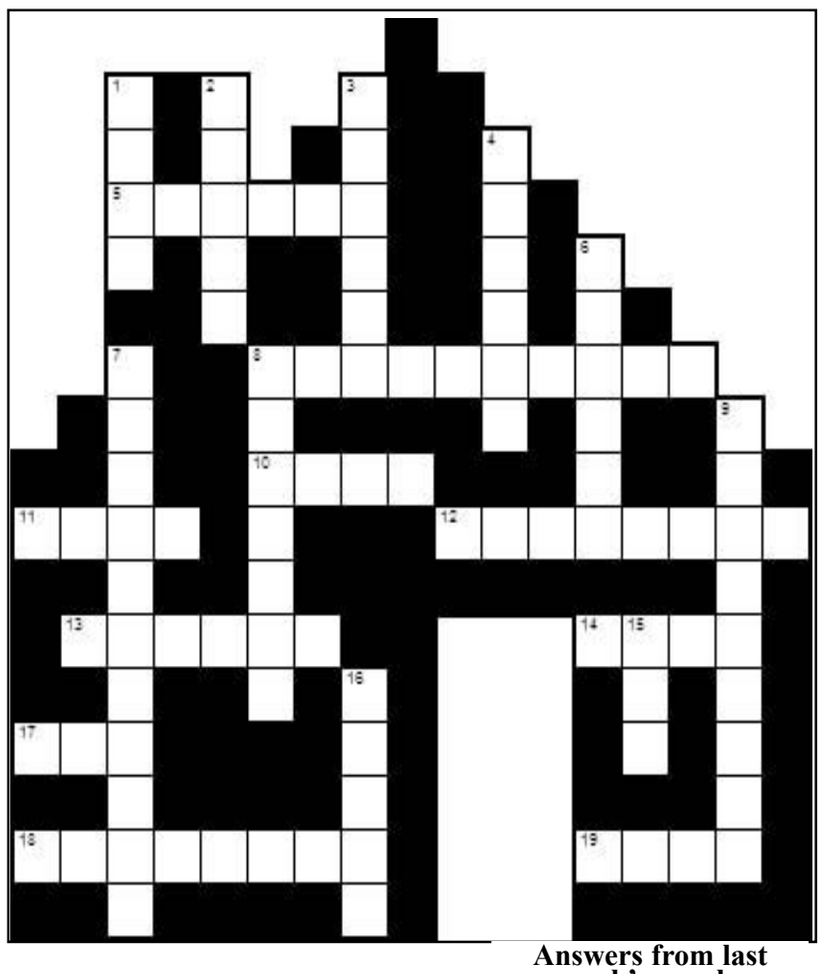


Snoman By Thom Little Moon



Lakota Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)



Across

5 where (6)
8 They are playing (10)
10 fat (4)
11 friend (4)
12 spouse (my other skin) (8)
13 ghost (6)
14 no (4)
17 father (3)
18 Creator/God (8)
19 house (4)

Down

1 fire (4)
2 uncle (5)
3 Pine Ridge Indian (6)
4 family (6)
6 nephew (6)
7 I don't know (11)
8 Rosebud Indian (7)
9 elders (9)
15 mother (3)
16 niece (5)

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Oct 10th	Wakpamni Cap Office -	2:00 pm
Oct. 11th	La Creek Cap Office -	10:00 am
Oct 11th	Pass Creek Cap Office -	1:00 pm
Oct. 12th	Porcupine Cap Office -	9:00 am
Oct 12th	Wounded Knee Cap Office -	11:00 am
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Leonard Raymond King, 54.....Rapid City
Sunshine White, 22..... Little Eagle
Baby Girl Layla J. Heart, infant.. Wanblee
Eleanor Garreau..... Eagle Butte

Julian Stands

OGLALA - Julian Stands, 31, Oglala, died Saturday, Sept. 30 at his home Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge.

Celeste Medicine

MOBRIDGE - Celeste Med-icine, 69, Mobridge, died Friday, Sept. 29, , at Mobridge Regional Hospital. Wake services were Oct. 3 at the Wakpala Community Center.

Funeral services Oct. 4, at Wakpala Community Center, with the Rev. Jim Hoerter, the Rev. Norman Blue Coat, the Rev. Rich Nultmier and Standing Rock lay readers officiating.

Burial was at St. Beads Catholic Cemetery.

Maxine Spotted Elk

WANBLEE - Maxine Spotted Elk, 50, died Oct. 1 at Rapid City of natural causes.

She is survived by sons Paul John Iron Rope, Jr. of Wanblee, Calvin Iron Rope of Rapid City; daughters: Cathy Little Thunder, Joanette Iron Rope, Susie Iron Rope, Dina Iron Rope; Audrey Iron Rope and Balene Iron Rope all of Wanblee; brothers Homer Spotted Elk, Jr of Minneapolis, Minn. and sisters Myrtle Spotted Elk of Wanblee and Cordelia Spotted Elk of Rapid City and 13 grandchildren.

A one night wake was Oct.4, at the Wanblee CAP office in Wanblee.

Funeral services are 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 5, at the Wanblee CAP office in Wanblee.

Traditional Lakota Services by Sam Moves Camp.

Burial was at the Gethsemane Episcopal Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge

John Kills Crow Indian-High Hawk

PORCUPINE - John A. Kills Crow Indian-High Hawk, 49, Porcupine, died Wednesday, Sept. 27 in Pine Ridge.

Survivors include one daughter, Heaven High Hawk, Porcupine; two sons, Silas High Hawk and Mason High Hawk,

both of Porcupine; two sisters, Jane Mackey and Mary High Hawk, both of Rapid City; and one brother, Charlie High Hawk, Porcupine. Wake services were Oct 2, at Porcupine CAP office in Porcupine. Second-night wake services will be Tuesday, Oct. 3, at Native American Church in Porcupine.

Funeral services were Wednesday, Oct. 4, at the church, with Emerson Spider Jr. officiating. Burial was at St. Luke's Episcopal Cemetery in Sharps Corner.

Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Daryl A. White Buffalo

RAPID CITY - Daryl A. White Buffalo, 43, Rapid City, died at the Rapid City Regional Hospital Thursday, Sept. 21. He was born Aug. 6, 1963 at Rosebud, the son of Philomene White Buffalo.

He attended Cosmetology School at Mitchell Tech and also attended College at Huron University. He was a Cosmetology Instructor, a certified auto mechanic and a bartender.

Daryl lived his life to the fullest with family and friends.

He loved bass fishing, and socializing with friends and Chi Chi. He was a member of the Rapid City Yacht Club, the I.O.O.B., the Coyote Den and Eagles Aerie No. 3555. Survivors include a daughter, LaRae White Buffalo, a son Jacob White Buffalo, two sisters, Laverda White Buffalo and Barbara White Buffalo, a brother Shannon White Buffalo and special friends Kelly Horstman and Dicy Horstman and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Ed and Lucy White Buffalo, his mother, Philomene White Buffalo and a granddaughter, Tayah White Buffalo-Valdez. A Celebration of Daryl's life is planned for Saturday, Oct. 7, from 2 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Camp Rapid's Coyote Den.

A memorial has been established in his name for Camp Rapid's Open Mess new addition.

Memorials may be mailed to Vern Erickson, 2823 W. Main St., Rapid City, SD 57702.

Leonard Raymond King

RAPID CITY - Leonard Raymond King, 54, Rapid City, died Monday, Sept. 25, at his residence.

Leonard was born Nov. 10, 1951, in Winner to William M. and Vera Lenora (Pretty Voice Hawk) King.

He graduated from Winner High School in 1970 and moved to Rapid City in 1982. In 1991, Leonard graduated from National College of Business with three Bachelor of Science degrees in Accounting, Marketing and Business Management. Leonard worked at NAHA for many years until he became disabled. He enjoyed his work and also his coworkers.

He is survived by his sister, Carmen Diane King, Rapid City; one nephew, Larry King, Mission; six nieces, Deb Wells, New Town, N.D., Dianne King, Mission, Liz King, Billings, Mont., Heather Hartsell, Rapid City, Rachel Hartsell, Rapid City, and Mary Leighton, Breckenridge, Minn..

He is preceded in death by his parents, William M. King and Vera Lenora Pretty Voice Hawk King; four brothers, Carl King, Robert King, Leroy King, Richard King; and three sisters, Marie King, Babe King and Eleanor King.

Funeral services were Sept. 29, at the Mother Butler Center with Father Paul Sneve officiating.

Burial was at Pine Lawn Memorial Park. Wake services were Sept. 28 at the Mother Butler Center.

Sunshine White

LITTLE EAGLE - Sunshine White, 22, Little Eagle, died Sept. 23 at Mid Dakota Medical Center in Chamberlain.

Wake services were at Blue Gym in Little Eagle.

Funeral services were Sept. 28, at Elk Horn Congregational Church in Little Eagle, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat and the Rev. Leslie Bobtail bear officiating. Burial was at Shoots The Enemy Family Cemetery.

Baby Girl Layla J. Heart

WANBLEE - Baby girl Layla J. Heart, infant, died Oct. 1 at Rapid City, she was stillborn.

Survivors are her father Jessie Heart of Kyle and mother Patrice Moves Camp of Wanblee; paternal grandparents Narcisse Heart and Cindy Hornbeck both of Kyle; maternal grandparents Michael and Stephanie Moves Camp of Wanblee.

Graveside services were Oct. 3, at St. Stephen's Catholic Cemetery in Kyle with Francis White Lance officiating.

Burial was at St. Stephens Catholic Cemetery in Kyle.

Funeral arrangements were placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Eleanor Garreau

EAGLE BUTTE - Eleanor Garreau, Eagle Butte, died Sunday, Oct. 1, 2006, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Arrangements are pending with Kesling Funeral Home of Mobridge.

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MINUTES

Unapproved
Shannon County
Board Meeting
September 27, 2006
MINUTES

The Shannon County School Board held their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 27, 2006 at Wolf Creek School.

President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Members present: Angie Eagle Bull, Melvin Cummings, Ruth Cummings, Todd O'Bryan, Chuck Conroy.

Others present: Dr. Margo Heinert, Superintendent, Maurice Twiss, Special Services Coordinator, MaDonna Cummings, Business Manager, Bob Hall, Rockyford Principal, Monica Whirlwind Horse, Rockyford Asst. Principal, Marlene Stout, Red Shirt Principal, Loretta Giago, Wolf Creek Principal, Wayne Goff, Batesland Principal, Ted Hanson, Special Education Director, Dana Christenson, Technology Director, Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary, Norma Cummings, Regina Whipple, Sandra Blacksmith, Kathy Means, Devona Pourier, Jody Richards.

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

7080 Approval of Agenda: Motion by M. Cummings to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

7081 Approval of minutes: Motion by R, Cummings to approve minutes of the 8/28/06 regular meetings and the 9/11/06 special meeting. Motion carried.

7082 Executive Session: Motion by R. Cummings to go into executive session at 5:55 p.m. to discuss personnel issues. Motion carried. President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 6:25 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

7083 Personnel: Motion by Conroy to approve all personnel recommendations, as listed. Motion carried.

7084 Applications for High School Tuition: Motion by M. Cummings to approve applications for out-of-district high school tuition for two Shannon County students, as listed on file. Motion carried.

7085 Public School Exemption: Motion by O'Bryan to approve applications for public school exemption, for two Shannon County students, as listed on file. Motion carried.

7086 ASBSD Delegate: Motion by O'Bryan to designate board member Melvin Cummings as ASBSD voting delegate and board member Chuck Conroy as alternate. Motion carried.

7087 Adoption of 2006-07 Budget: Motion by M. Cummings to adopt the 2006-07 school district budget, as presented by administration. Motion carried.

7088 Financials: Motion by O'Bryan to approve the financial report, receipts, payroll, disbursements and supplemental budgets, as listed. Motion carried.

7089 Student request: Motion by M Cummings to approve financial support in the amount of $250.00 for Samaya Blacksmith, a Shannon County student, to assist with travel expenses for her to attend camp in Los Angeles, Motion carried.

7090 Auction Results: The Business Manager reported that the district made $20,566.55 at the annual school district auction held September 13, 2006.

7091 Dress Code Policy: The district Dress Code Policy was presented for the second reading.

7092 Administrators & Directors Reports: Administration and program directors gave verbal reports to the board.

7093 Summer School Report: Members of the summer school staff presented a slide show from the summer school program and reported on the high attendance rate and academic gains of students.

7094 October Board Meeting: The October board meeting will be held on Monday, October 23, 2006 at Batesland, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

7095 Rockyford Gym Roof Repair: The board requested a meeting between the Rockyford Principal and the District Facilities Director to assess needed repairs to the Rockyford gymnasium roof and report back to the board.

7096 Adjournment: Motion by M. Cummings to adjourn the meetings at 7:05 p.m. Motion carried.

Signed by MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager

Personnel Actions

Resignation: Farrell Weston-Wolf Creek Birth-03 Aide, effective 8-29-06; Stacy Two Lance Early Reading First Administrative Asst. effective 10-06-06; Janet Kelly Rockyford Receptionist effective 10-13-06.

Classified Terminations: Wolf Creek Aide, effective 9-15-06; -Rockyford Aide, effective 9-25-06.

Request for Transfers: Roberta J. Whiting from Rockyford Aide to Social Worker; Jonathan Long Soldier from Rockyford Custodian to Aide; Pte Ska Hinapa Win Poor Bear from Rockyford Teacher to Wolf Creek Teacher; Karla Winters from Rockyford Social Worker to ISS classroom.

Amendment Contract for Approval: Kim Villa, Rockford Teacher $43,000; Emily Lemmon, Wolf Creek Teacher $43,000.

Contracts for Approval: Ann August, Batesland Teacher from 8-19-06 to 5-23-07 $43,000; Kathy Means, Wolf Creek Teacher from 8-19-06 to 5-23-07 $43,000; Lynette Miller, Rockyford Teacher from 8-19-06 to 5-23-07 $39,000; David Peterson, Rockyford Teacher from 8-19-06 to 5-23-07 $33,000; Francis Big Crow Wolf Creek Special Education Aide from 8-18-06 to 5-23-07 $13,695.50; Tim Carrick Wolf Creek bus Driver from 8-1`8-06 to 5-23-07 $4,950; Tim Carrick Wolf Creek Special education Aide from 8-18-06 to 5-23-07 $12,676.30; Stephen Eagle Bull Wolf Creek Speech Aide from 8-29-06 to 5-23-07 $13,059.38; Brett Weaver Rockyford Preschool Aide from 8-24-06 to 5-23-07. $14,-284.50; Donovan Youngman Wolf Creek Bus Driver from 8-18-06 to 5-23-07 $1,-465.75.

Bilingual Trainee Recommendations: Jamie Martin Wolf Creek School, Stefanie Wince Wolf Creek School, No alternates.

Batesland School Recommendation: Eli Feather Earring Part time Home School Coordinator/Part Time Aide (transfer from Wolf Creek) Alternate Geneva Lone Hill.

Wolf Creek School Recommendation: Sandi Gulbranson, Special Education Teacher, no alternate

Rockyford School Recommendation: Dawn Dugan, Receptionist, Alternate Lorelie Red Shirt, Tyrell Pierce Special Education Aide, Jonathan Derby, Special Education Aide, Tim Villa, Special Education Aide, Alternate Dawn Dugan, Winona Brown Bear, Preschool Aide, Alternate Christopher Gibbons, Garrett Dugan, NON CDL busdriver, William Jumping Eagle, Jr. CDL bus driver, Administrators absent for meeting interviews held 9-26-06 and selections made at that time.

Extra Curricular Recommendations: Vallorie Heberg Aide Birth 0-3 from 9-11-06 to 5-23-07 $12.00 per hour not to exceed 8 hours a day/1 day per week/not to exceed 40 days; Joyce Whiting Rockyford School 8th grade sponsor; Tony Hernandez Rockyford Volleyball Coach from 9/06-10/06; Ella Lays Bad Rockyford Volleyball Coach from 9/06 10/06; Jobie Wagner Rockyford Student Counsel Advisor from 9/06 to 10/07; Toni Hernandez Rockyford Cheerleading Sponsor fall 06; Devona Pourier Rockyford 8th grade sponsor fall 06 spring 07; Rona Pourier Rockyford Cross Country Coach from 9/06 to 10/06.

Disbursements:

SPED Parent $200.96; SPED Parent $140.86; SPED Parent $283.84; Golden West Tele $41.55; Maurice Twiss $585.60; Terri Jo Gibbons $332.80; Ann Red Owl $272.40; Todd O'Bryan $199.60; Brad Otte $250.00; SPED Parent $200.96; Robert Two Crow $169.12; SPED Parent $142.08; SPED Parent $140.80; Total $2,960.51.

General Fund

A & I Distributors supplies $400.10; ABC School Supply/Early learning $229.99, $811.58, $459.98, $501.19, $229.99, $501.19, $856.70, Vendor Total $3590.62; AT&T $886.84; Ad-vanced Business & computing $4810.00; Alco Store supplies $679.67; Apple Computer supplies $2,069; Arthur J Gallgher Rick Management $401.00; Bennett County Booster II forms, subscriptions $100.00, $210.00, $125.00, vendor total $435.00; Bird, Jackie services $1,500.00; Black Hills Electric $375.69; Blacksmith Sandra $270.60, BP gasoline $113.59; Business Office Systems supplies $383.66, $396.25, vendor total $779.91; CCD Chiesman Center services $267.00; Carson Dellosa Publishing supplies $311.52; CDW Government supplies $90.00, $455.00, vendor total $545.00; Christ Supply $490.00, $638.91, $257.97, vendor total $1386.88; Christensen Dana travel $70.40, $108.40, vendor total $178.80; C Innovation Pine Ridge schools $6030.00, City of Rushville activity $287.00; Classroom Direct Com supplies $269.29, $581.66, $581.66, Vendor total $1432.61; Cole Pest Control $200.00, $65.-00, $139.00, $138.00, $303.00, Vendor Total $845.00; Computer Village $39.00, $525.00, $99.00, $200.00, $99.-00, Vendor total $962.00; Conroy Charles $16.64; Cope Stacy supplies $33.33; Coporate Card $11,-699.37; Culligan Water Conditioning $785.05; Cummings Melvin $99.20; Cummings Ruth $17.28, $216.00, vendor total $233.28; Dakota ACAC fees $30.00; Dakota West Books $1098.75; Datacomputer Products $493.25; Debbies Cakes & Floral $98.00; Deckers Equipment $461.12; Developmental studies Center travel expense $2494.00; Doubletree Hotel $7703.02; Eagle Bull Andrea $35.20, $57.60, Vendor total $92.80; ETS Educational Testing $40.00, $40.00, Vendor total $80.00; Evergreen Office supplies $97.39, $5.18, $1.50, $9.95, $7.92, $170.90, $80.15, $10.29, $5.99, $22.49, $105.66, $15-98, $119.80, $40.42, $175.11, $217.03, $23.23, $220.77, $85.-14, $13.80, $88.73, $17.12. $155.99, $86.-22, $170.55, $88.921, $88.64, $96.33, $50.-88, $28..86, $411.54, $11578.34, $13615.47, Vendor Total $31198.-25; Family Thrift Center supplies $92.88, $20.97, $12.68, Vendor Total $126.53; FEDEX delivery $21.48; Fisher Liz services $200.00; Foreman Sales and Service $104.94; Fred Pryor Career Track $39.00; Fuddruckers $38.17; Gibbons Bill $125.00; Goff Wayne mileage $325.12; Golden Corral Family Steakhouse $257.02; Golden West Technologies $2017.13, $485.10, $485.10, $485.10, Vendor total $3957.53; Golden West Telephone $121.76, $1940.39, Vendor total $2062.15; Grant Vickie $166.40, $216.-00, vendor total $382.40; Great Plains communication 832.96; Great Plains Junior high football $150.00; Great Western Tire Company $113.30, $416.80, $215.90, $521.88, Vendor total $1267.88; Gustave A Larson Company $271.84, $149.70, vendor total $421.54; Gym Closet supplies $121.-05; Hall Robert $216.00; Hampton Inn $515.20; Hanson Ted $216.00; Harcourt Assessment supplies $603.32; Harlows Bus Sales $11.94, $425.00, Vendor total $436.94; Hauff Mid America sports supplies $132.-60, $747.55, Vendor total $880.15;Heartland Paper Company supplies $1221.08, $3378.65, $78.48, $13063.03, $653.15, $14.20, $195.90, Vendor total $18704.49; Heinert Margo travel $404.92; Highsmith Inc supplies $284.13, $597.01, Vendor total $881.14; Hills Tire and supply $49.66; Hillyard supplies $461.24, $359.19, $2319.27, $293.04, $1815.74, $74.95, $151.36, $36.-00, Vendor total $5510.79; Hilton Inn $2167.20; Hinns Gordon Auto Supply $4.29; Holiday Inn Mitchell $69.95; Holiday Inn Rushmore Plaza $306.38; Homestead building $2087.67; Hope foundation $6450.00; Husker Auto Parts $532.12, $492.-12, Vendor total $1024.24; IELE services $1260.00; Ideal Super Market $107.11; International Laser Group supplies $692.-43, $1115.43, $463.00, $250.00, $359.00, Vendor total $2879.86; Jackson Nona $1298.-95; Joebgen Karen supplies $63.41; Johnson Machine $1025.99; Jumping Eagle Donna $216.00; Kaplan Early Learning Co supplies $303.26, $202.18, $202.18, $169.98, $169.98, $254.96, $334.60, Vendor total $1637.14; Krotz Carol stamps $78.00; KT Connections $186.00; Lacreek Electric $11747.80; Lakeshore Learning Material $299.00, $366.09, Vendor total $665.09; Lakota County Times $90.00, $120.00, $499.20, $57.60, Vendor total $766.80; Lakota Language Consortium $23,706.66; Lebeau Connie $13.44; Learning Resources $120.65; Lecture Management $1200.00, $923.01, Vendor total $2123.01; Lonberger Dawn travel $70.40; LRP Publications $308.00; Ludens Gayle $216.00; Medical Technologies $113.61; Men-ards $922.21, $618.56, Vendor total $1540.77; Midamerica books $102.39; Muddy Creek Oil $7689.10; NIISA dues $1000.00l; NAEIR supplies $90.-00; Native American Office Product $24.09; Native American Review $45.00; Nelson Patti $196.40; North Central Supply $180.-00, $1025.00, Vendor total $1205.00; OST Water and Sewer $129.55, $105.00, Vendor total $234.55; OBryan Carolyn supplies $41.48; O'Bryan Todd $32.96; Office Max Credit Plan supplies $15.49, $324.92, $263.40, $227.24, Vendor total $831.05; Office of Indian Education $75.00; Ofstedal Kathleen services $5397.48; Panhandle Sales and Service $33.75, $24.00, Vendor total $57.75; PE Technologies supplies $43.-99; Pearson Digital $4600.00; Pearson Education $236.68, $2639.60, Vendor total $2876.28; Pearson NCS Assessments supplies $269.43; Penguin Group USA $8.08; Penworthy Company supplies $98.74, $445.73, Vendor total $544.47; Peterson Madonna travel $248.00; Petty cash Rockyford School $141.09; Petty cash Wolf Creek school $203.50; Pine Ridge School Impact aid $83,121.97; Pitney Bowes postage $438.-00, $411.00, $219.00, Vendor Total $1068.00; Poor Bear Pteskahinapawin $270.60; Pourier Connie $150.00; Pourier Rona $108.16; Quill Corporation supplies $473.77, $43.98, $363.77, Vendor total $881.52; Ramkota Pierre $146.00, $146.-00, $60.00, Vendor total $352.00; Ramkota Rapid City $93.00, $198.00, $198.00, $47.00, $99.00, $93.-00, Vendor total $728.00; Rapid Chevrolet $37.44; Rapid City Journal $191.20, $95.00, Vendor total $286.20; Ray Doris expenses $250.12; Red Cloud Indian School $65.00; Renaissance Learning Inc supplies $312.95; Rhinotech Computer Products $418.95; Richards Gary $270.-60; Rochester 100 Inc supplies $300.00; Rockhurst University fees $29.94, $189.74, Vendor total $219.68; ROTC Rapid City $50.00; SB Kizlik & Associates $14.95; SD Dept Revenue Motor Vehicle $13.00; SD State Historical Society $21.95; Salomon Sanitation service $1210.-00, $240.00, $1155.00, $990.00, Vendor total $3595.00; SAms Club supplies $160.93, $431.01, $24.97, $301-.84, $154.27, $309.22, $120.06, $152.51, $261.09, vendor total $1915.90; scholastic Book Club $479.75; Scholastic Inn supplies $117.62, $294.30, Vendor total $411.92; School Health Corporation $101.07, $62.44, Vendor total $163.51; School Speciality supplies $79.91, $1001.34, $35.69, $257.22, $348-.09, $400.43, $244.16, $268.39, $359.14, $514.89, $647.17, $84.51, $313.40, $678-.06, $151.01, $322.59, Vendor total $5706.00; Sott Manufactures supplies $112.08; SDN communications circuits $1870.22; Sears Commercial One $737.15; Servall Towel & Linen $2300.64; Shannon County School Imprest $1851.07; Shannon County School lunch $2266.-35; Shedeed Nancy travel $70.40; Sioux Nation Shopping Center $419.14; Software unlimited $150.00; South Side Auto Sales $875.00; Staff Development for Educators $3004.00; Steele Gregory $3.54; Stein Marcia $216.00; Suds and Duds supplies $140.-00; Swallow Lorraine supplies $150.00; Teacher Direct $627.-32; Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye fees $200.00, $200.00, $200.00, Vendor total $600.00; TEmperatture Technology $581.63; Theatre Works USA $700.00; Todd County School District $2200.00; Town of Batesland $500.00; True Value $777.16; Two Bulls Robert services $50.00; Villa Kim $216.00; Vocu Thomas travel $183.20; Walmed Inc $488.79; West River International $101.37; West River Parent Teacher Outl supplies $153.24, $352.07, $35.23, $201.54, $139.07, $84.13, Vendor total $965.28; WEstco propane $14147.27; Western Document Imaging Company $7304.16; Whipple Regina $31.43; Whirlwind Horse Monica $258.40; William Macgill $783.48; Wince Don life ins $146.68; Fund Total $359,537.71.

Capital Outlay Fund

Best Business Product lease $176.66, $506.-69, Vendor total $683.35; CDW Government $1320.00; Houghton Mifflin Company supplies $196.20; Kaplan Early Learning playground equip $35450.00, $17725.00, vendor total $53175.-00; KT Connections $20967.80, $16300.00, Vendor total $37267.80; Lee's Flooring $12700.00; Pearson Education $1276.17; SD Federal Property Agency $17900.00; Stone Paving $93920.11, Fund Total $218,-438.63.

Special Education Fund

Bennett County Hospital services $130.00; Children's Care & Rehab Development $3080.00; Children's Care & Hospital School $5471.56; Childrens Home Society tuition $1606.66, $1006.66, Vendor total $2613.32; Comfort Inn Pierre $93.93; Donovan mark travel $157.44; Hanson Ted travel $160.64; Harcourt Assessment supplies $407.44; Just for Kids Speech Therapy $9805.00; Parent mileage $55.68; Kratovils True Value $50.00; lakeshore Learning Material $210.71; Mcdonalds travel $60.00, $14.69, Vendor total $74.69; Moon Jim $163.20; Moore Krista travel $78.00; Optical Works $80.00; Oticon Inc supplies $1652.50; Pearson Digital test records $129.77; Pearson NCS/Assessments $129.77; Petty Cash Rockyford School $28.84;Petty Cash Wolf Creek School Ramkota Pierre $45.00; Ross Dona services $975.00; Shannon County School Imprest $1109.44; Shannon County School lunch $12.00; Sky Ranch for boys $1800.00; Parent mileage $147.20; US Toy; Constructive Plaything $117.23; Wellspring tuition $293.88; Fund Total $29,113.28.

Food Service Fund

Blue Ribbon Maintenance Supply $829.37; Child & Adult Nutrition $1139.46; Family Thrift Center $17.94; Food Services of America $1211.20, $2531.45, $3377.77, $4899.70, Vendor total $12020.12; Harker's Pumper $745.00.

Adoption of Annual Budget

Let it be resolved, that the School Board of Shannon County District 65-1 after duly considering the proposed budget and its changes thereto, be published in accordance with the SDCL13-11-2 hereby approves and adopt its proposed budget and changes thereto, to be its Annual Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

Annual Budget

The Annual Budget totals are as follows:

General Fund, $14,014,486.44;

Capital Outlay, $2,282,000.00;

Special Education Fund, $2,747,658.00;

Pension Fund, $7,675.00;

Impact Aid Fund, $5,944,636.60;

A list of changes from the proposed to the adopted is as follows: revenue:

Federal Sources, Operating transfer in $7,236.60.

Capital Outlay Fund: Federal sources, operating transfer in $150,519.00.

Special Education Fund: Local sources, operating transfer in, $90,000.00.

Expenditures: General Fund

Elementary Program: Aid Salaries $40,000.00; $23,400.00.

Curriculum and Assesment: Salaries $77,000.00, Soc/Med, $6,000.00, Retirement, $5,000.00, Insurance $8,000.00.

Staff Development: Professional Services $700.00; Travel, $500.00; Supplies $1500.00.

Office of Superintendent: Salaries, $17,000.00; Soc/Med, $700.00.

Office of Principal: Salaries, $75,000.00; Soc/Med, $6,000.00/ Buildings: $150,519.00.

Special Education Fund

Speech Therapy, professional services, $90,000.00.

Tax levies certified to the County Auditors will be as follows:

General Fund, $89,-300.00; Capital Outlay Fund, $66,500.00; Special Education Fund, $31,000.00; Pension fund, $6,-600.00.

Supplemental Budget, Title III Bilingual Wolf Creek

Revenue: Federal, $170,990.00

Expenditures: Salaries $113,000.00; Soc Sec/Med $8,644.50; Retirement $6,780.00; Insurance $10,565.00; Travel $5,000.00; Supplies $27,000.00; Total $170,990.00.

Title VII Indian Education Carry over

Revenue: Federal $22,089.50;

Expenditures: Salaries $7,157.44; Soc Sec/Med $550.00; Retirement $450.00; Insurance$3661.98; Travel $7855.47; Supplies $2414.61; Total $22,089.50.

Comprehensive School Grant WC Carry Over, Revenue: Federal $21,423.00;

Expenditures: Salaries $5500.00; Soc Sec/Med $425.00; Retirement $330.00; Insurance $620.00; Professional Serves $7557.00; Travel $5000.00; Supplies $2000.00; Total $21,432.00.

Early Reading First Carry Over,

Revenue:Federal $703,528.23; Expenditures: Salaries $331,175.44; Soc Sec/Med $25,334.92; Retirement $19,870.53; Insurance $74,159.09; Professional Service $100,844.81; Travel $12,780.76; Supplies $68,138.52; Misc supplies $71,224.16; Total $703,528.23.

Title III Bilingual Red Shirt Carry Over:

Revenue: Federal $76,364.60;

Expenditures: Salaries $11,741.83; Soc Sec/Med $900.00; Retirement $750.00; Insurance $979.83; Professional services $20,652.96; Supplies $41,339.98; Total $76,364.60.

Comprehensive School Grant WC:

Revenue: Federal $2,353.40;

Expenditures: Professional services $1977.90; Supplies $375.50; Total $2,353.40.

Shannon County School District
Disbursment Report
August 31,2006

Fund/Account	Amount
General Fund	$404,644.32
Capital Outlay Fund	$192,017.63
Special Education Fund	$14,851.31
Food Service Fund	$11,266.30
T/A Support Service	$2,991.31
T/A Wolf Creek	$0.00
T/A Batesland	$0.00
T/A Rockyford	$0.00
Total of All Funds	$625,770.87

Shannon County School District
Payroll Report
August 31, 2006

Types of Services	Salaries	Benefits	Total
1000 Instruction Service	$223,573.25	$38,064.38	$261,637.63
2000 Support Service	$72,441.97	$15,466.37	$87,908.34
3000 Other Community Serv	$43,392.77	$3,392.82	$46,785.59
6000 Co-Curricular	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
General FundTotal	$339,407.99	$56,923.57	$396,331.56
Special Education	$32,381.88	$6,650.13	$39,032.01
Food Service	$7,967.39	$1,351.85	$9,319.24
Total All Services	$1347,375.38	$58,275.42	$405,650.80

Shannon County Distric 65-1
REVENUE REPORT
August 31, 2006

Revenue Sources	General Fund	Capital Outlay	Special Education Fund	Pension Fund	Food Service	T/A Service	Impact Aid
Local sources							
	$1,032.37	$617.04	$287.89	$61.67	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
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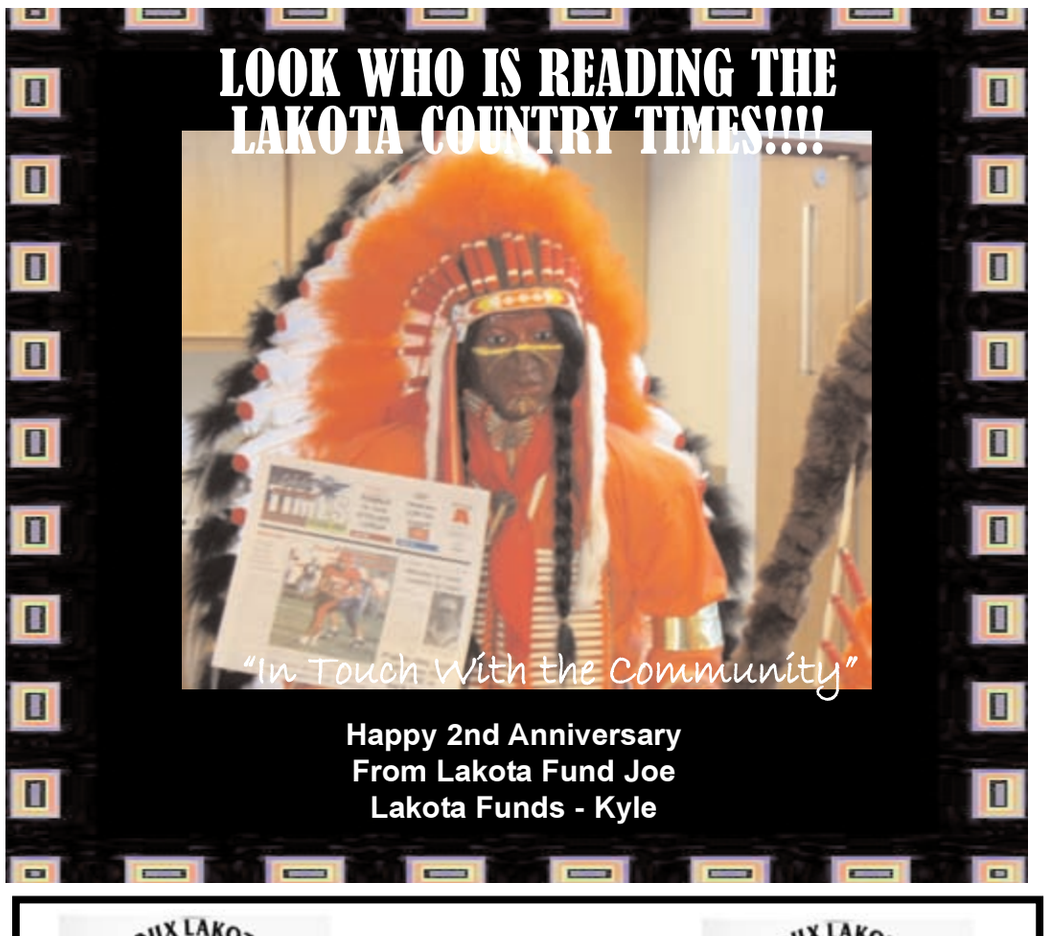
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October 16, 2006
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Steele joins White Plume for OST general election

Two Eagle moves past Weston in VP's race

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - When the dust settled Tuesday on the OST primary election and all the rumors of a new election board and talk of re-doing the primary had dissipated in the daily grind of life on Pine Ridge Reservation, Alex White Plume remained the top vote getter for OST president in the primary election with 610 votes in a field of 12 presidential candidates. A past tribal council representative from Wounded Knee District, White Plume was elected in November of 2004 as vice president and in late June of 2006 moved into the presidency after the impeachment of Cecelia Fire Thunder.

On Tuesday night with the unofficial results, four time past tribal president, John Steele finished with a two vote margin over Fire Thunder with over 400 challenge votes yet to be considered. Steele finished the primary with 521 votes increasing his margin over Fire Thunder to 17 votes when she ended up with 504.



Alex White Plume



John Steele

Steele brings a great deal of experience to the presidential race, in addition to serving four terms as president between 1992 and 2004, John served two terms as tribal council representative from Wounded Knee District and two terms as vice president as well as serving on OLC's board of trustees.

In the race for vice president, William Shorty Brewer finished with 1,000 votes, easily out distancing Melanie Two Eagle's 676. On Tuesday night, Wayne Weston held second place over Two Eagle with a five vote 614-609 margin but officially finished third with 650 votes.

In another change, Joe American Horse kept his lead in the chief judge race with 1,326 votes but Steve Hawk jumped from third to second finishing with 1,040 leaving Lisa Adams in third with 931. Originally, the OST Election Board did not certify either American Horse or Hawk as candidates for chief judge citing a lack of qualifications. The OST Election Court of Appeals overruled the Election Board and added both candidates to the ballot.

Completing the president's race, current vice president Eileen Janis was fourth with

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RST Liquor Commission holds liquor license hearing for 'Wild Bill's'

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The application for the issuance of a liquor license on the Rosebud reservation for the business "Wild Bill" owned by Paula Whiting of Antelope community was aired live over KINI FM radio on Oct. 10 from the RST tribal council chambers. A previous liquor issuance hearing for Syd Colombe was aired so it was appropriate to do the same for this applicant reasoned acting Chair of the RST Liquor Commission, John Charles Arcoren. He stated that the establishment would be located 12 miles of south of Mission at Olsonville.

A decision by the RST Liquor Commission to issue a liquor license will be announced at the commission's next regularly scheduled meeting during the first Wednesday in November. A decision will be made by the commission on a previous application by Syd Colombe to sell off sale beer on Oct. 26.

The members of the RST liquor commission include, Pete Reynolds, Anthony Bordeaux, Jr., Theresa Stead, John Charles Arcoren and Bernadette Howard.

The purpose of the hearing was to simply take testimony and not put the commission at odds with those providing testimony for or against the issuance of a liquor license, according to Arcoren.

Tillie Black Bear, a longtime community activist and Executive Director of the White Buffalo Woman Society presented testimony against the issuance of a license and cited some of the negative statistics that result from the abuse of alcohol.

The council chambers appeared to be somewhat subdued as there were moments of silence as the commission waited for others to testify. Buzz Arcoren hosted the event on behalf of KINI FM as a live remote broadcast and noted the purpose of the hearing. At one point he said, "I would like everyone to come down and state their opposition to the license or if they are in favor of the license." He also stated the other side of the issue which is that alcohol will always be available and the tribe should sell liquor and use the money.

> What is the difference between Bear Butte and us? Aren't we a sacred site too?
>
> -Eleanor Larvie

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TWO SECTIONS



Sophia Romero and Cecelia Montgomery visit during a memorial dinner this summer in Kyle. Photo courtesy of Evangeline Merrival.

Genoa boarding school friends meet after 75 years

KYLE - In 1930, two young Lakota girls met in Genoa, Neb. at a boarding school for native children and became friends. Almost 75 years later, they met again at a memorial dinner for Barton Merrival in Kyle in the summer of 2006.

The two young girls were Sophia Romero (Quiver) and Cecelia Montgomery. Sophia now lives in Wanblee and had a family of six children. Cecelia has lived in Rapid City and now lives in Kyle. They are both 95 years old.

According to a online encyclopedia, the Indian Industrial School at Genoa, Neb., "was the fourth non-reservation boarding institution established by the Office of Indian Affairs. The facility opened on Feb. 20, 1884, and, like other such schools, its mission was to educate and teach Christianity to Native American children. The village of Genoa was selected because the federal govern-

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Deaths mar holiday weekend on reservation

PINE RIDGE RESERVATION - The weekend turned dark as three young adults lost their lives on Pine Ridge Reservation.

Saturday, Jon Red Hawk, 15, was stabbed to death in Pine Ridge. On Sunday, Clint Lays Hard, 21, died in an auto accident outside of Kyle as he tried to elude the police. On Tuesday, Jonni Brewer, 16, died as a result of a drug overdose in Porcupine.

All three deaths are being investigated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs criminal investigation division in Pine Ridge..

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The quiet was soon broken by several speakers who mostly spoke against the issuance of a license.

Tyrone Big Crow of St. Francis provided testimony and began in Lakota, "Mitakuyepi nape' ciyuspape nahan cante ni waste'. Le mni sici wowapi." All my relatives. There is someone here that put in an application. At the same time I want to challenge all the chiefs and spiritual leaders who have run sun dances and to come and speak against this liquor license. I was very proud that Chief Crow Dog put a bonnet on me. I am a leader for my tribe. I came to speak. We always say our kids our sacred. We can't be a tradition or can't claim that, because when we want something to happen we always use our kids."

He continued, "We have a lot of suicides due to alcohol and if we can't stop it, I want the tribe to give an application to every bootlegger, so we can find a way to make a living.

"Mitakuyepi, yanahu huwo? Mni sica le uncinpsni. Hena hece tusni" he continued in Lakota.

"All my relatives are you listening? We don't want this alcohol. That isn't right."

Adam Little Elk also addressed the commission and said "I hear a lot of people are complaining about alcohol. No matter what we do, alcohol will still be here. It comes from four directions. Last time I was here I talked about it. Why doesn't the tribe get a license themselves and take the revenue and help the people. I used to drink many years ago. I sobered up and realized what I was doing to myself. We want to help these people. We should talk to them instead of putting them down. …All you do is complain instead of helping them. We don't complain about the wine in the church. They are taking all our ceremonial stuff into the church without helping us. What about all the drugs around here, nothing is being done. Nothing. For us who walked that road many years ago, I learned from that. I drank to forget about a war that I went to. We veterans earned the right to speak, to protect this country. You all need to look forward to the future of our children. Look at ourselves. You have to treat them with respect. They are humans just like us. It is their choice to drink."

Lakota elder, Chief Homer Whirlwind Soldier, Chairman of Grass Mountain said "I am going to speak out again. I am a former alcoholic. I read this was going to be a LLC. The year 2003-04…There were 680 accidents, that is not counting the legitimate reasons. Each one caused five days of intensive care unit to Sioux Falls. They are $20,000 plus a day." Whirlwind Soldier is also the President of Owl Bonnet council of elders in St. Francis.

Harold James Fuller of Antelope community testified "I like to drink and raise heck. But, I don't like to see drunks on the road. I also don't want to be a hypocrite. The tribe sits here with the liquor commission. Tribal government has a right to shut everything down. When government says they are alcohol free. They are selling it at the casino."

Frederick Little Bald Eagle said, "We have some chiefs that need to come forward and have to make their say….I am sick and tired of sharing this over and over. There are places like Winner or Valentine if someone wants to make some money for themselves."

Sandra Black Bear said "We are hypocrites. We have a resolution passed that said we were going to be alcohol free by 2000. They need to protect us as Lakota people. As a tribal council. I don't have dumb Indian written on my forehead. Not afraid to stand up for takojas and women who get beat up."

Finally, she said, "Lets get rid of that dumb Indian look…Valentine can have all the liquor they want. White River and Kilgore. Look at all the things that happened to them. Look at our real leaders. Sometimes we are labeled wrong."

"Eleanor Larvie also provided testimony and said "My mother passed away at age 57. She drank herself to death. No child should unhook their life mother's support and watch their mother pass away. No one should have to go through what I do. What is the difference between Bear Butte and us? Aren't we a sacred site too?

White Plume, Steele

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456 while two time president, Harold Salway, finished fifth with 432, Pine Ridge council representative, Will Peters was sixth with 402, Larry Swalley 129, Dennis King 105, Jeff Not Help Him 73, Gary Lays Bad 44, Robert Benson 34 and Joyce Sun Bear 16.

Frederick Cedar Face was fourth in the vice president's race with 547 and Louis Winters Sr. ended up with 419.

The list of tribal council representative incumbents eliminated continues to grow as Maxine Lakota joins her colleague, Walt Big Crow, out of Wakpamni who did not make the general election. Mary Poor Thunder, LaCreek, and Bernard White Face, Porcupine, also did not make it to the general election. Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge Village, chose to run for tribal president and finished sixth making five seats as of now scheduled for new representatives in the council.

Official results for tribal council include:

Oglala: Valerie Kills Small Janis(Inc.) 97, Floyd Brings Plenty 82, Jake Little 81, Paul Little(Inc.) 79, Wilmer Young Man Sr. 76, Jackson Ten Fingers 60, Will Garnier 46, Frank Two Bulls Sr. 41, Wendell Young Man 40, Robert Two Bulls 36, Deb Mousseau 25 and Gerald One Feather 22

Pine Ridge: Don Garnier 178, Ella Jon Carlow (Inc) 176, , Gary Janis 162, Lyle Jack(Inc) 146, Carol Crazy Thunder O'Rourke 124, Gerald Big Crow 114, Duane Brewer 110, Jerry Bordeaux 102, Lawrence Eagle Bull 90, Abraham Tobacco 89, John Mousseau 75, Leon Matthews 70, Irving Provost 64, Robert Palmier 54, Peggy Mousseau 52, Elvyn Bissonette 51, Michelle Richards Tyon 51, Nakina Mills 44, Irving Cottier 41, Holly Wilson 39, Fred Brown 38, Lena Hart 34 and Richard Bark 27.

Wakpamni: Sonia Little Hawk Weston 146, Tom Conroy 109, Sandy Two Lance 92, Ricky Grey Grass 89, Maxine Lakota(Inc) 84, Herb Colhoff 67, Lillian Tobacco 67, Rex Conroy 48, Walt Big Crow(Inc) 45, Richard Mousseau 41, Joann Sierra 39, Charles Pourier 35, Vienna Red Feather 32, Kim Killer 30, Lonnie Bettelyoun 27 and Paul Red Feather 26.

Pass Creek: Lydia Bear Killer (Inc) 73, Ron Duke 64, Donna Salomon 60, Clarence Yellow Hawk 32 and Lucy Cottier 21.

LaCreek: Craig Dillon (Inc) 165, Kim Clausen 143, Gerald Bettelyoun 75 and Mary Poor Thunder (Inc) 65.

With over 50 per cent of the vote both Dillon and Clausen are elected by acclamation, no general is necessary.

Eagle Nest: Jim Meeks 156, Tom Poor Bear (Inc) 66, Ruth Brown (Inc) 65, Billy Amiotte 60, Leroy Wilcox Sr. 37, Sylvester Two Bulls 34, Eleanor

Charging Crow 28 and Phyllis Wilcox 16.

Medicine Root: Austin Watkins Sr.(Inc) 123, Cora Whiting 96, Archie Hopkins 86, Juanita Scherich 84, Sandra Old Horse 69, Emily Bull Bear 62, Carrie Romero 39, Daryl Mesteth 37 and Steve Standing Soldier 29.

Porcupine: Wesley Chuck Jacobs 114, Philip Good Crow(Inc) 100, Dave Pourier 78, Marlin Moon Weston 75, Bernard White Face(Inc) 64, Richard Iron Cloud 51, Harvey Iron Boy 40, Todd O'Bryan 40 and Randy Lays Bad 37.

Wounded Knee: Garfield Steele (Inc) 172, Kathy Janis (Inc) 99, Philip Jumping Eagle 104, Garfield Apple 76, Percy White Plume 65, Phyllis Hollow Horn 47, Jeanette Eagle Hawk 43, Emmett Kelly Sr. 41, Melvin Adams 31, Patrick Tom Clifford 27 and Eldon Forney 19.

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Lead-Deadwood wins State A golf team title, Red Cloud finishes 12th

Dakota Valley's Barbee wins individual title, Red Cloud's Twiss is 22nd

SPEARFISH - The Red Cloud boy's golf team finished 12th at the State A golf tourney last week in Spearfish at the Spearfish Canyon Country Club with a total score of 763; Lead-Deadwood edged out Vermillion 651 to 653 to win the team title.

Mike Twiss, a sophomore at Red Cloud, was the top local finisher scoring a two day total of 172 which put him in a tie for 22nd; Nate Barbee, Dakota Valley, finished with a 142 to nose out Lead-Deadwood's Lance Collins for second who finished with a 147.

Other local finishers included: Josh Mousseau/Little Wound 183, Alec Morgan/Red Cloud 187, Napoleon Lays Bad/LW 188, Alex Prue/Todd County 192, Montana Sierra/RC 197, Corey Mills/RC 203, Michael Lays Bad/LW 212a and Geoffrey Black Feather/RC 232.

Class A girls play their golf season in the spring.

Sioux San hospital's future questioned

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) _ The future of the Sioux San Indian Hospital in Rapid City could be in doubt, according to a member of the hospital's board.

Theresa Spry said the hospital suffers from a lack of federal funding and may have to be torn down and be replaced with a clinic because few American Indians take advantage of its services.

But Spry also said the lack of money for doctors is the main reason that the hospital has few patients. She said the board will keep fighting to keep the hospital open.

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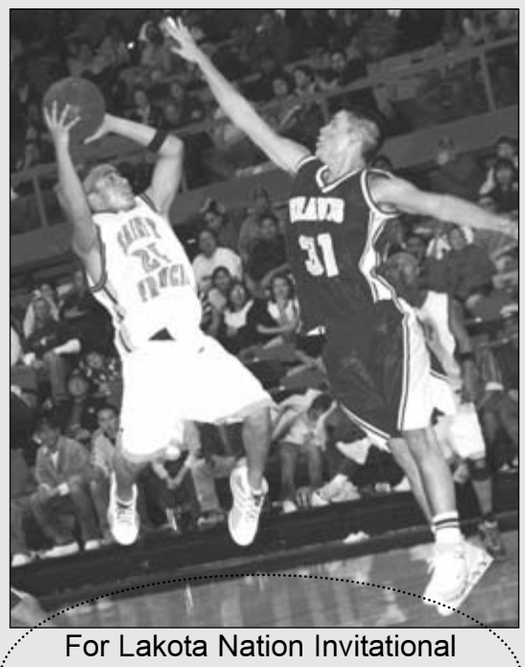
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Sophia said when the school closed they were transfered to Holy Rosary Mission School in Pine Ridge where they continued their education.

She said her and her siblings attended the school because they were orphans and it was where they were sent.

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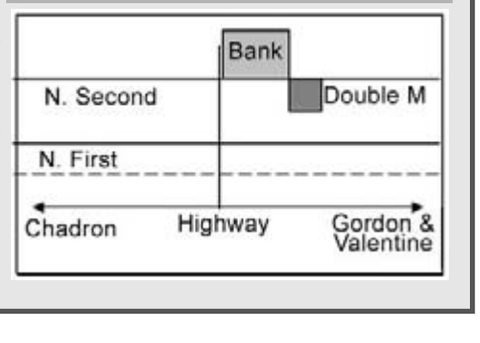
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Mendoza, Eagle Butte, Todd County prepare for regionals

PHILIP/LAWRENCE, Kan. - Kiko Mendoza, Takini's outstanding sophomore cross country runner passed up the nearby Phillip Invitational run on Saturday to travel to Lawrence, Kan, to compete in the Haskell Indian Nations University Invitational on Saturday. Mendoza ran the 5K course in 16:49.56 to take second out of 50 runners.

For local runners, last week and this week are the last preparation times as teams get ready for regionals on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week and the state cross country meet in Huron on the 21st.

Mendoza is the defending State B champ and is looking to defend his title a week from Saturday in Huron.

Todd County and Cheyenne Eagle Butte made their final preparations at the Philip Invitational on Saturday. Todd County boys won their division, Eagle Butte was third. Eagle Butte girls won the girls high school division taking the first three places, Todd County was second and Pine Ridge was third.

Marc Whirlwind Soldier won the boys individual title with a 17:36, his teammate, Wes Running was second wqhile Steve Antoine was fourth. Eagle Butte's Cordray White Dog was seventh.

Jordan Wohlleber, CEB, once again led the way for the Lady Braves in 14:36 while teammates Jordon Cook in 15:09 and Erica High Bear in 16:123 helped CEB to the team title. Todd County's Kyla Marshall was fourth while Jessica Tail of Pine Ridge was 7th followed by Christian Janis in 12th, Sophia Janis in 17th aqnd Allie Janis in 24th.

The Region 5A run is Friday in Lead-Deadwood while the Region 4A is Chamberlain is on Thursday.

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Northern Perspectives

Tunska passes into the spirit world



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

My nephew Harvey, Jr. of Antelope community passed into the spirit world this past weekend and followed in his father's footsteps within a year of his passing. They say that children should never be buried before their parents and I believe that my brother, Harvey, Sr. sincerely believed that that should not be the case.

It is unimaginable the kind of pain parents who lose a child must go experience. I never want to feel that pain as the life of a child is so very precious. Sometimes I wonder about the senseless nature of young people dying before they have had a chance to make an impact on the world. It is something we experience all the time, but it still doesn't make any sense.

A friend, Pat LeBeau, said that I should write something on the generous nature of Lakota people as they gather for funerals, name givings and other celebrations. Many families will give very generously even if it means giving up their last dollar. Apparently, there are cultures that cannot imagine putting a strain on the family budget by sharing so much. In Lakota life, as most of you know, there is the prevailing attitude that we share as a way to not only show our connection to family and friends, but one of our basic values is not to accumulate wealth at the neglect of other members within the circle.

Several years ago, I was on the St. Francis new year's powwow committee and I witnessed several families coming in and donating significant sums of money for the powwow in the name of their loved ones. I knew some of the families and I was astounded to know that they were willing to put themselves out and give so much when they could have easily used it for family. I learned something that day as it is a value I can talk about, practice and be a role model for others in that regard.

'Wacantognaka' or generosity is one of the great beliefs that continues to cement Lakota people together and it creates cohesion among individual tiospaye units. It hopefully will be one of those values that will endure inspite of a changing Lakota society. The term 'tacan waste' translates to being generous of heart or generous with one's possessions and it speaks to the act of reaching out and sharing also with one's emotions and feelings.

Notes From Indian Country

Termination is an ugly word in Indian country



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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To most Americans the word "termination" usually means getting a pink slip with your final paycheck telling you that your employment has been terminated. To the Indian people of America it means that their lands or nations have been removed from the rolls of protected lands and are now open to sale and settlement by anyone. In other words, their nation has been "terminated."

On August 1, 1953 the 83rd Congress of the United States passed House Concurrent Resolution 108 calling for the termination of all Indian tribes located within the States of California, Florida, New York, and Texas. They added to the list The Flathead Tribe of Montana, the Klamath Tribe of Oregon, the Menominee Tribe of Wisconsin, the Potowatamie Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska, the Chippewa Tribe of the Turtle Mountain Reservation in North Dakota.

The Resolution also called for all of the Bureau of Indian Affairs' offices serving these tribes or any other tribe "freed from Federal supervision" be abolished or closed. The passage of Resolution 108 was immediately followed by a number of termination bills drafted as a direct result of the Resolution. From 1954 to 1960, 61 tribes, groups or Indian communities were terminated.

In 1957, four bands of Paiutes (the Shivwits, the Koosharem, the Indian Peaks and the Kanosh) were terminated. When asked why they did not object to termination they said they did not understand what was happening. They didn't understand the legal language and they were much too poor to ask for legal advice. Their land was leased to cattlemen at low prices or put into trust in a bank in Salt Lake City until it could be sold or leased.

Termination for the Paiutes meant they were on their own without birth certificates, Social Security numbers, land deeds, etc. In essence, they were landless, homeless and left without the proper identification to move forward.

Some of the above facts can be found in a book called "Makoce" published by Vivian One Feather with cooperation by the Black Hills State College with Charles Underbaggage serving as the consultant through a grant from the U. S. Office of Education's, Department of Health, Education and Welfare. It is available at the Prairie Edge Bookstore in Rapid City, SD.

Most of the tribes terminated in those terrible days of the Eisenhower Administration, fought for and eventually regained their status as federally recognized Indian tribes. But not all.

The Court of Claims awarded the Confederated Bands of Ute Indians of Utah more than $31 million on July 31, 1950. A rivalry between the mixed bloods and full bloods, one that had been brewing for many years, caused the two groups to divide and set up their own individual programs. In 1954 the federal government decided to "terminate" the mixed bloods. The termination of the full bloods was supposed to follow, but it never happened. As a result the mixed blood Utes soon found themselves on the worst end of poverty. They did not understand how this happened to them and like the terminated Paiutes, they never understood the legal language that led up to their termination and they were also too poor to contest it.

Dennis G. Chappabitty serves as the attorney for the "mixed-blood" Utes. In a letter to Senator Orin Hatch (R-UT) he wrote, "On November 4, 2002, the mixed blood Uinta Utes filed an action in the U. S. District Court, District of Columbia, alleging that the U. S. Department of the Interior failed to properly implement the "Ute Partition Act" thereby illegally stripping them of their Indian status. On January 27, 2006, their case was dismissed on the basis of their failure to file within the six-year statute of limitations. We will appeal the Court's dismissing the Felter case to the U. S. Court of Appeals."

Chappabitty said, "Our government criticizes other nations for their bad human rights records. The socially destructive, backward and abhorrent policies of Apartheid in South Africa, Jim Crow in the South and Communism in the Soviet Bloc are dead. Yet this Nation's fraudulent termination of the mixed-blood Uinta Utes remains alive as one of the civilized world's darkest stains where the rich and powerful dominated the weak and intimidated the poor and defenseless Indians."

Oranna B. Felter, a member of the terminated tribe, the lead plaintiff in the legal battle to get the rights of the Uinta restored, wrote recently, "I'm one of the original terminated 490 and I was there when termination started. I was 11 years old when we were terminated and I am now 61 years old. When I was younger I didn't understand what had happened to us. I was raised knowing who I was and living as an Indian. Then when termination hit the Mixed Blood Uintas like a bomb in the Nevada desert in the 1950s, it totally ripped the hearts and souls out of most of our people."

What happened to the Mixed Blood Uintas is an ongoing story. Tribal members like Oranna Felter have been fighting all of their adult lives to correct this grievous wrong. For more information on this case you can contact Dennis B. Chappabitty at P. O. Box 292122, Sacramento, CA 95829.

Termination is an ugly word especially when it involves the future hopes and dreams of a people. It is a word we no longer need to use in Indian country.

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Guest Column

Chaos is relative



By Dr. Jim Wilson

I am back from a month-long vacation and am generally pleased to learn all is well. By saying all is well I mean all looks familiar and I know I am back where I was before, not necessarily where I belong. The world is still in chaos and probably will be tomorrow and the day after.

The Sunday paper tells me Molly Ivans thinks the Rs are all liars and crooks, George Will thinks the Ds can't be trusted with National Security, Bruce Whalen thinks Stephanie is too pretty to represent SD, the Oglalas are shuffling their political deck using the same old cards, Janklow and Daschle are trying to put a "clothesline" (it's a football term) hit on DME's Schieffer and the leaves are yellowed and falling.

Living alone gives me an occasional opportunity to shut out the cacophony (look it up) of my environment and briefly get in touch with my feelings before continuing the chaotic downstream rush amidst the fallen leaves and dreams of my fellow species. When an adult has time for contemplation it is likely that their earliest years will be recalled as a sheltered period yielding mostly pleasant memories, and so it has been with me. But for many this is not the case. My eleven years in Pine Ridge Boarding School are recalled with generally positive experiences.

I also recall that among my classmates there were some who had been orphaned, abandoned and abused and did not find in the boarding schools any better treatment. I soon learned that the safest place in that environment was near the middle of the line, giving my full attention and maintaining a clear-eyed, positive appearance. Not standing out in any way did not draw the ire of the person carrying out the orders of another person carrying out the orders of …. Well, I hope you get the picture.

Another important lesson learned was the best outcome for an occupying force is to get the inmates to run the concentration camp! And, of course, when the inmates begin naming the streets, numbering the cells, planting trees and mowing the lawns, you've won!

There has been much e-mail, many letters and numerous phone calls and personal conversations regarding my writing about the chain-link fence at OCS. Not a single tribal person endorsed "da fence" so for now I must conclude that it was a "miracle." But wait, I did not ask the students. Maybe they demanded "da fence" for protection. Will check.

My e-mail barrage is amazing with the endless offers to get rich without effort. Only problem is that they all want money and it takes effort to get the money to give them so they can show me how they suckered me. Especially grating is the promise to show me how to benefit from the mortgage foreclosure sufferings of my neighbors.

Next comes the many promises to show me how to get something for nothing from my government, for a fee.

While I was 'out-of-pocket,' so to speak, I recalled some earlier experiences as a beginning school teacher. I started my career as an 8th grade teacher at Eagle Butte in the fall of 1959. I spent two years there and learned more than I taught and I always thank those students when I hear from them.

My second teaching experience was teaching fifth grade at the Second Mesa Day School on the Hopi Indian Reservation for two years prior to my getting a Doctoral Fellowship to Arizona State University. The Hopi perception of education is unique; they truly see education as a tool to use in their lives, not an obligation forced on them, and therefore it does not interfere in any way with the maintenance of their cultural traditions.

Teaching is a noble occupation which demands great commitment and is rewarded with a combination of dollars and satisfaction. Public support and harassment of education runs in cycles. Recently the Rs have had control and have imposed the No Child Left Behind philosophy which is a one-size-fits-all madness designed to sell tests and canned teach-to-the-test materials. Totally absent from this philosophy are recognition of all forms of local control and individuality.

Any test which requires any reading is a reading test. Any reading test is a vocabulary (word) test and any vocabulary test is a cultural test. The distinguishing characteristics of a culture are the words assigned to objects used in a culture. Take, for instance, the tools used by the carpenter, the plumber and the surgeon. Or those used by the early Sioux, the early white western pioneer or the early southern slave owner. A simple test would be to inventory everything in the homes of a farmer, a city lawyer and a college professor and then alphabetize the names of the items and see what a difference there would be! Now, take their children and give them a written test using those words and see what you get. I dare say there would be some surprises.

The big thing for many ultra-conservatives today is to say that we do not give our kids enough homework. It seems that making kids hate school is immaterial. Like many things, there is a proper use of homework, but the quantity is not the issue. Purpose and quality are the issues. The primary purpose of homework is to reinforce lessons taught and in most cases that takes little demonstration. Assigning reading before discussion has very limited purposes because a major sequence of teaching is the proper introduction and connecting of the material to the previous foundations laid and that is usually done at the point closest to the discussion. A lesson of history, for example, may be very effectively taught by a three-way discussion (led by the teacher) involving teacher, student and classmates as a continuation of a set of circumstances well understood.

We often forget that things change and that is the primary cause of our continuing sense of chaos; we are always in the process of change at different times and at different rates in different places. A recent flood of changes in religious groups and thinking is an example of how the chaos almost seems organized and when taken as a whole these changes seem to represent a multi-generational updating of acceptable beliefs.

Are not the Muslims, Jews and Christians all cut from the same cloth? Will un-baptized Catholic babies get a new status? Will Islam spread with or without the sword? Will the Jews always believe that the Promised Land is a literal, physical place?

Chaos is relative. It depends largely on where one is and the perspective of each of us is colored by our experiences. Everything we believe is the result of a philosophy we have developed by many processes, most of which we are not overtly aware of or are the result of intentional deliberations.

My experience is that the greatest philosophers are the 3 and 4 years olds who endlessly ask Why? We should all ask why? And when we get an acceptable explanation from our own thinking, or from others then we should hang in there until a better explanation comes about.

In case you are interested, as a matter of fact, there is a science of studying the non-chaotic nature of chaos. Cool, huh? E-mail me : docjims@aol.com.

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Little Wound wins defensive battle with Thorpes

Red Cloud cruises past Crow Creek

Chamberlain shuts out Falcons

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

KYLE/STEPHAN - Brice Hornbeck, a junior defensive back for Little Wound, intercepted a Pine Ridge pass late in the second quarter and returned it to the Thorpe's three yard line setting up Shilo Pierce's winning three yard touchdown run in Little Wound's 14-6 Homecoming win over Pine Ridge on Friday.

Both team's had a lot riding on the game as they looked ahead to the West River Conference championship and the playoffs, defense on both teams stepped up to make every yard a battle. Hornbeck opened the game with a 55 yard kick-off return but the Thorpes stiffened up on defense and the ball ended up being turned over on downs. The Mustang defense bent but did not break as they held Pine Ridge down on their first three drives.

Little Wound finally opened things up as Johnny Cloud hit Shilo Pierce on a 20 yard pass and after an incompletion came right back with a 22 yard pass to TJ McCauley; Pierce ran it in from the three for the first of two TD runs from three yards out. The point after kick was blocked and the Mustangs led it 6-0.



Shilo Pierce, Little Wound's senior running back, has his sweep around the end cut short by Pine Ridge's Dave Michaud during the Little Wound Homecoming game on Friday in Kyle which the Mustangs won 14-6.



DJ Big Crow (86), Pine Ridge and Brice Hornbeck(85), Little Wound battle for the ball on a pass play during Little Wound's Homecoming on Friday.
Photos courtesy of Double M Studios of Hay Springs, Neb.

"This was a big game for us," said Darrell Hunter, Mustang head coach, "we wanted to maintain our number two position in the power points in 11A, Region 3; our defense really stepped up and held the Thorpes every time they got close to scoring."

After an exchange of possessions, Pine Ridge marched down the field and had first and goal from the four and a half yard line. After four plays, Pine Ridge was still on the four yard line and Little Wound took over on downs following an outstanding goal line stand. On the first play from scrimmage, Cloud lined up in a shotgun formation at the back end of the end zone and hoped to gain some yards with a pass play only to have Dave "Bulldawg" Michaud intercept the ball at the 10 yard line and run it back for a touchdown. With 3:04 left in the first half, the game was tied up at 6-6.

Pine Ridge stopped Little Wound's next drive and with less than a minute on the clock in the first half decided to try and put some points on the board before the half ended. Harley Cortier tried to hit DJ Big Crow up the middle on a pass and after the ball was deflected, Hornbeck intercepted and ran it back to the Pine Ridge three yard line. Pierce ran it over from the three and added a successful run on the two point conversion to give Little Wound a 14-6 lead.

Defense dominated the second half as neither team found the end zone. Pine Ridge lost their main offensive threat when Michaud went down with an ankle injury mid-way through the third quarter. "Bulldawg" finished with 101 yards on 15 carries and scored Pine Ridge's only touchdown on an interception return.

"You could say all kinds of things like we weren't ready to play, the coaching staff didn't prepare the team, we didn't execute on offense or we made too many mistakes," said Dave Michaud, Pine Ridge head coach, "but more than anything else we just got out-played and now we have to play strong the next two games and hope we have enough power points to make the playoffs."

Pierce led the way for Little Wound with 10 carries for 34 yards and two touchdowns and a two point conversion and caught two passes for 28 yards. Pine Ridge kept the pressure on Johnny Cloud all day long, Cloud finished with five completions out of 12 attempts for 77 yards and two interceptions. In addition to Michaud, Wayne Trueblood had 11 carries for 42 yards and Louis Ramos had nine carries for 36 yards.

"Once again penalties hurt us," said Hunter, "Johnny Cloud had a nice 20 yard pass to a wide open TJ McCauley in the end zone that was called back for an illegal block in the back."

Hornbeck led the Mustangs on defense with 11 tackles and two interceptions and was helped by freshman Oren Three Stars who finished with nine tackles and forced two fumbles.

Little Wound moved their record to 5-1 and travel to Todd County on Friday night while Pine Ridge evens their record at 3-3 and will host Crow Creek on Friday night.

Red Cloud runs over the Chieftains

Five different players crossed the goal line for Red Cloud as the Crusaders opened up a 41-0 lead over Crow Creek Friday at Stephan with six touchdowns on the ground and one through the air in a 41-6 win for their fifth win of the season against one loss.

Wade O'Bryan, a sophomore fullback, opened the Red Cloud scoring with his first touchdown of his high school career on a four yard run. Billy Scott, the top runner in the state this season, added a two yard TD run before the end of the first quarter.

Carl Swallow, a freshman running back, opened the second quarter with a seven yard run for a TD and AB Morgan closed out the first half with a 35 yard strike to Christian McGhee for a TD.

Scott scored his second touchdown of the game on a nine yard slant off tackle in the third quarter and James Bush added a one yard TD run. Sang Jun Park kicked five out of six extra points.

Scott finished with 20 carries for 79 yards and two touchdowns, Carl Swallow carried the ball 10 times for 48 yards and a TD while AB Morgan completed four out of ten passes for 69 yards and a touchdown. On defense, Andrew Twiss led the way for the Crusaders with 10 tackles and Lenny Lone Hill finished with five tackles, one sack and a fumble recovery.

Red Cloud is now 5-1 and hosts Bennett County on Friday afternoon, Crow Creek is 2-4 and travels to Pine Ridge.

Football scores from week six

Lower Brule 52-12 Woonsocket
Stanley County 41-7 Cheyenne Eagle Butte
Little Wound 14-6 Pine Ridge
Bennett County 28-7 Hill City
Red Cloud 41-6 Crow Creek
Florence/Henry 50-8 Tiospa Zina
Campbell County 50-0 McLaughlin
Selby Area 30-6 Dupree
Andes Central 77-0 Marty
Chamberlain 28-0 Todd County
Newell 52-8 St. Francis

Games this week

Crow Creek at Pine Ridge
Bennett County at Red Cloud
St. Francis at Cheyenne Eagle Butte
Harding County at Dupree
Little Wound at Todd County
Baltic at Marty
Wilmot at Tiospa Zina
Lemmon/McIntosh at McLaughlin
Crow Creek 30-0 St. Francis
Lower Brule at Highmore/Harrold

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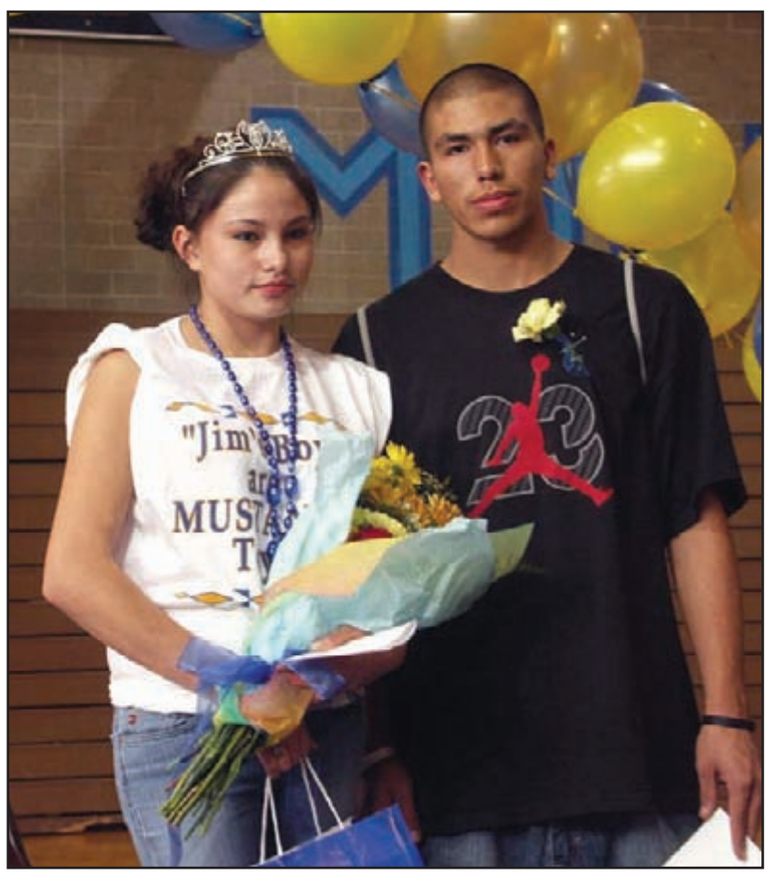
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Little Wound Mustang royalty

KYLE - Little Wound High School homecoming was last week, with the Mustangs taking on Pine Ridge and defeating the Thorpes 14-6 in Friday's football action. Left: Selected by the student body, the homecoming royalty was crowned Shilo Pierce and Mikayla Mitzel. Shilo is the son of Darlene McBride and Richard Pierce. Mikayla is the daughter of Gayla Gay and Gary Mitzel. Both are seniors. Right: The junior class royalty was Brice Hornbeck and Starr Cuny. Brice is the son of Bob and Bille Hornbeck. Star is the daughter of Tony Montileaux and Gerry Cuny.
Photo courtesy of Mindy Hunter of Little Wound School.

Corps of Engineers undergo cultural enhancement at Ghost Hawk Park

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent



Dr. Wayne Evans (R) chats with Jim Waddell during a recent cultural enhancement seminar held at Ghost Hawk Park on the Rosebud.

ROSEBUD - A diverse group of U. S. Corp of Engineers and other members from the U. S. Army, Federal Aviation Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency underwent a three and half day course in cultural training at Ghost Hawk Park last week. The course was offered through Valcon Tech LLC which is headed by President Vern C. Vallie and which is located in Aberdeen.

The core group of 16 professionals arrived at Ghost Hawk Park at the height of the fall foliage peaking on the Rosebud while the park had just closed for the season. The curriculum for the three day 'hands-on' seminar was designed by Lisa Short Bull.

Vallie said that his company is a natural gas company and after September 11 he created a training group that would help to diversify his company's offerings. He said, "We had to diversify and we went back to what I knew. We designed a training group, Valcon Training Group. Lisa put it together. I hired Lisa in January. She did the data base and designed thirty five enhancement programs."

Vallie further explained that the cultural enhancement program was written up in proposal form and submitted as a bid in July to the federal government and his firm won the contract. He said, "We will do this three of four times a year. It was well received. We would like to offer it to banks, companies and anyone who works with Indian people." He said, "My idea is to get people out of the classroom environment and out in nature. There is more benefit that way."

The practical insights gained during the training session were designed to get the students out of their job environments and into the field in order to get some exposure to the Lakota culture which is very much alive and dynamic.

Kyle Wright, affectionately named "Canli" by one of the course instructors, Dr. Wayne Evans said, "It helps people to appreciate Native tribes. To open their eyes and to listen to the way that people want to be treated."

The cadre of Lakota instructors who lead the group included some rather accomplished educators, artists, and language teachers. Dr. Wayne Evans who retired after 38 years at the University of South Dakota gave instruction about the Lakota language, team building and protocol used in camp and in the sweat lodge.

Jerome Kills Small explained the significance of the sweat lodge while well known artist, Vic Runnels, spoke of the role of art, storytelling and music in Lakota life.

Dr. Mark Daniels also spoke of the values and beliefs of various tribes, while instructors from the Lakota Studies Department at Sinte Gleska University also presented. Victor Douville, Ione Quigly, Duane Hollow Horn Bear and Albert White Hat, Sr. spoke about Lakota values, language, use of Native plants and the responsibilities of the extended family.

The group was also intro-

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Thune Announces Funding for the Lakota Funds and OST Partnership for Housing each receive $300,000 each

KYLE - The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has awarded the Lakota Funds. of Kyle. organization a $300,000 grant under the Rural Housing and Economic Development Program.

"This funding will assist the Lakota Funds organization in their community, business and economic development efforts on Pine Ridge," said Sen. John Thune in a press release. "Investing in these important efforts is critical to providing greater opportunities to the residents of Pine Ridge."

The Department of House also awarded the Oglala Sioux Tribe Partnership for Housing a $300,000 grant under the Rural Housing and Economic Development Program.

Pine Ridge drug ring members convicted

RAPID CITY (AP) - Five people who were accused of running a major cocaine ring on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation have been convicted in U.S. District Court in Rapid City.

Geraldine Blue Bird, Colin Spotted Elk, Marvella Richards, Flint Thomas Red Feather and Rusty Richards face a minimum of 10 years in prison when they are sentenced.

Blue Bird and Spotted Elk, who is Blue Bird's son, could get as much as life behind bars.

Seventeen people were indicted in the investigation. Most pleaded guilty, and several testified against the ringleaders.

Authorities said the drug ring made at least $1 million by selling more than 20 kilograms of cocaine since 2002.

The jury deliberated four hours.

Charges included conspiracy to distribute cocaine and marijuana, and possession of firearms in drug trafficking.

Members of the ring were arrested following a Dec. 21 drug bust at a Rapid City motel. Authorities were tipped after someone smelled marijuana smoke coming from a room. A search yielded 11/2 pounds of cocaine, guns, ammunition, $16,519 in cash and drug paraphernalia.

Community Calendar
Rez Happenings

OST Commodity Distribution
Thursday, Oct. 12 , in Martin at Sunrise Housing, Monday, Oct. 16 in Porcupine District at Evergreen and the CAP office, Wednesday, Oct. 18in Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni and Thursday, Oct. 19 in Oglala, for information call 867-5511.

High School Regional Cross Country
Thursday, Oct. 12 in Chamberlain for Region 4A with Cheyenne Eagle Butte, Crow Creek and McLaughlin and Friday, Oct. 13 in Lead with Little Wound, Bennett County, Pine Ridge, Red Cloud, St. Francis and Todd County.

Walk and Candlelight Vigil
Tuesday, Oct. 17, to mark October as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Pahin Sinte College Center and Cangleska, Inc are sponsoring a walk and candlelight vigil in Porcupine at 4:30 p.m., for info call 867-5404.

Honoring Veterans Wacipi
Friday and Saturday, Oct. 20 and 21 in Sioux Falls at the W.H. Lyons Fair Grounds, 12th Street and Lyons Avenue in memory of Roger Andal, grand entries set for 7pm on Friday and 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Saturday, for information call 334-4060.

State High School Cross Country
Saturday, Oct. 21 in Huron at the Broadland Creek Golf Course with the B girls at 12noon, A girls at 12:30 p.m., B boys at 1pm, A boys at 1:30 p.m.

Voter Registration Deadline
Monday, Oct. 23 is the deadline to get registered for the state and national elections, for information contact the county auditors office in Hot Springs, Martin, Kadoka or Winner.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
School pow wow on Thursday, Nov. 9 at Loneman School in Oglala with grand entries at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with supper set for 5 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 17 at Porcupine School with grand entries at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m.

Tribal, State, Federal Election
Tuesday, Nov. 7 is election day for tribal, state and national elections, polls open for state and national elections from 7 a.m. to 7pm while polls for tribal elections open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Pow wow and Art Show
Lakota Red Nations 9th Annual Pow wow and Art Show, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 24 and 25 in Gordon, Neb. at he Gordon City Hall with grand entries set for 7pm on Friday and 2 p.m. on Saturday.

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Grief Support Group
Meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888.

Porcupine AA meeting
Every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine, for info call Janice at 867-5404.

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841.

Life after death class
Developing a better understanding of the journey of the soul, Fridays at 7 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Village College Center.

Weight watchers class
Large conference room at the Indian Health Service Hospital in Pine Ridge, weigh in at 5 p.m. and meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Training camp

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duced to traditional Lakota foods by a couple of Sicangu Lakota women, who explained how such food is prepared.

Vallie said, "Be aware of cultural differences and consider other options" is one of the ideals of the course and that he was pleased with the instructors. The concept for the course for the Corp of Engineers was envisioned by Jim Waddell from Atlanta, Ga.

He said he was in his seventh training seminar and that, "The course is meant to teach environmental and cultural resource ethics by coming and listening."

State reports increase intestinal illnesses, hand washing urged

PIERRE - An outbreak of cryptosporidiosis has health officials reminding South Dakotans to practice good personal hygiene. Eighty-six cases of the intestinal illness have been reported in 23 counties through the end of September, compared to 31 for all of 2005.

There have been no cases of E-coli linked to the consumption of spinach as in other areas; however, in addition to cryptosporidiosis there has also been a number of shigellosis, which is a diarrheal disease. The state saw 233 cases through September, compared to 131 cases last year.

The state did see a number of E-coli cases numbering 35 through September of this year compared to 29 cases in 2005.

"Good hand-washing is the single most important thing people can to do to prevent the spread of not only cryptosporidiosis, but other diarrheal illnesses as well," said Secretary of Health Doneen Hollingsworth.

Hand-washing is especially important after using the toilet, changing diapers, gardening, handling pets or other animals, caring for infected persons, and before handling or eating food.

Cryptosporidiosis is caused by a microscopic parasite called Cryptosporidium. People become infected by drinking water or eating food containing the cysts, or eggs of the parasite. Infection is also transmitted through direct contact with the stools of infected animals or humans and by hand-to-mouth transfer of cysts from contaminated surfaces. The major symptoms are abdominal cramps and watery diarrhea.

Individuals who think they may have cryptosporidiosis should see their doctor about whether treatment is needed. Most people with healthy immune systems will recover without treatment.

Thirty-four percent of this year's cryptosporidiosis cases occurred in Yankton County that saw an increase of 219 percent.

Hollingsworth said the department is also reporting significant numbers of cases of other diarrheal illnesses.

There were also 172 cases of campylobacteriosis compared to 244 cases in 2005 and 61 giardiasis cases through September compared to 118 cases in 2005. And, there were 111 cases of salomonella compared to 160 last year.

For more information about these illnesses, their spread and prevention look for the click the disease fact sheets "quick link" at the Department of Health web site, http://www.state.sd.-us/doh/.

Golden West gives $12,500 to OLC and KILI Radio

KYLE - Oglala Lakota College received $10,000 from Golden West Telecommunications as the first payment of a three year pledge of $30,000. This grant will assist the college in meeting the match agreed upon by the Johnson Scholarship Foundation and OLC.

"The three year commitment by Golden West to the Johnson Scholarship Foundation is a natural expansion of the scholarship program that we already have in place for graduating high school seniors," said Golden West General Manager and CEO George Strandell pointing to the $1,000 scholarships the company annually makes at 44 high schools throughout its service area.

"We recognize the importance that education plays within our own business and hope that the additional scholarships will help the College expand the role it plays in providing a skilled workforce for the Pine Ridge Reservation," concluded Strandell.

OLC will receive $200,000 annually from the Johnson Scholarship Foundation if OLC can match this amount with $300,000 resulting in $800,000 funding from JSF over a period of four years starting in 2005. OLC was able to meet the matching amount in the first year by raising the required $300,000 by December 2005.

The endowment set up as the Johnson Scholarship Foundation Endowment at OLC will provide scholarship assistance to OLC business and/or entrepreneurship students with financial need.

"We are extremely pleased that Golden West recognizes the importance of scholarships to our students." Stated OLC President Thomas Shortbull. "The graduating students who will receive their degree with the help of this scholarship will provide the Oglala Nation with business managers and entrepreneurs in all areas." President Shortbull went on to say.

In 2005, OLC embarked on Phase IV of the Rebuilding the Lakota Nation through Education campaign by announcing that a goal has been set to raise $6 million for Faculty Endowments and $5 million for student scholarships.

OLC's goal is to raise these funds by 2011. The Johnson Scholarship Foundation's matching grant gives OLC a big boost in reaching the goal of $5 million in student scholarships by 2011.





Above: George Strandell, general manager and CED, displays the poster check to Tom Shortbull, OLC president. Below: Tom Casey, second from right, development director for KILI Radio, is shown receiving a $2,500 contribution from Golden West Telecommunications General Manager and CEO George Strandell. Strandell along with Pine Ridge Area Foreman Jim Jacobs (far left) and Golden West Board Chairman Rodney Renner (far right) presented the contribution to help with KILI's fund-raising efforts to replace the station's antenna, transmission line and transmitter that were damaged this past summer by lightning. To date, the radio station has raised $211,000 toward the estimated $230,000 repair cost.

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Northwest South Dakota uranium study to expand

By Carson Walker
Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - The federal government plans to pay for additional studies around Custer National Forest to determine how far contamination has spread from old uranium mines near Ludlow in northwest South Dakota.

Tests show levels of arsenic, uranium and other contaminants in concentrations higher than what occurs naturally on 13 bluffs. But only now are studies being done to log how much of that pollution made its way onto surrounding land and water.

Samples taken around the North Cave Hills found that high levels of uranium and arsenic in surface water and sediment ponds are mostly limited to the land around the property owned by the U.S. Forest Service, according to a report on the findings.

The contaminants are escaping the 1960s mine sites but dissipate as they flow downstream and diminish to natural levels roughly 4 to 6 miles away, said Jim Stone, assistant professor in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering at the School of Mines & Technology in Rapid City.

``It's limited to this area. That's good news,'' he said.

But Stone said he and other researchers from the School of Mines and Oglala Lakota College have been unable to test how far contaminants have been carried by the wind.

That can't be done until it stops raining long enough for the particles to be carried and won't be done next year, he said.

Stone plans to go over the report on the findings so far next Wednesday at a public meeting in Ludlow.

Researchers will now come up with a cleanup plan for the contamination on the land around the mines, said Laurie Walters-Clark with the U.S. Forest Service in Camp Crook.

``We have found that the sediment ponds _ although they were working for what they were built for, which is to catch sediments _ they're not stopping the constituents of concern. It puts a red light saying that we need to continue to work on this and stop the sediments from moving,'' she said.

Estimates put the total bill at more than $20 million to clean up the Cold War-era mining operations.

The government is working on an agreement to cover the cost with the company that mined in the North Cave Hills, Tronox, formerly Kerr-McGee Chemical, Walters-Clark said.

Cleanup can start when that agreement is reached, she said.

``It is now progressing. It's taken a long time,'' Walters-Clark said.

Meantime, the federal government has approved new studies to determine the extent of contamination in the nearby South Cave Hills and Slim Buttes areas, she said.

Some Harding County and Standing Rock Indian Reservation residents have said they suspect dust and water from the mines is causing cancer and other illnesses.

Charmaine White Face of Rapid City, coordinator of Defenders of the Black Hills, said the report that contamination is limited to the mining area is premature. The drought prevents researchers from seeing how far uranium is carried when the waters are running high, she said.

Her group hopes to do an independent study by finding a willing university or raising enough money to hire someone.

``If it comes out the same as the state, then we'll believe them. But if it doesn't, then it raises questions,'' White Face said.

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Johnson asks FEMA to move trailers to Indian Country

WASHINGTON - Senator Tim Johnson (D-SD) recently sent a letter to the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Director, David Paulison, asking him to begin moving the unused trailers that are currently being stored in Hope, Arkansas. FEMA was empowered through the Homeland Security Appropriations bill to start relocating the trailers to areas of Indian Country where some are homeless or under housed.

Johnson said, "My colleagues and I sent them a clear message in the Homeland Security bill, to house people with these trailers. It's time for FEMA to act on that directive. While these trailers are not ideal housing, they fill a housing need that is only getting worse."

The law requires that the houses be directed to tribes through coordination with the Department of the Interior.

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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I hope that all is going well for you. I read your column in the paper all the time and I really think that you give good advice and you help people to think about their own situations. I respect your opinion and give what you write a lot of thought.

I have situations that kind of have me stuck in the a rut and I really need your advice. First of all, I am at a point in my life where I need some direction and maybe it is right in front of me but I just don't see it. My main goal in life is to finally go to college and be successful.

I feel like I deserve it. I look towards the future and I want to be able to help those who are in need with my education what ever that may be.

Second of all, Anna, I am involved with a man who is incarcerated and I have been corresponding with him for many months now, he is getting out soon and wants me to just pack up and move to where he will eventually be released. I care about this man with all my heart and he is always on my mind.

I believe in my heart that he wants to change and that he truly wants to live better then what he was used to. Although all those feelings are true for him, I feel as though I am putting myself out there and I am kind of scared. I have never met this man in person and I am also scared that I will not be up to his expectations, we almost come from the same cut out meaning in our lives, our families and our spiritual beliefs. I just don't want to lose him but I feel like we are moving too fast and that maybe we should get to know each other more. I know for him, coming to face reality is not going to be easy, but I want to be there to help him.

So Anna what I am asking is this, what will become of us? Will we finally be able to be together and face this world or do you see us going our separate ways and maybe someday our paths will meet? Do you see me leaving the place where I am now at or staying here? What is my direction? I would really appreciate it if you could give me your much needed advice. It is greatly appreciated.

Shoud I go or should I stay?

Dear Should I go:

The future is really open for you, with two major choices determining the quality of experience you wish to have. One choice - the choice to go where this man is creates a fairly rough experience. Please change that intended direction if you wish to have an easier and better life. Allow him to demonstrate his ability to live in a better way, to create a good career life for himself, and demonstrate his ability to stay straight, sober, kind, and loving. You don't need to rescue him. Allow him the time to show you that he is as good as his word.

There is, unfortunately, a trend among inmates to create a fantasy pledge to better living and say exactly what any woman would love to hear in their correspondance. They are so isolated from the good balance of affection and approval that we all need to live happier lives that they create a "mental" life in letters - one, unfortunately, that most of them cannot live up to once they are released. The temptations that got them into trouble in the first place (usually drugs and alcohol) still exist outside those prison walls. The strength of character not to return to those old enticements in the face of being jobless, depressed, broke and independent is very difficult.

The prison system (crime and punishment) falls very short on achieving good outcomes with its punitive philosophy. There is not a good network to create viable work and social system support for ex prisoners.

Finding reasonable employment is the biggest obstacle for anyone with a prison record. This stress pushes people in a direction of "hanging out," which creates the circle that leads right back to prison doors. The lack of therapy or healing programs for healing of the emotional, spiritual, mental and self-image issues of prisoners and newly released prisoners attracts back to the prisoner the same cycles of behavior responses that got him into trouble in the first place. Ex prisoners usually carry a great deal of anger within them.

This anger is subjective, by that I mean that it is a personal experience position ignited by feeling injustices and prejudices in their lives. This anger fired by frustration leads to personally destructive and societally destructive behaviors. I see this man as wanting a normal life. I see him wanting the perfect and fantasy life of "the little woman" to stand beside him, cook his meals, do his laundry, pay his rent, and have spontaneous wanton and crazy sex at his beckon call. In return, he will protect her (jealously control her life), be a good father to her children (an unwanted and unasked for authoritarian disciplinarian), provide well for her (make sure she gets to work on time and comes straight home to take care of him and the kids), show the world he is proud to be with her (mark her as his territory with a few broken teeth and hickies), tell her how beautiful she is (well, with the broken teeth she ain't as pretty as she used to be, but he will joke that his foot won't even make an imprint in her fat a---), and they will both feel successful (he has a home to brag about to his buddies; where drug deals can go down and where he can come home drunk, beat his wife, eat his supper, allow his child-molester buddies in to visit, and create the chaos externally that he resides within emotionally).

He'll also be proud of "their" new car, which he will wreck (its only a matter of when). Oh yeah, and best of all, his drug-buddie girlfriends will start calling you when they need to find him. These lovely women really "understand" him, and they don't "judge" him.

They are WILD in the sack (while transmitting various STD's) and hey - eventually - they are so close that they can share needles.

Please don't join this cycle of abuse. A man newly released from prison really needs a long adjustment time to recapture his spirit; develop independence, learn to trust his world, his God, and himself. He doesn't need any sense (false or not) of extra financial burdens or other people's insecurities.

Give him the time he needs to find his life. Otherwise, the scernarios above that I have depicted are the ones you will participate in. Please have more respect for yourself and don't join him because you don't quite believe me - let time happen and wait and see. It's a lot more difficult to get out of the mess I see than it is to prevent it altogether.

If you don't run off with him you will go to school. That is the best decision. The other way you will go to school too - but you won't begin until you have lived through about 10 years of cyclical hell. The focus of your education seems to be to help abused children. Don't let them be yours. make the right decision - change your life now.

Dear Anna,

I have a few questions that I need to ask. How do you get over someone betraying you? I feel like I can't forgive the person that I thought I knew. I still feel angry and I often fantasize about ways to get back at them. Also, I have a beautiful child and I was wondering what do you see for her father and I? I miss him, or at least I think I do. Thank you for your time. I love your column.

Feeling betrayed

Dear Feeling betrayed:

We, as human beings, on our paths to becoming the best self we can be, all have to learn forgiveness. I have had to face forgiveness thousands of times in my life. Anger and revenge are the stuff cancer is made of. We have enough problems in our life not to call this personal anger monster into our bodies by not healing our emotional injuries.Here is the way I have found that works for me and for any that wish to apply it into their lives, I call it A New Perspective:

Belive in God (the Creator)

Know that everything is in Divine (God's) Order

Therefore, what you have just experienced is for the "highest good."

Knowing that, understand that the ending of this relationship is as it should be - the relationship just wasn't meant to be.

Why? Because, ultimately, he is not the best mate for you, nor you for him.

Most relationships that end are symptomized with betrayal. It is one way to end a relationship that isn't working or meant to work.

He ended it. Thank him for that and release yourself from obsessive-compulsive, co-dependent behaviors. Look at who he really is, take your rose-colored glasses off. He did not treat you with respect nor honor your heart. Why would you want him in your life. Accept that he is who he is.

Release him to his life, and thank him for releasing you to yours. You just want to ensure that he is hurt like you were hurt. You want to inflict pain, because you really believe that he injured you.

Release the concept of personal injury. He may have hurt your feelings and caused you to examine who he is, who you are, and the dream you projected into your future. He also gives you the opportunity, right now, to create a new, better-balanced dream.

Accept responsibility for your part in the relationship. Look honestly at your own behavior, the things you said, the fights and arguments you provoked, the disrespect you showed him for his choices - where did you expect it to go?

Accept what is - IS. This is the way things are, right now, period. Therefore, they must be in Divine Order, and therefore for my highest good. Take charge of your emotional house by releasing the control you want to take of him. You matter, right here and right now. He does not matter, because he is irrelevant to your right now - he is GONE. Accept he is gone and that is good.

Outrage with somebody elses' behavior is self-indulgent pity. "Oh, woe is me, I am sooooo injured. He is such a bastard. He HURT me...boo, hooo, hooo. Hooey: He did you a favor by releasing himself from your life. Thank him. You were not meant in the long run to be together and it is for everybody's highest good that he got gone.

Release your control issues. The future is not about control, it is about flow. Today's actions, thoughts and prayers are manifest now by attitude and tomorrow by activity.

You create your own future, and unless you want to self-indulge yourself into constant chaos be grateful for whatever is on your plate today. It all is as it should be - line up with God, try and imagine why it is for your highest good, get there in your heart, accept today as good - and poof, the anger and revenge are G - O - N - E.

You are released from the task of forgiveness by acceptance that all is well. Therefore, the sense of personal injury is gone and there is nothing to forgive anybody for- everything is okay, just the way it is.

Dear Anna,

I need your advice. You see there is this girl that I have a big crush on.

But she don`t know that I like her. And I need to know if she likes me.

So please tell me what should I do.

Indian love

Dear Indian Love:

She knows you like her. Your gentle smile tells her that everytime you see her.

She is very shy, and even the thought of holding hands makes her blush. Talk to her as much as you can. Listen to what she has to say (once she begins to talk).

Become good friends.

Take your time. Wait and see.

It will be good.

Good Luck.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests may be subject to publication.

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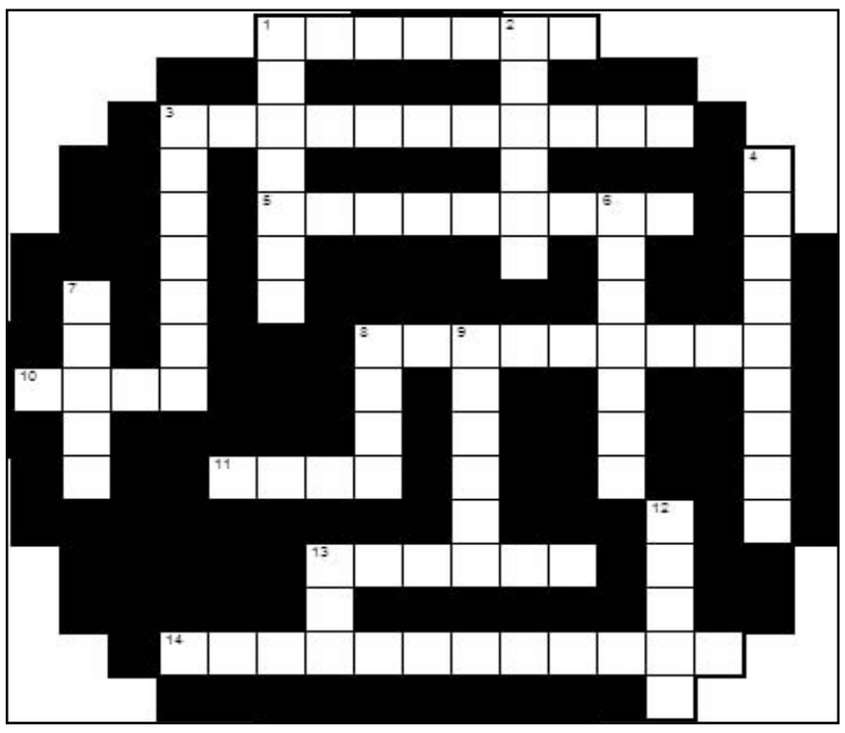
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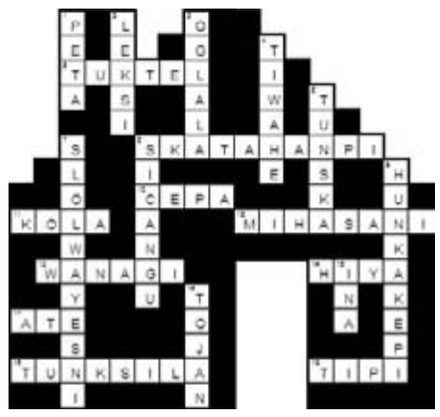
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7 stove (5)
8 dirt (4)
9 quilt (6)
12 door (5)
13 tree (3)



Answers from last week's puzzle



Clint Lays Hard, 21.....Kyle
Jon W. Red Hawk, 15.....Pine Ridge
Permilla D. DuBray-Prue, 67.....Rapid City
Krystal White Mountain, 22....Eagle Butte
Julian M. Stands Sr., 31.....Oglala
Delavina Red Feather, 48.....Porcupine
Eleonore A. Garreau, 85.....Eagle Butte
Georgelyn Sampson, 68..... Eagle Butte
Jonni M. Brewer, 16..... Porcupine

Clint L. Lays Hard

KYLE - Clint L. Lays Hard, 21, Kyle, died Sunday, Oct. 8, in Kyle as a result of an automobile accident.

Survivors include his parents, Leo Lays Hard and Joann Rooks, both of Kyle; one brother, Benjamin Apple, Kyle; and two sisters, Tasha Rooks and Tiara Lays Hard, both of Kyle.

Wake services were Wednesday, Oct. 11, at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Hall in Kyle.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 13, at the hall, with the Rev. Cordelia Red Owl officiating.

Burial will be at St. Barnabas Episcopal Cemetery in Kyle. Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Jon W. Red Hawk

PINE RIDGE - Jon W. Red Hawk, 15, Pine Ridge, died Saturday, Oct. 7, , in Pine Ridge.

Survivors include his mother, Marlys Rabbit, Pine Ridge; one brother, Michael Red Hawk, Pine Ridge; two sisters, Mary Red Hawk and Mollie Red Hawk, both of Pine Ridge; one stepsister, Tiffney Red Hawk, Pine Ridge; and his maternal grandparents, Narcisse and Jane Rabbit, Pine Ridge.

Wake services were Wednesday, Oct. 11, at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services will be at 9 a.m. Friday, Oct. 13, at Billy Mills Hall, with the Rev. Rhoda Mesteth officiating. Burial will be at Black Hills National

Cemetery near Sturgis. Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge

Permillia D. DuBray-Prue

RAPID CITY - Permillia D. DuBray-Prue, 67, Rapid City, died Friday, Oct. 6, , at Black Hills Beverly Health Care Center in Rapid City.

Survivers include one son, Jamie Prue, Rapid City; one hunka son, Mike Sheffield, Rapid City; one brother, Marty Mahrt, Rapid City; two sisters, Marcella Iron Cloud, Rapid City, and Joan Arguello, Thorton, Colo.; four grandchildren; and special friend, Tom Olvera, Rushville, Neb.

Wake services wereMonday, Oct. 9, at Mother Butler Center Hall in Rapid City.

Funeral services were Oct. 10, at Mother Butler Center, with the Rev. Paul Sneve officiating.

Traditional Lakota services will be offered by Pat Nelson, Alvin Iron Cloud, Steven DuBray and Will Peters. Burial will follow at Pine Lawn Memorial Cemetery.

Serenity Springs Funeral Chapel in Rapid City is in charge of arrangements.

Krystal Leigh Zorin White Mountain

EAGLE BUTTE - Krystal Leigh Zorin-White Mountain, 22, Eagle Butte, died Thursday, Oct. 5, in Eagle Butte.

Funeral services were Thursday, Oct. 12, at the church, with Mother Mary Rectenwald officiating.
Burial was at Eagle Butte Cemetery. Kesling Funeral Home in Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Julian M. Stands Sr.

OGLALA - Julian M. Stands Sr., 31, Oglala, died Saturday, Sept. 30, in Oglala.

Survivors include two sons, Kenneth Stands and Julian Stands Jr., both of Oglala; his mother, Iris Between Lodges, Oglala; six brothers, Wade Bagola, Ernie Stands, Dominique Roan Eagle, Gene Little and Jude Little, all of Oglala, and Craig Chase In Winter, Aberdeen; and two sisters, Nora Roan Eagle, Rapid City, and Chantilly Little, Oglala.

Wake services were Oct. 5 and 6.

Funeral services were Saturday, Oct. 7, at the recreation center, with Rayford Featherman and Ivis Long Visitor officiating.

Burial was at the Makasan Presbyterian Cemetery in Oglala.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Delavina Red Feather

PORCUPINE - Delavina Red Feather, 48, Porcupine, died Thursday, Oct. 5, in Pine Ridge.

Survivors include two sons, Oliver Red Feather and John Red Feather, both of Porcupine; three daughters, Lucy Frog, Sheera High Hawk and Marjorie Red Feather, all of Porcupine; one brother, Emery Red Feather Jr., Porcupine; two sisters, Rita Running Bear, Pine Ridge, and Marjorie Sanchez, Alliance, Neb.; and 11 grandchildren.

Wake services were Sunday, Oct. 8, at Porcupine Presbyterian Church.

Funeral services were Monday, Oct. 9, at the church, with the Rev. Cecil Weston officiating.

Burial was at Porcupine Presbyterian Cemetery. Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Eleanore Ann "Babe" Garreau

EAGLE BUTTE - Mass of Christian Burial for Eleanore Ann "Babe" Garreau, 85, of Eagle Butte were Friday, Oct. 6. at the All Saints Catholic Church in Eagle Butte. Fr. Brian Lane officiating. Burial was at the Mossman Cemetery under the direction of Kesling Funeral Home of Mobridge.

A wake was Thursday evening at the church in Eagle Butte.

Garreau died Oct. 1, at the Westhills Village Health Care Facility in Rapid City. Babe was born on March 11, 1921, on the old Arpan Place, south of Timber Lake, the 12th of 13 children of Jacob and Nora (O'Leary) Austin. She was very proud of her Irish heritage along with being made an honorary member of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe.

She attended rural schools in Dewey County. She married Sylvester Garreau on July 24, 1937, in Dupree. Babe and Sylvester spent three years working for the Civilian Conservation Corps building dams and roads on Cheyenne River Indian Reservation. After work with the Corps, Babe and Sylvester began their ranching operation thirteen miles south of Timber Lake.

They ranched together for 44 years. During this time they brought two daughters into the world, Donna Mae and Monica Lynn.

After Sylvester's death in 1982, Babe continued to ranch until shortly before her death, with the help of her family and wonderful neighbors.

Babe was incredibly proud of her ranch, her cattle and her fortitude to persevere after her husband's death. She enjoyed nothing more that taking her grandchildren and great-grandchildren out in her pickup to the pasture to check her cows and to educate them about ranching.

She loved to visit with friends over coffee at her kitchen talk and was always known as a wonderful cook. Anyone who visited Babe in her home never left hungry. In addition to ranching, Babe was employed as a Green Thumb Area Supervisor for 13 years.

She is survived by two daughters, Danna Mae (Larry) Anderson of Eagle Butte, Monica (DeWayne) Schmidt of Rapid City, eight grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, four great-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Elda Whalen of Rainier, WA, and Zeta Raisl of Billings, Mont.

Georgelyn Sampson

EAGLE BUTTE - Georgelyn Sampson, 68, Eagle Butte, died Sunday, Oct. 1, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Wake services were. Friday, Oct. 6, at H.V. Johnston Cultural Center in Eagle Butte.

Funeral services were. Saturday, Oct. 7, at the cultural center, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat officiating.

Burial was at Timber Lake Cemetery. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Jonni M. Brewer

PORCUPINE - Jonni M. Brewer, 16, died Oct. 10. Survivors include her mother Yolanda Black Bear, Porcupine; brothers: Lorenzo Black Bear, Porcupine; Mitchell Brewer, Rapid City and sisters Bianca Brewer and Wiyaka Brewer both of Porcupine;

Amber Jeunesse, Ft. Thompson and Robin Brewer, Rapid City.

A two night wake begins Thursday, Oct. 12 at the Porcupine CAP Office, Porcupine.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 14 at the Porcupine CAP Office.

Officiating will be Rev. Chris Collins with traditional Lakota services by Rick Two Dogs Burial will be at St. Paul's Catholic Cemetery, Porcupine.

Funeral arrangements are by Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

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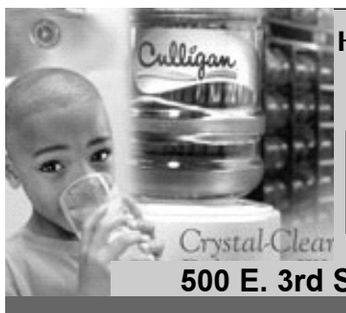
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Happy 5th Birthday to Victoria Shine



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From Uncle Sam Red

Happy Birthday on Oct. 8 to Landon Raye and on Oct. 5 to Victoria Shine from Sam Red & Veronica

Happy Birthday to my sister bro's Mariah Jade Herman & Julie Ann Reddest from your cuz Lakiah Walking Eagle

**Happy Birthday Raven on Nov. 11. Hope you have a good day!
Sky**

Congratulations Pario & Marietta on your new Baby Boy Dario Vasquez III Love Always, Rick & Heather & Crew

I am sending you a birth announcement of my daughter, Rylee Jayne Howe born on 7-8-06 weighing 7 lbs. 9 oz., 19 inches long. Proud parents are Fabian Howe Jr. & Jennifer Big Eagle. Thank you!

Congratulations to Joseph & Gail, on the new arrival, Baby Boy Joe. from K-Town

I would like to say sup? to all my home girls in Evergreen from Pearl LWM in Kyle.

Happy 5th Birthday Victoria on 10/5 from Auntie Tiffany & family

I would like to wish my son, Ryder Plenty Arrows a Happy 1st birthday on Oct. 11, 2006. From your mom, Stacee Bradford

Happy Birthday to Robert Cade Shangreaux on 9-25-06- you're getting old Love you Always, Jody, Caden, Jonna, Melina

Happy Birthday Kristina Rae Clifford Oct. 5, 2006 Finally let's go clubin. Have a great day Katrina

Congratulations to Mario & Ruby Standing Bear on your new baby boy~ Inyan Standing Bear~ From: Rick & Heather Eagle Elk & Crew

Happy Birthday Cassious Apple on Oct. 14, 10 yrs old,Wish you on the best, Love, Mom

Happy Birthday to my sweet little girls Melina Lalia Apple 9-24-06 Jonna Love Apple 10-1-06.L ove you girls, from your mom Jody Shangreaux

**Happy Birthday
Lola Brewer 10/7
Mariah Jade Herman 10/5
Lirio Patton 10/15
Julia Redddest 10/28
Sammi Jo Herman 10/1
April Herman 10/19
From the "K" Town Crew**

Happy Birthday to Jayme Mesteth on 9-27-06 Love You! From Your only, Jody Shangreaux & Caden Cole-Lee Mesteth Jonna & Melina

Happy Birthday to Tamera "Ice Box" Janis on Oct. 15. we didn't forget about you. from: the crew at 301

Happy Birthday to our Mom & Grandma, Beverly Gay on 10-2-06. We love you, from your kids and Grandkids

Congratulations Trina! You've been blessed with one perfect, precious angel! Baby Mya is soo~ Beautiful!!! We are proud of you! love, Mom, Tonna, Quentin, Hobe, Dara, Tawna, Tam, Baby Tanya, and "Kica", Mandi, Connie, Jamie and the rest of your frenz in Hot Springs and Rapid City

Happy Belated 14th Birthday to my son T.J. Has No Horse Love, Mom

Happy Birthday to our two greatest people Vince Mesteth 3rd & Jennifer Mesteth on Oct. 11 & 12th. Love, your best sister Sandra, Brother-in-law Sam & nephews & nieces Sammy,Anna,Matt & Mimi

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Maza Tiopa

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Happy Birthday to the following Witches & Monsters in October:
Carlos Plenty Arrows
T.J Has No Horse
Darshan Longman
Dave Tallman
Cheyenne Tallman
Leslie Ferguson
Tim Longman

This is a Happy Ad to the Lakota Country Times. I'm 84 years old & my wife Alfreida and I celebrated 60 years on our Wedding Anniversary in Pine Ridge in July. Vincent Brewer helped us celebrate. We both went into the Navy in 1942 and I was in Manderson in 1922.. You were the only paper to cover our wedding anniversary.. Thank you, Seth Irving New Mexico

Happy 1st birthday to my son on Oct. 11, 2006 from your father BJ Plenty Arrows

Congratulations! Bo Mesteth & LaToya Wright on the birth of their baby girl, Kaylee Lynn Mesteth 8 lbs. 6 oz on 9/25/06 Best Wishes! Love Sam & Sandra

I'd like to wish a happy Birthday to my son Landon Ray on 10/8/04 your already 2, your growing so fast I love you with all my heart love you dad Shawn Ray

Happy 2nd Birthday



to our handsome son Landon Raye We love you son. Mom & Dad

Happy Birthday to my big brother Landon Ray on 10/8/04 hope you have lots of fun and I love you! your lil sister Layla Marie

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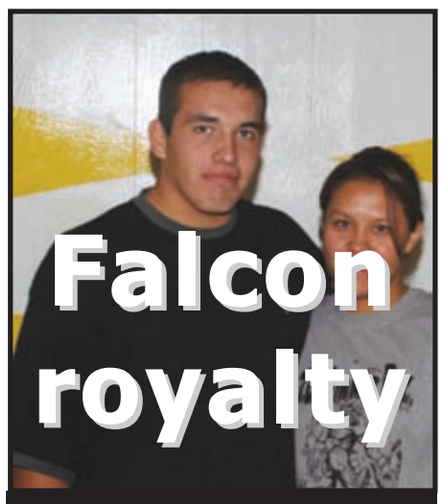
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OSL Housing moves ahead on two new projects

79 homes between two projects to be completed within a year

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - "You know we could use 1,000 new homes, our population continues to grow at a high rate," said Ken Lone Elk, executive director of Oglala Sioux Lakota Housing, "we are finishing up 27 home ownership homes in what we are calling the log house project and we are finalizing arrangements for the 52 Ellsworth units; it is just nowhere enough to meet the need on Pine Ridge Reservation."

For the last several weeks, travelers across the reservation have witnessed the construction of the log house project homes; according to Lone Elk, each district has three homes. The houses are about 1,200 square feet with three bedrooms and a foundation/crawl space.

"We have had to deal with a number of problems, more rain than usual, vendors that were slow to deliver," said Lone Elk, "we are hoping to get the first one done soon and have all 27 done by the end of December."

The original project was funded by a bond and included 45 low rent scattered and 45 home ownership. The 45 low rent scattered were built under a force account process and by the time they were completed there was enough money left for 27 home ownership.

"We would still like to plan on all 45 of the home ownership but the additional 18 will be built based on the availability of funding," said Lone Elk.

Lone Elk presented four plans to the board of directors on how to proceed with the 52 Ellsworth units that have been sitting at the old housing yard in Kyle. The plan accepted by the board included interested

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Victoria Chipps celebrates 90 years

WANBLEE - Surrounded by many of her family and friends, Victoria Chipps of Wanblee, celebrated her 90th birthday at the Wanblee Community Building on Oct. 12..

Originally from the Lodgeskin family near White River in Mission, Victoria married Ellis Chipps (deceased), the composer of the Sioux National Anthem, in 1942. Together they had three sons, Charles, Phillip (deceased), and Benjamin Godfrey. She has 35 grandchildren and 48 great-grandchildren and has lived in Wanblee for 64 years.

Victoria is also the author of Pray from Your Heart, a book about her life and experiences with Lakota spirituality, which sells locally at the Prairie Edge Bookstore in Rapid City.

The food was delicious and plentiful and included fried chicken, beef soup, fry bread, corn, potato salad, blueberry wojapi, and two birthday cakes. Before blowing out the birthday candles, Victoria thanked everyone for coming and said, "I hope you had enough to eat." She then asked everybody, "Are you having a good time?" to which they all answered loudly, "Yes!"

Rosebud Casino revenue up from last year

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Chris Bussey, General Manager of the Rosebud Casino provided a regular update on the casino budget and operations to the RST council on Tuesday morning. The update was broadcast to the Sicangu Nation over KINI FM radio in St. Francis.

He began by noting that the format of his report had changed somewhat. Slot machine revenue was 'up' compared to last. September gross slot income amounted to $961, 162.00 compared to $930,208 dollars during September of last year. The total gross revenue was $1,171,265 dollars, while that figure was $1,131,867 dollars last year. The check to RST amounted to $161,000 dollars.

There were some operating costs that had increased, while the check to RST was up 8 percent. The wages represented 25.8 percent of the budget and Bussey noted that that fact meant that the casino was headed in the right direction.

He then, cited some computer IT issues that needed to be corrected, and some upgrades that amounted to a considerable amount of money. The servers for the new kiosks that will be used by Players Club members were included in that expense. He also pointed out that there were a group of consultants from Minnesota who examined the cage operations and marketing at no cost, however, mileage and rooms had to be provided to them. The consultants hope that the casino will utilize them in the future to fix the problems that they identified.

The casino budget apparently is being prepared for approval and will be taken to RST early next week. Bussey explained that a couple of thefts had occurred at the casino from within; the surveillance camera had recorded the incidents. The individuals had been dealt with, while one had been reported to the state gaming commission and both will be barred from the premises. One had been turned over to Rosebud Law Enforcement Services.

Apparently, some individuals have been eating at the Rosebud Room buffet and leaving the area without paying. Bussey said they will now have customers pay before eating and the new policy was evident during the evening dinner hours Tuesday night.

Antelope council representative, Cyril "Whitey" Scott asked that some form of transportation in the form of a cart be afforded to the handicap that may be unable to walk from the parking lot into the establishment. A community member asked that handicapped space be set aside in the bingo hall.

RST council representative,

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Weston sworn in as new FST chairman

FLANDREAU - Newly elected Flandreau Santee Sioux tribal Chairman, Josh Weston, has been sworn in after having his candidacy challenged in tribal court and in Appellate Court. He won both challenges. Weston won over Mark Allen in the Aug. 1 election by a count of 122 votes to Allen's 109 votes.

Weston was sworn in to office via teleconference by Rosebud Sioux tribal judge, Sherman Marshall from Rosebud at 9 a.m. on Wednesday morning at the FSST council chambers. He was given a star quilt by his mother Belva Weston and his grandmother, Anne Whipple during a reception with food sponsored by the casino and the tribe.

Several employees from tribal programs, community members, the city and tribal police were present to congratulate Weston. A formal reception will be held by the Royal River Casino for Weston on Oct. 19, Thursday at 5 p.m. He was employed at the casino since 1991 as the Director of Security Training in the Security Department.

Ross Swimmer visits Rosebud and Pine Ridge during first snowfall

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Ross Swimmer, Director of the Office of Special Trustee in Washington, DC toured Kyle with Bat Pourier of Muddy Creek Oil of Pine Ridge and then traveled to the Rosebud and checked into the Rosebud Casino Quality Inn on Tuesday night. His itinerary was delayed by the early snow storm which dumped up to 3-4 inches of new snow on the Rosebud. He was accompanied by Jim James, Regional Director of the OST fiduciary office of Albuquerque, N.M.

He was scheduled to drive to Rapid City to attend a meeting sponsored by Office of Special Trustee's Rapid City office and the Dakota Plains Legal Services at the Journey Museum on Wednesday evening.



Ross Swimmer

Swimmer addressed the Rosebud Sioux tribal council on Wednesday morning during an informal meeting with council members present. No quorum had been assembled and it was most likely due to the poor road conditions. He was accompanied to RST council chambers by Jim James, Jim Cordry, Rosebud's OST fiduciary trust officer, BIA superintendent, Cleve Her Many Horse, and Ed Holland, a member of the OST board of advisors.

Swimmer explained the services as offered by the Office of Special Trustee to tribes, the BIA and individual account holders. He said, "Indians never had a trust officer. All banks have a trust officer. In the past, you went to the BIA. That's not the way to run a trust in a business that has 277,000 account holders, and $3 billion in assets….The trust office is here to find heirs, to work with the BIA, and to make sure accounts are correct. He is the go-to guy. We have a call center. Ninety percent of the time we can answer your questions."

He went on to explain that OST now has the technology and software that is available to tribes and the BIA. They can easily pull up records that contain the heirs, probate information and ownership and anything else that affect an account.

RST council representatives Robert Moore, Marian Young-One Star, and Fern Bordeaux-Boltz asked

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Mike Boltz from St. Francis asked Bussey to describe his typical day at the casino. Bussey responded by saying he usually has papers to sign the first thing and then he will collect reports from the night before. He then moves through the gaming floor and will stop at the marketing department as well as the motel and the slot machine area.

RST council representative, Marion Young-One Star, from Grass Mountain community inquired as to the cost of uniforms. Bussey said, "We buy them two shirts and a pair of pants. Security needs more. Employees buy their own beyond a certain point."

Next, a discussion ensued as to whether or not wages were paid on an hourly basis or on a salaried basis to employees. Bussey said, "We are trying to figure out the best way to do that." Representative Young-One Star then inquired as to whether or not the casino hired tribal employees who did not have a G.E.D. Bussey noted that the casino did hire prospective employees who did not have a G.E.D.

Bussey then spoke of the cost to utilize certain professional services at the Quality Inn motel that amounted to $35 thousand dollars for September. Apparently, the septic system required some extensive pumping, including a costly excavation and pipe job.

Council Representative, Russell Eagle Bear, of Norris inquired as to whether or not the casino would be serving a free meal to veterans on Veteran's Day, November 11. Bussey said it was something they would like to do and would get the advertisement out with that announcement.

The regular report included the Quality Inn and the Fuel Plaza. The Quality Inn is apparently paying down its franchise fee and reported that there has been a problem with young people writing graffiti on the bathroom walls. The hotel has a year left on its franchise fee.

Fern Bordeaux-Boltz inquired as to where the fee goes for rental of the meeting room downstairs and Glen Yellow Eagle said that it goes into the management budget. Bordeaux-Boltz said that it should to the Quality Inn.

Emma Mihalcek, Fuel Plaza manager, said that the plaza experienced a very successful one year anniversary celebration and that she was pleased that some of the council representatives had stopped by. She was also working on purchasing an LED sign for the gas prices and was planning some form of outer enclosure for the fuel plaza doors to keep out the wind and rain. Council representative Scott also asked about any kind of promotion for truckers and Mihalcek said she was looking into an incentive for truckers.

Mike Boltz asked for a report on the actual gallons of fuel, while there was some discussion as to the modest increase in the sales of alcohol products. Mihelcek asked if it should be sold until 2 a.m. or discontinued at 12 midnight and would refer that question to the RST liquor commission.

Finally, Fern Bordeaux-Boltz said that she was opposed to tribal members setting aside large blocks of rooms at tribal rates at the Quality Inn. The current tribal rate is $46.80. Eagle Bear noted that a large block of rooms were set aside for the SGU Founder's Day activities and asked for a clarification on the tribal rate.

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Swimmer questions about the Tribal Land Enterprise program, land appraisals and about Bear Butte. Former RST President, Webster Two Hawk, also had a question about dividends and he had submitted the question in writing to Swimmer.

Swimmer said, "We are waiting for a list of the 'needs' so we can provide money and technical assistance. We are happy to support TLE. It needs a new director….TLE is a good program. The Senate Affairs Committee on Indian Affairs staffers are looking at TLE as a model program."

Antelope council representative, Robert Moore, spoke to Swimmer and asked a favor. He noted that the sacred Bear Butte is protected by a bill from the state of South Dakota, but that the Governor allowed the bill to be gutted in favor of a micro-brewery. Moore noted that the new Secretary of the Interior was there riding a Harley in Sturgis and asked that Swimmer take a message back to Washington, DC that Bear Butte is sacred to Lakota people. Swimmer replied, "I read about Bear Butte. I assume the tribe memorialized it with a resolution. I would be happy to take that back to Washington. In deference to the Secretary, he was there. It was his first outreach. Can make it compatible, the encroachment."



The 52 Ellsworth homes at the Kyle housing yard. The homes have now been sold to families and will be moved to the buyer's homesite. Staff file photo.

Housing

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families making a $2,500 down payment and paying $160 a month for 10 years. With the pool of money from the down payments as leverage, housing would be able to negotiate with house movers and a contractor to build a foundation that would include a half basement. Housing would be responsible for closing up the open end of the house.

New homeowners would be responsible for homesites, roads or driveways, water and sewer, electricity and propane tanks.

In August of 2005, during an OST council meeting at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge, questions about lead based paint and asbestos in the glue used to tile the homes were brought up causing concern among both tribal officials and potential homeowners.

"When I first came in I had a company out of Pierre inspect all 52 homes," said Lone Elk, "each home has a number and an inspection certificate, these are good solid homes."

Lone Elk hopes to have the first Ellsworth home moved to a homesite by the end of October with the remaining homes moved throughout this year and into the spring of 2007.

"There has been concern from HUD about any HUD or NAHASDA money being used for this project," said Lone Elk, "I have assured everyone that this is a joint project between Housing and the 52 families, it is a family project, a joint venture with no HUD or NAHASDA money involved."

"There have been so many rumors about this project," added Lone Elk, "we need this one to be completed and we need many others in the future to have any hope of meeting all of the housing needs of Pine Ridge Reservation."

Correction

In last week's *Lakota Country Times* edition in the article titled, 'Deaths mar holiday weekend on reservation," Clint Lays Hard, 21, was listed as dying as the result of an accident while eluding the police.

This information was not correct, he was not eluding the police.

We sincerely apologize to the family of Clint Lays Hard for the publishing the incorrect information regarding his death.

LWS Board election committee seeks judges, tellers

KYLE - The Little Wound school board election committee is looking for judges and tellers to serve during the election scheduled to take place in conjunction with the 2006 OST Election and state and national election on Tuesday, Nov. 7.

Training for election judges and tellers will be held on Monday, Nov. 6. For additional information contact the Little Wound School business office at 455-6171. The school is holding an election to fill three board vacancies.

Child shot in Wanblee, update on reservation deaths

WANBLEE/PINE RIDGE/KYLE/PORCUPINE - Officers of the Oglala Sioux Tribe's Department of Public Safety responded to a call from the Marilyn Charging Crow residence in Wanblee on a report that a child had been shot with a firearm. Preliminary investigation by the officers found that a 10 year old child was handling a firearm when it discharged striking the child in the abdomen.

The child was initially treated at the Wanblee Clinic then was air lifted to Rapid City Regional Hospital for treatment.

The BIA Criminal Investigation division, the FBI and the tribe's department of Public Safety continue to investigate.

The BIA and DPS continue the investigation of the death of Jonni Brewer on Oct. 10 in Porcupine. Reported as a drug overdose last week, the death is now being investigated as a suicide by hanging.

According to the DPS law enforcement, a one vehicle accident was called in at 7:07 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 8. Officers found Clint Lays Hard dead at the scene about seven miles east of Sharps. According to family members, Lays Hard lay at the accident scene for two hours before anyone noticed the accident and called DPS. Information reported last week about the accident happening while eluding a police officer was incorrect.

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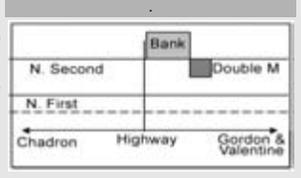


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Todd County rides Mustangs to 28-20 win

Red Cloud, Pine Ridge pick up losses

Lower Brule downs White River, heads for playoffs

By Tom Crash
Times Sports Correspondent

PINE RIDGE/MISSION /WHITE RIVER - Todd County shut down Little Wound's running game and rode the talents of junior all around Gunner Krogman to a hard fought 28-20 win Friday night in Mission. Krogman carried the ball 32 times for 127 yards and two touchdowns and added a 47 yard TD pass to Michael Neiss.

"Gunner proved to be too much for us that night," said Darrell Hunter, Little Wound coach, "we were tied at the half 6-6 and were up 14-6 until late in the third quarter Krogman threw that halfback pass for a TD, then he scored two TDs on the ground and it was tough to stay with them."

Michael Neiss, Todd County's junior halfback, opened the scoring with a 19 yard scamper for a touchdown. Little Wound tied up the game late in the first half when Shilo Pierce grabbed a pass from Johnny Cloud that had been tipped by Neiss and raced 90 yards for a touchdown.

Turnovers by both teams kept stalling the offense and the half ended in a 6-6 tie.

Cloud connected with Devon LeBeau on a 25 yard pass for a TD early in the third quarter and Shilo Pierce ran the conversion in for two points and the Mustangs had a 14-6 lead. Krogman came back in the next series and connected on a halfback pass to Neiss and CJ Spotted Tail hit Byron Gabriel for a two point conversion pass to tie the score at 14 all.

In the fourth quarter, Krogman ran for two touchdowns, a one yarder and one from the five giving Todd County a 28-14 lead. Cloud hit TJ McCauley on a 56 yard pass play for a TD but that was as close as Little Wound got losing it 28-20.

"We struggled to get our running game going all night long," said Hunter, "we ended up with negative yards on the night on the ground and all the pressure was on Johnny to work the passing game."

Krogman led the way for the Falcons as he turned 32 carries into 127 yards and two touchdowns and added the 47 yard pass for a TD, Gunner led the defense with 16 tackles, Canku One Star, a Todd County freshman helped with a fumble recovery and an interception, Chris Rahn had 10 tackles, Jaden Allen one interception and Clay Wilson recovered two fumbles and caused another. Johnny Cloud led Little Wound completing 12 of 30 passes for 298 yards, three touchdowns and two interceptions, TJ McCauley caught five passes for 123 yards and a TD and helped with three interceptions on defense, Brice Hornbeck, caught five passes for 60 yards blocked a punt and led the team in tackles, Oren Three Stars was the second leading tackler and recovered two fumbles and Alvin Tyon recovered two fumbles and Michael Pretty Voice Crane recovered a fumble and had nine tackles.

Little Wound is now 5-2 and hosts Cheyenne Eagle Butte on Thursday afternoon at 1 p.m. while Todd County is 4-3 and hosts Red Cloud Thursday night.



Kansas Middletent, 21, Lower Brule quarterback, heads around the left end on the way to the first of two touchdowns against White River on Monday night. Photo courtesy Randy Bachelor, White River.

Bennett County gets crucial win over Crusaders

Red Cloud was up 7-0 at the half and going into the fourth they were still up 7-6 but the Warriors pulled it out with a strong fourth winning a close, hard fought battle 14-7 and jumping over Red Cloud in the power points and position for the upcoming playoffs.

"We matched up well with Bennett County especially on the ground," said Nick Dressel, Red Cloud coach, "but their passing game was a little sharper and we struggled to slow down Corbin Kratovil, he is a big target and he got some crucial catches."

Billy Scott opened the scoring for the Crusaders with a one yard touchdown run halfway through the second quarter, Sang Jun Park added the point after that gave Red Cloud the lead that held up until halfway through the fourth period.

There were six turnovers in the first half that plagued each team as they tried to build momentum on offense. Andrew Twiss recovered two fumbles, Corey Mills another and Christian McGhee grabbed an Austin Haynes pass for an interception. John Slattery covered a Red Cloud fumble and Andrew Olson intercepted an AB Morgan pass.

Carson Smith finally got Bennett County on the scoreboard late in the third quarter with a five yard plunge for a touchdown. Art Vitalis intercepted the two point conversion pass. On Red Cloud's next possession, Carson Smith intercepted a pass on the Crusader 25 yard line and early in the fourth Clint Sasse ran it over for a three yard TD run. Haynes hit Kratrovil on a pass for the two point conversion to give

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Todd County qualifies boy's and girl's team for state cross country, Takini boys, Eagle Butte girls win regions

Mendoza, Wilson-Pine, Wohlleber, Marshall win region titles

By Tom Crash
Times Sports Correspondent

PHILIP/CHAMBERLAIN/LEAD - Kyla Marshall, a freshman at Todd County, won the Region 5A cross country individual title on Friday in Lead with a 16:34, beating out Custer's Karley Konkel by two seconds and leading her Lady Falcons to a second place finish in the team competition; Marshall gave a hint of things to come this past summer earning three gold medals in the 2006 North American Indigenous Games in Denver.

Alex Wilson-Pine showed that he was ready to defend his 2005 State A cross country title with a strong run Friday winning the Region 5A title in a time of 16:12.44, beating Eamin Entwisle of Hot Springs by 28 seconds. Freshman Marc Whirlwind Soldier, Todd County was fifth in 16:46.97 leading four Falcon runners in the top 20 positions and winning the team title for Region 5A.

Kiko Mendoza led the Takini Skyhawks to the Region 5B cross country title on Wednesday, winning the individual award with a 17:09, easily outdistancing William White Buffalo of Jones County who finished with an 18:11.Mendoza, a sophomore, is the defending State B cross country champ.

Chamberlain hosted Region 4A on Thursday, Cheyenne Eagle Butte's one two punch of Jordan Wohlleber and Jordyn Cook led the Lady Braves to the team title.

Wohlleber finished with a 15:04, the best time of any region while Cook finished with a 15:44. McLaughlin took five of the top seven places in the boy's race to win the Region 4A team title as freshman Ian Wiest took second with a 16:59 to Parkston's Alex Muntefering with a 16:38.

The 2006 South Dakota State cross country championships are set for Huron's Broadland Creek golf course on Saturday, Oct. 21st. Wilson-Pine and Mendoza are both defending champs, both are working hard to defend their title. Wohlleber took fourth in State as a seventh grader, last year she was third and this year has set her sights on a championship. As an 8th grader last year, Marshall took 15th and her team was 6th. Takini boys were 14th two years ago and 6th last year.

Joining Whirlwind Soldier in the top 20 for the team win was Wes Running in 8th, Steve Antoine in 11th and 8th grader Trevor Covey in 16th; Todd County's final two runners included Labradford Bordeaux in 31st and 7th grader Max Grimshaw in 44th.

"We beat Hill City by just one point, 39-40," said Todd County cross country coach, Larry Lucas, "Wes Running did an outstanding job and Steve Antoine really stepped it up along with Trevor Covey, it was a great team effort to win the region."

The top twenty individual finishers qualify for state, additional Region 5A qualifiers included 10th Dallas Two Lance/Pine Ridge, 12th Sean Red Elk/Little Wound, 19th James Pine/Pine Ridge and 20th Jerad Weston/Red Cloud. Additional participants included: Pine Ridge 23rd Albert Cottier, Wilbur Red Elk 30th, Shawn Keith 37th, Red Cloud Henry Crow 24th, Mathew Running Eagle 33rd, Bryer Iron Cloud 35th, Ezra Zephier 45th; Little Wound Julien Siers 25th, Vern Marshall 26th, Todd Phelps 34th.

The Lady Falcons also had four finish in the top 20, in addition to Marshall, finishers included: Julie Bernie 13th, Kylie Wilson 14th, Morgana Running 16th, Arna Two Hawk 23rd and Emmy Her Many Horses 24th. State qualifiers in Region 5A included: Red Cloud Desirae Blacksmith 12th, Saige Pourier 18th and Kayla Weston 19th; Pine Ridge Jessica tall 7th and Christian Janis 11th. Additional participants included: Red Cloud CaSarah Pine 28th, Laree Pourier 32nd, Lariah High Hawk 37th; Pine Ridge Mary Two Lance 22nd, Allie Janis 25th,, Shawna Good Crow 42nd, Aimee Pond 47th; Little Wound Mikayla Mitzel 43rd, Jessica Spotted eagle 45th, Sheila Montileaux 48th, Miriam Lays Bad 49th; St. Francis Earlene Peneaux 38th.

In Region 4A, Eagle Butte's team champs included Ashley Iron Moccasin 5th, Allie Moran 9th, Erica High Bear 15th and Marissa Laundreaux in 20th. Additional participants included: McLaughlin Amy Talks 32nd, Kelli Yellow Earrings 34th, Gina Morrison 35th and Erica Schneider 41st.

For the Region 4A boy's champs, McLaughlin included Anthony Iron Thunder 4th, Cory Yellow Earrings 5th, Brian Taken Alive 6th, Gerald Running Hawk 7th, Sam Iron Thunder 14th. Additional participants included 8th Lucas Comes Flying/Chamberlain, 16th Cordray White Dog/CEB, 28th Matt Uses the Knife/CEB, 31st Canton Egna/CEB, 34th Dyson Lends His Horse/CEB, 42nd Merril Mitchell/CEB, 46th Keith White Bull/CEB.

This year Takini improved their region finish from second last year to first this year. In addition to Mendoza, the Skyhawks included:

Calvin Flying By 5th, Dugan Franco 9th, Keiko Iron Hawk 10th and Sam Mendoza 15th. White River qualified their whole team by taking second and included: Frank Waln 3rd, Bradley Roan Eagle 6th, Brett Iyotte 13th, Jason Lehman 14th, and Fernando Rios 18th.



Region 5A champ, Kyla Marshall, freshman, Todd County.



Todd County's region 5A champs includes Trevor Covey, Max Grimshaw, Marc Whirlwind Soldier, Wes Running, Steve Antoine and LaBradford Bordeaux. Photo courtesy of Double M Photography, Hay Springs, Neb.



Todd County's Region 5A runner ups include Julie Bernie, Emmy Her Many Horses, Kyla Marshall, Morgana Running, Kylie Wilson and Arna Two Hawk, team coaches include Larry Lucas, Steve Her Many Horses and Tonya Whirlwind Soldier. Photo courtesy of Double M Photography of Hay Springs, Neb.

VOTE - NOVEMBER 7



OPINION PAGE

Guest Editorial

Vote yes on Initiated Measure 7

The video lottery referendum in November will put the lottery's future in the hands of the people of South Dakota, who have supported it three times since its inception in 1989.

The issue is known as Initiative 7 on the ballot. It was apparently on the ballot in 2000 and the difference between supporters and opponents have narrowed.

Video lottery has been an important source of income for the state's budget and has represented a significant tax relief for school districts.

Not everyone, however, is happy with the financial impact of video lottery casinos across the state.

Lawyer, Dan Brendtro, of Sioux Falls is behind the effort to oppose video lottery as it is not good for the state's image and social environment.

There are apparently many individual stories of people hooked on video lottery and the resulting problems that it has created for them and it will be interesting to see if those issues overshadow the future of video lottery.

Last year, video lottery brought in $112 million dollars to the state and its loss would cause the state to increase property taxes for landowners.

If voters do turn down video lottery in November, the logical place to turn for those who enjoy gaming would be the tribal casinos and Deadwood. That would create considerable additional slot income for tribal casinos and begin to make a difference in the level of income generated for respective tribes.

As it stands now, many of the smaller tribal casinos are limited to 250 machines and the income from that has most likely leveled off, as is the case at the Rosebud Casino.

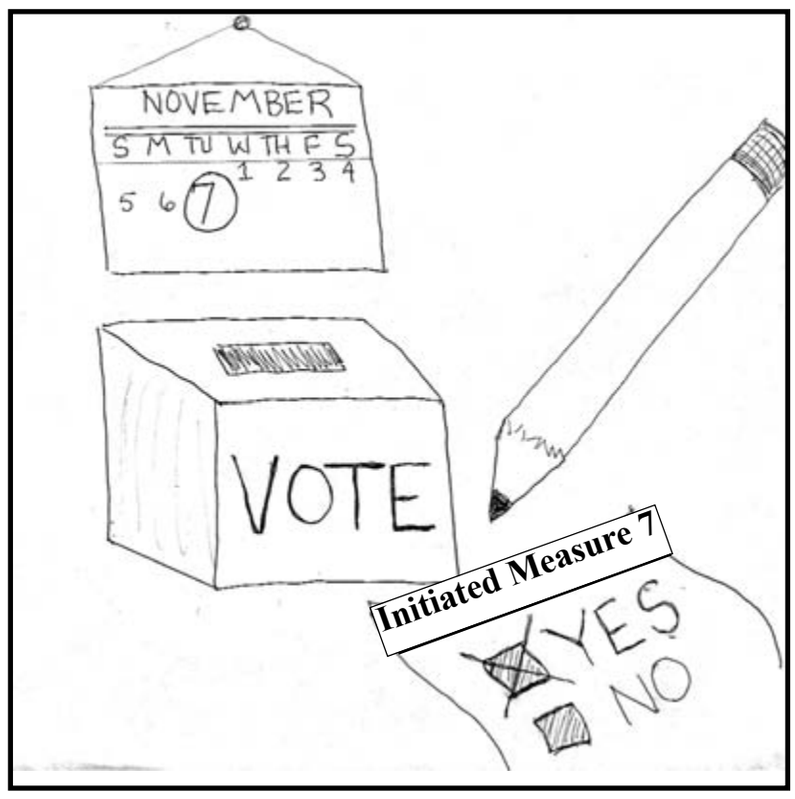
On Thursday, the nine Sioux tribes in South Dakota will form the South Dakota Indian Gaming Association which is concerned that new gaming compacts and additional machines are not being negotiated with Governor Rounds in good faith.

They may support the repeal of video lottery in the state if Rounds is unwilling to negotiate.

Despite the reported issues of problem gamblers, the reality is that a repeal of video lottery will mean increased income for tribal casinos and that is something that Lakota voters need to discuss and decide.

OST council representative, Walt Big Crow was quoted in the *Rapid City Journal* as saying that Lakota voters represent a voting bloc of 10 percent and that if the governor is not willing to negotiate in good faith, then Lakota voters may be asked to vote to repeal video lottery.

When you go out to vote on Nov. 7, vote YES on Initiated Measure 7.



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Other Views

Ghost Canyon near Wanblee is a sacred site, we need to protect our sites

Dear Editor:

With this next election coming up, it is time the Lakota people start concentrating on preservation.

It becomes a vital issue, especially when our moral obligations to Mother Earth become violated. The sorry concern is that our treaty with the United States have been desecrated, and moral accountability have been shoved aside.

Now all entities with ties to our nation are feeling the effects of something gone sour.

It is with humility, how as Lakota we seen our land base diminish through the elected bureaucracy dictating without the voice of the people. Tribal enrollment with its illiterate indoctrination, has brought disruption in all levels of efficiency. Land management is obviously taking bribes, so that our sacred strongholds are impassable to get to, or let alone to pray and worship.

Where is this money invested to? Only those that purchase seem to get the best of the deal. Many thought the objective was to lease so the tribes economy would thrive, and become sovereign.

No, it's others that are prospering, getting illegally enrolled, and regulating our sovereignty and dictating. And they are starting to out-number us, so they can keep those elected in office. Communities under this sort of representation are profiteering illegal products, furthering a form of genocide. There are Lakota's helpless to this fact! Some leave home to quicken death.

This brings to attention a project that will be proposed on all levels of organization.

There is a gentleman in Wanblee, who heads a non-profit organization called Quiver Hill Wildlife and Historic Preservation Society, Ferdinand Romero, says his main mission is to restore, protect and preserve our sacred badlands, wildlife and burial sites within the badlands.

When the Lakota's were put on reservations, they were designated by the United States to live by these so-called barren useless terrain.

Today, these areas possess rich resources, but under natural law are protected by the Lakota for sacred purposes. Because of the powerful aura given in these areas, the Lakota have held the badlands as a sacred region.

In times past, the Lakota buried their dead in secret caverns created by natural erosion. Crazy Horse is said to be buried in such an area.

Ferdinand, has expressed his concern for these areas, because of outside realtors purchasing land and fencing off passage ways to gain access to these sacred sites.

Those that have knowledge of burial sites and place of prayer have passed away.

Ferdinand knows few of the sites and would like to restore passage, so the people will be able to gain knowledge and pray for the dead. A sacred Lakota concept that is all but gone.

A banker from Kadoka, 28 miles north of Wanblee, bought three quarters of patent fee land (illegal ordinance in treaty territory) in the Quiver Hill area. The banker is fencing off access to a sacred site known as Ghost Canyon.

A home has already been built and the banker will not allow anyone into this area.

Ferdinand has inherited land in this area, in which he also has trouble gaining access to.

Veterans and family of deceased veterans from the pine Ridge Agency have been traveling for many years to Sturgis. The National Cemetery holds their Native American program in the early part of the morning.

Sturgis, being over a hundred and some odd miles away, has caused a lot of hardship towards families of deceased veterans. Some never getting there, let alone not making it on time, has really declined in attendance.

Well, in behalf of the people, Ferdinand Romero proposed that he will donate a portion of his land to establish a Badlands National Cemetery. This will be in the heart of our sacred Badlands in the Quiver Hill area.

This will meet the availability of the Lakota Oyate to visit their loved one. Ancient history foretells that the Lakota have covenants to seal for the dead.

This being in the heart and soul of the people, we are obligated to restore and bring life to Mother Earth.

Instead of selling her for purchase. She will retaliate through natural law. O.S.T. Ordinance No. 77-04, Resolution No. 04-05XB.

Reginald Little Killer
Cangleska Luta
Wanblee, S.D.

Other Views

Appalled at Mustang's theme on t-shirts

To the Editor:

I am an avid reader of the Lakota Country Times, and feel its time to step up and respond. When I opened up the second half of the newspaper and saw a picture of a girl with a t-shirt on that said "Jim's boys are Mustang's toys." I was appalled to think someone could be so ignorant to slander the late, legendary Jim Thorpe's name and use it in such a context.

Why not Dave Michaud's boys? These t-shirts show alack of respect for the "world's greatest athlete", you don't know him personally!

Which brings me to another subject I find quite disturbing at Little Wound, SPORTSMANSHIP. Something that's been on a decline ever since Bill Ricketts coached at Little Wound. You can see it in the coaches, players, staff and community.

My son was "set-up" to look like the "bad guy" in an incident during a basketball game last year, when in fact the referees were looking the other way when he was struck by one of Little Wound's players, all the while their crowd was yelling "get him" "get him."

Words cannot describe the "hurt" we felt when we were asked to leave, and he was ejected from the game. I for one, will never go to Little Wound for another sporting event, because you can "feel" the hatred!

I also think Pine Ridge School should not schedule any activities out there.

I am sorry I feel this way, but until someone does something different out there, these feelings will continue! I am Robin Tapio, Ryan Pourier's mother.

Robin Tapio
Pine Ridge, S.D.

Understanding the four colors

Dear Editor:

Editor's Note Francis Apple usually publishes his translations in the Lakota language first and then the next week follows with the English translation. This publication, he requested to publish the English first and then will follow next week with the Lakota translation.***

1. When we as Lakota Oyate say Mitakuye Oyasin in our prayers, we mean the whole creation, including animals and birds, even rodents.

2. We start our prayers facing the west. We address the wakinya oyate (the thunder spirits) and pray for all of mankind.

3. The color towards the west was originally blue, through time, it changed to black.

4. In Lakota culture, we're all related even the animals. We address each other in the way we're related that's why we had so much, honor and respect.

5. Children were taught early on the importance of relationships. Today we just Hey Man, this I believe is why we have so much dysfunctionalism.

6. Then we turn to the north, the color is usually red. We address the wahutopa (the four legged) we call upon the tatanka oyate to hear us.

7. Next we turn to the east, the color is yellow, we address the wanble and the sinte sapela oyate, the eagle and the black tail deer nations.

8. Then we turn to the south, the color is white, we address the hinhan and wanagi oyate (the owl and the spirit nations).

9. Then we turn to the west again to complete the circle.

10. Next we pray towards the heavens, we call upon Tunkasila (the Creator) to ehar our prayers and help us accordingly.

11. Lastly we call upon Unci Maka (Grandmother Earth) to help us.

12. First we address the spirits, then we add our petitions. The color towards Heaven is blue, the color towards the ground is green, sometimes you will see blue and green prayer flags attached to the can waken, the sacred center pole.

The wasicu prays mostly in the horizontal way, the Lakota prays in a sacred circle. I am only sharing this very important information for the ones who don't know our Lakota lifeways and of course our youth.

I have been on Bear Butte and am a veteran sun dancer. I am also one of the last links to the past.

Ho, hecu welo
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Northern Perspectives

A reflection of Referred Law 6



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

The abortion issue that Lakota voters will be asked to make a choice about in November is one of those things that takes a bit of reading and study. Not to mention, a bit of soul searching so that we can feel and know how we stand on the issue personally. The ban will be listed as Referred Law 6 on the voting ballot.

It's feels like one of those complicated issues that one just doesn't feel like facing, like trying to understand the IRS tax code, or something like it. I find myself shying away from issues that seem too long and difficult to understand. Things like commercial codes or zoning laws are meant to be read and sorted out by lawyers, the people who draft such things.

I have not looked at the actual legislation that is going forward for a vote by the people, but I owe it to myself to do that. Since the actual resolution was drafted by legislators, it is likely somewhat complicated also.

I guess I should get on with the purpose of this writing, as I am contributing to the complicated nature of the debate the longer I take to get to the heart of the matter.

South Dakota has entered the national debate on whether or not to totally ban abortions in the state. Currently, there is a clinic in Sioux Falls that performs them and doctors fly in from Minnesota. As you already know, the state is overwhelmingly conservative on most political issues and abortion is one of them.

Most Lakota people are registered Democrats and in a state that is continually at odds with most of the Sioux tribes, it will be interesting to see if we go along with the total ban on abortions. They say "politics makes strange bed fellows" and in this case my sense is that Lakota people will resist the ban.

The total ban means that there will be no exceptions made for those women who are raped or who are victims of incest. If the ban did allow for these exceptions, it might have a chance of being approved by voters.

As it is, even conservative voters in the state often do not like government intrusion in their lives and this is viewed as one of those issues. Added to that is the fact that voters in most others states do not agree with the 'total ban' as it infringes upon the rights of women to choose when it involves personal choice over their own bodies.

There is an exception in the bill that allows emergency contraception within 72 hours; however, it is a Catch 22 because there apparently is legislation that allows pharmacists in South Dakota to refuse to fill such a request.

If the total ban were approved by South Dakota voters, it would still face a costly challenge from national pro-abortion advocates who have the money to take it all the way to the Supreme Court. The law of the land is still the landmark case 'Roe V. Wade' and it is unlikely any challenge to it would be successful.

Lakota voters will privately wrestle with the total ban, as we have a saying 'wakanyeja ki wakanpi' which says that children are sacred. It is one of the foundations of Lakota spirituality, as we also pray for the generations of children who have not arrived. Often in Lakota we pray about those who are coming behind us and who are the unborn. 'Cinsa' or 'teca unkihaka upelo' is the way it is expressed when speaking of the unborn.

The Lakota word 'wakanyeja' is one interesting word as it contains the word 'sacred' right in it and it should prompt every one of us to treat the youth with respect, reverence and proper nurturing. How many other languages contain such a direct reference to children as 'wakan?'

Even conservatives will use such a slogan to reach voters and for Lakota people it is not a slogan. Lakota people will have to acquaint themselves with the issue as to the political reality of daily life so they can make up their own minds. My sense is that we Lakota voters will reject the ban because it is too strict and does not allow women to exercise their own freedoms which are constitutionally guaranteed.

In a state that is conservative, yet produces Democrats such at Sen. Tim Johnson and Rep. Stephanie Herseth, I believe that the people are going to examine the total ban on abortions and decide that it simply goes too far. I would urge Lakota people to study the issue also and make up their minds before the November elections.

Johnson and Herseth have represented the interests of Lakota people well and it will be interesting to see how their positions reconcile with the final vote tally on Referred Law 6 with the way Lakota people vote.

Personally, I am torn just a bit as I have a wonderful child that really is 'wakan' to me as raising him is the one thing I have done correctly in my life. When I pass on one day, I want to be known as a Daddy who made a difference in the life of a child.

Despite my personal dilemma, I will be voting against the total ban in November as it feels too restrictive for women. As a political issue, it should remain in the realm of medicine and a decision made between a woman and her doctor.

It's too bad that it has become a political issue as we sometimes forget what each political party stands for. Republicans stand for small government with less intrusion, no racial quotas, pulling oneself up by their 'own bootstraps', reduced social programs and they represent the middle to upper class populations. The Democratic philosophy represents the lower end of the economic spectrum from the truly needy to the middle class and increased spending programs which target the social needs of the people. They believe in affirmative action, food stamps, low income heating programs, financial aid for colleges, veterans benefit, other funding for the under privileged and for abortion rights.

Notes From Indian Country

Indian contributions to Native American Day irrelevant to white media in South Dakota



By Tim Giago

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For more than 100 years the white editors of the largely white owned media in the State of South Dakota, have had the freedom and the opportunity to push the state governor and legislators to create a Native American Day as an official state holiday.

For more than 100 years they have had the freedom and the opportunity to push the governor and the legislators to make an effort to heal the terrible race relations between Indians and whites in South Dakota by proclaiming a year when Indians and whites could visit each other and talk about their problems, their differences and their commonalities, in essence a Year of Reconciliation.

Those 100 years passed without constructive action by any of the white media because they did not have a vested interest in what happens on the nine Indian reservations in the state. It may not have been because of racial prejudice on their part, but more than likely it was because they just didn't give a damn. Indians were out of sight and out of mind.

Last week South Dakota was the only state in the Union to celebrate Native American Day as an official state holiday. The day became a holiday because the editor and staff of a small, weekly newspaper called The *Lakota Times*, based on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, pushed Governor George Mickelson and the state legislators with countless editorials into making it happen.

It took a man named Lynn Hart, a man of mixed racial heritage, half black and half Indian, to stand before the body of legislators in Pierre, S. D., and read one of the many editorials written by me to that body of lawmakers urging them to create a Native American Day to honor all Native Americans in the state.

It has been 16 years since this happened and it has been 16 years since Gov. Mickelson wrote a letter to the *Lakota Times* telling our readers that he would accept my challenge to create a Native American Day and to proclaim a Year of Reconciliation between Indians and whites. Both actions set precedents and both actions happened because the editor and staff of the *Lakota Times* fought tooth and nail to make it happen. We had a vested interest in our future.

Gov. Mickelson was killed in a tragic plane crash before he could really put the state efforts behind reconciliation or the holiday in motion, but he was big enough to say that neither event would have happened without the consistent urging of the editor and staff of the *Lakota Times.* Gov. Mickelson was my friend and he visited with me two weeks before his death and we talked about how we could make reconciliation work. Since his death not one single state governor or legislator has had the guts to pick up the flag of reconciliation and run with it.

If one was a visitor to South Dakota last week one would never know the history of Native American Day by watching local television or reading the editorials in the largest newspapers in the state.

That's because the South Dakota media executives apparently believe that the Lakota people do not have the intelligence to make anything positive happen in this state. In their minds, the only reason these good things occurred is because a white man was there to get it done. These white media has usurped the success of Native American Day, a holiday initiated by Indians, by rewriting history to make it an event initiated by whites.

At this stage in my life I really do not care who gets credit for these events, but I totally resent and reject the arrogance of the white media in this state because they would push the Indian people that instigated Native American Day and the Year of Reconciliation totally out of the picture and give 100 percent of the credit to a white governor who would not have enacted either policy if he had not been pushed to do so by Native Americans.

Neither Gov. Mickelson nor the media in this State had reason to consider Columbus Day a bad holiday.

They loved Columbus Day because they believed that they would not be here enjoying the fruits of America if not for him. As Indians, we saw it differently. Columbus was not one of our heroes because he was largely responsible for bringing the hordes of settlers to this continent that resulted in the near annihilation of all Native Americans. We had a clear and definite reason to ask the governor to cancel Columbus Day and replace it with Native American Day.

As Indian citizens of this State we are sick and tired of being considered irrelevant when great events are created that advance the positive aspects of South Dakota that eventually lead to improving race relations. As the states largest minority we have been discriminated against in those 100 years while the state media sat on their hands and said nothing. We are proud that a small, Indian owned weekly newspaper accomplished in one year what the white owned media behemoths failed to do in 100 years.

As Lakota people we had a vested interest in improving our lot in this state that was once known as the Mississippi of the North. Our small efforts helped to turn the tide of racial discrimination and opened the doors of dialogue between Indians and whites and we accept this major achievement with pride.

The former *Lakota Times* did in one year what the rest of the media in South Dakota failed to do in 100 years.

And now we ask this same white media not to push us to the sidelines as if our contributions to Native American Day and the Year of Reconciliation were irrelevant. We stood tall and fought for the changes you now celebrate, changes that would not have happened even to this day if it had not been for the staff and editor of the *Lakota Times.*

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Guest Column

It's up to our educators to teach correct history

By Ivan Star

Guest Columnist

The federally recognized Oglala Sioux Tribe is gearing up for another election. As we all know, voting is a democratic principle. In our case, though, it has served only to deceive us into thinking we are participating in a free and equitable government. Regardless of who gets into office, some of us know we will continue to struggle for the next two years.

The politicians, with their high paying salaries and paid mini-vacations, will go on with whatever it is they do. The rest of us will return to coping with our ever-present poverty. Our schoolchildren will continue status quo with their high dropout rates and low academic achievement levels.

I, for one, was fortunate enough to have been a first hand witness to how the public school system took action to address this particular problem in their schools. I understand it and want to help here on the homeland; however, my credibility falls short of public acceptance. In other words, I am a bit too rough and consequently no one listens to me.

Thus, I must make an effort to improve my integrity. I quote the words of Sally R. Wagner, a research affiliate for Women's Resources and Research Center at the University of California-Davis during her visit to Mount Rushmore in 1992; "If I did learn anything about democracy from those stone faces staring down at me, it is that democracy required an educated citizenry."

Wagner continued in her letter to the editor of the *Rapid City Journal*, that while standing under the Shrine of Democracy, the four-face sculpture was imposing and biased, "it was very big and very white." Then she discussed each of the four faces in detail.

Washington, besides being the father of the country, also was a slave owner. In addition, the Iroquois called him "Village Destroyer" from his policy of burning their villages, caches of food, even their fruit trees, during the Revolutionary War… while taking their land to pay his soldiers.

Jefferson was also a slave owner and as history has it, he may have used a black female for sexual pleasure. Historical documents indicate his plan of turning the "Indians," who were living in the way of progress, into little ponytailed replicas of himself through education. This man actually thought India lay to the West, through the Pacific coast.

Teddy Roosevelt is renowned for perfecting the Manifest Destiny scheme. This means he firmly believed that white people are God's chosen people; the "Indian" can be righteously obliterated; they are perpetual pagans and savages. In other words, it is God's will to kill "Indians" and in fact, they need to be removed from the face of the earth.

Abraham Lincoln is allegedly the one good apple. His treatment of racial issues tells another story though. Abolitionists like Harriet Tubman called him the "Pontius Pilate of the slaves". Tubman, an underground railroad conductor, helped hundreds of slaves escape to freedom.

Lincoln ran on a slavery platform and won, however, he turned his back on the slaves under the guise of preserving the Union during the Civil War. His own party eventually forced him into issuing a new version of the Emancipation Proclamation. He had rescinding a proposed proclamation by General Fremont in Missouri earlier in the year.

Along with freeing the slaves, Lincoln authorized what turned out to be the largest mass murder this country is to ever experience. Missionaries were largely responsible for reducing the 300 "tried and convicted" Dakota to 38. The only thing the Dakota were guilty of was defending their ancestral lands, their dignity, and their way of life.

Wagner made a very interesting point; no woman living today can say she helped put any of these four men into public office. Womankind, traditionally perceived the weaker gender, was so much property up until 1920 when they could vote. That specific ideology is not only outdated, it is imbued into Mount Rushmore as the "oligarchy of sex."

In addition, I believe their images in granite are an insult to democracy. Democracy stands for equal political, economic, and legal rights for all humans, inclusive of all races and sexes.

Lastly, Wagner conveyed the words of sculptor Gutzom Borglum, "We are on territory once belonging to the Sioux Indians… we are standing on their very land, for which we never paid a cent - just stole it from them and lied about it."

Now, the question is, what does a person gain from knowledge like this? First, I tend to believe such things, especially when it comes to Native American history. In that sense, the truth becomes obscured and elusive as American historians, scholars, and anthropologists engage heartily in disseminating American-type qualities for the benefit of white people only.

As long as this distortion and concealment of historic truths prevails, it will only serve to undermine the otherwise stately Shrine of Democracy, at least in my opinion. Having learned the hidden history of the men used for this sculpture renders it little more than so much graffiti. I wish I could say otherwise, but that would be hypocrisy.

I cannot participate in this self-aggrandizing ideology for a very simple reason. When a controlling group ignores, omits, or alters historical truths about a minority group for the benefit of the majority, the smaller group suffers extreme and sometimes irreparable harm.

I am guessing that it is entirely up to our own educated scholars. They have to take the initiative with these truths and somehow bring them into the classroom. I have been in that area too and met with resistance regarding my opinions and ideas. Consequently, I left the educational arena because I realized I do not belong there.

I can only toss ideas in that direction and hope somebody will catch one or two of them. Our future as a nation depends on our youth. It will behoove us to raise them to be honest and self-contained by teaching them the truth, especially about their people's history. They do not need to grow up repressed and live the rest of their lives in isolation.

Football action

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Bennett County their 14-7 lead and eventually the game.

"There was just a combination of things that did us in," said Dressel, "some untimely penalties, a muffed punt and an interception, we just couldn't seem to recover."

Clint Sasse finished with 19 carries for 95 yards and a TD, Carson Smith ended up with 13 carries for 53 yards and a touchdown while Austin Haynes was 12 of 25 for 146 yards and two interceptions; Corbin Krativil ended up with seven catches for 86 yards and two points. Billy Scott finished with 23 carries for 86 yards and a TD, Wade O'Bryan had seven carries for 35 yards and AB Morgan was 6/16 for 87 yards and two interceptions.

Andrew Twiss ended up with 11 tackles and two fumble recoveries while Andrew Olson had an interception and a recovered onside kick.

Red Cloud is now 5-2 and travels to Todd County Thursday night while Bennett County is 5-2 and travels to Newell on Thursday.

Lower Brule wins two in three days and heads for playoffs

Following a 56-16 win over Highmore/Harrold on Friday, Lower Brule traveled to White River and wrapped up their regular season with a 52-20 victory over the Tigers.

Kyal Middletent ran for three touchdowns while his brother Kansas rushed for two TDs and threw for three touchdowns as the Sioux moved their record to 6-2 and looked forward to the playoffs. Jimmie Brouse caught two of the TD passes while Will Edwards caught the other.

As of the power points on Monday, Lower Brule was second in Region 4 of 9B behind Harding County and ahead of Faith. If things stay the same, the Sioux would host Faith on Tuesday.

Crow Creek upends Pine Ridge

Pine Ridge hosted Crow Creek Friday night; playing without eight of their starters, including five seniors, the Thorpes struggled all night and ended up losing to the Chieftains 28-18.

Crow Creek scored the first two touchdowns, the first on an Arlen Brother of All one yard plunge and a Terrence Gonzalez two point conversion and the second on a Larry Gayton 26 yard run giving the Chieftains a 14-0 lead. Before the first quarter wound down, Louis Ramos got the Thorpes on the board with a 34 yard punt return for a touchdown. Joe Bissonette brought Pine Ridge within two with a 30 yard run. Ryan Barker closed out the first half with a 20 yard run to give the Chieftains a 20-12 halftime lead.

Gayton opened the third quarter with his second touchdown on a 68 yard pass from Ryan Barker, Gonzalez added the two point conversion. Harley Cortier put up Pine Ridge's only second half score on a one yard run in the third. Neither team scored in the fourth and Crow Creek pulled out a rare 28-20 road win against Pine Ridge.

"We are trying to make a stronger commitment to academics and we are enforcing the weekly eligibility process," said Pine Ridge athletic director Bob Pourier, "if a student has a D or an F on any of their classes at the end of the week, they will be ineligible to play for a week."

Pine Ridge is 3-4 on the season and closes out the regular schedule on the road at St. Francis while Crow Creek is now 3-4 and finishes up Thursday at Mobridge.

With the loss Pine Ridge drops to fourth in 11A Region 4 behind Custer, Hot Springs and Belle Fourche.

FOOTBALL SCORES FROM WEEK SEVEN

LOWER BRULE 56-16 HIGHMORE/HARROLD
CHEYENNE EAGLE BUTTE 54-6 ST. FRANCIS
TODD COUNTY 28-20 LITTLE WOUND
BENNETT COUNTY 14-7 RED CLOUD
CROW CREEK 28-18 PINE RIDGE
TIOSPA ZINA 34-22 WILMOT
LEMMON/MCINTOSH 52-20 MCLAUGHLIN
HARDING COUNTY 52-0 DUPREE
BALTIC 76-22 MARTY
LOWER BRULE 52-20 WHITE RIVER

GAMES THIS WEEK (THURSDAY, OCT. 19TH)

PINE RIDGE AT ST. FRANCIS
RED CLOUD AT TODD COUNTY
CHEYENNE EAGLE BUTTE AT LITTLE WOUND
DUPREE AT LEMMON/MCINTOSH
CROW CREEK AT MOBRIDGE
MARTY AT MONTROSE
TIOSPA ZINA AT WAUBAY/SUMMIT
MCLAUGHLIN AT GETTYSBURG
BENNETT COUNTY AT NEWELL





Above: Gunner Krogman (34) plows through the Little Wound line for a first down Friday night, Krogman carried the ball 32 times for 127 yards and two touchdowns to help lead Todd County to a 26-20 win.

Right: Brice Hornbeck, (85) Little Wound's all state wide receiver makes a critical first down catch Friday night against Todd County. Photos courtesy of Randy Bachelor, White River.

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The Oglala Lakota Nation Vocational Rehabilitation Agency

The Oglala Lakota Nation Vocational Rehabilitation Agency wishes to recognize October as National Disability Employment Awareness Month.

We want to continue to empower our people through employment. If you have a disability and are interested in employment, please contact one of our offices.

Pine Ridge Voc Rehab Office
605-867-2798

Kyle Voc Rehab Office
605-455-1022

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Dennis White Shield, Counselor (Pine Ridge Office)

Morris Brewer, Counselor (Pine Ridge Office)

Jeaneane Zephier-Counselor (Kyle Office)

Joseph Rosales-Counselor (Kyle Office)

Ralph Stover-Driver/Janitor

Friday
October 27, 2006
12th Anniversary
$250 every 15 minutes
1 PM - 11:45 PM
Players Club
Redeem 100 Points for a ticket. Registration opens Oct. 1 @ 9 am
CAKE will be served 6 pm
$2,500!
12 Midnight
Halloween
Tuesday, Oct. 31st
Oh Yeah! Well, there's a Costume Contest for the funniest & scariest each category pays 1st-$400 2nd-$300 3rd-$200 4th-$100 10 pm
Hey! there's $50 cash drawings every 15 minutes 6pm-9pm Players Club Members redeem 100 pts for a Ticket! Registration opens Oct. 17 9 am
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SECTION B

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Two Sections

Batesland veteran's pow wow Nov. 10

BATESLAND - There will be a Veteran's Pow wow on Nov. 10 and 11 at the Bill C-Bear Memorial Gym in Batesland. Grand entries will be at 7 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 11 and Saturday, at 2 and 7 p.m.

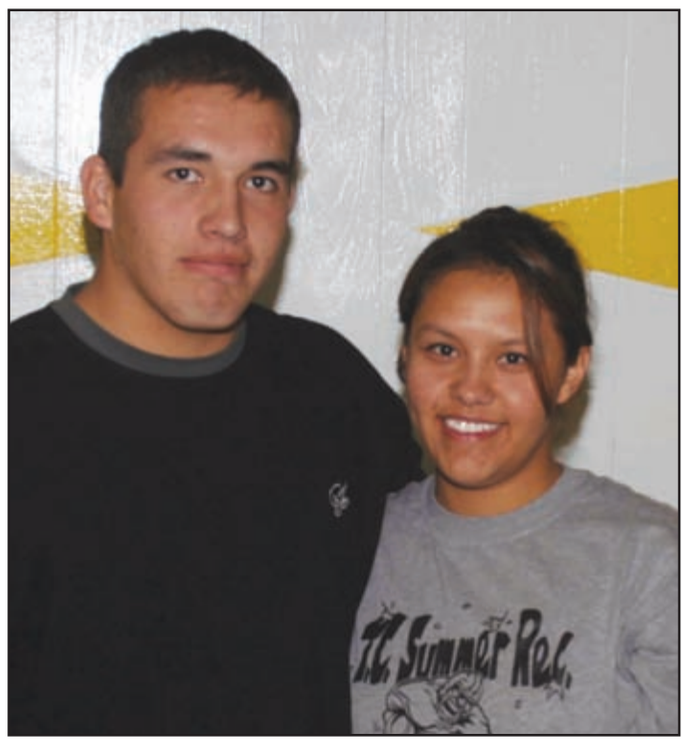
Supper will be served both days at 5 p.m. with an afternoon snack on Saturday. First four drums registered will be paid. Veteran honoring ceremonies and other specials, men's traditional and royalty fancy shawl. There will be a rabbit dance special in honor of Sandra Black Bear. For more information on the pow wow contact Robert and Sharon Two Crow at (605) 288-1873, Wilma Standing Bear at (605) 288-1922, Mel Lone Hill at (308) 862-6332, Sandy Two Lance at (308) 862-6700 and Pat Yellow Hair at (605) 288-0037.

OST children's code presentation Oct. 22

MARTIN - There will be a presentation on the Oglala Sioux Tribe Children's Code on Sunday, Oct. 22 at 4 p.m. at the Martin Grade School Activity Center. A meal will be provided.

Arlana Bettelyoun and Gloria Cournoyer will be doing a presenatation on the five year project of code revision that has now became a draft of the OST Children's Code. The presentation will chronologically show how information was collected to modify the code. Currently the code is out for legal review and will eventually go before the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council for approval.

For more information contact Oglala Lakota CASA Program at 605-867-5643.



TCHS king and queen selected

Christopher Rahn and Tia McCloskey were crowned homecoming king and queen of Tood County High School last week. Rahn is the son of Bernard Rahn of the Mission area. A senior, he plays offensive tackle and defensive nose guard for the TCHS Falcons. He is looking to attend college at one of several area colleges and may play college football. Later, he would like to be a coach. He enjoys the outdoors and said of TCHS, "It is fun. There are alot of interests. Alot of different people and it has been nice to meet everybody." Tia McCloskey is the daughter of Pete McCloskey and Lavera Brave. Also a senior, she plans on attending either BHSU or SDSU to study in the human service field. Tia also plays basketball, volleyball and runs track at TCHS. She said, "TCHS has been alot of fun. I didn't think high school would be so easy. It goes by fast." She wants to return to the Rosebud to help make a difference after college. Photo by Jerry Matthews of DoubleM Photogrpahy.

Pine Ridge High School JROTC host blood drive Oct. 26

PINE RIDGE - Pine Ridge High School JROTC Department is hosting their annual blood drive as their community service project.

The need for blood is constant, and volunteer blood donors contribute to nearly all the blood used for patient care in the United States.

Everyone depends on blood.

Every three seconds, someone needs blood. Patients across the country receive approximately 34,000 units of this lifesaving resource each day.

This year alone, as many as four million patients will require blood transfusions. They may be accident victims, people undergoing surgery, or patients receiving treatment for leukemia, cancer and other diseases.

People who are interested in becoming blood donors and who want to support the Pine Ridge High School JROTC Community Service Project can donate blood on Oct. 26 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. at the Pine Ridge High School gym.

You can make an appointment to donate at this blood drive by calling the Pine Ridge High School JROTC Dept at (605) 867-6401.



Walt Hernandez of the Rosebud BIA Fire Department underwent three days of training along with his 14 fellow firefighters. The training was sponsored by Northtree Fire International of Marysville, CA. The leader instructor, Mitch Ward,said that the Rosebud firefighters were 'the best' that he had trained in the BIA and that the community should be proud. Photo by Archie Beauvais.

Northtree International trains Rosebud firefighters

'Everything about them is top notch'

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Northtree Fire International is a recognized leader in training firefighters. Located in Marysville, Calif., the company recently contracted with the Bureau of Indian Affairs to train firefighters on the Rosebud. The company is able to customize its training based upon the training needs of a particular fire department. The training can include live fire, rescue and confined spaces, disaster response, wildland fire and incident management.

The three areas of focus that the company specializes in include emergency response, education and training and logistical support.

The third day of their training on Tuesday, Oct. 17 saw the access road to the Rosebud Fire Department blocked off, while the Mobile Live Fire Trainer was backed into the north parking lot. Despite the cold and blustery day, there appeared to be a lot of activity occurring as firefighters could be seen entering and exiting the mobile semi-tractor trailer.

Mitch Ward, the lead instructor for the privately owned broad based company noted that the training was a modular certified program that will lead to certification as a Firefighter Level 1 as defined by OSHA and the National Fire Protection Association. The next time the company comes out to Rosebud, it will be to complete the level 1 training.

The Rosebud firefighters trained in the mobile unit which provides a live fire environment utilizing customized scenarios. The features of the unit include a kitchen, bedroom, basement, garage, and hazardous materials in which firefighters will face a different set of scenarios.

The unit also includes a hallway, a bedroom, a stairwell and also an area that can be simulated as a basement.

Ward said that during such scenarios, the unit is completely dark and two firefighters must enter as a team, while two other firefighters must remain outside in case they must be rescued.

The other two instructors who accompanied Ward were Roger Zanca and Mike Bounazian. The company is considered an actual 'fire brigade," Ward said, "We do contract training and go out on 'strike teams' for the state and federal government." It has several divisions and has some 70 employees.

The company has a very attractive website which is easy to navigate and which explains its equipment, capabilities, and specialized divisions.

When asked about the Rosebud firefighters, Ward said, "You guys have a great group. Everything about them is top notch. They are in great shape and have a great attitude. We are constantly sharing with them in order to improve their performance.

Ward continued, "These guys are very professional. The best trained in the BIA. They are a good example and are eager to learn. I wished I could clone them."

Looking Horse selected for peace award

GREEN GRASS - Arvol Looking Horse was honored this week at the United Nations headquarters in New York for his work in encouraging world peace.

"Chief Arvol Looking Horse was chosen because he's one of the great peacemakers of our time," said Alison Van Dyk, executive director of The Temple of Understanding, a non-governmental organization with UN status, which is presenting the award.

Looking Horse was selected as a recipient of the Juliet Hollister peace award. Past recipients of the peace award have included the Dalai Lama, Nelson Mandela and Queen Noor.

This year's Hollister honorees also include the late Daniel Pearl, a Wall Street Journal reporter, and the Venerable Yifa, a Buddhist nun who is chairwoman of the Department of Religious Studies at the University of the West in California.

The honorees were selected because they all overcame adversity in their lives.

Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

Kiyaksa Waci Oklakiciye meeting
A Kiyaksa waci Oklakiciye powwow meeting will be held Oct 29 at 3 p.m. in Martin at 407 Dorothy St., the yellow house, please attend the meeting if you are part of the committee, we are planning for the upcoming powwow and events for more info call MJ at (605)441-6538 or Marcel at (605)455-2690.

Wopila Dinner
The family and friends of Carole Crazy Thunder-O'Rourke will be sponsoring a Wopila meal for Pine Ridge Village residents for your support on Oct. 3, and continued support for the OST general election, Saturday, Oct. 21 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Billy Mills Hall.

OST Commodity Distribution
Thursday, Oct. 19 in Oglala, for information call 867-5511

Breast Cancer Awareness Walk
Thursday, Oct. 19 in Kyle at the Our Lady of the Sorrows Catholic Church Hall at 1 p.m., refreshments provided and a limited amount of t-shirts available, for information call Karen at 867-5655.

Oyate Teca Project
Thursday, Oct. 19 at the Pass Creek CAP office in Allen from 1-4 p.m. to do new enrollments, update family cards and photo retakes for info call 455-2344; Friday, Oct 20, LaCreek Cap from 1-4 p.m. and Monday, Oct. 23 at the Wounded Knee Community Building from 1-4 p.m.

Honoring Veterans Wacipi
Friday and Saturday, Oct. 20 and 21 in Sioux Falls at the W.H. Lyons Fair Grounds, 12th Street and Lyons Avenue in memory of Roger Andal, grand entries set for 7pm on Friday and 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Saturday, for information call 334-4060.

State High School Cross Country
Saturday, Oct. 21 in Huron at the Broadland Creek Golf Course with the B girls at 12 noon, A girls at 12:30 p.m., B boys at 1 p.m., A boys at 1:30 p.m.

Voter Registration Deadline
Monday, Oct. 23 is the deadline to get registered for the state and national elections, for information contact the county auditors office in Hot Springs/745-5130, Martin 685-6931, Kadoka 837-2229 or Winner.

OST Council Meeting
Tuesday, Wednesday, Oct. 24 and 25 in Pine Ridge at the Red Cloud building in the council chambers.

Weekly Flu Clinics
Tuesday and Thursdays starting Oct. 24 and running through Nov. 30 in Pine Ridge at the Public Health Nursing building for adults only from 1-5 p.m., for information call 867-3297.

OLL Halloween Carnival
Friday, Oct. 27 at Our Lady of Lourdes School in Porcupine from 5-8 p.m.

Annual Bazaar
Sunday, Nov. 5 at St. Isaac Jogues Church/Mother Butler Center in Rapid City from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. arts and crafts, quilts, plant booth, baked goods, children's games, bingo, food concessions and raffles, for information call 343-2165.

Women's Conference
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 3-5 for the 2006 First Nation's Women's Conference at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City.

Tribal, State, Federal Election
Tuesday, Nov. 7 is election day for tribal, state and national elections, polls open for state and national elections from 7am to 7pm while polls for tribal elections open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
School pow wow on Thursday, Nov. 9 at Loneman School in Oglala with grand entries at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with supper set for 5 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 17 at Porcupine School with grand entries at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m.

Pow wow and Art Show
Lakota Red Nations 9th Annual Pow wow and Art Show, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 24 and 25 in Gordon, Neb. at he Gordon City Hall with grand entries set for 7 p.m. on Friday and 2 p.m. on Saturday.

AA Meetings
Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

School Events

Thursday, Oct. 19
Second quarter begins
8 a.m. - Renaissance Place - Testing (provided by Technology Department)
9 a.m. - Community pictures in auditorium
3:30 p.m. - Renaissance Place - Testing (provided by Technology Department)
3:30 p.m. - Middle School Girls Basketball at OLL
Senior Class Post Planning Seminar in Rapid City

Friday, Oct. 20
NO CLASSES
NO WORK- CATEGORY 1
4 p.m. - High School Football game vs Eagle Butte

Saturday, Oct. 21
High School State Cross Country meet
Calendar of activities for the week of October 23 - 28
K-5 RED RIBBON WEEK

Monday, Oct. 23
8 a.m. - Starall Site for Emergent Readers (provided by Technology Department)
3:30 p.m. - Internet Search Engines (provided by Technology Department)
Middle School 21st Century Tutoring
6th Grade Wellness

Tuesday, Oct. 24
8 a.m .- Power Point Intro.
3:30 p.m. - Email Intro.
3:45 p.m. - Middle School Staff Meeting
4 p.m. - Little Wound School Network Intro.
5 p.m. - 9 p.m. - Family Literacy, Fitness & Prevention in auditorium
6 p.m. - High School Volleyball @ Edgemont
7th Grade Wellness

Wednesday, Oct. 25
8 a.m. - Word Intro.
3:30 p.m. - Excel Intro
3:45 p.m. - Middle School Girls Basketball Game vs Pine Ridge
Middle School 21st Century Tutoring
8th Grade Wellness

Thursday, Oct. 26
8 a.m - Using Views/Zoom
3:30 p.m. - Word Headers and Footers, Reference
4 p.m. - 7 p.m. - PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Friday, Oct. 27
8 a.m. - 12 p.m. - PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES
Sobriety Dance

Middle school volleyball team captures Big Foot B champ title

KYLE - The Little Wound Middle School Volleyball team captured the Championship Title at the 2006 "B" Team Big Foot Conference Volleyball tournament held at Wolf Creek School Oct. 2, 3, 5, and 6.

The Team began their season with ten 7th graders, six 6th graders and four fifth graders.

The girls are instructed that education comes first; if they do not keep up with their schoolwork they will be ineligible for the following week. So with keeping up with schoolwork and practice Monday - Thursday, some girls dropped off the team.

Practice began on Aug. 28. The first week of practice was focused on conditioning the girls along with some fundamental volleyball skills. The team was then drilled on their serving and setting techniques, which paid off at the end of the season.

The team finished the season with a 10-0 record. Each game is scheduled for the best out of three games; these girls had won the first two games of each game, not requiring going into a 3rd game.

The only exception was during the Championship Game against the Red Cloud Lady Crusaders, with Little Wound winning the first game, Red Cloud winning the second game and Little Wound winning the rubber back match with a score of 15-10 to take home the Championship Title.

These girls did an outstanding job all season. They received great compliments from various schools and spectators throughout the season and at the tournament. They really set an example of how to work as a team on and off the court.

Courtney LaMont and Briittny Has No Horse were All-Tourney recipients and Alaina Brown Bull won the MVP honors.



Standing: Brittny Has No Horse, Courtney LaMont, Alainna Brown Bull, Martina Old Horse, Marissa Around Him, Lexie Amiotte. Kneeling: Danielle Mesteth, Frances Around Him.

Little Wound Junior Mustangs winding down with 7-0 record

KYLE - The Little Wound Middle School Football team has had an outstanding season this year. They are winding down their undefeated season with a 7 - 0 record and will be participating in the play-offs this week.

Coach Grady Brunsch said, "The 2006 Jr. Mustang football team can be defined with one word: character."

"Last season they lost every game but one, but this year finished the regular season with a perfect 7-0 record. Along with character they have shown lots of heart, discipline and good sportsmanship as they progressed through the season. We take things one game at a time and take every team very seriously."

He added, "Chris Janis and Brian Hopkins have joined together with head coach Grady Brunsch to coordinate this group of tremendously talented young athletes. The kids are so tough, quick, and "football-minded" that coaching has been quite an easy job. It'll be interesting to see these young men in the next four years as they get into high school ball."



The following is the record for the LW Jr. Mustangs:

Little Wound, 48
Wounded Knee, 12
Mustangs 36, Wolf Creek 12
Mustangs 32, Red Cloud 12
Mustangs, 36, Crow Creek 6
Mustangs and Todd County foreited
Mustangs 63, St. Francis 12
Mustangs 18, Pine Ridge 6

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Pine Ridge IHS Public Health Nursing OCTOBER 2006 FLU CLINICS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday

24 Tuesday
WKCC
12 pm-2 pm Kids Only
Porcupine Clinic
11am- 3 pm
PR PHN Office
1 pm-5 pm Adults only

27 Friday
COHEN HOME
10 am - 12 pm

30 Monday
Oglala
11 am-1 pm
Brother Denny Hall
Manderson CAP
11 am-1 pm
Red Shirt Village
10 am-2 pm

31 Tuesday
Porcupine
Immunization & Flu
Clinic 11 am-3 pm
PR PHN Office
1pm - 5 pm Adults only

ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

What is your view on Amendment E?

Concerned Citizen

Dear Concerned Citizen:

The amendment alarms me. I had to research the amendment to seek the bottom line, and here is part of the wording: No immunity shall extend to any judge of this State for any deliberate violation of law, fraud or conspiracy, intentional violation of due process of law, deliberate disregard of material facts, judicial acts without jurisdiction, blocking of a lawful conclusion of a case, or any deliberate violation of the Constitutions of South Dakota or the United States, notwithstanding Common Law, or any other contrary statute.

It does not end with the prosecution and civil lawsuit doors for just judges. It also opens doors to school boards, city councils, county commissions, parole boards, prosecutors and judges or anyone who makes judicial decisions

The problem is very simple. We already have legislation in effect that holds judges and others involved in judicial processes responsible for violation of the public trust.

Judges are liable and can be arrested for illegal acts,including the impediment of justice. If a judge is taking bribes, there are already laws in effect to prosecute them.

The same is true for all other citizens involved in judicial decisions. This legislation is expensive and redundant. It probably will be challenged, and, if passed, it will be found to be unconstitutional at the expense of the tax payers of the State of South Dakota.

It also will be found to create a really big mess for liability insurance carriers.

It would become cost-prohibitive for personal liability insurance coverage for all people in the field of making legal decisions.

I have a very strong repugnance for "worst-case scenario" legislation. There is an assumption behind this legislation that judges, prosecutors, attorneys, parole boards, school boards, council members, etc. need to be policed with the threat of civil lawsuits, punitive damages and prosecution for their actions. There is an assumption that they are not holding the public trust. It would set up a grand jury that reviews and determines prosecution for legal decisions.

It would be VERY EXPENSIVE and isn't necessary. If a judge makes an illegal ruling there is an appeal procedure that disallows illegal verdicts. A judge that finds himself/herself constantly having their findings overthrown won't have a very long career. We also have similar opportunities to stop or reverse any unconstitutional laws or ordinances made by any legal body. Please also understand that if a judge or other judicial process person takes a bribe he or she will be prosecuted under existing laws.

Save the State of South Dakota money and time. Don't subject your good judges, councils and boards to unnecessary or unwarranted investigation. This would happen, as it places the courts into the political arena.

Unpopular decisions would be castrated and judges punished for decisions that they deem in alliance with the public trust. In 99.9 percent of the cases, no illegal activities would be found, but the cost would be great both in time and money.

For protection against criminal activity within our judicial system, use the legislation that already exists.

It's there for a reason and it is adequate and constitutional and doesn't cost the taxpayers a dime for implementation.

Dear Anna,

I met this guy and well he says he loves me and I just don't know what to do because he lied to me and to my face.

I love him I think because its only been me and him for like four months and plus I'm leaving school here in Utah and he is going back to Denver. If someone I gave my heart to hurt me this bad, do you think I should still talk to him? I told him I didn't want to talk to him after I went back home because he hurt me so bad you know.

Well, I want to know if I should still talk to him after I go home, I love him still but he hurt me you know. What seems the best, let me know. *Hoka...pilamiya.*

Wondering if I should talk to him or not

Dear Wondering:

What you are really asking me is: If I talk to this guy again, will I get hurt? Well, chickadee, it depends on what you expect.

Do you still expect him to be your "fantasy man?" I'm talking about the man you had a relationship that was all in your head. You know, the sweet gentle, loving caring, madly-in-love-with-you man.

The man that doesn't exist? First of all, accept responsibility for your part in creating a relationship that wasn't going to last forever.

Secondly, responsibility does not mean guilt. It is not because you aren't pretty enough, nice enough, smart enough, funny enough, or you have or don't have an opinion; it is because you are you and he is the real him and the two of you are not destiny. What do you expect from him? Most men, when they move on from one relationship to another will sooner or later contact their ex.

They do that when they face rough waters or termination of their current relationship and they are horny. It's not a trap...it's life. Generally, in my life, if I have been "through it" in a relationship, I chose to remember what it felt like and determine that I don't want to do that again - ever. The problem here, for you is simple. You always did care more for him and expect more from the two of you together than he ever did.

Mis-alignment of allegiance leads to victimization. You both have to be of the same mind to create a life together equally. Otherwise, the one not in that much love, will betray and hurts the lesser member of the relationship.

You can talk to him, that doesn't hurt...but don't expect happily ever after - because it ain't happening or it is...but not with him.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests may be subject to publication.

Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

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The Rez Firefighter (Peta Usniyapi)

By Beaux Beauvais



Frybread By Thom Little Moon



Snoman By Thom Little Moon



Lakota Crossword Puzzle

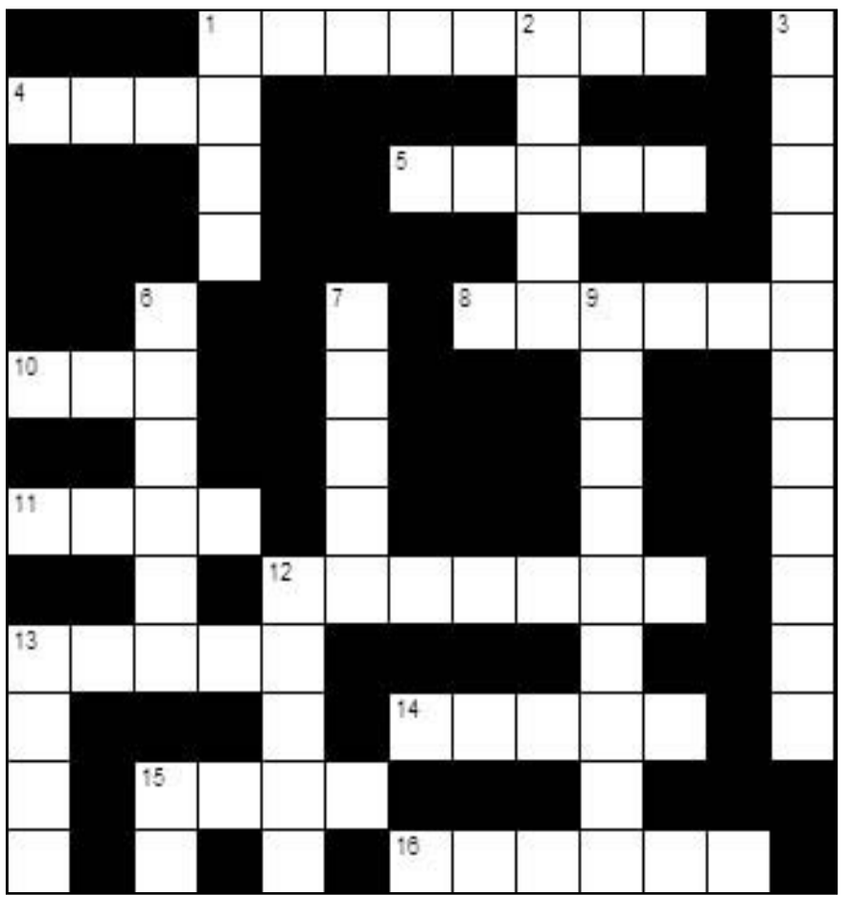
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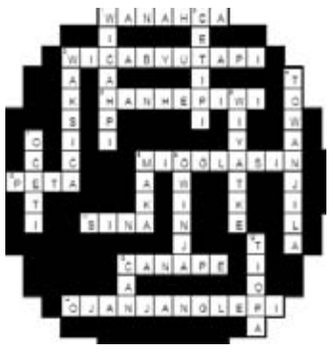
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4. skunk
5. one
8. eagle
10. grease
11. red
12. seven
13. dog
14. three
15. four
16. elk

Down

1. bear
2. two
3. spotted eagle
6. five
7. deer
9. nine
12. six
13. black
15. blue



Answers from last week's puzzle



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Floyde G. Brown, 57.....Wanblee
Harvey D. Beauvais Jr., 41 ..... Mission
James. T. Eagle, 51..... Pine Ridge

Amelia H. Bush

PORCUPINE - Amelia H. Bush, 85, Porcupine, died Saturday, Oct. 14 in Denver. Survivors include three sons, Ron Bush, Porcupine, Bill Berg, Denver, and Jim Berg, Thornton, Colo.; one daughter, Marilyn Sanchez, Thornton; and two sisters, Ella Good Crow and Margaret Red Eagle, both of Porcupine. Wakes services are Oct. 19, at Christ the King Church Hall in Porcupine. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 20, at the church hall, with the Rev. Chris Collins officiating. Burial will be at St. Paul's Catholic Cemetery in Porcupine. Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Maurice Archambault

MCLAUGHLIN - Maurice Archambault, 76, McLaughlin, died Monday, Oct. 16 at SCCI Hospital in Mandan, N.D. Arrangements are pending with Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge.

Candace J. "Candy" Yellow Cloud

PORCUPINE - Candace J. "Candy" Yellow Cloud, 36, Porcupine, died Sunday, Oct. 15, in Scenic as a result of an automobile accident. Survivors include her husband, Virgil Yellow Cloud Sr., Porcupine; three sons, Kandan American Horse, Porcupine, and Brennan American Horse and Virgil Yellow Cloud Jr., both of Rapid City; one brother, Pete Stands Jr., Manderson; and one sister, Cynthia Stands, Manderson. A two-night wake will begin at 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, at Porcupine CAP Office. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, at Porcupine CAP Office, with the Rev. Patrick Barker and Deacon Ben Conquering Bear officiating. Burial will be at St. Julius Episcopal Cemetery in Porcupine. Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

David Flying Hawk

ROCKYFORD - David Flying Hawk, 58, Rockyford, died Monday, Oct. 16 at Bennett County Health Care Center in Martin. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

He is survived by a son Ivan White Butterfly, Manderson; a daughter Renee Yellow Boy, Scottsbluff, Neb.; sisters Kathryn Richards and Marcella Flying Hawk-Cottier both of Pine Ridge Prudy Flying Hawk of Alliance, Neb., Verna Delatore of Martin, and Geraldine Jarrett of Denver, Colo.

A one night wake services was Oct. 18 at St. Agnes Church Hall in Manderson.

Funeral services were Thursday, Oct. 19 at St. Agnes Catholic Church Hall in Manderson. Officiating was Rev. Chris Collins with burial at St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery, Rockyford.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Floyde G. Brown

WANBLEE - Sgt. Floyde G. Brown, U.S. Army, 57, California; formerly of Wanblee, died on June 4, 1976, and will be re-interred at Black Hills National Cemetery. Floyde was born on Nov. 4, 1919, to David and Alice (Goes In Center) Brown, in Wanblee, SD. He graduated from Oglala Community School/Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. He furthered his higher education by attending Haskell School Institute, Lawrence, KS, majoring in Business.

He was involved in Sports-Boxing and he was a musician specializing on the saxophone. Floyde G. Brown enlisted into the U.S. Army at Fort Warren, WY, on Dec. 1, 1940, and was promoted to Sergeant. He proudly served his Country until Dec. 12, 1945, during the World War II Era.

During this time, he was significant in the 442nd Bombardment Squadron and the 320th Bombardment Group. SGT Floyde was awarded 2 Bronze Air Medals and the Honorable Service Lapel Button WWII. He also received Service Stars: American Defense Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign and the WWII Victory Medal. The family of Floyde that remains is his niece, Dora Maggie Brown, Wanblee, and her three sons, Stanley (Sandra) Young, Sr., and family; Edward (Gloria) Bartlett and family; Bill and Arlette Lamont and family; Ruth Brown, (Stanley) and Valerie Wooden Knife and family; (Todd) and Linda Lamont and family; Linda has 10 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren and adopted sons and daughters; One Horn family, Justin and Rena Thin Elk family; Clarence Yellow Hawk and family; and Thomas Bubba Yellow Hawk. It was the family's wishes to have SGT Floyde G. Brown brought back to South Dakota to have a respectable and deserving military service with honors. The Oglala Sioux Tribe, of which Brown was a member, has made this long-awaited burial possible.

Memorial services were Fri. Oct. 13, at Serenity Springs Funeral Chapel in Rapid City with Rev. Simon Looking Elk and Rev. Frances Cutt and Brothers officiating.

Interment was at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis, with military honors by the V.A. Black Hills Intertribal Color Guard of Hot Springs, the American Legion Post 310, D.L. Quick Bear, and the American Legion Post 269.

Harvey D. Beauvais

MISSION - Harvey D. Beauvais, Jr. ,41, died at the Rosebud Hospital on Oct. 6 after a three year illness.

His nickname was "Coogie" and he was preceded in death by his parents, Harvey D. Beauvais, Sr. and Ladora Compton-Beauvais of Antelope community on the Rosebud.

He was born on Nov. 15, 1965.

Wake services were held at the Harold Jones Episcopal building on Monday, Oct. 9 and funeral services held on Oct. 10. Fr. Webster Two Hawk and Fr. John Spruhan with interment at the Trinity Cemetery in Mission.

The Holmes Funeral Home of Valentine, Neb. was in charge of arrangements.

James T. Eagle

PINE RIDGE - James T. Eagle, 51, died Oct. 8 at Casper, Wyo. (formerly of Pine Ridge) of natural causes.

Survivors include daughters: Gladys Eagle, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.; Katie Eagle, Fayetteville, N.C.; mother Doris Eagle, Pine Ridge; brothers Leon Eagle, Pine Ridge; Darrell Eagle, Oglala; sisters Darla Eagle and Dorothy Eagle both of Pine Ridge; Carol Lewis, Tempe, Ariz.; Joann Black Feather, Phoenix, Ariz.

Grandchildren Fire Eagle Clibe of Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., and Nolia Dreaming Bear of Fayetteville, N.C.

A memorial service will be 10 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 21 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Pine Ridge.

Officiating will be Rev. Steve Sanford, SJ. With traditional Lakota Services with John Red Feather

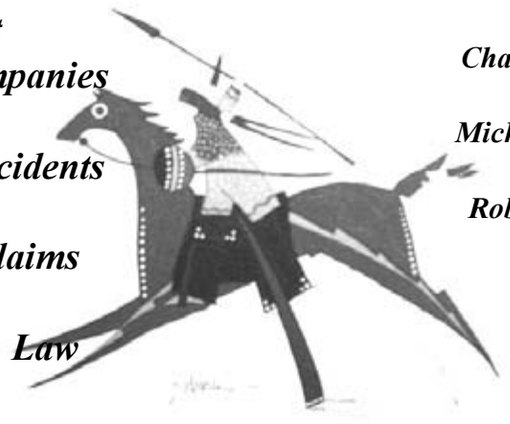
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Duties: Locate local, eligible study participants; organize and participate in research project data collection; maintain all required documentation; accuracy and timeliness; collaborate with other project research assistants; and other duties as assigned.

Qualifications: MS Office Suite preferred; flexibility in work schedule (some evenings/weekends); professionalism and observation of confidentiality and appropriate communication; detail oriented and efficient; some knowledge and interest in HIV-prevention or school-based programs, research experience preferred; knowledge of Lakota language and culture preferred.

Minimum Requirements: Bachelor's degree or equivalent work experience; computer experience; valid driver's license, reliable personal vehicle, proof of auto liability insurance, and willingness to travel reservation-wide, and occasionally out of state.

Salary Range: $28,500 - $31,000, commensurate with experience

To Apply: Send a cover letter, resume, and names of three references to: PRA-WTW-FW1 Search Committee, Mail Stop F800, PO Box 6508, Aurora, CO 80045-0508. Please indicate "WTW-FW search" on the resume or cover letter.

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Little Wound School Board
P.O. Box #500
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605-455-6150
Fax #: 605-455-2340

INVITATION FOR 401(K) AUDIT PROPOSAL

Little Wound School Board is seeking a 401(k) Audit proposal for the plan year ending August 31, 2006.

Sealed proposals will be opened and acted upon at the Budget meeting on Monday, November 20, 2006. Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or to waive any informality and to accept the proposal that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound School.

Closing date for sealed proposals is 2:00 pm on Friday, November 17, 006.

Please submit proposals in a sealed envelope marked "Audit Proposal" to the School Business Office or the following address:

Little Wound School, Paula Pourier, Business Manager, P.O. Box #500, 500 Main Street, Kyle, SD, 57752-0500. For more information you may contact Paula Pourier at 605-455-6173.

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P.O. Box #500
Kyle, South Dakota
605-455-6150
Fax #: 605-455-2340

INVITATION FOR AUDIT PROPOSAL

Little Wound School Board is seeking a Financial Audit proposal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006. Little Wound School is a P.L. 100-297 BIA Grant School with an estimated annual budget of $12,000,000.

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The Prairie Wind Casino is soliciting proposals for auditing services for the accounting period ending December 31, 2006

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The proposal must state your understanding of the work to be done and must include the qualifications and experience of your firm and staff. A copy of your firm's latest quality review letter must be included in your proposal.

If applicable, minority and Indian preference must be requested in the proposal.

Cost will not be the only determining factor in awarding the proposal. The Prairie Wind Casino reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Proposals must be sealed and postmarked by October 31, 2006, at 5:00 PM. Please address to: ATTN: Controller's Office - Audit 2006 Bid, Prairie Wind Casino, HC 49 Box 10, Pine Ridge, SD 57770.

Call 605-867-6300 Extension 134 for more information.

LOWO Board of Directors Positions

The Lakota Oyate Wakanyeja Owicakiyapi (LOWO), Oglala Lakota Integrated Child Welfare Services, is seeking four board positions, one each for the following districts: Lacreek, Medicine Root, Porcupine and Pass Creek that will govern the OST chartered organization. Regularly scheduled Board of Directors meetings are held quarterly, and more often if necessary.

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Required attachments to the application include:

- **3 letters attesting to Sobriety for at least 5 years**
- **Alcohol/drug test**
- **Tribal enrollment**
- **Three letters of references**
- **Letter of Intent**
- **Completed Application Form.**

A background check will be required for all applicants.

If you are interested in serving in a strength-based way as a team player with true vision for the children of our tribe, please call 867-5752 if you have any questions or need more information.

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Alcohol Treatment Program
Rosebud, South Dakota 57570

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Applications can be obtained by calling:
The Rosebud Sioux Tribe Personnel Department
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Little Wound School
Kyle, South Dakota

JOB VACANCIES (10-17-06)

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HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a completed LWS employment application to: Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD-214 to claim Veteran's preference, official college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials.

For more information, call: (605) 455-6179 or 455-6178. www.lws.k12.sd.us

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The following Vacancy Announcements are now open for Application(s) with the OST Personnel Office. For further information please contact: The OST Personnel Office at 605-867-6014 or 867-6015.

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06-142	Secretary	OST Job Placement & Training program	Pine Ridge, SD
06-143	Administrative Assistant	OST Safety of Dams	Pine Ridge, SD
06-144	Dam Tender Supervisor	OST Safety of Dams	Pine Ridge, SD
06-145	Advocate/Elderly Abuse	OST Victim's Assist. in Indian Country	Pine Ridge, SD
06-146	Assist. Enrollment Director	Enrollment Department	Pine Ridge, SD
06-147	Court Reporter/Admin. Assist.	OST Court	Pine Ridge, SD
06-148	CHR Generalist	Community Health Rep. (CHR)	Rapid City, SD
06-149	Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor(2)	OST Vocational Rehab	(1) Pine RidgeSD/(1) Kyle,SD
06-150	Vocational Rehabilitation Driver/Janitor	OST V ocational Rehabilitation	Pine R idge, SD/Kyle, SD
06-151	Administrative Assistant	OST Vocational Rehabilitation	Pine Ridge, SD

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a complete OST Application for Employment to the OST Personnel Office no later than 4:30 pm of the closing date. Mail in applications postmarked on the closing date will be accepted. Attach all pertinent documentation, I.E. Copy of High School Diploma or GED Certificate, copy of Official College Transcripts and/or College Degree, Certificate of Indian Blood if claiming Indian Preference and DD214 if claiming Veteran's Preference.

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Roseanna

- PUBLIC NOTICE -

Availability of Draft Environmental Assessment for
IHS Projects AB-01-584, AB-03-E72, AB-04-R39, AB-05-S01, and AB-06-R59
to Construct Sanitation Facilities for the
Pine Ridge Community
Pine Ridge Indian Reservations, Shannon County, South Dakota

the Aberdeen Area Indian health Service seeks to construct sanitation facilities in the Pine Ridge community on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, Shannon County, South Dakota. A Draft Environmental Assessment (EA covering these proposed facilities is now available for public inspection, review, and comment.

The Draft EA addresses the potential environmental effects of constructing a new wastewater treatment facility with continuous discharge to an unnamed drainage which empties into White Clay Creek approximately 1/2 mile downstream of White Clay Dam. Copies of the Draft EA are available for review and comment at the Oglala Sioux Tribe Environmental Protection Program Office in Pine Ridge, SD, the City of Martin Community Library, and the IHS Martin Field Office in Martin, South Dakota. The public is invited and encouraged to review the Draft EA and provide comment.

Comments or questions on the Draft Environmental Assessment may be addressed to:

Anthony G. Kathol, P.E., Project Engineer
Indian Health Service
Martin Field Office
P.O. Box F
Martin, SD 57551
Phone: 605-685-6561, Ext. 15
E-Mail: Anthony.Kathol@ihs.gov

All comments must be received by November 28, 2006

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OST election court of appeals declares election null and void

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - On Oct. 22, the OST Election Court of Appeals issued a decree that declared null and void the OST 2006 primary election due to the gross negligence of the OST Election Board. Citing the fact that no federal background checks had been conducted on any of the candidates, that the election board had allowed the use of misprinted ballots and that election judges and tellers were allowed to mark the ballots and that LaCreek District had incorrect ballots, the election court of appeals ordered a new primary election to be conducted as soon as possible.

Calling any election in the United States a delicate matter, the election court of appeals stated that an election board is entrusted with the coordination of the process and is there to ensure that the trust of each voter and the process is credible and competent in order to protect the faith in the system by the candidates, the voters and the general public.

The court spent two days, Oct. 18 and 19 at the tribal courthouse in Pine Ridge listening to challenges, complaints and concerns of enrolled members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. In addition to the concern of a lack of federal background checks and misprinted ballots, there were concerns that the ballots were not sent out to the precincts sealed in the ballot boxes and that counting of the ballots was not open to the public as stated in 04-06.

In the conclusion, the Court of Election Appeals stated

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Little Wound Mustangs move to second round in playoffs

TJ McCauley (31) goes up between three Falcon defenders to snare the two point conversion pass from Johnny Cloud Tuesday afternoon in the first round of the 11A football playoffs, Little Wound used that two point play to defeat Todd County 14-12. Photo courtesy of Double M Photography of Hay Springs.

PassNet air ambulance and Rosebud Tribe hold ribbon cutting

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent



OST Empowerment Zone's Tally Plume; PASS Net's John Warnock; former state representative Paul Valandra; Oglala Sioux Tribe council member Kathy Janis listen as RST President Rodney Bordeaux speaks to the gathering. Photo courtesy of Micheal LaPointe.

MISSION - John Warnock, CEO of PassNet Inc. of Plymouth, Minn., Steve Dale of Dale Aviation, Inc., and Rosebud Sioux Tribal Chairman, Rodney M. Bordeaux met at the Howard Fuller, Sr. airport for a ribbon cutting ceremony on Monday morning to mark the beginning of air ambulance service on the Rosebud. RST Vice-President Wayne Boyd was present along with RST Chief of Staff Michael LaPointe.

PassNet is poised to position air ambulance service 'dedicated' to use by the Rosebud Comprehensive Health Facility as soon as a hangar can be built in Rosebud or Mission. The same also applies to the Oglala Sioux who have been well represented by Kathy Janis, Oglala Sioux council representative from Wounded Knee District who also present. Dale Aviation has 21 years of accident free medical evacuation experience and possesses a Veterans Administration vendor number. Their planes are all weather planes which can fly in conditions which helicopters are unable to and have evacuated many patients from both reservations.

A plane may also possibly located in Pierre, according to Warnock, as it has no air ambulance service.

The start up date for PassNet air ambulance service to the Rosebud is dependent upon a meeting on Wednesday, October 25 with representatives from the Indian Health Service in Aberdeen.

When fully operational PassNet will be able to fly in-state or to places such as Omaha, Denver, or even Minneapolis as veterans will now have that option. Warnock said, "Shelly Harris will make a choice in concert with an ER physician." PassNet has also secured its Medicare/Medicaid vendor number and is essentially ready to go.

Shares and stock in PassNet may also be purchased under the agreement with RST. A sign of PassNet's potential as a reservation partially-based enterprise is the fact that Empowerment Zone of the Lakota Funds program has invested $400,000 dollars in the venture, whereby they purchased fifty percent ownership of two planes with 20 percent down, gross revenues and they will be paid back by interest. according to Tally Plume of the Lakota Funds who also attended the ribbon cutting.

Thirty some people braved the chilly morning including RST council representatives Russell Eagle Bear and Stephanie Sully.

Sicangu medicine man, Roy Stone, Sr. offered a Lakota

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The Unquiet Grave, the struggle of AIM and the FBI, author to talk at OLC

KYLE - Steve Hendricks, author of The Unquiet Grave will be at OLC on Oct. 31 at the Woksape Tipi Library to talk about his new book at 1:30 p.m.

In 1976 the body of Anna Mae Aqaush, an American Indian activist, was found frozen in the Badlands of South Dakota or so the FBI said. After a suspicious autopsy and a rushed burial, friends had Aquash exhumed and found a .32-caliber bullet lodged in her skull.

Burrowing into this scandal, The Unquiet Grave opens a tunnel into the dark side of the FBI and exposes its secret war against American

Indians. Digging up skeletons in the garden of the American Indian Movement, the FBI's nemesis, Hendricks unravels a sinuous tale of murder, conspiracy, and cover-ups that stretches from the plains of

Wyoming to the polished corridors of Washington, D.C.

First-time author Steve Hendricks sued the FBI over several years to pry out thousands of unseen documents about the events. He also won a grant for his extensive interviewing and research from the prestigious Fund for Investigative Journalism.

One of those rare reporters whose investigative tenacity is accompanied by grace with the written word, Hendricks provides a gripping and long overdue reexamination of the FBI's struggle against American Indians.

Pulitzer Prize winning author, Studs Terkel said of the book, "It is a documented portrait of the FBI as an un-American agency in its shafting of Native Americans." Jim Hightower, the bestselling author of Let's Stop Beating Around the Bush said, "Our hearts have been buried at Wounded Knee long enough, Dig'em up and bury the FBI instead. Read this book." Peter

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several times in their decree that the decision was based on the gross negligence of the Election Board. Selected in July by the tribal council, the board was made up of Charlene Black Horse, chair, Maretta Champagne and Sandra Bettelyoun.

The appeals court was also selected by the council and included Jovan Tony Ten Fingers, chair, Francis Pumpkin Seed and Cornel Conroy.

The appeals court attempted to get on the tribal council floor on Friday but could not. The decree was issued on Sunday, Oct. 22 and on Monday, Alex White Plume, OST president decided that the council would meet on Monday, Oct. 30 to review the findings of the appeals court.

"The council really has no role to review or make a decision here." said Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge village, chair of the education committee and presidential candidate, "we established the election process with 04-06 and we set it in motion with the selection of the election board and election court of appeals and turned over the authority to conduct the election to the board and the appeals court - if we were to interfere in the process it would bring politics and potential candidate interference into the election process."

With the council meeting looming on Monday, there have been a variety of rumors circulating around Pine Ridge including letting the general election proceed on Nov. 7, holding a new primary on the 7th and the general the first week of December or even holding off for six months doing a new election.

Citing the controversy swirling around the primary election and the decree of the appeals court, the planned Red Cloud School election debate scheduled for Wednesday was postponed.

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prayer and gave the airplane a Lakota name, "wanbli ta awanka" which translates to "eagles' place to watch over." President Bordeaux said, "We still have to go through details with the Indian Health Service. We will meet this Wednesday." He acknowledged the efforts of Kathy Janis, Paul Valandra, John Warnock, and Steve Dale.

Rosebud Hospital CEO, Shelly Harris, was also present with administrators Dr. Valerie Parker and Randy Johnson. Warnock said, "The I. H. S. is not sure where we fit in. We have our Medicare and Medicaid number and the F.A.A. was impressed…, the local I.H.S. has shown good support, including Shelly Harris and Bill Pourier. Aberdeen has a process to follow and rules."

Janis noted that the Indian Health Service has been slow to get on board with the air ambulance project because the issue has been one of "control" for the bureaucracy. She had hoped to have a similar ribbon cutting in Pine Ridge for the delivery of an air ambulance, but it did not occur. She said she would be unable to attend the meeting with I.H.S. in Aberdeen, but that Rodney Bordeaux, Paul Valandra and John Warnock would undertake the task.

A Beechcraft King Air 100 landed at the airport at approximately 11 a.m. piloted by Steve Dale of Dale Aviation based in Rapid City. The King 100 has a bullet proof engine, is a double bed craft, and it is radar equipped. Next of kin will be able to ride in the King Air 100 in the absence of a second patient. Furthermore, the plane is equipped with an advanced life support system. The King Air 100 flown by Dale Aviation is backed up by a King Air E-90 and two Cessna 414's which are single bed.

"Dale Aviation personnel are all trained in altitude physiology. Trauma nurses and paramedics will be trained" said Warnock. Local nurses and paramedics will be trained to fly with the team.

Finally, Warnock summed up the venture by noting, "The tribe gives us political support, 24 patients a month and we cut the trauma time in half."

Lakota Funds welcomes new staff and joins in certification program

KYLE - Lakota Funds will be sending seven staff members to Economic Development Finance Professional Certification Program in Sioux Falls beginning November 6, 2006.

This program is a comprehensive training series that will help staff learn economic development tools and techniques and build capacity to successfully create jobs and translate opportunities into results for the community.

Lakota Funds' Wawokiye Business Institute (LF/WBI) recently hired three new Success Coaches who will attend this training. Tonia Young has taken one of the Success Coach positions, in addition to being Individual Development Accounts (IDA) Coordinator. Her IDA skills and training enhance her as a Success Coach Team member.

Another new coach, David White Bull, has an Associates of Arts degree in Human Services and is continuing to pursue his Bachelor's degree. He also helped manage a food service business for two years in Portland, Oregon. The coaching team reports, "David is energetic, willing to learn and his enthusiasm is quite inspiring."

Jo White holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. She is also a former Lakota Funds board member where she served for 17 years and brings a wealth of experience to the WBI team. "I have wanted to work in a position like this ever since I interned here eighteen years ago."

The Finance Professional Certification is provided through the South Dakota Governor's Office of Economic Development, citigroup, and the South Dakota Community Foundation. Lakota Funds is using this certification opportunity as an extension of Success Coach training and business analysis training Lakota Funds' teams received last month.

This training was provided by Rural Community Initiatives and by the National Opportunity Finance Corporation and funded by the Administration for Native Americans.

Lakota Funds is a community development organization actively promoting socio-economic sustainability of Oglala Lakota people on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Native Voice Film Festival this weekend

RAPID CITY - The Native Voice Film Festival 2006 presented by IGT, announces wide range of presentations for this year's festival, which takes place Friday through Monday, Oct. 27 - 30.

Forty-three films covering a full spectrum of expression, from micro-budget experimental, to student work, to major motion picture will be screened. This year, the festival has confirmed more filmmakers than ever will be in attendance to present their work. The theme for this year's festival is "Using the power of media for positive change."

The highlights of Friday's schedule include the annual Youth in Media Forum, an Art Show and VIP reception.

Saturday's daytime highlights include six film sessions, starting at 1:00 p.m. through 5:50 p.m., and a VIP Panel discussion, "Through The Looking Glass" which will discuss the representation of Native America in mainstream media and the question of "Authentic Voice.".

Saturday night is the big Honoring and Awards Show night, with special performances. The Native Voice Film Festival's annual "Building Bridges Through Media" Award is being presented to Terrence Malick's film The New World. Producer Sarah Green will be a keynote speaker and will be accepting the award. The Native Voice Film Festival will be presenting a new award, "Demonstrating the Power of Media for Positive Change" to the Navajo Nation Methamphetamine Task Force.

Saturday night's annual Benefit Concert will be a hip-hop indigenous fusion featuring Culture Shock Camp, and will include an open mike time and MC battle.

Sunday's features include nine film sessions, and two panel discussions. There will be six development workshops offered on Saturday and Sunday featuring top media makers visiting the festival.

All events will be held at the Elks Theatre and the Alex Johnson Hotel in downtown Rapid City, South Dakota. Tickets for all events are $5, $4 for youth (18 and under), except for the Saturday night Awards/Honoring Show and Concert, for which the tickets are $12 in advance, $15 at the door, and $8 for youth. All-Festival, All-Access passes are available for $25 for youth and full-time students, and $50 for adults. Passes include youth forums, films, panels, receptions, workshops and the Saturday night concert. Call the Elks Theatre for advance tickets: (605) 343-7888 or The Native Voice (800) 449-8176.

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Matthiessen wrote, "An impressive and important book, thoroughly researched and very well written."

Hendricks is a freelance investigative reporter who spent four years researching The Unquiet Grave while living in Montana. He now lives in Knoxville, Tennessee, with his wife and son. His website is www.stevehendricks.org.





Stone Child film seeking supporting actors for auditions

HOT SPRINGS -Triple Martini Productions will be holding open auditions for supporting actors in the upcoming short film titled, "The Stone Child" written by Christopher Martini and Brent Duncan. "The Stone Child" will begin shooting in early December in the Badlands of South Dakota. All actors in the short film will be considered for the feature film.

Open auditions for supporting roles only will be held on Sunday, Oct. 29 at the Center of the Universe at 505 N. River Street, Hot Springs, from 2 p.m. - 6p.m.

OWNER OF RESTAURANT - Featured. "Female. 40's - 50's. Caucasian. Elitist. Mean."

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For more information contact Karla LaRive, SD Casting Director, Studio West Management, 605-745-5008 or e-mail: karla@studiowestmanagement.com

State drug and alcohol admissions jump 30 percent

By Carson Walker
Associated Press Writer

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - The number of people admitted to South Dakota drug and alcohol treatment programs jumped 30 percent from 2004 to 2005, according to an annual report.

There were 13,360 admissions in 2005, compared to 9,380 in 2004 and 9,116 in 2003, according to the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

Gib Sudbeck, director of the state Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse in Pierre, said the number of people being identified as having a drug or alcohol problem has remained roughly the same.

But the increase in admissions in the latest national report corresponds with more treatment programs in the state running near or at capacity _ largely because of the growing methamphetamine problem, he said.

Someone addicted to meth will likely need to be admitted because of the drug's addictive nature, Sudbeck said.

``From what we're seeing is people have to go into some level of treatment to get detoxed,'' he said. ``The increase in meth means more people need to go into treatment. And we're doing a better job of getting people into treatment.''

According to the report, the amount of meth brought up from Mexico continues to increase.

Supplies to the eastern part of the state generally run through Sioux City, Iowa, and most meth available in western South Dakota comes through Denver, said Richard Mulholland of Sioux Falls, Drug Enforcement Administration resident agent in charge.

Some of it comes from the West Coast on Interstate 90, he said.

Those traditional drug trafficking routes are now used to run meth, Mulholland said.

``They've done all these other drugs for years cocaine, heroin and marijuana and now they're getting into methamphetamine,'' he said. ``They're the ones that are supplying Indian reservations and throughout South Dakota.''

Mexican meth is cheaper and easier to get than making it in homemade labs, Mulholland said. And new laws that limit the sale of medicines that contain a key ingredient have also caused the number of labs to dwindle, Mulholland said.

``Those laws have helped it,'' he said.

Meth and marijuana are the most heavily used drugs in the state, Mulholland said.

Other findings in the report:

* Higher-purity ``BC Bud'' marijuana is available in South Dakota.

* Heroin and powdered cocaine are obtainable statewide.

* More crack cocaine is showing up in the eastern part of the state but still limited in the west.

* So-called club drugs are limited but increasing in use.

* LSD has limited availability.

* OxyContin abuse is a growing problem in the state, though hydrocodone products, codeine and Darvocet-N are the most abused pharmaceutical drugs.

Todd County Middle School holds teleconference with NASA

By Dr. Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

MISSION - On Thursday from 2:30 to 3:20 p.m., Oct. 19, 40 students at the Todd County Middle School held a video teleconference with members of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. The teleconference originated at the Johnson Space Center in Houston with a select five schools in the nation. The TCMS was designated as NASA Explorer School last year. Peggy

Diekhoff wrote the initial grant that led to the award for TCMS to become an Explorer School. The 50 minute lecture was entitled, "Reduced Gravity: Effects on the Human Body." Later, 20 other schools would be conducting the same teleconference.

The event was coordinated locally by TCMS assistant principal, Billy Beesley.

The TCMS students participating were selected from the Student Council and the National Junior Honor Society along with a number of teachers from different grades who were also invited to participate, including Mr. Rothenberger, Mr. Crichlow, Mr. Cruz, Mrs.

Baca, Liz Fayer, Maureen Wagner and Peggy Klein. Three TCMS parents were also in attendance.

The DDN room at TCMS features a large screen that appears to be state of the art equipment as the resolution and acoustics are excellent when students are interacting with the presenter. A pre-algebra class is just one of the classes that students can take during the fall semester with an instructor in Briton.

Chris Stein of NASA was the host of the teleconference and he did an excellent job of interacting with the students and providing a lecture on reduced gravity. He introduced his colleagues, Don, Doug and Matt who all work in a supportive role for NASA. One was a biomedical engineer who explained his role in teaching American astronauts and Russian cosmonauts on how to administer medical assistance in space.

The students listened to a definition of micro-gravity and its application to astronauts who are essentially free falling when traveling in space. It is important for astronauts who are in training to understand its effect on their body so that they make the necessary adaptations. Stein said, "The moon has one-sixth the pull of gravity on earth. We are going back to the moon. It takes 3-4 days to get there, Mars as well. It takes 8 months to get there and we would stay there a year."

Astronauts in training experience the pull of gravity and weightlessness through flying C-9 airplanes and free falling, through something 'neutral buoyancy' training in a large pool and by training on a 'drop tower' where one drops 132 meters in five seconds. Such training is very repetitious, but necessary in order to counteract the effects of microgravity on the body.

In space, there is a 'fluid shift' in the body that causes the legs to get skinny and the face to swell a bit. The heart is somewhat confused also and tends to expand so it can do its work. Astronauts often feel dizziness, which eventually goes away, but they can take Dramamine, close their eyes or simply sit still in order to counteract the effects.

When exercising, lifting weights is pointless because of weightlessness, so astronauts use rubber bands or tethers for 'resistance training.' They also work on tread mills; otherwise their muscles volume is lost at a rate of five percent a week.

Three TCMS teachers will take part in an experiment with NASA over the Gulf of Mexico. They will fly in a plane up to 35,000 feet and drop two miles in thirty-five seconds. The purpose will be to test an experiment which they will have with them. The experiment was designed by a group of students from TCMS and will test the effect of microgravity on density.

Finally, Stein explained that another NASA support career that is available in addition to biomedical engineer is an exercise physiologist. He said there are also 30-40 college teams which fly with NASA.

The teleconference was quite informative for TCMS students and is an excellent medium to supplement classroom instruction.

Oacoma hopes for cooperation from Lower Brule now that trust land case is finished

OACOMA, S.D. (AP) _ The Oacoma Town Board says it had hoped the courts would not rule as they did in a long-standing case involving 91 acres of Lower Brule Sioux Tribe land along Interstate 90 near the town.

But now that the U.S. Supreme Court has refused to hear the matter, the town board says it accepts the decision and hopes the tribe listens to the town's concerns as it relates to development plans for the land.

That's part of a statement the board issued Monday after a meeting.

In the 16-year-old legal case, the state of South Dakota had questioned the federal government's authority to take land into trust outside the borders of Indian reservations. The high court's recent decision not to hear the case means the land can be taken into trust. The tribe has said it will create a development plan possibly for a truck stop.

Mike Schreiber, the town board's president, said some stories indicated Oacoma was attacking tribal sovereignty, ``and that was not the case at all. We're simply looking at the impact (a development project) would have on the community. It had to do with economic development and viability. We were not out to do anything other than to provide the leadership to the people who elected us to serve.''

If the land is put in trust and developed, Indian-operated businesses there would have tax incentives that would put established businesses nearby at a serious competitive disadvantage, the Oacoma statement said. The property, visible from the highway, is west of the Holiday Inn Express, which is just off the Oacoma I-90 exit.

If a truck stop is built, sales tax revenues would not flow to Oacoma to support infrastructure and other necessary services, the town board's statement said, adding that real estate taxes of about $10,000 would not be payable to the town, county and local schools.

``The unfortunate reality is that when tribal sovereignty and state and local laws come to a head, they do not always mesh, with the possible result working a negative against the community impacted,'' Schreiber said.

Tribal Chairman Michael Jandreau has said his tribe is always willing to work with others on economic development, ``and we hope that holds true and we'll able to work something out,'' he said.

Schreiber added that the town board has no plans to pursue further litigation.

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Guest Editorial

If Democrats in Washington, better balance in Pierre and new blood in Pine Ridge don't show a marked improvement, try again



By Dr. Jim Wilson

Opportunity is almost always obscured by what appear to be insurmountable obstacles. Diamonds are not found as shining objects clearly recognized for what they will be someday. I often remind myself that the removal of obstacles is the creation of opportunity. Too often we are too involved in a situation to realize its totality, when in reality we may be experiencing only a discouraging piece of the whole.

Recently I wrote about chaos, saying chaos is relative and depends largely on where one is and the perspective of each of us is colored by our experiences.

This past week has brought us closer to the tribal, state and national elections and the moment of truth when we individually pull a curtain around us and mark our ballots for whom we want as our representatives and how we want them to operate our government. To many of us this election is all about chaos!

But, we have a great opportunity behind all the dust and smoke blown in front of us. It is only necessary for us to quickly review our current situation and the opportunity will be clear.

So, let's ask ourselves a few questions.

Who represents us?

In most matters affecting us we select, or elect, someone else to represent us. We have lawyers for legal issues, accountants for tax and financial dealings, family physicians for medical needs, school board members for educational affairs, etc., and politicians for general government operations.

When I need a lawyer I want the best I can afford; one with a reputation of winning most of his court cases. The same goes for the other people I pay to represent me. I choose my representatives by what I know about them and by what others say about them.

I believe most people use the same general approach to selecting their lawyers, accountants and doctors. But, many of us do a flip-flop when it comes to selecting our government representatives! We seem to forget that those we select/elect to represent us are collective mirrors of their electors. Remember what Pogo said!

Many of us have stopped seeking representation by measured results, seeking representatives who reflect our thinking or asking successful people to give up personal time and activities to represent us. Instead, we listen to Magpies and Crows and see who can/will screech the best cover story of why they have accomplished nothing, but have a fool-proof plan to "get it done next time." Why?

We have grown accustomed to accepting inefficiencies of government at all levels, saying that we are willing to pay that price to have our representatives fully air the issues and let everyone express their opinions.

Classic antics of the professional tribal politician are to say, "I will take it back to my people" when issues are difficult, "Let's table it" and to just coincidentally schedule important meetings to coincide with popular far-away events (the Lakota Nation Invitational is coming, the LNI is coming!).

A new expression has arisen in the National Football League announcers' booths which I really like; "Running downhill" is used to describe something that is easy.

As voting citizens we should start "running downhill."

We should vote only for those who have "scored" in the past by accomplishing something or have not yet proven they have nothing to offer.

When there are no known scorers on the list we will vote for a "rookie" who may have demonstrated capabilities in some previous endeavor.

When you are young everything depends on your potential and when you are older everything depends on your record.

Let's ask "What have you accomplished?"

Tiger Woods is my individual sports hero. He recently said he tries to win every golf game he plays.

He tries to hit every green and make every putt. He does not worry about what the other golfers are doing or saying.

His only concern is his own game. Billy Mills did not worry what others said or thought; he ran his own race. When the 1987 Oglala Thorpes BB team was down by 14 points late in the 3rd quarter at State, Coach Jess Mendoza told them to play their game, the way that they had been taught, using their full-court press.

The 26-0 record and the towering Championship Trophy hardly tell the story of the individual effort and teamwork involved.

Leadership is a tough job no matter what level it is applied. One begins with a vision and then defines the steps to get there.

For an individual that may mean maximum self-reliance. In other cases it may mean team-building. In all cases it means maximizing the benefits of available resources.

When you reach the point of highest and best uses of all resources to address your goals and objectives you have a critical mass. Most of us operate at less than critical mass. When business tycoons like Ted Turner, Bill Gates and Warren Buffett (and many others) have reached financial critical mass they are earning more than they do or can spend, more than most people believe possible, they then have opportunities to apply that critical mass to the benefit of mankind.

Political bodies left to themselves will inevitably feed themselves to utter destruction so it is our responsibility to save them from themselves and save ourselves from their wanton self-indulgences.

This may sound 'down-in-the-mouth,' but we have centuries of proof. There is no known record of any political body effectively policing itself or reducing its diet of pork.

The rise of political parties has resulted in the arrival and acceptance of the professional politician. The Professional 'Pol' has changed the phrase You and Me to Me and You.

The 'Pol' nominates himself, sets his own work schedule, dishes out his own perks and rations government services to us as rewards for electing him (all with our money). The Pol has taught us to ask what the government can do for us, not what we can do for our government. Didn't JFK have some thoughts on this?

If we use the team analogy, we should want a winning team and measure each player either by their proven record or their potential. And, because they mirror us, our pride should, at the least, make us want a better image.

Once we field a team we should support them. If we can't support them, then we should begin replacing the poor performers. We may have to remind ourselves often that we own the team, we are paying the players and every 'team' is the mirror reflection of its owners!

No person should tell another how to vote, but any and all voters are entitled to express opinions about whom they think can best represent them. So, what is the opportunity at hand?

First, let's recognize that chaos is really a lot of individual elements doing their own predictable things at the same time. We can clarify things by narrowing our field of study to tribal, state and nation.

As voters we have the opportunity to

(1) restore some checks and balances by changing political parties at the national level,

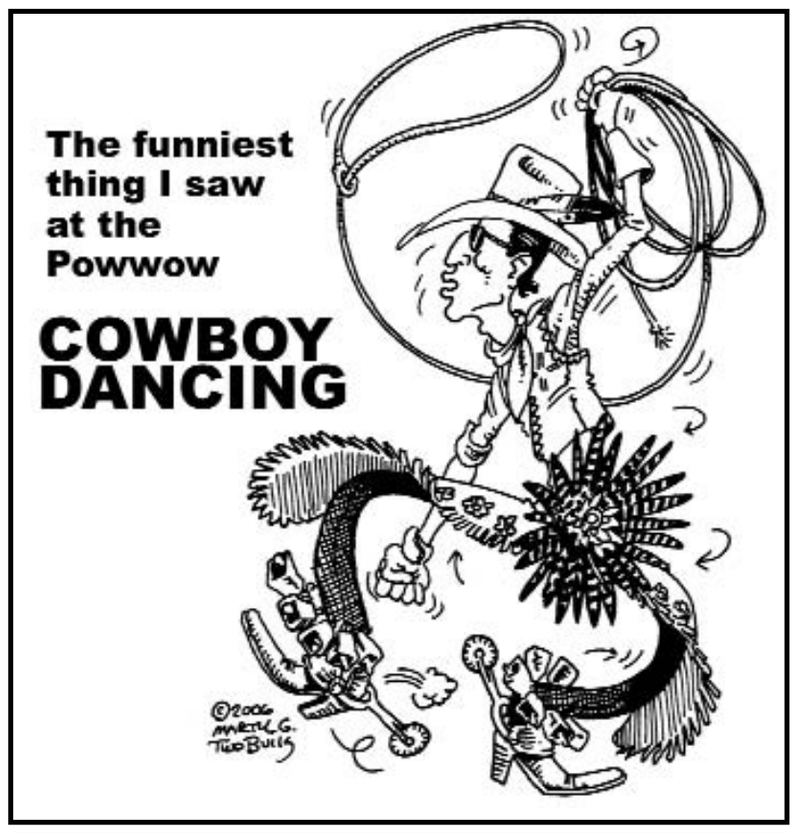
(2) rebalancing the parties at the state level and opposing all proposed initiatives and amendments and

(3) electing some listeners and doers at the tribal level.

The effects could be to get American ideals of freedom and democracy back to our highest priorities as a nation, moving our state government away from policing individual behavior and refocusing on essential services, and re-starting a sputtering tribal government.

And, if Democrats in Washington, better balance in Pierre and new blood in Pine Ridge don't show a marked improvement we will have the opportunity to try again in two years.

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Other Views

Let us build the Rosebud Sioux a tribal economy

Dear Editor,

I want to talk to the Sicangu Tetunwan Lakota Oyate about some economic development that will be coming to our tribe very soon.

I have worked on many projects thus the reason for me writing at this time.

Our people need jobs and Housing for many of our relatives and revenues for our tribe as do many other tribes. We are the Sicangu Lakota with a proud heritage and history. Even before the settlers and soldiers came here to force us into the reservation lifestyle we exercised our true sovereignty by practicing our way of life, which included our own tribal economy. Ironically, our tribe and many others IRA tribes are operating under a Tribal Constitution and By-Laws that were modeled after the American Legion, everyone should know this.

A long time ago we traded with other tribes and when the wasicu traders came they traded with us too. The men of this tribe implemented this economy by being providers and protectors. The women became involved in this by using their expertise in manual manufacturing of clothing, food and shelter.

We survived in this way through a nomadic lifestyle following the buffalo and game around in an area in the great plains.

We are part of Seven Council Fires (Oceti Sakowin). But we have been known to occupy as far North to Canada, as far south as Texas and as far East as the Minnesota and Wisconsin Woodlands and to the South East to the Carolinas. This all has to do with having our own economy.

We are now moving towards self-sufficiency through business development.

We will create jobs, housing and revenue. But I am very disturbed and concerned on a few areas within our recent and good projects. I have tried to voice these concerns but have fallen on deaf ears. It is you the relatives of this great nation that can open some eyes and ears.

Our leaders must know that Rosebud is our Agency Headquarters where our forefathers came to deal and negotiate with government officials in the past.

Firstly, the tribe intends to build a grocery store along U.S. highway 18 near Mission, in the middle of nowhere.

It is my belief that this Grocery Store is designed specifically for our tribal membership.

Any business we create must first address the needs of our people, specifically our tribal membership and should be located and built at the heart of our people, which is Rosebud Agency Headquarters. The other area that we must think about is where should we build houses. There is such a thing called "Critical Mass", meaning that for our purposes, we must have the population to sustain the businesses necessary for self-sustainability.

Right now at this very moment we need at least 1000 homes whether it be homeownership or rental. At this time the tribe is moving forward with a housing manufacturing facility to put out 50 homes a year when we should be thinking about manufacturing at least 200 homes a year and even push this project to put up to 600 homes out a year selling 50 percent of these to the open market, generating revenue, while addressing the need for jobs and housing at the same time.

I can envision Rosebud as our own tribal business district, government headquarters with a new office complex and a build up of a well planned out residential area.

It will take planning dollars to do this for Master Planning, Zoning and Infrastructure. But we must also collaborate with local, regional and national organizations to even begin addressing all of our problems. And yes we are in a socio-economic crisis. Our largest and fastest growing population is between 18 and 35. So we must remember them or we will fall deeper into poverty.

We are also in the process of developing an Integrated Electronic Manufacturing Facility that will create 250 jobs within five years.

But any time you develop a tribally owned business you must include a separation of powers to keep politics and day-to-day operations separate in the business affairs of the tribe. This means not putting council representatives on any board of a tribally chartered enterprise, LLC or corporation.

As a result within a year the Rosebud people will have many good things to talk about around the campfires and we will be coming out impressively very soon and it's important to keep the support of the people by providing information at key periods in time. I also wouldn't mind hearing from other tribes on what they are doing or if they need help with a project they can e-mail me.

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Guest Column

Judge Fuller understands tribal sovereignty

By Charlie Abourzek
Special the the Times

On Nov. 7, Lakotas who live in Shannon County may be the deciding factor in the one contested judicial race in the 7th Circuit, between the current Judge Peter Fuller, and his opponent, Fall River county prosecutor Lance Russell. It is going to be close election for Judge Fuller and he needs your help!

Judge Pete Fuller understands the principles of federal Indian law that protect tribes and tribal members. He seems to have a very good understanding of tribal sovereignty as it is laid out in federal law, and he has shown great respect for the rights of the Lakota people of Shannon County.

In one state court trial in Shannon County a few years ago, which are usually held in Hot Springs, making it difficult for Shannon County residents to travel there to serve on jury duty, Judge Fuller ruled that the trial should be moved from Hot Springs to the Pine Ridge Tribal Court House on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, and that he would sit as the judge in Pine Ridge.

This is the kind of respect and compassion he has often showed for citizens who live on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Judge Fuller, who is the most experienced judge in that judicial race, is running against prosecutor Lance Russell, the prosecutor who challenged the tribal jurisdiction of the Oglala Sioux Tribe in the South Dakota Supreme Court, where he lost, and later the United States Supreme Court, which refused to hear Lance Russell's challenge to tribal jurisdiction. As I stated earlier, this case was defended by our law firm, and particularly by our staff attorney Rena Atchison.

In the upcoming November 7th election, Judge Fuller needs your help. The election will be close, because the 7th Circuit is made up of not only Shannon County, but also Custer, Fall River, and Pennington County. Mr. Russell has a lot more votes in Custer and Fall River county, so the votes that come from Shannon County may make the difference!

Judge Pete Fuller is a wonderful father, grandfather, a great attorney, and a fair and compassionate judge. As a longtime advocate for the Lakota people, I hope you will support him in the upcoming election on November 7th.

Don't forget to vote and take a friend or family member with you to vote. The Lakota people in Shannon County have shown, in the recent elections, that their votes do make a difference! If Shannon County turns out for Judge Fuller, he can win!

Thank you for your support of Judge Peter Fuller - he is a good man and a great judge!

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Things to empower yourself

Gate of corruption opens wide when people in power are users



By Patty Pourier

It is amazing to me that the Chairman of the Oglala Sioux Tribe can be impeached because of a statement she said, and yet the tribal politicians are willing to tolerate severe drug abuse by one another. You know who I am talking about.

But the truth is our politicians are a reflection of the people they represent. The acceptance and tolerance of the use of drugs is astounding.

More than 50 percent of the population of Shannon County is under the age of 21. So maybe that is it. The younger generation has a high tolerance level of dysfunctional and very dangerous behavior. The only thing wrong with blaming the young people is… they are not the politicians. Thirty, forty, fifty and sixty year olds are the users.

I am not talking about just a beer or other alcoholic beverage; I am talking about cocaine, the current drug of choice among the drug using populous of our reservation. When a person uses drugs, like cocaine, it affects every part of their lives, when they are using and when they are not high.

It screws up decisions, and the sound thought process non-users have.

How can we allow drug users to keep in positions of importance in our tribe? When will the drug testing on the books start to be enforced? How much longer can the people suffer because of the epidemic of drug abuse ravaging our country?

Who does the drug abuse by political figures hurt?

It hurts our children. It hurts our elders.

It hurts our school system.

It hurts our health care system. It hurts our law enforcement. It hurts our economic development. It hurts our environment. It hurts our ability to have respect from the outside world. It hurts the ability of people to respect themselves. It hurts the beautiful Lakota culture values.

The gate of corruption opens wide when people in power are users. Think about it - how good of a decision is someone going to make when they are preoccupied with using. And if you think you can use and still be effective, you are wrong! Being a user of drugs and alcohol screws up your thinking. Period.

Drug abuse hurts in ways we cannot list here because it is so far reaching. When a user has to make decisions based on protecting his supplier, it hurts everyone. Especially when the user is in a person of power, holding a political office.

So how important is it to vote for someone that is not a user in the upcoming election? It is very important, but may be impossible. The ballot has been narrowed since the primary to only a few. And some of the races do not have a straight person to elect. That is sad. That is devastating to the people the politicians represent.

Good leaders, straight leaders, that can make sound judgments with clean and clear minds, that are not affected by drugs are not to much to ask from a society. Especially a society that has so many needs as the Lakota Nation.

I do not intend to beat up the users. They are sick. They need help. They need to get straight to be all they can be to the people who need them. If you are one of these people, do yourself a huge favor and get help. You know who you are.

All the political promises you make will not be as important as the one of getting and keeping straight. It will do more for you, your family and the people you represent, than any other one decision you can make in the next two years.

It will help to create a healthier government, and community. Please, reflect for a moment on the positive things that this one decision will create.

Notes From Indian Country

State, tribal elections loom large in South Dakota on Nov. 7



By Tim Giago
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Politics can be different in South Dakota. It is a red state where the independent-minded voters often vote blue.

With only one member of the House of Representatives to its name, Stephanie Herseth (D-SD), the South Dakota went Democratic two years ago in support of Herseth. Of the two US senators, one - Tim Johnson - is a Democrat. This year Herseth is challenged by a member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, Bruce Whalen, for her Congressional seat. Whalen is a Republican, a real oddity in Indian country since most tribes usually vote the Democratic ticket.

But there are also important campaigns taking place on a couple of the Indian reservations. After Cecilia Fire Thunder, the impeached president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, narrowly lost her bid for re-election when she fell by three votes in the reservation's primary election this month, the incumbent and acting president Alex White Plume, will face former three-time-president, John Yellow Bird Steele.

Steele is a formidable opponent and has strong support in the reservation's two largest districts, Wounded Knee and Pine Ridge. White Plume took over the duties of president after the tribal council suspended and then impeached Fire Thunder for her feminist stand on abortion rights.

The irony of the council's action against Fire Thunder is that if any of the council members truly knew their own history and culture, they (especially the men) would never have taken her to task for her stand on women's rights because the traditional male of the Oglala Sioux Tribe never, not ever, interfered in the rights of a Lakota woman to decide her own fate when it came to child birth. A Lakota woman always had the traditional and spiritual right to make her own decision.

It has only been since the Christianization of so many members of the tribe that moral issues, usually guided by cultural and traditional values, have made the transition to the values and beliefs of the different Christian religious groups.

A physician, Jack Billion, of Sioux Falls, has challenged Governor Mike Rounds (R-SD). Billion has made the issue of banning all abortions, HB1215, passed by the South Dakota legislators this year and signed into law by Governor Rounds, the centerpiece of his campaign. Because the law also prevents an abortion by victims of rape or incest, Billion believes it is a law that is unfair and dangerous for women.

The law was challenged by the South Dakota voters and is on the ballot. And although Gov. Rounds, a Catholic, has allowed his religious beliefs to overshadow his political beliefs, he remains a popular governor.

However, his popularity has waned on the Indian reservations where a strong voter turnout has influenced several state and national elections of late. He made a solemn vow to work with the tribal leaders in the state by inviting them to his home and sitting down and talking about the issues impacting the reservations on a one-to-one basis. To my knowledge, this had not happened.

As a matter of fact, several tribes, including the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe in Eastern South Dakota, have been campaigning relentlessly to get Gov. Rounds to amend their gaming compacts to allow for more gaming devices in their casinos. They see this as a way to increase jobs and revenues on the reservation and thus greatly improve their economic position. To date, Rounds has refused to comply. This stubbornness has prompted the Flandreau Tribe to take out television ads statewide addressing the issue.

Gov. Rounds and his attorney general, Larry Long, also fought tooth and nail to stop Mike Jandreau and his Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, from taking land into trust near the city of Chamberlain, SD to use as a recreational site for the tribe. The tribe won in the lower courts and watched apprehensively as the case wound its way all of the way to the US Supreme Court where the court refused to hear the case and let the lower court ruling stand. Clearly a sound defeat for Gov. Rounds and Larry Long.

Long is challenged this year by an attorney named Ron Volesky, an enrolled member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe. Volesky, a Democrat, has been active in South Dakota politics for many years and is well respected by whites as well as Indians. However, Long has a strong Republican following and the job position of attorney general can have many implications to state politics and the Republican majority fears the politics of the more liberal candidate Volesky. Long has hidden behind this fear quite effectively over the years.

The Indian media in South Dakota will come out strongly in favor of Billion for governor and Volesky for attorney general, but the powerful Republican vote will more than likely countermand the Indian vote.

Stepanie Herseth is the odds on favorite to retain her seat in Congress against Whalen. She was leading 60 percent to 26 percent in the latest statewide poll. Whalen has identified himself much too strongly with the anti-abortionists to the point where he has almost become a Johnny-one-note on the subject. In a recent televised debate with Herseth he turned nearly every topic to include the abortion issue knowing full well that Herseth does not support the ban.

Yes, politics in South Dakota can be different and for such a small state, it drew some of the Republican Party's heaviest hitters and huge funds from the Republican National Committee two years ago when it pushed Senator Tom Daschle out of the national political arena.

November 7 should be very interesting when the polls open on that day throughout the state and on the Pine Ridge and Cheyenne River Reservations where Harold Frazier, the incumbent president, is expected to retain his seat.

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A View From the West

Academic achievement among Oglala youth: could it be a facade?

By Ivan Star
Oglala, S.D.
Columnist

More than 15 years have lapsed since the nation's public school system first initiated proactive steps to deal with the problem of high dropout rates and low academic achievement levels among their "Indian" students.

For instance, two Minnesota school districts each opened new American Indian Magnet Schools in 1991 and 1992. These schools are the All Nations Magnet School in St. Paul and the Four Winds Magnet School in Minneapolis.

American Indian refers to the curricula base. The Minneapolis school (K-12) program of study is French and Indian; refers directly to the fact that the French arrived in the area first and are integral of local history. The St. Paul school program is American Indian (K-8) amd World Cultures and Languages (K-6).

In a basic sense, the "Indian" is included in the curriculum. In fact, Native America is at the core of these schools's curriculum. In other words, the "Indian" becomes integral of American history, at least in these schools. The magnet concept is simple: to attract certain students, mostly those who are partial to this particular set of courses.

All subjects are developed from a Native American perspective.

I will try to explain why this is so important. In 1990, a public school teacher developed and implemented an unprecedented method of teaching students about the Columbus Discovery syndrome. First, let us establish the fact that students have trouble with the idea that books, especially a school textbook, can lie.

They may not be interested in the Civil War as to when and why it happened; but they certainly know that a courageous explorer named Christopher Columbus discovered America. Seemingly, all students commonly share this particular piece of "knowledge", regardless of whether or not it is factual.

The teacher began by prearranging the demonstration with one of the students.

As the students settle in for the class, he takes a student's purse in plain view of everybody. Almost immediately, a din of protest arises from the students. All of them demand the return of the purse to the proper owner.

The teacher disputes their objections by trying to explain why the purse does not belong to the student. He argues that the purse is indeed his and proceeds to prove it. He opens the purse and takes out objects. "This is my lipstick. This is my brush. There, that proves the purse is mine. Ownership is 99 percent possession!"

The students are mildly irritated that their teacher would pry into the student's property without the slightest regard for her privacy.

Next, the teacher demands to know how they can say the purse belongs to one of his students, "Why you are so positive the purse is not mine?" Finally, he says, "What if I said I discovered the purse, then would it be mine?"

The students are somewhat unsure at this point but are certain that the purse still belongs to their fellow student. The teacher then asks, "So, why do we say that Columbus discovered America?" At that point, the students become aware of something they have not heard before.

Most students are aware of the fact that their textbooks do tell them that the new world began with Columbus.

Prior to that time, no humans were in existence in the new land. They know that Columbus was a hero-type character and it is very acceptable to honor this great man once a year with parades and other festivities.

What they do not know is that most, if not all, textbook portray only a biased version of this historic event. They do not know that on the island of Hispaniola, a mere 40 years of Spanish control was enough to obliterate an entire race of people. Ultimately, life began in the new world only after Columbus "discovered" it.

It is strange how no one hears about indigenous life prior to 1492.

Somehow, no one learned that the Taino and Arawak put their labor into making the land produce, similar to the labor that purchased the lipstick, brush, and other items in the student's purse thereby making it hers.

Popular textbooks do not tell us that Columbus returned to Spain with parrots, indigenous plants, some gold and a few of the people he called "Indian." Anyone can figure out the fact that his was the beginning of the trans-Atlantic slave trade.

The problem is that most people are so accustomed to this biasness that it is extremely difficult to deviate from it.

While such optimistic developments were occurring within the public school system, our own reservation school system was far from addressing this particular problem.

I know there are many restrictions and obstacles within the federal educational system. The bureaucracy itself may hinder teachers from doing the things they would really like to do.

However, there are things one can do. One easy thing to do is to analyze an elementary textbook, specifically its treatment of Columbus and the "Indians". How accurate is the book on this historic event. What was omitted that in your judgment would be important for a more comprehensive understanding of Columbus.

I should be encouraging teachers to enhance their levels of education, but my credibility remains questionable. In other words, I have no business telling our educators what to do.

Therefore, I can only hope that more of our educators keep abreast of educational trends abroad. There is plenty of research material on this particular subject.

We have been "educating" our Lakota youth for decades and we still hold the nation's highest dropout rates and the lowest academic achievement levels. Is anyone asking the proverbial question, "Why?" Instead, our educators seem to work hard at painting a pretty picture regarding academic achievement.

A 1993 Bureau of Indian Affairs study of Indian education on the Pine Ridge revealed some interesting facts.

The four high and nine elementary schools served about 5,577 students. This student body is predominantly indigenous. More than three-fourths traveled to and from school by bus.

The study also revealed some shortcomings: the reservation schools were in the bottom 10% for funding. The BIA Office of Indian Education Programs is their primary funding source.

Teacher turnover was eight times higher than the national average and a poll of 500 seventh and eighth graders indicated that 460 saw little or no opportunities on the Pine Ridge.

Should we be working on the "big picture" as opposed to taking the few success stories, which we do have, and blowing them up for everyone to see? Our educators may need to move the contents of this excuse bag over to the challenge box.

I see most of our students falling through the cracks; they are doomed as they venture forth into their future.

I am not one of our educated elite, but a college degree is not essential to perceive this long-standing condition.

Northern Perspectives

Reverence for the land has always been there



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

I often wonder how much Lakota people sit around and think about the future of our tribal nations, now that a great mind like Vine DeLoria, Jr. is no longer amongst us. I suspect that we don't really take the time to think about the long term impact of such things as endangered species, poverty, and overcrowding and what these issues may mean to the indigenous people of this land and to our future generations.

It brings to mind some of the issues that Charmaine White Face so eloquently warns people of; the destruction in our sacred 'He Sapa' through years of desecration, neglect and failed resource policies.

There is a rather eloquent and controversial biologist at Harvard University, E.O. Wilson, whose life's work has been devoted to studying ecosystems and biodiversity. Ecosystems are simply those places which support species of animals and plants and life in this crazy old world is threatening the very foundation of their existence. Scientist can actually estimate how such places are shrinking and the number of species which are disappearing each year. In Sumatra and New

Guinea for example, there are less than a thousand rhinos and a tsunami could come and wipe them out, but we hope not.

Charmaine speaks of an orchid that is native to the Black Hills and which is in being endangered.

Wilson says that no matter if we believe that the world was created by divine intervention or by Mother Nature, we have to be able to meet on common ground and agree that the problem is that we need to save the most precious thing that we have and that is what Charmaine calls, "Ina Macoce' or our earth mother.

The world is billions of years old, yet, it has taking mankind a very short time to damage Mother Earth and cause many species of plants and animals to disappear. Wilson said one of the great dangers now is that the Endangered Species Act could be tampered with and that would be a mistake.

According to the United Nations and Wilson's lecture, there are some one billion people in the world who are living in dire poverty.

Their environments are being stressed by the world's increasing population and it is not likely to improve unless we can intervene and slow down the destruction of places like the rain forest and other fertile countries in Africa and South America which contain a large part of the world's species.

Apparently, when the total worth of nations in the world is combined, there is more than enough money to be able to turn around the current course of things and save Mother Earth provided that we enact the correct environmental policies. I'm sure that it is more complicated than that, but Wilson says that we need to compete with logging companies, drilling companies and others and buy up land and protect them.

It isn't an expensive undertaking as land in many remote areas is not costly to purchase.

There apparently is this relationship between the environment that is not productive, as those most in need are not able to be sustained or supported because Mother Earth is being damaged. If poor people are unable to have access to land and to be able to support themselves, they continue in their present circumstance.

One positive note is that even though the world's population is growing, the birth rate for some nations has stabilized or slowed down to the point that the world can absorb more people and still continue to make a recovery if we protect our natural resources and enter into agreements that will reduce harmful emissions and leave pristine wilderness areas in the Black Hills, Canada and Alaska in tact. It is never too late.

Where Lakota people are concerned, our philosophy about the care and protection of Mother Earth has been correct all along. We have always had this reverence for land, because we always knew that it could sustain us if we respected its limitations and did not over burden it.

There is something to be said for a society which identifies as being one with nature and all things which are alive. Tribal nations were the original environmentalist and history simply did not sit up and take notice. It's still not too late to learn from Lakota people as we never produced toxins the flowed into our rivers and killed fish and wildlife and defaced Mother Earth by carving into our mountains.

Professor Wilson stated in another lecture that believing in science is necessarily incompatible with believing that the world was made by God or what they are now calling 'intelligent design.' Lakota people believe that we emerged onto Mother Earth in the sacred 'He Sapa' or thereabouts and, and thus, by that reasoning we do not necessarily believe in science.

It could be that indigenous people do not believe in capitalism either and that is what makes us shy away from material wealth and the accumulation of 'things.'

The tension that I see in being a capitalist and believing in the Lakota way of life is one of caring for Mother Earth much more than the almighty dollar.

We come from the earth and our connection is stronger to 'Unci Maka' to use a contemporary Lakota slogan, than it is to making money.

It doesn't matter if you are a scientist or a believer in the Lakota way of life, we all agree that Mother Earth is being endangered and it is not too late to be a conservationist.

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IHS Projects AB-01-584, AB-03-E72, AB-04-R39, AB-05-S01, and AB-06-R59
to Construct Sanitation Facilities for the
Pine Ridge Community
Pine Ridge Indian Reservations, Shannon County, South Dakota

the Aberdeen Area Indian health Service seeks to construct sanitation facilities in the Pine Ridge community on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, Shannon County, South Dakota. A Draft Environmental Assessment (EA covering these proposed facilities is now available for public inspection, review, and comment.

The Draft EA addresses the potential environmental effects of constructing a new wastwater treatment facility with continuous discharge to an unnamed drainage which empties into White Clay Creek approximately 1/2 mile downstream of White Clay Dam. Copies of the Draft EA are available for review and comment at the Oglala Sioux Tribe Environmental Protection Program Office in Pine Ridge, SD, the City of Martin Community Library, and the IHS Martin Field Office in Martin, South Dakota. The public is invited and encouraged to review the Draft EA and provide comment.

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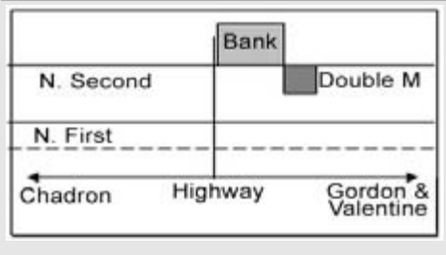
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Vote YES on Amendment E and take a stand for Native rights

Dear Editor:

Once again I take pen in hand to write about some concerns I have and share with others, primarily in regard to the upcoming state/national elections.

There are many amendments/choices for those of us who choose to vote will need to concern ourselves with.

My main concern is with "Constitutional Amendment E." The advocates of this amendment have repeatedly explained that its intent is to remove South Dakota judges 'Judicial Immunity,' that they be held accountable if they flagrantly violate an individual's civil rights.

Alarmists have stated that this would also apply to citizens serving on State Juries, school boards, city councils, etc.

This is much more than an exaggeration and is, in fact, a distortion of the intent of the amendment to the South Dakota State Constitution.

The real intention is to make judges accountable.

What is further frustrating and downright exasperating is that alarmists and truth distorters have said that this would also affect or would apply to tribal councils.

I first read this from a non-Indian editorial writer who uses smoke screens to air opinions on tribal matters.

I recently read this same view point from a Native writer who has an advice column in an area newspaper (one I enjoy reading immensely). She also writes that this will affect tribal councils. I don't know which tribe she is enrolled in but in Sicangu Country, State enacted constitutional amendments do not apply to the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council or our RST Constitution.

What is wrong with holding judges accountable? Why should we not take every measure to protect the civil rights of all?

How many times have we heard of these rights taken and violated by South Dakota State Judges against Native Americans. How many of us can recall the infuriating decision of a Winner judge to send Homer Chief Eagle to prison for tona years over a can of "Beanie Weanies?" In state and federal judicial systems, there are different sets of rules for Indians who are being adjudicated.

Those I have heard from who advocate for Native civil rights, support Amendment E.

The reality is that this amendment will probably not pass, but we can overwhelmingly support Amendment E in Indian Country.

Let us show State judges and tax payers that we are tired of the dual justice system which exists in South Dakota; that Natives should have the same rights and protections enjoyed by the wasicu.

What also alarmed me was that the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council on Sept. 27, actually passed a resolution to oppose Amendment E making State Judges accountable.

This resolution did not go through a community or a committee but rather was presented as emergency legislation from the floor.

It was motioned, seconded and questioned by Antelope Council Representatives. It was motioned and seconded for approval by a Rosebud representative. Later in the day, a motion was made to reconsider and table this Resolution (06-248).

The tribal council changed their mind after hearing from a Lakota who advocates for civil and human rights. He is also a tribal member. The intent of tabling the resolution was in order to hear from others, besides those advocating. Opposition to . Constitutional Amendment E, which should have been done hear from both sides.

I wondered if anyone on the council had read and was alarmed by the editorial of a local newspaper which opined that Amendment E would/could apply to them as well, or did they see the article for what it was: another smoke screen.

Again, the constitutions of the tribe and state are different creatures. One does not apply to the other, don't you know?

Our Rosebud Sioux Tribal Constitution, in fact, says that the tribal council is its sole judge. Years ago my *tahansi* George Whirlwind Soldier served on the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council; to demigods, beyond reproach. Not much has changed. The Sicangu have been in a long process of having our very own Constitutional revision re proposed amendments to Article II "The Governing Body." The RST "Constitutional Task Force" submitted the carefully scrutinized amendments (narrated down from 182 to 27 proposed amendments) to the Dept. of Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs over a year and a half ago.

We have yet to hear of a definitive date to cast our ballots to amend the RST Constitution, a document, my friend Edd Charging Elk once said, that serves only 12 percent or so of the entire Oyate.

Vote Yes on Amendment E. Vote for protecting civil rights!

I pray continuously for the victims of crime as well as those victimized by the institutionally racist South Dakota State and Federal Judicial Systems, especially those wrongfully convicted and imprisoned.

We can also vote to replace the current South Dakota Attorney General and put in place a Native American who will represent and serve all South Dakota citizens. Vote for Ron Valesky.

Vote for Initiated Measure 7 to represent South Dakota Video Lottery. The State refuses to negotiate in good faith Gaming Compacts with tribes. Hit 'em where it hurts, their pocketbook! Gov. Rounds and his staff will not negotiate unless their demands for tribes to negotiate on other issues are met. Issues having nothing to do with gaming.

We can rescind our tax agreements and other covenants with the state, if the state continues their gamesmanship and closet racism.

If we were truly sovereign, we would administer these agreements ourselves.

As for Initiated Measure 8, to repeal the gross receipts tax on wireless communications services (cell phones), I can only say that this tax is also applied on reservations as well as a tax to help fund the SD Public Utilities Commission.

These are taxes which are not included in the agreement that different tribes have entered into with the state. Thus, they are illegal on the Rosebud and other reservations, plain and simple.

On another matter, I believe that the Alltel Cellular company is taking advantage of reservation Lifeline customers. The 80 percent or more of us who qualify for the 'Commod Phone' end up paying exorbitant excess monthly bills on features not agreed upon.

The intent of the Federal Communications Commission in initiating the Lifeline linkup programs in Indian Country was meant to be an affordable reality.

Alltel and other companies have not come to Indian Country completely out of the goodness of their hearts. They received Eligible Telecommunications Carrier status from the FCC and are funded to provide coverage to an area considered unserved (reservations included).

Lifeline customers pay unbelievable costs in features accessed by minors and others, resulting in high bills which have caused tears to be shed by elders and caused anguish to others.

It is an almost insurmountable task to confront and straighten these complex bills with Alltel representatives.

I help represent the Rosebud Sioux Tribe Utility Commission. I propose to other Tribal Utilities Commissions, or equivalents, that if you share my concerns, we need to meet and address this and other issues.

We can begin by lodging intertribal complaints with the FCC. We can challenge the ETC status.

In researching Amendment E and tribal council actions and intentions, I tried to do a thorough job.

Wopila Tanka to the RST Office of the Secretary. You are always professional and helpful. Reaching and accessing others is not so easy. I have often heard stories of the inaccessibility of council representatives. *Wopila Tanka* to Council Representative Russell Eagle Bear for being accessible, for standing up for Lakota sovereignty and human rights.

Thank you to Robert Moore, council member, for taking a stand against corruption and impropriety.

Pilamaya to Council Rep Marion Young One Star for acknowledging the Oyate, for not scurrying by Tribal Members, but stopping to shake hands, to smile and offer encouragement. These Council Reps (and others) exemplify Lakota values and virtues.

Thank you to KINI for keeping us informed. For honoring our Veterans and Akicita. I was happy to hear my relative Ben Black Bear III, call all the way from Iraq to offer the Oyate greetings. Wopila to him.

Also to Specialist James Eagleman, who was also in Iraq. You gentlemen and all native Akicita, do us proud.

Kiksuya - remember - Vote YES on SD Constitutional Amendment E on Tuesday, November 7. Take a stand for Native Rights. Remember the way the Attorney General of South Dakota has worded the amendments (especially Amendment E that distorts the truth of what they actually will do).

Make judges accountable. Remember Homer Chief Eagle who was sentenced to many years in prison over a can of Beanie Weanies.

Wopila tanka he!
Wambli Gleska Wawokiya
Ronald L. Neiss Sr.
Rosebud, S.D.

November 7, 2006

Vote

John
Yellow Bird Steele



Vote For a Stable Government that protects OST Treaties, Jurisdiction and Sovereignty!

Vote The Treaty lands are not for sale! No monies will be accepted!

Vote Respect for All People!

Vote A Team Player who includes everyone!

Vote For a Promise to go for more Health Care & Contract Care Monies!

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12 Years Wounded Knee District Chairman
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7 Years Wounded Knee District School Board

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Little Wound snares Falcons, moves into second round of playoffs, downed Eagle Butte to finish regular season

Red Cloud, Pine Ridge lose first round of playoffs

Lower Brule clobbers Faith in 9B opening round

By Tom Crash
Times Sports

KYLE/RAPID CITY/CUSTER/LOWER BRULE - Once again Todd County shut down Little Wound's running game but Johnny Cloud made sure the result was not the same as the senior quarterback hit Shilo Pierce on a nine yard TD pass to tie the first round playoff game with Todd County Tuesday with 2:35 to go in the fourth quarter and then hit TJ McCauley not once but twice in the back of the end zone for a two point conversion and a 14-12 win.

"We really couldn't get anything going on the ground," said Darrell Hunter, Little Wound head coach, "but our offensive lineman really stepped it up for this game and gave Johnny some protection and time to throw the ball."

The first half was a defensive struggle but Little Wound had two excellent opportunities to score. The Mustangs drove down the field as Cloud connected with Devon LeBeau on a 39 yard pass and hit McCauley on a 20 yarder. Little Wound got down to the one yard line only to be penalized 15 yards for a lack of proper equipment on a player. The Mustangs gave up the ball on downs and missed that scoring opportunity. Little Wound marched into Todd County territory again, this time getting down to the four. After being stopped they attempted a fake field goal with McCauley throwing a pass that was intercepted at the goal line by Canku One Star, a Todd County freshman defensive back who ran it back to the Falcon 31 yard line.

Todd County promptly moved down the field and with 13 seconds left in the first half put the first points on the board with a 23 yard half back pass from Gunner Krogman to Falcon quarterback CJ Spotted Tail. CJ's lateral to Krogman had sweep written all over it until Krogman pulled up and hit a wide open Spotted Tail for the score, the kick attempt failed but the Falcons had a 6-0 halftime lead.

After an exchange of possessions in the third quarter and a partially blocked punt by Devon LeBeau, Little Wound scored on a one yard plunge by Shilo Pierce, Cloud's kick failed and the score was tied at 6-6.

With 8:38 to go in the fourth, Krogman intercepted his second pass which led to a one yard quarterback sneak by Spotted Tail to give Todd County a 12-6 lead. Spotted Tail's two point conversion pass to Vernie White Hawk was dropped.

Cloud put an exclamation point on a 16 for 24, 227 yard day with his nine yard pass to Shilo Pierce for the game tying touchdown. Little Wound had originally set up on the four but received and illegal motion penalty which put them back to the nine. On the two point conversion, Cloud hit McCauley in the back of the end zone only to have that called back for a motion penalty. Cloud came right back and hit TJ surrounded by three Falcon defenders for the two conversion and the 14-12 win.

Even though Pierce was held to 11 carries for a minus 18 yards he managed to score both of Little Wound's TD's, caught four passes for 24 yards and led the Mustangs on defense.

"My boys just don't have no quit in them," said Hunter, "we kept fighting back to get the win, we keyed on Krogman, he really hurt us in the first game and its nice to play in front of the home crowd, when the crowd gets into the game it really fires up the boys."

Michael Pretty Voice Crane led the team in tackles along with McCauley; LeBeau finished with three catches for 78 yards. Krogman carried the ball 18 times for 83 yards, grabbed two interceptions, covered one fumble and passed for a touchdown. Jesus Duran led the Falcons in rushing with 11 carries for 69 yards, Spotted Tail was 12 of 23 for 138 yards.

Todd County finishes their season with a 5-4 record while Little Wound moves their record to 7-2 and travels to Winner Monday night for a 7pm central time game with Winner.

Last week the Mustangs closed out the regular season with a 20-8 home win over Cheyenne Eagle Butte. Tyson Maxon, a senior transfer from McLaughlin, grabbed a Little Wound fumble and ran it back 33 yards for a touchdown, Spencer Peterson added the two point conversion on the ground.

Johnny Cloud hit TJ McCauley on an 80 yard TD pass for Little Wound's first score; Shilo Pierce scored on a three yard TD run and followed it up with a two point run then added a 72 yard TD pass to Devon LeBeau to wrap up a Little Wound 20-8 win. Pierce finished with 13 carries for 49 yards, Cloud was nine of 16 for 225 yards and a touchdown and TJ McCauley caught five passes for 139 yards and a touchdown.



Jesus Duran (28) breaks through the Little Wound line for a portion of his 69 yards on the ground Tuesday in Kyle during the first round of the football playoffs. Photo courtesy of Double M Photography of Hay Springs, Neb.

Red Cloud finishes best season in ten years with playoff appearance

After suffering through three straight 0-8 years, the Red Cloud Crusaders wrapped up their 2006 chapter with a 60-6 loss to top rated St. Thomas More Tuesday night; the Crusaders finished their regular season with a 39-18 road loss to Todd County last Thursday.

"Despite the last two games, this was a great year for our program," said Ken Franks and Bobb Pille as they joined the Red Cloud fans congratulating the players on a good season as they walked off the field and up the steps at St. Thomas More," it was a really good year, the team has a new enthusiasm and a winning spirit and a future."

Billy Scott finished the Todd County game with 22 rushes for 125 yards and a touchdown while Carl Swallow ran the ball five times for 62 yards and a TD. AB Morgan was 14 of 24 for 182 yards, one TD and three interceptions. Dave Giago caught seven passes for 144 yards and a TD.

Gunner Krogman led Todd County with 19 carries and 196 yards and three touchdowns, Jesus Duran finished with six carries, 47 yards and a TD. Mike Neiss caught a 59 yard TD pass from Spotted Tail, ran a kickoff back 85 yards for a touchdown and grabbed two interceptions.

Christian McGhee, a junior wide receiver hauled down an 18 yard pass for Red Cloud's only touchdown on Tuesday night against St. Thomas More. AB Morgan was nine of 17 for 97 yards, one TD and one interception. St. Thomas More showed why they are ranked number one in the State in 11B dominating all aspects of the game scoring on their first six possessions of the game with Dustin Nowotny scoring four touchdowns in the first quarter and five in the game. The Cavaliers are now 9-0 and play Stanley County on Monday.

Red Cloud finishes the season at 5-4, their best record in ten years and look to the future to build on this year's success. Bill Scott finished the year with 1,227 yards rushing and should be in the running for all state.

Lower Brule opens the playoffs with 64-12 win over Faith

The Middletent twins helped to lead the Lower Brule Sioux to their seventh win of the year as they knocked off Faith 64-12.

Kyal Middletent ran for 177 yards and two touchdowns, ran a kickoff back 76 yards for a TD and passed for two TD's. He also led the defense with 11 tackles, two interceptions and a fumble recovery.

Kansas Middletent returned a fumble recovery 45 yards for a touchdown and had 8 tackles on defense, a sack and an interception.

Pine Ridge closes out season with a loss to Custer

"For a good part of the game, it was a field position game, then the flood gates opened," said Melvin Smiley Sierra, Pine Ridge high school principal, "the 43 yard punt return by Darin Smith midway through the second period sealed the deal."

Louis Good Shield was in charge of the floodgates as he ran for 142 yards on the ground and two touchdowns.

Dave "Bulldawg" Michaud returned to the field for the first time in three games after straining ankle ligaments. Michaud played quarterback in the second half. Pine Ridge finished with a 4-5 record for the year frustrated by close losses to Bennett County, Little Wound and Crow Creek.

Football scores from week eight

Pine Ridge 47-14 St. Francis
Todd County 39-18 Red Cloud
Little Wound 20-8 Chey Eagle Butte
Lemmon/McIntosh 22-14 Dupree
Mobridge 43-12 Crow Creek
Montrose 51-6 Marty
Waubay/Summit 58-6 Tiospa Zina
Gettysburg 60-0 McLaughlin
Bennett County 14-12 Newell
Lower Brule 56-16 Highmore/Harrold
Chey Eagle Butte 54-6 St. Francis
Todd County 28-20 Little Wound
Bennett County 14-7 Red Cloud
Crow Creek 28-18 Pine Ridge
Tiospa Zina 34-22 Wilmot
Lemmon/McIntosh 52-20 McLaughlin
Harding County 52-0 Dupree
Baltic 76-22 Marty
Lower Brule 52-20 White River

Scores from first week of playoffs

Custer 44-0 Pine Ridge
St. Thomas More 60-6 Red Cloud
Little Wound 14-12 Todd County
Lower Brule 64-12 Faith
Stanley County 28-0 Bennett County
Waverly South Shore 54-6 Dupree
Wagner 20-0 Bon Homme
Harrisburg 28-14 West Central
RC Stevens 36-14 Sturgis
RC Central 33-7 Spearfish

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Men arrested after wild chase

MITCHELL (AP) - Two men were arrested in Gregory County after a vehicle pursuit Friday that involved more than 25 law officers and a Highway Patrol plane.

Authorities allege that Peter Fast Horse, 21, and Daryl Brave, 25, stole a pickup in Sioux Falls and were headed for the Rosebud Indian Reservation.

Authorities said the pair might have been responsible for theft of beer from a Parkston store and a report from a motorist about occupants of a pickup truck tossing out beer cans as they drove on Highway 44.

The pair was caught in another vehicle reported stolen in Platte after authorities said it was driven across fields and through 15 or 20 fences before overturning in a ravine at Buryanek Recreation Area northwest of Platte.



SECTION B

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Two Sections

Lakota studies do what is common in an uncommon way

By Kungi Nunpa
Robert Two Crow
Special to the Times

Tokeya tona Lakoliya walawapi oyakihipi kin hena iyuha cante wasteya nape ciyuza pelo. Ni lila pela, nakun. Inse' taku un lecamu kin he owayawa Shannon County hel Lakota hecetkiya taku na toske wicoskincinye na waunspe wicakiyapi kin hena unh oblakin kte lo. Wicohan kin hena wasicuya oblakin na owa ewagnakin kte lo.

BATESLAND - Now as the saying goes, "here's the rest of the story" (in written English):

The major purpose of this writing piece is based on the notion of sharing information with the public about Indian education - teaching and learning basic skills while retaining a Lakota identity through language and culture. But, first, I'd like to acknowledge and honor all writers, reporters and Lakota Country Times staff by saying, Wopila! You have done an excellent job of presenting a Lakota perspective on many issues of importance to the Lakota Oyate. Waste yelo.

This is a first and an introductory article. The article is going to focus and talk about Shannon County School District (SCSD) and its Lakota studies program at four different attendance centers - Wolf Creek, Rockyford, Red Shirt and Batesland Schools. Interestingly, SCSD is a public school and the overall enrollment for the current school year (2006-07) is approximately 1000-1100 students. Most students are of Oglala Lakota descent and reside on the Pine Ridge Sioux Indian Reservation. Students come from many different autonomous villages and communities i.e., Pine Ridge Village, Porcupine and the Wounded Knee area. Other communities include: Number Four, Slim Buttes, Calico,Wolf Creek Community and Oglala. And as a convenience to students and parents of the service area, bus service is offered to the Indian communities.

Historically, SCSD has been involved with Lakota studies since the 1970s. In the early years, programs at each site were based primarily on Lakota language instruction via pull out programs. Federal grant monies obtained via proposals on three-year cycles funded these past language instruction programs. SCSD hired local community people as teacher aides; they taught the language classes.

Currently, Lakota studies at SCSD changed significantly since the early 70s. Lakota

Please turn to Lakota Studies: B2

Harrison confronts wife's illness through spirituality

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

MISSION - Ed Harrison's Dakota oyate heritage by way of Ft. Thompson on the Crow Creek Sioux reservation has served him well in confronting his wife, Irene's cancer. He moved to the Rosebud in 1976 and met Irene Lillian Moran and he has been sober ever since.

The Rosebud Sioux reservation is the place where Harrison feels at home as he has 'hunka' relatives that keep him connected. He is gradually learning the Lakota language and in confronting his wife's illness, he has committed himself to learning the spiritual ways of the Lakota. He said, "I tell people when I moved here, I got my sobriety, my serenity and my education.., this is where my friends and 'hunka' relatives are."

His great-great grandfather is John Shoots Enemy who was born in Poplar, Mont. and he has relatives in Ft. Thompson, including an aunt who is 85 years old. His Lakol ocaje is 'Mato Icakiza'



Ed and Irene Harrison of Mission have three adopted children. Irene has been employed by the Rosebud Sioux Tribe for 40 years, while Ed was employed with the RST alcohol treatment program and the White Buffalo Calf Woman's Society.

or Fighting Bear and his hunka relatives are Albert White Hat, Sr. and Goldie Farmer.

As he picked up the Pipe and decided to pursue that increasing spirituality, leksi Albert gave him some great advice. He said, "Let the wind blow through you, but don't let it blow you down" meaning that there may criticism from some quarters, but the responsibility is to persevere, and to learn the songs and ceremonies in the proper way.

As he matures both spiritually and emotionally, Harrison says that he finds himself reflecting on the meaning of his own spirituality as a means to help others. He said, "This is my life, I know what the medicine men gave my wife. I want to live this way of life and help others."

Irene was diagnosed with cancer in 1984 and Ed has taken her to most of the more prominent Lakota wapiya wicasa on the northern plains. The Tree of Life recently built a ceremony house on the Harrison's property south of Mission and completed it three weeks ago. Ed said, "I want to dedicate this building to my wife." Lately, Irene is in a lot of pain from the breast cancer which has progressed into her shoulders and spine. Her Lakol ocaje is 'Cante' wakan win' which was given to her in ceremony. In Lakota, it translates to 'sacred heart woman.'

The building is relatively spacious and Harrison has several hand drums, a war bonnet, a blanket, and other personal items which are

Please turn to Harrison: B3



May and Maramag to marry

RAPID CITY - Clint and Michelle May, parents of Fern May and Art and Myrna Maramag, parents of Drew Maramag, are proud to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their children. Fern and Drew are planning a December 16 wedding to be held at Ellsworth, AFB. Fern is currently a student at Oglala Lakota College majoring in Human Services. She is the granddaughter of Cleon and Fern Boomer of Interior. Drew is currently enlisted in the Air Force and is stationed at Ellsworth, AFB.

Janis first graduate of Crazy Horse Alternative School

WANBLEE - On Oct. 10 was a very important day for Jeremy Janis and the Crazy Horse Alternative School.

Janis completed the class work that he was missing to graduate from Crazy Horse School last spring. According to Mr. Mullen, the director of the school, Janis came to class every day, was extremely focused and completed his work with 85 percent accuracy. A graduation party was held in the Alternative School with family and friends attending. He is now exploring his options for the future, which one of them is the military.

Janis is the first graduate from the Alternative School which was started this year. The Alternative School is designed to work with students that need credit to graduate and have a degree of problem completing their work in a regular classroom environment.

The work is web based called Plato. At present there are 16 students enrolled. Muellen knows that once this program becomes known, there will be a waiting list of students. There is a capacity of 10 students in the morning and an additional 10 students in the afternoon.

The requirements are 16 years of age and to have at least six high school credits. Should the information be wanted concerning enrollment, contact Mullen at 605-462-6792 or stop in at the Middle School building next the main building at Crazy Horse School.

Community Calendar
Rez Happenings

Weekly Flu Clinics
Tuesday and Thursdays starting Oct. 24 and running through Nov. 30th in Pine Ridge at the Public Health Nursing building for adults only from 1-5pm, for information call 867-3297.

Revival Services
Tuesday-Sunday, Oct. 24-29th at the Lakota Memorial Church of the Nazarene at Fast Horse Creek, four miles south of Wounded Knee and two mile west, 7pm nightly with Rev. Melvin Beeker.

Blood Drive
Thursday, Oct. 26t at the Pine Ridge High School from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1-4 p.m., sponsored by the Pine Ridge JROTC.

OLL Halloween Carnival
Friday, Oct. 27 at Our Lady of Lourdes School in Porcupine from 5-8 p.m.

OST Council Special Session
Monday, Oct. 30 in the council chambers of the Red Cloud building in Pine Ridge.

Spookhouse
Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 30 and 31, the OST Ambulance Spookhouse at the old Indian Health Service Hospital morgue in Pine Ridge, 7 p.m. to midnight each evening.

Immunization Clinic
Tuesday, Oct. 31 at the Porcupine Clinic from 11a.m. to 3 p.m.

Flu Shot Clinic
Thursday, Nov. 2 at the Porcupine Clinic , high risk patients only, for information call 867-3145 or 867-5728.

Halloween Carnival
Thursday, Nov. 4 at the Wounded Knee District School in Manderson from 6-8:30 p.m. in the school gym.

Benefit Basketball Tournament
Friday, Saturday, Nov. 3 and 4 Men's Benefit Basketball Tournament for Dorianne Bad Hand at the Lakota Veteran's gym in St. Francis, eight team single elimination, for info call 747-4479.

Annual Bazaar
Sunday, Nov. 5 at St. Isaac Jogues Church/Mother Butler Center in Rapid City from 10am to 3pm arts and crafts, quilts, plant booth, baked goods, children's games, bingo, food concessions and raffles, for information call 343-2165.

Women's Conference
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 3-5 for the 2006 First Nation's Women's Conference at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City.

Tribal, State, Federal Election
Tuesday, Nov. 7 is election day for tribal, state and national elections, polls open for state and national elections from 7am to 7pm while polls for tribal elections open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
School pow wow on Thursday, Nov. 9 at Loneman School in Oglala with grand entries at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with supper set for 5pm; Friday, Nov. 17 at Porcupine School with grand entries at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m.

Pow wow and Art Show
Lakota Red Nations 9th Annual Pow wow and Art Show, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 24 and 25 in Gordon, Neb. at he Gordon City Hall with grand entries set for 7pm on Friday and 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Porcupine AA meeting
Every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine, for info call Janice at 867-5404

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841.

Life after death class
Developing a better understanding of the journey of the soul, Fridays at 7 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Village College Center.

Weight watchers class
Large conference room at the Indian Health Service Hospital in Pine Ridge, weigh in at 5 p.m. and meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Dear Oglala Lakota Voters:

Wopila tanka to you who voted for me on October 3, 2006 during the primary election and I want to encourage you to go to the polls again on November 7th . I am encouraging you to ask those who seek to represent you to uphold the laws of our Tribe along with our Nation. Representing our people is an honorable and responsible position and requires a commitment to all of our people and knowing the laws, which are defined in our ordinances. As you read the following ask yourself do you want someone representing you who violates these laws and who has been a part of the past years council who have brought our Tribe to the continuing financial crisis we are in.

Just because they took some time off does not mean they are not still part of the problem. Ask yourself what have your representatives done to improve your communities, and what role did they play in the overall picture of improving the economy, health, education, and well being of our people. Separation of power is a very important issue to be addressed in the coming years and we must all participate in insuring non-interference of our representatives in the workings of the court. The courts are to interpret and enforce our laws and we must all work together to bring true separation of powers to provide stability and clear understanding to the roles of Executive, Legislative and Judiciary. The Tribe continues to be on high-risk status, which means anyone who is elected into office must prioritize and continue to work at financial stability. We are a Tribe of families with many Veterans who have given their lives many times to protecting the freedoms stated in the constitution and bill of rights and unfortunately some of our council violated these freedoms and processes. I ask you to think of these things and be assured that I will be coming to the communities to ask for your support and help in changing our laws and constitution to strengthen our Tribe and insure our rights are not violated. We may not like what is going on, however we must also work together as Tribal citizens and elected officials to make those changes in a our laws and constitution.

The FireThunder Administration maintained a balanced general fund budget in 2005 and to the present 2006. The following is a report to you on my administration's response to accountability and despite the hard work done, we are still $ 92 million dollars in debt, which is from 1998 to 2004.I encourage the new council to keep the current Treasurer on board along with asking her to provide a comprehensive report to you so she can tell you what has been done up to date.

Financial Stability and Honest Management Of Tribal Funds

Goal of the FireThunder Administraton

PROBLEMS FROM PRIOR YEARS

PAYMENTS DUE TO VENDORS	$ 4,000,000
PAYMENT DUE THE BIA	$ 4,000,000
PRIOR YEARS OBLIGATIONS GENERAL FUND	$ 600,000
PAYMENT DUE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR PROGRAMS	$ 4,500,000

PAYMENTS DUE TO DISTRICT ALLOCATON, SOLID WASTE, DETENTION CENTER, VETERANS HOMELESS SHELTER, OTHER FEDERAL PROGRAMS
$ 4,300,000

YEAR 2003 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SHOW TRIBAL LONG TERM DEBT
$ 22,000,000

YEAR 2003 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SHOW FEDERAL AGENCIES MAY REQUEST REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENDITURES QUESTIONED UNDER TERMS OF THE GRANTS.

UNRESOLVED QUESTIONED COSTS YEARS 1998-2003	*$ 61,550,000*
GENERAL FUND DEFICIT AT THE END OF YEAR 2003.	*$8,500,000*

$ 92 MILLION DOLLAR DEBT

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN BY FIRETHUNDER ADMINISTRATION

REQUEST TO SHAKOPEE TRIBE FOR LOAN TO RELIEVE EXTREME FINANCIAL PROBLEMS OF THE OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE.

RECEIVED LOAN FROM SHAKOPEE FOR $ 18 MILLION DOLLARS FOR IMMEDIATE DEBT RESOLUTION. $20 MILLION OF THE LOAN WAS FOR EXPANSION OF CASINO WHICH IS NEARLY COMPLETED.

PRESIDENT FIRETHUNDER SOUGHT THE SUPPORT OF OTHER TRIBAL LEADERS TO URGE CONGRESS TO PASS LEGISLATION OF THE TRIBE TO ASSIST WITH DEBT RESULTING FROM LAND PURCHASE LOANS FROM 1972 MADE WITH THE FARM SERVICE AGENCY/DEPARTMENTOF AGRICULTURE.

THE LEGISLATION WAS PASSED AND SIGNED INTO LAW APRIL OF 2006, THIS LAW BENEFITED 28 TRIBES WITH FSA/LOANS. THE RESULTS ARE THAT THE FSA/LOAN PAYMENT TO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE HAS BEEN REDUCED BY $ 500,000

PRESIDENT FIRETHUNDER SET UP A RESEARCH TEAM TO ORGANIZE AND LOCATE DOCUMENTS WHICH SHOW THAT THESE FEDERAL MONIES WERE SPENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GRANT REQUIREMENTS.

DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED TO THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, BUREAU OF RECLAMATION (RURAL WATER) INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES THAT ACCOUNT FOR MORE THAN
$ 15 MILLION DOLLARS
AND THE RESEARCH CONTINUES TO ANSWER QUESTIONED & DISALLOWED COSTS.

On December 14, 1935 the Oglala Sioux Tribe of Pine Ridge Reservation did approve the constitution and bylaws in accordance with section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934.

On May 30, 2006 the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council voted to suspend President Cecelia FireThunder from a motion off the floor with complaints. Vice President White Plume should not have accepted the motion, as the Secretary of the Tribe following established procedures did not bring it forward.

> *The ordinance states **" a complaint must be signed and sworn** to and the accused shall be advised of the charges against him at least 20 days previous to the time set for trial and shall be immediately suspended from his duties upon **service of such notice."***

A complaint must be signed and notarized, with complaint given to the Secretary of the Tribe who logs and stamps it showing acceptance by her office for the council. She then provides copies to tribal attorney's to review. She then notifies the Presidents office to place on the agenda for the next council meeting. She notifies the person being charged with a copy of the complaint and all documents and materials supporting the complaint by either certified mail or hand delivered. The Secretary then prepares packets for the council: copy of the compliant, supporting documents on the complaint, constitution and impeachment ordinance. Once all this is passed out the council either accepts or rejects, if it accepts, a date for the hearing is set which is 20 days from being served.

The signed, sworn and notarized complaint was logged in on May 31, 2006 a full day after suspension. Documents to support complaint were not provided with complaint and were passed out at the hearing 31 days after the illegal suspension 30 days after filing the complaint on 31st of May a day after the suspension, thus violating the ordinance.

Procedures for Impeachment.

#1. The hearing will be on informal basis- that is attorneys, professional or layman will not be allowed for either the defendant or the complainant."

Tribal attorneys were both present and sitting with Secretary Two Eagle who was the presiding officer and were taking active part in discussion and clarifying rules. This should have been done prior to coming to this hearing. There was much confusion and at this point asks the question, as the complainant are both council members and they at no time recused themselves from discussion were they being represented by tribal attorneys. Tribal attorneys did not exclude the two council members from discussions, taking part in the close deliberations and voting. ***By having the tribal attorneys present violates this section as they were also advising the complainants who are on the council and therefore were acting in this capacity as attorneys and two councilmen who filed complaints took part is discussions.***

Procedures for impeachment furthur states ***" The hearing will be conducted by the council open to the public, and after all evidence has been hear, all points clarified, the councilmen shall retire with the presiding officer for furthur discussion, the defendant, complainant, and all officers will not be present at this final session."***

Complainants both participated in the closed session once the hearing concluded and furthur more were allowed to vote. The defendant and members of council attempted to question this point, however were ignored. In recent council meetings on other impeachment charges by council, complainant and defendant did not participate in closed deliberations or vote. **Representatives Steele and Peters are on record as taking part in closed session and voting.**

2/3 OF THE COUNCIL

The Oglala Sioux Tribal Council shall try all impeachments. When sitting for that purpose, either in regular or special session, **the members shall be upon oath to do justice according to evidence and law".** No person will be convicted without **2/3 concurrence of the council."** This council already set precedence in the past two hearings to have full council present with 12 votes to remove. **The two councilmen who filed the complaint were allowed to vote thus violating the ordinance.**

It is clear that the law was not followed and encourage you the voters to consider asking your candidates if they will follow the laws of the Tribe. I encourage you not to support those council reps that allowed the laws to be violated and did nothing to stop the procedure. The recall process must be changed to allow you, the voters/citizens who voted your representatives or Executive officer into office, to be the ones to remove for cause. I encourage the candidates to continue the work that has been done to resolve the financial challenges left to my administration and to yours and am available to assist in any way I can. For those who make to the council and executive branch please read and ask questions and encourage the Office of Inspector General who have records of fiscal impropriety committed by members to take action, as long as those who stole from our tribe are not held accountable for their actions they will continue to find ways to take what is not theirs or earned. Your vote is your power and you must direct those you loan your power to for the next two years to do no harm, follow the laws, support changing the laws for due process, separation of powers, accountability and honesty.

Vote no on Referred Law 6 for women for choice.

Encourage all your family members of voting age to vote for Congresswoman Stephanie Herseth, as she has been a strong advocate for South Dakota Indian Tribes with staff from her office present and available whenever we need to talk to them. Vote Jack Billion for Governor so he can open the doors to the statehouse for Tribes and its citizens.

Cecelia FireThunder

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Shannon County Lakota studies

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studies standards now guide classroom instruction at each site. The teachers are tribal members and are college trained, thanks to the SCSD teacher-training program; they possess South Dakota state teaching certificates. Wow! They are highly qualified to be in classrooms with Lakota students: They are proficient Lakota speakers and are well versed to address issues related to the Lakota culture - the influences and dynamics of older Tiospaye traditions and way of life, the modern politics of tribal government, and policies guiding health and welfare issues and challenging economic factors.

The SCSD Lakota studies staff deserves a "great big 'round of applause." Again, Wopila! Lakota studies teachers do what is common in an uncommon way, or vise versa.

Moreover, for the first time this summer, a Lakota studies director was hired to oversee classroom instruction, standards development and conduct teacher evaluations in collaboration with building principals. Thus, Lakota studies staff grade students and mark appropriate performance levels in an electronic grade-book. Student achievement is important and student performance results are available online through the school district's electronic database; a database that is accessible to parents, teachers, and administrators by way of user name and password.

This past summer, the Lakota studies teachers met as a team to map the Lakota studies standards with the state's social studies standards. The SCSD Lakota studies centers around five areas: Lakota communication, Lakota family system, the Lakota culture, modern reservation service systems, and OST land-base and resources.

Through association an integrative approach involving the existing Lakota standards and social studies standards new performance indicators and opportunity-to-learn standards were developed as model for implementation of Lakota concepts. As for the future of Lakota standards, the work is considered a beginning and will require improvements from time to time.

Curricular improvements will be recommended at the end of the school year. This will give teachers time to field test the standards.

SCSD purchased Lakota language textbooks and other teaching resources and materials to be used in classrooms. Other areas of priority for SCSD involves participation in professional development that includes the use of appropriate assessment tools for students and teachers, incorporating best instructional practices that are research-based, and building better and more attractive parental involvement models that encourage and support student success.

As an opinion, if any school reform effort is to improve student performance in any school, it must be fairly understood that it isn't going to be easy nor is it going to be acceptable by all players and, surely, it will not happen overnight just because that is what everybody wants. At best, it is more important to identify and recognize the work that everyone needs to do collectively and professionally. If educational goals and standards are to be met with some degree of success, student performance should be measured in congruence with the Lakota way of life and based on the notion of what the community wants education to be like for Lakota students.

And everyone must agree to this mission not just parents and guardians of students.

As for recent events and school news, Lakota studies staff in cooperation with other faculty at Rockyford School and Wolf Creek School, celebrated Native American Day and Grandparents Day. Beef stew, fry bread, and Wojapi were served to visiting grandparents and students at each school.

These events are planned along with an Open House or Family Night scheduled at each school.

At Wolf Creek School, the emcee noted that the state of South Dakota adopted the Native American Day in place of Columbus Day during the late Gov. Mickelson's administration.

In future articles, news and events from the other two schools will be included.

As a heads-up for the months of November and December, the SCSD Lakota studies is looking forward to the following training opportunities:

November 16-17 The Lakota Language Consortium will be offering two FREE teacher-training opportunities for teachers of the Lakota language and other interested educators. The two-day training will focus on successful techniques for language teaching and the proper use of Lakota Language textbooks and teaching materials.

December, 2006 - Lakota Nation Education Conference, December 13-15, 2006.

Lakota Studies staff will coordinate a Showcasing of Curriculum during the conference. Staff will leave Thursday afternoon and stay overnight. The Showcase is set for Friday, December 15, 2006. All reservation schools throughout South Dakota are invited. Letters-of-invitation will be sent to school serving Lakota students regarding this matter ASAP!

SCSD In Service Dec. 18-20 APPLE Training; of the 3-day in-service, 2 have been designated for the technology training

In closing, it's been a wonderful experience writing about a small piece of Indian Education as it relates to Lakota students from the Pine Ridge reservation attending the SCSD. As mentioned before, other articles will appear in future editions of the Lakota Country Times, so if you would like input into what is written contact the SCSD administrative office (Batesland, South Dakota (605) 288-1921), or send an email message to r2crow@shannon.ws

Ho! Hecetu welo… Toksa ake kte lo.

Harrison

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reflective of his deepening spirituality. It is a place where Ed can sit and contemplate his life and that of his family. He said that the ceremony house is a place that belongs to the 'Lakota oyate' and anyone can use the facility for ceremonies.

He hopes to dedicate the house this weekend with a ceremony that will be preceded by a sweat.

He continued, "I've tried different things in life, different churches. When I step in this path, I found who I am. I had an identity problem and didn't know who I was. I want to carry on the spirituality and give to the young."

Irene continues to work for the Rosebud Sioux Tribe as their Employee Assistance Program officer. She has worked in several different capacities for RST over the course of 40 years. She also believes in the Lakol wicohan and Lakota spirituality. Recently, she says that she is tired of 'this', referring to the pain which she is experiencing. Ed says that when she does goes to a ceremony, her cancer gets arrested for a time, but it has not gone into remission.

Ed earned his G.E.D at Sinte Gleska University and went on to major in Human Services and then, Lakota Studies. Most recently, he worked at the White Buffalo Calf Woman Society for six years. Prior to that, he was employed at the RST Alcohol Treatment facility as a South Dakota level three counselor. The Harrisons have three adopted children; Edie, 28, who works at the casino, Curtis, 26, works at the Sunrise apartments and Sara, 23, is also employed at the Rosebud Casino.

The Harrisons have had a sweat lodge on their property since they moved there some ten years ago and will often host people from the Tree of Life ministry each week. He figures that for the last seven years, some 500 people each summer from the TOL have attended a sweat ceremony.

One of the most important lessons of Ed's life is 'forgiveness' which he learned from his late mother during a reading from a psychic who attended a sweat at his house. He said he wanted to test the psychic, so he asked for a reading and she told him that there was a woman who wanted to speak to him. It turned out to be his mother and she asked Ed to forgive him for abandoning him when he was two years old. She said it was all due to alcohol and the fear that she felt from his father's drinking.

Finally, Harrison said, "I met a lot of good people here. The spiritual leaders here told my life. I dedicated my life to this pipe. There is so much sickness on earth; we need people to carry on this way."



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AWARENESS MONTH

"It is important for us to choose a healthy pathway. Our young people look up to us and will follow in our paths. If you are at risk for developing diabetes, you may be able to prevent or delay it. By making healthy food choices and being physically active almost every day (such as walking), you will create a healthy lifestyle pathway for generations to follow."





Hundreds of supporters, nationwide, will be joining together during the month of November in a number of activities oriented to raise awareness on Type 1 and 2 diabetes . . .

Join your local RST Diabetes Prevention Program and Sinte Gleska University on *November 3rd and 4th*, and
Walk for Life . . .

The walk will begin with a prayer at 6:00 a.m. on November 3rd and it will end on November 4th at 6:00 p.m. at the old St. Francis Indian School track field

Help raise awareness by walking with us, at any time. Challenge your friends and family, or your co-worker. See you lasts the longest! Food and water will be provided to all participants.

For more information, contact:
Rosebud Sioux Tribe
Diabetes Prevention Program
BIA 9 Soldier Creek Road
Rosebud, SD 57570
Phone: 605-747-4600
info@rstdpp.org

Charging Hawk holds 'wopila' for SGU Lakota Studies

MISSION - Harold Charging Hawk is between his sophomore and junior year at Sinte Gleska University and is earning a grade point average of 3.75 in Lakota studies. His major is Lakota language both at the Associate of Arts and Bachelor of Science degree level. He is originally from what is known as the Red Leaf community on the Rosebud reservation.

He was honored with a $2,000 dollar award from the National Indian Education Association last November. He will earn his associate's degree in Lakota Studies with an emphasis in Lakota language in August of 2007 and he has two courses remaining. By then, he will be well on his way toward earning credit hours towards his bachelor's degree.

The Lakota Studies Department recommended him for the NIEA cash award and he traveled to Denver, CO to receive the award. He was able to give back to the department by holding a 'wopila' dinner for staff and faculty on Friday, October 20. He was assisted by wife, Stacey, a friend, Chris Stewart, son Joseph Charging Hawk and aunt, Velma Little Elk; all of whom he wished to thank.

Fry bread, wahanpi, and wojapi were served to the Lakota Studies staff, while a star quilt was presented to the department by Charging Hawk.

His academic advisor in Lakota Studies is Ione Quigley.

Tribes may oppose video lottery

SIOUX FALLS (AP) _ The state's American Indian tribes might endorse repeal of video lottery as part of their effort to get Gov. Mike Rounds to approve new tribal compacts that allow expanded gambling at Indian casinos.

Representatives from the nine tribes will meet Thursday in Pierre to form what they'll call the South Dakota Indian Gaming Association.

Walt Big Crow, an Oglala Sioux Tribe council member who also sits on the tribe's business and economic development committee, said Rounds has been invited to the session and his willingness to give tribal casinos more gambling machines could determine how Indians respond to Initiative 7, a Nov. 7 ballot measure that would repeal video lottery.

``You know the vote statewide is going to be pretty tight. The 10 percent of (the state electorate who are) Indian voters is going to make the difference,'' Big Crow said.

Tribes so far have been frustrated in their efforts to renegotiate gaming compacts with Rounds, and ``if we get to the point where we think the governor is negotiating in bad faith, if the governor turns down our compacts, we will tell our voters to turn down video lottery,'' Big Crow said.

Mark Johnston, a spokesman for Rounds, said the governor was invited to the meeting but has prior commitments.

``Since 1990, every governor has designated gaming-compact negotiators to communicate with tribes on a case-by-case basis. If the tribes create a consortium, they're welcome to present their proposals,'' Johnston says.

However, ``it is regrettable for Mr. Big Crow to engage in this kind of threat against the $110 million in revenues from the state lottery which goes to property tax relief and state aid to education,'' Johnston adds. ``It most certainly raises the question as to who is behind the move to ban video lottery in South Dakota.''

Video lottery industry members also are courting Indian voters, according to Big Crow, and the vote from Indian Country is in the balance, he says.

``They indicate if tribes support them in keeping video lottery, they will support us and go to bat for us with the governor. ... We've been telling them just to wait a little bit. We've got our meeting on the 19th,'' Big Crow says.

Larry Mann, spokesman for the Music and Vending Association's ``No on 7'' campaign that is leading the effort to retain video lottery, said the relationship between the video lottery industry and the tribes is not as close as Big Crow suggests.

``We only talked with one tribe,'' the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe, ``because we know some of the guys up there and wanted to sound them out,'' Mann says. ``I think their concerns with regard to a compact is strictly between the administration and the tribe. We try to keep our noses out of others' business.''

Vote
November 7

Walkers participate in domestic violence awareness activities

KYLE - Walkers took to the streets last week to join the staff of Cangleska, Inc. for two walks in observance of October as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Participants in the Oct. 17 walk Porcupine included college students who took time out of their class schedules to remember survivors and women who died because of violent acts of domestic violence. The walkers braved cold weather as temperatures dipped into winter-like conditions.

In Martin, participants held a candle light vigil Oct. 18 as they walked through the business district of the downtown areas. Law enforcement from The Oglala Sioux Tribe and the Bennett County Sheriff's department provided support and participated in the prayer ceremonies.

The walks last week were two of four annual walks sponsored by Cangleska, Inc. in observance of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Its annual walk in Kyle will be at 9 a.m. on Oct. 25 with walkers meeting at the Little Wound School gym.

The annual Four Directions Walk in Pine Ridge will be held Oct. 26 at 5:30 p.m. There will be four starting locations for walkers including the old hospital site, the top of the hill going to White Clay, the parking lot of the Y. O. Park and the Cangleska, Inc. offices.

Ohitika, a domestic violence shelter operated by Cangleska, Inc. in Rapid City will hold its 2nd Annual Diva Day in Rapid City from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the St. Isaac Jogues/Mother Butler Center in Rapid City.

The event is a day set aside for celebrating women and offering them the opportunity to enjoy a relaxing day of pampering from head to toe.

"Please join us for all or any of these events as a way of showing your support in ending domestic violence and creating awareness within the community," said Karen Artichoker, director.

For more information, contact Cangleska, Inc. at 604-455-2244.



Women partcipate in Martin's walk of awareness of domestic violence awareness month. Left to right: Eula Young, Cindy Lessert, Haley Hensley, Alice Young-Two Bulls, and Shirley Big Eagle. Alice said a prayer before the walk. Sack treats were handed out after the walk. Below: Walkers partcipate in the activity at Porcupine on Oct. 17. Although the weather was chilly and quite cold, walkers still took part in the walk. There will be addtional walks throughout the month.

Photos courtesy of Kay Humprey.



OST candidates debate at Red Cloud cancelled

Candidate Forum to be held at Pejuta Haka

PINE RIDGE - The Red Cloud High School student council originally scheduled an OST Presidential and Vice-Presidential debate on Wednesday, October 25 at the Memorial Field House; however, it was cancelled due to the controversy surrounding the OST primary election held on October 3, as well as the decision rendered by the Oglala Sioux Election Appeals Court on October 22.

The Red Cloud High School Student Council hopes to reschedule the debate at a future date in order to keep the Oglala Sioux Tribal electorate informed.

The OST Presidential candidates are John Steel and Alex White Plume. The Vice-Presidential candidates at Melanie Two Eagle and Shorty Brewer.

An "OST Candidate Forum" has been scheduled at the Pejuta Haka College Center in Kyle on Sunday, Oct. 29 at 12:00 p.m. It is sponsored by the Pejuta Haka Student Organization. A meal will be served and the public is invited to come with prepared questions.

Celebrating Womens Veterans Nov. 11

RAPID CITY - Women veterans from all eras are invited to an event, "Celebrating Women Veterans", which is sponsored by the VA Black Hills Health Care System in cooperation with local veterans' organizations. The event will take place at the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 3 in Rapid City at 12 noon on Saturday, Nov. 11. Registration for the event is requested but not required and interested persons can contact Doreen Hughes at the VA Rapid City Clinic, 3625 5th Street, Rapid City, SD 57701, ph. 605.718.1095.

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October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Every step you take provides hope, and makes a difference in the fight against Breast Cancer!!

Come and have dinner with us on
Wednesday, October 25, 2006
at the RST Council Chambers
Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m.
Bring a friend,
support those battling the disease,
and learn more about
early detection and prevention.

Hope starts with you . . .
Join us in celebrating the lives of survivors,
and honoring and remembering
those who lost the battle.

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For more information on Domestic Violence or on all services White Buffalo Calf Woman Society has to offer, call:
The White Buffalo Calf Woman Society shelter at 605-856-2317
For more information about Breast Cancer and early detection and prevention, contact the
American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345
A message from The Sicangu Coalition against Sexual and Domestic Violence.
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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

My son, I just found out is gay. I am sick and afraid that he will go to hell. What can I do about this. I am afraid the whole family will disown him. Can we get him counseling so he will change?

Worried Mom

Dear Worried Mom:

You can get counseling for yourself to accept he is gay. I personally cannot imagine a god that would punish any of his children with burning in hell because they are attracted to the same sex.

Did you know that in autopsies of homosexual men they find the thymus gland is enlarged? That would make homosexuality a physiological and hereditary condition - not a sin-ridden decision.

Also, what does it matter anyway? By the time sexual activity is involved in a person's life they should be pretty close to being an adult, and who says it's anyone's business what adults do behind closed doors.

Find a new perspective and love this loving son of yours, unconditionally. He needs your loving support not your fear-based judgment.

Good luck mom. Your son will be a successful entrepreneur some day. He is a good man.

Dear Anna,

I read your column in the newspaper last week so I thought I would write to you. I'm with this guy but I still like one of my exes. I just thought he was different from anyone I've ever met.

We dated on and off for four months until he finally just broke it off. He was upset because I was too shy and I just didn't know how to go about him because I wasn't used to his polite, gentleman-like personality. I know it was mostly my fault, I look back and I'm not the person now that I was then. I just can't get over him. I've told him how I felt. Is there ever another chance with him?

Could he possibly develop feelings for me again sometime?

I just can't believe how much I miss him. It's been months since we went out and I've had boyfriends between then and now but he's special. He is worth waiting for.

I did say I was with this other guy, but I can't stop thinking about what would have happened if I played my cards right with my ex.

Any advice?

Seeking Advice

Dear Seeking Advice:

First piece of advice: let your ex go. Second piece of advice: the nice gentleman like guy was being nice when he broke up with you. Appreciate that.

He has someone else that he loves. Quit blaming yourself. You saw in him many wonderful qualities that you would chose to have in your mate, but - here is the big but - you were not comfortable with him.

Quit putting men up on a pedestal. When you do that, when they show their more human qualities, they will fall off the pedestal and you will blame them for that. Work on yourself: begin to see the beauty within.

Appreciate the gift of life from God, honor your life by treating yourself well and understanding that God didn't leave you out of the equality pool.

You are equal to every other living human being on the planet. Feel that; then when you enter the next relationship, you can go in as an equal instead of in fear.

Fear is the destroyer of all; it causes war, bad legislation, crime, divorce, theft, dishonesty, gossip, mayhem and, most commonly, it destroys relationships.

By the way, he will call you in the early spring. Maybe by then, you will be confident enough to conduct yourself as an adult and not some simpering, mindless female without an opinion. Maybe by then you won't be afraid of your own spirit and backbone. Then you will have a chance to see if it will work. Quite being afraid to be yourself. You are a good person to be.

Dear Anna,

I am in Massachusetts and read your column via the internet. I find it intriguing and I have not decided if you "have the sight" or are a very wise person.

I will be traveling to Pine Ridge Reservation in December to meet the girl we sponsor through an organization. We chose to come at Christmas time because we want to change the way we have been celebrating over the past years - giving gifts to people who don't need anything and making lists for them because they want to give us something but don't know what to give.

We will be giving gifts to this young girl, her family, and a couple of organizations on the reservation instead.

My husband and I visited South Dakota two summers ago. The Black Hills felt like home. Last Christmas we decided to sponsor a child. Our only request was a child in the US rather than abroad, for many reasons. We were sent the photo of a radiant girl from Pine Ridge. I am a spiritual woman and felt there was a connection somehow.

I have tried to learn more about Lakota culture and about the reservation so that I can connect on a real and respectful level with her and her family.

However, I have a small fear that, when we visit, we will be seen only as "do-gooders" instead of people who really care. Is that small fear justified? I want to believe that it is my shyness and nothing more. I would like to know what you think about all this. Thank you.

Suddenly insecure

Dear Insecure:

Some people might see you as "do-gooders." Some people might think of you as a check-book with a naive signature. Some people might not like you, because you do well. But, that is just some people. The light from your heart will shine in such a way that those that you love will "feel" your joy in helping them.

The one life that you make easier on the reservation, will shine brightly in return for your gifts. The connection you feel with this girl is good and is real.

She is part of your heart and part of your soul-family. You give her and her family hope. It is my dream, someday, to really help the Lakota people financially. Right now, all I have to give is love, advice, healing work (I and my business partner do hands-on healing), and the gift of my vision. You are an answer to a lot of people's prayers (including mine); don't let fear of misunderstanding deter you from helping.

You are a blessing, and will be received that way. Please call the paper when you come to the rez to get a message to me.

I will be out of town around Christmas visiting with my family, but I would love to meet you and take you to sweat and ceremony and help you feel the true culture of the Pine Ridge reservation and The People.

Dear Anna,

I always enjoy reading your column and was wondering if you see a future for me and my new husband. We have been married for some time now and he is so insecure and jealous, he thinks I cheat on him all the time. And that is not the case, I have told him a million and one times that I LOVE him and only want to be with him. I have also told him that I am committed to him and want to spend my life with him. But he still insists that I am cheating or that I will cheat on him.

I do have children of my own from a past relationship and so does he. I accepted his child as my own but yet he treats my children with an attitude.

I love and care for him but if he can't at least be my kids' friend then I don't know.

Things are tough at times but I keep thinking that things will get better and they don't. We end up back where we left off. I wonder if he is cheating so he accuses me all the time.

He is a great person with an awesome personality and handsome, at times I find myself getting insecure and don't want it to be like that. But it's like he is making me like that.

All I want to do is love him and be by his side and I expect the same but something is wrong and that is not happening. All my family are happy for us but his family won't accept it and they are not happy for us. I want to leave but I can't make myself do it. When I do start to leave, he will call my parent's house, my cell phone, text me, call me nonstop until he talks me out of it.

Then we go back to the same stuff and I am getting too old for playing games. So I am asking if you see any future for us and will we ever find a place of our own and be happy in life and together with our children. If not then can you let me know what my future holds for my children and I. I do just want to be in love and live happy.

Is it love or not?

Dear Is it love?

Sure. But please show him this column. He needs treatment. Jealousy is not honorable, sane, healthy nor respectful. It is actually accusing you of being a horrible person. If he truly thinks that, then you need to leave him.

Marriage or the commitment of that type of relationship is based on four things: love, honor, compassion and respect. He is displaying none of those things.

You are acting in a co-dependent manner. He is displaying controlling and manipulative behavior and you are playing along. He has low self-esteem, and obviously doesn't feel worthy of a wonderful woman's love. The question is why doesn't he feel worthy? Could it be that he isn't worthy?

Or is it, dysfunctional behavior based on drug and alcohol dependency, or being the adult child of drug dependent or alcoholic parents, or insecurity based on other oppression?

He needs treatment, you need counseling or the two of you can continue to create a mutual hell to dwell in. If he does not decide to contact Cangleska or another organization for treatment - dump him. Torture is abuse and he is abusive. He is abusive because he is sick. He needs to get well, or you need to get out.

Dear Anna,

I was wondering if you can help me on some questions that been on my mind for awhile now. I'm working on my GED and I don't know how I'm doing, but I was wondering if I had a chance? I really want to get it, but I'm scared of failing or giving up. And one more thing. I'm back with my boyfriend of three years and we've been off and on for almost a year now. I was wondering if it is going to work this time.

We've been both been seeing other people and I can't stop thinking of the man I was with. I always see him looking at me too.

Does the man I was with still have feelings for me too? I want to be with him but he's with someone else now. We've seen each other for five months and before I got back with my boyfriend I heard he was asking about me.

But I just keep in my mind that my boyfriend wants to be with me He's says that he's not playing me or he doesn't want to, but it happened too many times that I'm just worried that something might happen again. I really don't want to get hurt again.

Don't want to get hurt again

Dear don't want to get hurt again:

First of all, yes you can pass your GED. Read your book and study and take the test. Continue on then, getting the next certification you want (in the health field?).

Nobody wants to get hurt, but honestly I say: Wah. Any relationship that is not working or going to work ends up with somebody, usually both people, feeling bad and getting hurt. Oh Wah. That is how humans learn to choose the people they are going to be with in a little better more cautious way. I don't think your past boyfriend (the one that is with another woman right now) really is anything more than a strong sexual attraction. Aside from that though, he is a warning that you are not currently with the right one either. When you truly love somebody, you enjoy other people, but you do not want to be with someone else.

It's basically simple: You know it ain't right when you can't love the one you want so you love the one you're with. Let go of the poor guy you're with and let him love and be loved fully plus release yourself to loving the man you will love, not the one that fills his space.

You will get hurt every time you're with the wrong mate.

Every time it ends it hurts. That's life. If you can get enough wisdom and experience you will find that it doesn't hurt so much to end a bad relationship as it does to live in it for the rest of your life. Release is a blessing, not a curse. Staying is the curse.

P.S. To every woman that reads this column:

The problem that almost every woman is writing to me with is basically this one problem: The fear that you, as a woman, cannot take care of yourself. The cure is simple: learn to take care of yourself and to recognize and accept that you are equal to the challenge of taking good care of yourself. Think about it. Once you know this about yourself then you won't be needy in your adult relationship and consume the man or stay with him for the wrong reasons. Blessings to you all.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551. All requests may be subject to publication.

Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

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Earl C. Morrison, 83, ...Long Valley
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Willard C. Under Baggage

WANBLEE - Willard C. Under Baggage, 54, Wanblee, died Sunday, Oct. 22, in Wanblee. Survivors include one son, Cameron Under Baggage, Kyle; one daughter, Kim Under Baggage, Kyle; and one sister, Alberta Under Baggage, Rapid City.

Wake services were Wednesday, Oct. 25, at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church Hall in Kyle.

Funeral services are today,. Thursday, Oct. 26, at the church hall, with the Rev. Rob Kroll officiating. Burial will be at St. Timothy Episcopal Cemetery at Potato Creek. Funeral Arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Earl R. Morrison Sr.

LONG VALLEY - Earl R. Morrison Sr., 83, Longvalley, died Sunday, Oct. 22, in Martin. Survivors include two sons, Donald Morrison and Rolland Morrison Jr., both of Longvalley, and one daughter, Delvina Morrison, Eagle Butte.

Wake services were Oct. 26, at Wanblee CAP Office.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27, at Wanblee CAP Office, with the Rev. Gerald Bush officiating. Burial will be at Morrison Family Cemetery in Long Valley. Arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Anthony Bruce "Akicita Hanska" Spotted Horse

BULLHEAD - Anthony Bruce Spotted Horse, "Akicita Hanska," 50, Bullhead, died Tuesday, Oct. 17, at Indian Health Service Hospital in Fort Yates, N.D.

Wake services were Sunday, Oct. 22, at Blue Gym in Little Eagle.

Funeral services were Oct. 23, at Messiah Church in Little Eagle, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat, the Rev. Leslie Bobtail Bear and the Standing Rock lay readers officiating.

Burial was at the Messiah Cemetery in Little Eagle. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Maurice "Bud" Archambault

McLAUGHLIN - Maurice "Bud" Archambault, 76, McLaughlin, died Monday, Oct. 16, at the SCCI Hospital in Mandan, N.D.

Funeral services were Friday, Oct. 20, at the church, with the Rev. Jim Hoerter and the Rev. Tony Grossenburg officiating.

Burial was in the North Dakota Veterans Cemetery in Mandan under the direction of Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge.

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It's hard to believe you've been gone for three months, it just seems like yesterday. It's hard but we have to carry on, we go to see your grave everyday, all the roses still look nice. No matter how much time passes, the pain, the hurt, the emptiness and the disbelief will always be there. Your birthday is coming up and I know how much you look forward to your birthdays but guess what when we have your party, everybody will be there for you. Our love for you will always be there, we love you, very, very much (Deeds) we will always remember you.

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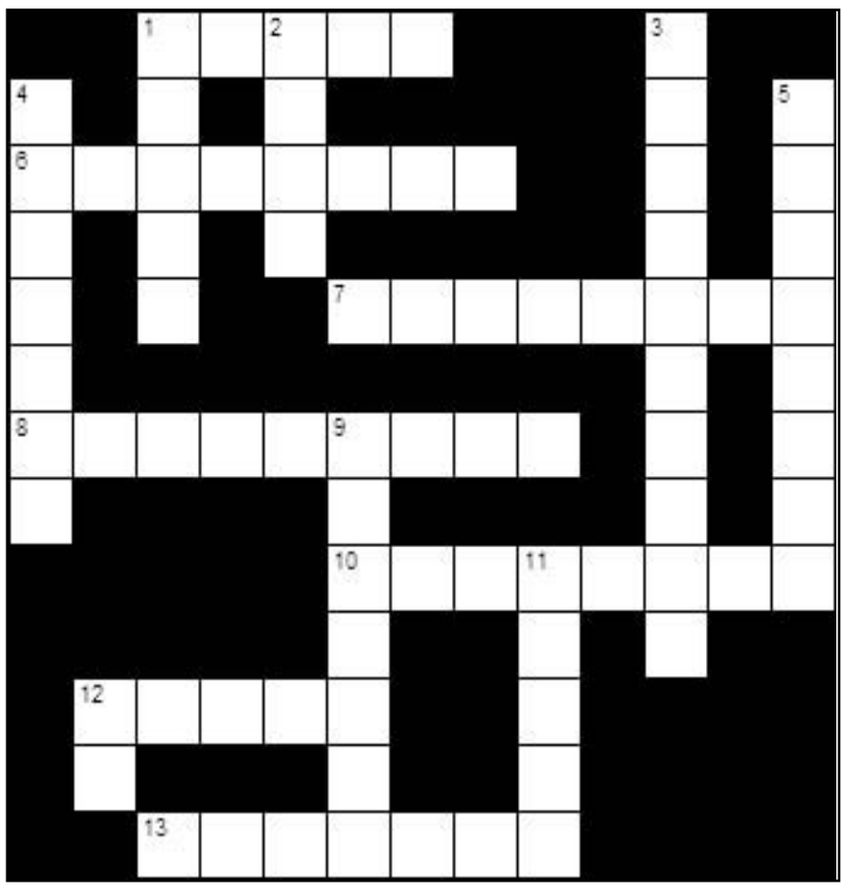


Lakota Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)

Across
1. law
6. lightening
7. ball
8. elderly lady
10. gloves
12. egg
13. night

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John Herlihy, M.D., Opthamologist .....**Thursday, Nov. 9**
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Twila Fickel, DPM, Podiatrist .....**Wednesday, Nov. 8**
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Kurt Fabrenbrook, AUD .....**Friday, Nov. 17**
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INVITATION FOR 401(K) AUDIT PROPOSAL

Little Wound School Board is seeking a 401(k) Audit proposal for the plan year ending August 31, 2006.

Sealed proposals will be opened and acted upon at the Budget meeting on Monday, November 20, 2006. Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or to waive any informality and to accept the proposal that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound School.

Closing date for sealed proposals is 2:00 pm on Friday, November 17, 006.

Please submit proposals in a sealed envelope marked "Audit Proposal" to the School Business Office or the following address:

Little Wound School, Paula Pourier, Business Manager, P.O. Box #500, 500 Main Street, Kyle, SD, 57752-0500. For more information you may contact Paula Pourier at 605-455-6173.

Little Wound School Board
P.O. Box #500
Kyle, South Dakota
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IINVITATION FOR AUDIT PROPOSAL

Little Wound School Board is seeking a Financial Audit proposal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006. Little Wound School is a P.L. 100-297 BIA Grant School with an estimated annual budget of $12,000,000.

Sealed proposals will be opened and acted upon at the Budge meeting on Monday November 20, 206. Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or to waive any informality, and to accept the proposal that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound School.

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Request for Proposals

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing ("OSLH") is requesting proposals from qualified individuals for Single Audit for FY ending December 2005-2006 relating to the OSLH Planning and Administration, Maintenance, Development, and Housing Services.

Firms/individuals wishing to submit proposals may request additional information from OSLH BY calling (605) 867-5161, or by faxing to (605) 867-6355. Inquiries about the proposal process should be directed to Ken Lone Elk, Executive Director.

All proposals must be received at Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing, Attn: Ken Lone Elk, Executive Director, P.O. Box 603, East Hwy. 18, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday, November 3, 2006.

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"Lordy Lordy" look whose 40 Happy birthday to Anthony Sr. on 10/30 coming from Antoinette

Happy Birthday to our Dad on 10-29-06
Rick Eagle Elk
We love you lots! Noah, Sylviana & Roman Thomas

Happy 8th Birthday to my son Tyler Two Crow on Oct. 30th
Hope you got what you wanted any many more to come. From:
Your mom (Jenny),Mike
MaTeisha, Jerome, and the North Route Crew

HAPPY HALLOWEEN! TO DAVID JAY WILCOX, NOT A DAY GOES BY THAT WE DON'T THINK OF YOU. STAY STRONG AND KEEP YOUR HEAD UP. WE MISS YOU EVERY DAY. WE WILL SEE YOU SOON!
FROM YOUR AUNTIE MARILYN, NEIL, COUSINS MARCUS, BRAWNY, AND BRIAR

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Gramz

Happy 19th B irthday to
Kateri Larae Blue Legs
on Oct. 22 Best wishes
& love you lots
Always your little sis
& Brother-in-law
Dakota (aka) Babe and Kilo Gram

Happy 8th Birthday to my big brother, Tyler Two Crow on 10/30. Don't eat too much ice cream & cake.
From yuor little Bro & Sis, MaTeisha and jerome. Love you Tyler on your day, we won't bother you!

Happy 8th birthday to my son Tyler Two Crow on Oct. 30. Wish you many more to come
love your mom (Jenny)

Happy Halloween to my Grandparents Jim and Eleanor Charging Crow, I love you whole bunch, love, Marcus Charging Crow

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO NEIL RED ELK ON OCTOBER 31ST DON'T GET TOO GHOULISH OR DEVILISH, FROM MARILYN & MARCUS

TO DAVID, HAPPY HALLOWEEN, ITS ANOTHER FUN DAY AND WE THINK OF YOU ON THIS DAY BECASUE IT WAS ONE YOU ENJOYED, WE WILL SEND YOU PICTURES OF ALL THE COSTUMES, AND OF EVERYTHING. LOVE YOU ALOT, AUNTIE MARILYN

2: Pleaz
I love you Baby
4rom:
Cassandra

Happy Belated Birthday to our Aunti Shelly Middletent on October 13th we love you from:
Kessa, Kylie, Ashley, Ashlyn & Antonio III

October 29th
Happy 1st Birthday to our babydoll Savanna Racine Charging Crow
love,
Mommy & Daddy, Stephon, John, Jenna, & Sammi

Happy Belated B-day to our crazy sister Ashlyn Hernandez who turned 3 years old on Oct. th. we love you lots1
From Mom (Michelle) Dad (Antonio) Kessa, Kylie, Ashley and your one and only bro
Antonio Hernandez III

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THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO FOR MARCUS AND THE FAMILY, WE APPRECIATE IT ALOT, FROM MOM AND YOUR FAMILY

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FROM YOUR MOM

TO MY BROTHER DAVID WILCOX,
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Prairie Wind Casino

The Prairie Wind Casino is soliciting proposals for auditing services for the accounting period ending December 31, 2006

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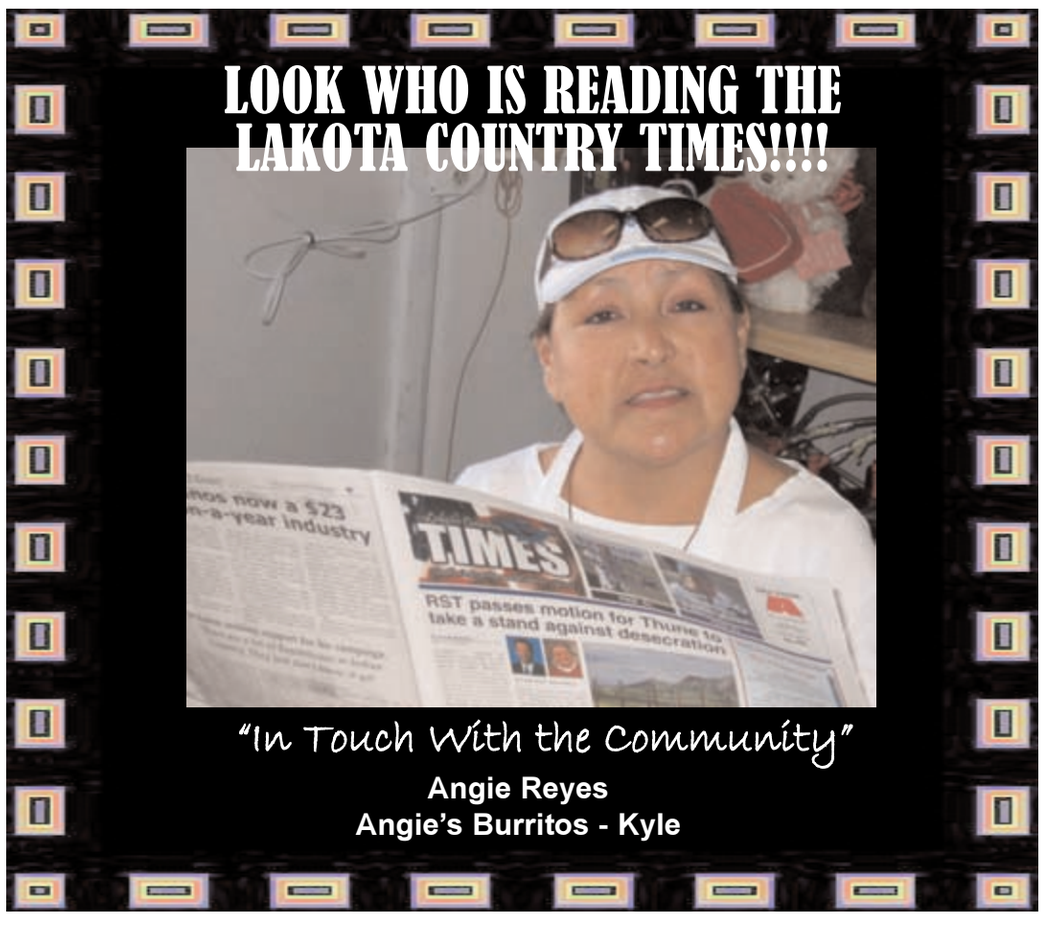
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If applicable, minority and Indian preference must be requested in the proposal.

Cost will not be the only determining factor in awarding the proposal. The Prairie Wind Casino reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Proposals must be sealed and postmarked by October 31, 2006, at 5:00 PM. Please address to: ATTN: Controller's Office - Audit 2006 Bid, Prairie Wind Casino, HC 49 Box 10, Pine Ridge, SD 57770.

Call 605-867-6300 Extension 134 for more information.



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Kateri Spotted Eagle and Richard Traversie on the birth of their baby girl on October 7.
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I have a shotout to my two best friends Feather Titus & Kayla Red Cloud love ya to day, tomorrow and forever. Love always your home girl Tia Tashman

Happy 96th Birthday on Oct. 31 to Grandma Sophia Romero (Quiver) We all love you & care for you. From your Tiospaye in CHerry Creek, SD

I would like to say Happy Sweet 16 to my beautiful little sister Charisse Red Owl Reese Cup, I wivs ya Alyssa

Happy Belated 76th Birthday to Daniel Afraid Of Hawk 10-15-06 We all love you. From your Tiospaye in Cherry Creek, SD

Happy Birthday to our baby boy Clay Loafer on October 30th From Dad, Mom & all your sisters Yvonne, Marie & Mariah. We love you.

Happy Birthday to Rose Romero 10-25-06 Love you & many more to come. From your sister Mabel Afraid Of Hawk

Happy Birthday to Cassius Trent Apple Love you lots, Auntie Amanda & Uncle Jamni

Happy Belated Birthday 10-1-06 to Delmas F. Romero Sr. passed away 1986. We all love you and miss you very much. From your Tiospaye in Cherry Creek, SD

Happy Birthday on 10-20-06 Jody M. Thompson Love, your brother Willie & future sister-in-law Nicolle

Congrats to Christina Red Owl 4 starting kindergarten, From big sister Sarah

Oct. 31st Happy Birthday Nekole Kindle Oct. 29th Happy B irthday Henrietta Kindle. Love you lots, Gramz

I love my favorite Mustand Cheerleaders April Rowland and Kim Janis from Lacey Rich and Delane G

Happy 8th b-day to my grandson Tyler Two Crow on 10/30 from Grandma Judy

Happy Birthday Mom! Love you! by: Sydney Smith

October 31st - Best W ishes to 3 of my favorite Witches!



Denise, Stef, Sonya
Happy Birthday, Love you Lots
Sister & Mom Latrell

Happy Birthday! to my daughter Christine Rowland on Nov. 3rd. With love & kisses. Umps and Grandma Freda.

To my wife Connie, Hope you're having a good day, and lots of love. Manuel

For Robert Montilaux- Miss you, I will always Love you! Good Luck cd

On October 19th Happy Birthday Shawn Thomas Pourier Just thinking of you. I miss you. From: Sadie

I would like to say Happy 16th Birthday to my favorite niece Shannon Rose Whiting Hope it's a blast, Love Auntie Woni & the 2 girls

Much love To my Homegirl V. stay real sista! -Z-

Happy 18th birthday Casey Jo Montileaux on Oct. 22 Love ya Alyssa

Happy Belated Birthday to our brother Arlen Ferguson Oct. 3rd, sorry we didn't get to have that cookout we planned but Indian Tacos are better than anything.

also Congrats to Arlen & Mariah on the birth of their precious Lil boy Inhyan Ferguson. From: Mom & the rest of us.

Happy Birthday to my brother Robert. who will be turning 14 years old From his sister Feather Titus, love you big bro.

Just wanted to say hi to my smart daughter Raelee Dawn Martinez. I'm very proud of you my girl. Love ya lots! your mom, Freda Martinez

I would like to wish my baby a happy 5th Birthday on Nov. 5, 2001 Emilio P. Martinez Love, your mother Kristy G.

I would like to wish Chester Sitting Bear Hapy Birthday on Oct. 18 turns 39 years old and still can rock-n-roll F.

Happy Birthday to My honies Rick Eagle Elk on 10-29-06 from your wife love you lots.

Happy 39th Birthday Dad from your daughter Tiffany and your niece Kim and Crystal Apple, your Brother in-law Geroge Apple and your brother, Chris. So happy Birthday and wish many more to come

Red Cloud Indian School

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OST council fails to support Election Court of Appeals decision, moves on to general election

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - On Monday, Oct. 30 the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council met at the Red Cloud building in Pine Ridge and spent the day discussing and reviewing the Election Court of Appeals decision of Oct. 22, to declare the OST 2006 primary election null and void, ordering a new primary election.

"Even though I disagree with the premises and conclusions that the court of appeals used for their decision, I believe the tribal council needs to honor the decision," said George Patton in a legal opinion distributed to the trial council on Monday, "according to the OST constitution, the tribal council has the authority to create a court and in this instance gave the election court of appeals the authority over the election process and not to honor that is to bring politics and political influence into the election process."

The council did not agree with their attorney and after a long discussion between council members, interested community members and three attorneys, Walt Big Crow's motion to support the election court of appeals decision was defeated five for, nine against with four not voting.

With the lack of council support for the election court of appeals decision, the way was cleared for the general election to continue as scheduled on Tuesday, Nov. 7.

Voting to support the election court of appeals decision included: Bernard White Face/Porcupine, Paul Little/Oglala, Maxine Lakota and Walt Big Crow/ Wakpamni and Ruth Brown/Eagle Nest; voting against included: Austin Watkins/Medicine Root, Tom Poor Bear/Eagle Nest, Valerie Janis/Oglala, Kathy Janis/ Wounded Knee, Lyle Jack and Ella John Carlow/Pine Ridge, Philip Good Crow/Porcupine, Craig Dillon/LaCreek and Lydia Bear Killer/Pass Creek with Will Peters/Pine Ridge, Garfield Steele/Wounded Knee, Juanita Scherich/ Medicine Root and Mary Poor Thunder/LaCreek not voting.

Executive Board actions taken on Thursday that removed both the election board and election court of appeals were not taken into consideration.



On Oct 20, Lakota Prairie Ranch Resort dedicates their conference room to the memory of Corporal Brett Lundstrom, who died in Irag in January. Left to right: Rusty Puckett, Kathy Stover, Ed Lundstrom Jr., Doyla Underbaggage Lundstrom and Ed Lundstom Sr.

Motel honors fallen Iraq soldier Lundstrom with dedication

By Amanda Takes War Bonnett
Times Editor

KYLE - Corporal Brett Lundstrom is the first Oglala Sioux fatality of the war in Iraq.

Hundreds of family, friends and community honored him on Jan. 14, when his body was brought back to Kyle for a three night wake.

He was again honored Oct. 20, when Rusty Puckett and Kathy Stover dedicated their new motel's conference meeting room to his memory.

His parents are Doyla Underbaggage Lundstrom, his father is retired major Ed Lundstrom and he has a younger brother, Ed Lundstrom Jr. who is still in the military service in Iraq.

About 40 people attended the dedication with a meal of meat soup, menudo, frybread, vegetables and a cake that adorned Corp. Lundstrom's military photo.

The Lakota Prairie Ranch Resort is a 19 unit motel, restaurant and trading post, located seven miles west of Kyle, across from the Oglala Lakota College's main Piya Wiconi Campus. The resort also offers a conference room that been kept busy since the motel opened. The resort has a restaurant and the Iron Road Gallery and Trading Post, which boasts a rustic hewn log look and offering guests and visitors a variety of Lakota arts and crafts from jewelry to native clothing and music.

The large conference room is set off the west of the motel and can accommodate 30 people. Stover said conference motels often name their conference rooms and in keeping with that they wanted to name their conference room the Brett Lundstrom room. A large plaque explains who he was and why the room was named for him.

At the time when Lundstrom died in Iraq, Doyla and the Marines came to Kyle to make the arrangements for the wake services. The motel was not yet finished but knowing that rooms were needed for family and for the Marines that were going to stand guard at the wakes, the Pucketts worked continuously to have rooms ready for the guests so they wouldn't have travel back and forth from Rapid City.

Doyla said lately she has been a frequent guest at the motel in returning home for ceremony to help her in her healing and her wopila. She said there will be a memorial dinner for son in January at Kyle.

"I was very honored that Kathy and Rusty wanted to name their meeting room after Bret and waited to do it until Eddy got back from Iraq. I feel very honored and privileged," she said.

Eddy is still in the military until July of 2008. She is now in Oklahoma spending time with him and then will be moving to Colorado. Colorado is where she was in the process of moving when Brett died, as that where she told Brett she would move to from the Black Hills area, to be there near him when he returned to Colorado.

Doyla comes from the Medicine Root district area, she has family there, her sister Donnetta, a brother Marlin, her uncle Birgil Kills Straight, among others.

She recalled her last conversation with Brett. It was on Christmas night. She had returned to Pine Ridge to visit a sister and he called that night. She said she was excited about seeing her sister at Pine Ridge, whom she didn't see for awhile and spoke to him briefly telling him to call back later. "The minute I hung up, I felt bad I did that," she said. He didn't call back as he made other calls to family.

"He was a mama's boy. He would call me." In her job searching, she would tell potential employers that she had two sons in Iraq and that she would need to take their calls if they called. And they did, one time, she recalled how he called and

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Looking Horse defends Wolakota Foundation

By Amanda Takes War Bonnett and Archie B. Beauvais
Special to the Times

ROSEBUD - A treaty meeting was convened at the Rosebud Casino conference room on Oct. 21 with some 100 people in attendance. Hosted, in part, by the Sicangu Lakota Grass Roots oyate and moderated by Alfred Bone Shirt, the purpose of his segment was to discuss the fundraising activities of the Wolakota Foundation located on the Cheyenne River reservation, according to Bone Shirt.

Lakota elder, Floyd Hand, confirmed that it was, in fact, a treaty meeting and that it was a forum for the Rosebud grass roots people who have complained that the tribal council has been 'pushing' the treaty people around and not helping them.

Hand said that the group was comprised of, "Mostly grassroots people and those interested in the Black Hills treaty and the 1868 and 1851 treaties." He said the Catholic Church on the Rosebud was not listening to the grass roots people. The 20communities on the Rosebud are considered grass roots and the tribal council is considered the 1934 IRA government, he said.

Furthermore, Hand said that when the issue surfaced about the Wolakota Foundation and Arvol Looking Horse he spoke. He said, "I stood up and mentioned that this is not a family argument. If you want to deal with Arvol, the eight reservations will call him. We told him that this was not the place…, they even brought a resolution. It doesn't belong there. Maybe outside in the government area, so they tabled it."

A Lakota woman with the last name Blue Thunder, according to Hand, also stood up and told the women who were complaining about Looking Horse that, "Women in the old way respect their brothers."

He said, "Canunpa iyohlate najin hantas. If you 'stand under the pipe' traditional law applies and sisters cannot be against brothers."

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said he only had a couple of minutes. He was atop a building in Fallujah in Iraq. He said the Iraq patrol they were with had cell phones and they let the Marines use them to call home.

She has assumed he would call back when he came back from patrol and coming back from patrol on Jan. 7, he was killed in a small arms fire. The Marines came to her door and told her.

She said both boys were Marine brats and over the 20 year time they spent as a Marine family moving about, they would come back to Kyle.

"After my dad passed away in January 1997, Norman Under Baggage Sr., I didn't' go home for along time.

Also in attendance at the dedication was Jim Sheeler, who is a writer for the Rocky Mountain News, a newspaper that serves the Colorado area. Sheeler wrote an excellent article on Corporal Brett Lundstrom and his wake services in Kyle. The photographer that accompanied him was Todd Heilsler.

The *Rocky Mountain News* has been publishing a continous special edition on the Marines that have died in Iraq, and their families from the Colorado area.

The story and the photos were circulated via Internet after it was published.

Sheeler has been considered very cultural sensitive in his writings.

Sheeler is working on a Veteran's special follow up that will include Lundstrom the dedication.

Sheeler said attending the services of the fallen Lakota soldier was educational for he and the photographer.

It was different from the many he had attended where a service was conducted for a hour or so to memorialize the fallen Marines whereas in Lakota country, there were five days of honoring.

Sheeler said he appreciated the late John Around Him, and others who took him under their wing and explained the culture so he can protray it as the Lakota people see it.

As of Monday, Oct. 30, there were 2,814 deaths of the U.S. military that have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March of 2003, according the Associated Press.

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Hand also confirmed the fact that many people begin to walk out as a couple of women were taking up too much time.

Vivian High Elk, a lineal descendent of the pipe keepers expressed concern that the Protection of Sacred Ceremonies Proclamation that was supposedly passed by the Cheyenne River Sioux tribe was not being adhered to by the Wolakota Foundation. Stacey Low Dog a former volunteer for the Wolakota Foundation's World Peace and Prayer Day activities questioned the work of the Wolakota Foundation and said that Paula Horn, the companion of Arvol Looking Horse, "has used the canunpa as a marketing tool and money making scheme that benefits none of our people."

Arvol Looking Horse, the Keeper of the Sacred Pipe, responded to the account of the meeting which apparently has gone out to several other media outlets, including through email. He said, "When you have a foundation, you have to be accountable. Paula Neziel, my adopted sister is the bookkeeper. She went to the meeting to represent me. They wouldn't let her speak."

Neziel wrote in a response, "A treaty council meeting was not the appropriate forum to mount a personal assault and slander campaign against a spiritual leader. One of the Chiefs tabled the matter calling it inappropriate and, and an elder chastised them for unsubstantiated gossip."

Looking Horse recently was honored by the United Nations in New York with the Juliet Hollister peace award for his work in encouraging world peace. He said, "The money that was raised from the foundation, we have all the receipts. They wouldn't let her talk. They said she wasn't part of the tribe..., we spent money for the youth." The non profit foundation, Wolakota Foundation, what they are accusing me of, they are saying we are buying things we shouldn't have. When you have a foundation, you have to be accountable.

Francis Zephier of the Yankton Sioux tribe also spoke, according to Bone Shirt, and stated, "People with money should not be the only ones allowed to have access to the ways of the canunpa."

Zephier read a petition to those present and which will be circulated for signatures. A follow-up meeting of the Sicangu Grass Roots oyate will be held at the Digmann Hall in St. Francis on Nov. 18. Looking Horse apparently will be invited, according to Bone Shirt. The petition was sent out to media outlets and through as press release. The petition is asking accountability from Paula Horn, who helps Arvol coordinate the Wolakota Foundation.

In response to the controversy, Looking Horse said on Monday, Oct. 30, a statement that he wanted the people to know. "As the 19th generation of the keeper of the Sacred Pipe and what has happened at the meeting at Rosebud on Oct. 18. There were threats against Paula Horn and me. This happened a lot, ever since of the age of 12 years old to the recent meeting. Every time threats have been brought forth by the people the sacred spirit bundle, we had to put the bundle away. As of today, I the keeper of the sacred bundle did put the bundle away because of all internal activities that is going on. And I talked to the spirit bundle before I put it away but I would tell the people to keep on praying because we still have to carry on our prays. Thank you very much."



Anne White Hat discussed the desecration of the sacred Bear Butte in western South Dakota during a panel on Native Activism and Anti-Native groups.

White Hat running for Meade County commissioners

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

STURGIS - Anne White Hat, 39, and a mother of three is from the prominent White Hat tiospaye on the Rosebud reservation and now lives at the base of the sacred Bear Butte on the west side or 'wiohpeyatakiya ecayantanhan' as it is said in Lakota. She is running as an independent candidate for one of the four county commissioner slots in Meade County which voters will be asked to decide on November 7.

Meade County is one the largest county in South Dakota and apparently one of the largest in the nation, as it extends east to the small town of Wasta and up north to the town of Faith and it also borders the Cheyenne River Sioux reservation.

The Meade County Commissioners have attracted a lot of media attention by virtue of having under its jurisdiction, the issuance of liquor licenses for many newly constructed 'biker bar' establishments and the protection of Bear Butte and the general welfare of all county residents from land owners, ranchers and farmers. The social impact of having so many people packed into the annual bike rally year after year is controversial for some residents and certainly is behind many of the issues which White Hat has heard.

White Hat offered her inspiration for running for the Meade County Commision when she said, "What inspired me to run was this past year's grass roots effort around the protection of Bear Butte and meeting hundreds of Meade County residents. Also, many are really frustrated with the county commissioners. They expressed the same concerns we have about land, natural resource conservation, the community, safety and taxes."

She says that she has spent so much time listening to the commissioners that she understands the issues before the people. Furthermore, she feels a responsibility to inspire others to step and make social change, not only at Bear Butte, but in general.

Because of the many concerns which seem to prevail, White Hat says that she is stepping up for the challenge because no one else will. She said, "I'm in a unique position a Native American and a woman. I have the skills and the commitment to do the job."

White Hat says that the local organizing effort has gained the supp ort of ranchers and farmers as well as folks in Sturgis who support her candidacy. Her work is a long term strategy of social change and "one of the pieces is changing the face of the decision-making body."

She said, "Women are the backbone of any community and nation for a long time. We look for a long term perspective to ensure our children will have a good life."

Her solidarity with others concerned about the protection of Meade County is reflected in her ability to relate to others in community. She said, "We have a love for the land, like the ranchers and the farmers. We all want to see the resources protected and the landscapes we hold dearly." She goes on to say, "I have been able to bridge those cultural perspectives in way that doesn't isolate the community. The issue is the protection of the land and building a future for our children, a common goal."

White Hat has achieved a maturity that is revealed in listening to her discuss the issues, as there are many that have been voiced by Meade County residents from the effects of the rally to law enforcement to creating a sustainable future.

As one who is greatly concerned about social change and protection issues, White Hat is the face of a new generation of young people who are reaching out to those who share common goals. Her resume reveals the fact that she is, in fact, someone who shoulders a great deal of responsibility. She was a board member for Honor the Earth foundation, a former manager of the Bear Butte lodge, a delegate to the United Nations and a student at Evergreen College in Olympia, WA.

The Meade County Commissioners role is one that White Hat apparently is taking quite serious given her understanding of the issues and the support she has gathered from a diverse group of people in Meade County. She concluded by noting, "We were put here for a reason. I have been able to become friends with our neighbors to do this protection work."

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NAJA to move from South Dakota to Oklahoma

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) _ The Native American Journalists Association has decided to move next year from the University of South Dakota to the University of Oklahoma.

The association will be based at the Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication at OU in Norman. The group will be in a new building that is undergoing expansion.

``The NAJA Board of Directors saw that as a critical resource,'' the association said in a statement. ``NAJA's strategic plan calls for adding staff members to expand and develop educational programs, professional development, and increase fundraising, among other initiatives.

``The plan also calls for greater interaction with tribes and Native media, and Oklahoma has both in abundance. ``

The 23-year-old association has 657 members, nearly half of them students. OU has more than 60 American Indian students in the Gaylord College.

Since 2002, the association has been on the campus of the University of South Dakota in Vermillion, and in 2003 moved into the Al Neuharth Media Center, sharing space with the Freedom Forum.

``Moving an organization such as NAJA ahead presents many challenges,'' said association President Mike Kellogg, a Navajo who is publisher of the Stillwater News Press. ``After debating the proposals, the University of Oklahoma was a good fit for the strategic plan.''

He said Oklahoma has a doctoral program, ``which will allow us to benefit from the expertise of their faculty and team with researchers to study journalism issues.''

Howard Big Eagle, WWII vet, to receive medals Nov. 9

By Elaine Big Eagle
Special to the Times

RAPID CITY - Howard Big Eagle, MIA POW, WWII will be receiving seven medals of honor that he earned during World War II. The award will take place during a presentation at the Honorable Senator Tim John's Office in Rapid City on Thursday, Nov. 9 at 3 p.m. The seven long overdue medals that Howard Big Eagle will receive in this special presentation include the POW Medal; Good Conduct Medal; American Campaign Medal; WWII Victory Medal; European/ African/Middle Eastern Campaign Medal; Double Bronze Star with ribbon attachment; and Honorable Service lapel button.

Tom L Hanks described this generation as not wanting to make a big deal out of their greatest accomplishment, the victory in WWII (World War II) and my father, Howard Big Eagle, is no exception, but I feel that his story is important and needs to be told.

Howard Big Eagle, was born on Nov. 14, 1923 at Norris, on the Rosebud Sioux Tribe Reservation of the Sicangu Lakota to Moses Bull Tail; aka Big Eagle aka B. Eagle and, Winnifred "Winnie" Larvie (Larrabee). Moses' young man name was "Tatanka Sinte," "Bull Tail" because he liked to play with the tails of the bison bulls as a boy.

When Grandpa Moses became a *"Wi-cha-sha Wakan"* with the ability to perform the sacred *Yuwipi* ceremony, the spirits said for him to choose a name & they chose, "Wanbli Tankan," "Big Eagle."

When Grandpa Moses shortened the name to "B. Eagle"; it was for different reasons, some of them being:

Because he was best friends with the local Catholic priest for Norris' community, Father Buechtel, pronounced, "Beagle"; and because he wanted the name to sound like his friend's name; and because he did not want to get the name mixed up with another Big Eagle family from up North by Crow Creek. They may be distant relatives, but they are not close relations.

When my father was a boy growing up to be a young man on the Rosebud Reservation, he was reared in the traditional Lakota way of life and he had many small animals for pets.

He would take care of them until they were well enough to go back into the country. One time, a mother bobcat brought her little new born kittens back by the scruff of the neck and set them down for him to see them.

Many Lakota people prospered at this time and although life was uncertain about the future; it was in some ways, an idyllic life. And then, came the attack on Pearl Harbor, Hawaii by the Japanese on December 7, 1940, which ushered in WWII.

My father lied about his age as so many of our own young country men did at the opportunity to service their country and enlist in the armed services.

My father was 17 years old, but he said he was 18 and so his records read for his date of birth, November 14, 1922.

This was done so that he could enlist in and at that time, what was call the Army Air Corps, but later, the United States Air Force and it became the newest branch of the American military might, so important in air command. In other words, it was as though whoever controlled the skies over Europe, won the war.

PFC (Private First Class) Howard B. Eagle trained at Randolph Field, Cadet Center, San Antonio, Texas as an Aerial Gunner.

At school, he learned the firing order, "Synchronizing" 50 caliber, blind folded assembled and disassembled and then he received his wings personally from Captain Rickenbacher at Nellis Air Force base near Las Vegas, Nevada. From there, he was on to Florida to await his orders and then, he received his orders to Great Britain where the allied forces gathered, the 8th Air Force, 333rd squadron, 94th Bomb Group at Berry Saint Edmund, England, United Kingdom.



Stalag 17B was Prisoner of War camp in Germany, where Howard Big Eagle was.

Howard B. Eagle was an Aerial Gunner - Left Waist Gunner for the 1st Armor Gunner & Bomardier back-up in a B-17 Bomber. And then, on an Easter Sunday morning, on April 9, 1943 on their third mission, an enemy, German airplane gunner shot their airplane down.

His honorable discharge papers state on the line for occupation before service, "Orchestra Leader 0-24.250." This was because my father ordered a saxophone from Chicago mail order catalogue and taught himself how to play it. He and his brothers: Charles, Theodore, Christopher and Maurice formed a band, "The Eagle Playboys" and he became the leader of the band. They played for dances at Norris and the surrounding communities before the was, World War II.

Their airplane was in a dive from being shot down, the control wires were shot out, as they were coming in for a crash landing in a tailspin, their B-17 bomber was on fire. A crew of seven on the third mission, they barely had time to bail out. Their parachutes snapped and jerked their spines and then they were air loft, floating down on the breezes. He could hear the bullets whizzing by as he pulled the parachute's ropes to rock the floating parachute, swinging his body coming down, down, splashing into the icy-cold waters of the Baltic Sea below. He felt the spirits tapping him on his upper back and shoulders and he prayed.

After swimming in the icy-cold waters for as long as he could, he nearly froze to death. It is said 19 minutes maximum is the slated limit for survival and he had been floating, on his back now, for how long? It must have been 30 minutes. "The water turned hot amd then, I knew I was in trouble," as he told it, recently and many years later.

And, then just in time, he saw a PT boat and it was a German PT boat! He waved and they came at him with a spear, but he hold on to it and would not let go of it; and so they pulled him on board. He had swallowed gallons of sea water and he began to vomit it all out once on board.

The Germans interrogated him, but all he could give them was his name, rank and serial number, "Howard B. Eagle, Staff Sergeant, USAF #37-470-688". After this, they threw him in the power part of the boat where he found the pilot and the co-pilot. Of a crew of seven, the other four MIAs were never found and only my dad, the pilot and the co-pilot were listed as MIA and taken as prisoners of war to Stallog 17B at Krems, Austria (at that time called Germany)

He spent 13 months in the second worst German prison camp in the history of WWII, in terms of punishment, lack of food, cold and hardship in Barracks 31A. It was designed to hold 200 POWs; but held about 400 POWs.

He said that the Germans were mean to them. One of the prison guards gave them a goat and said that if they shared their rations and fed the goat then they could have it. After the goat got bigger, they took it away. My father, being self-taught musician was able to study and compose music while being a prisoner of war.

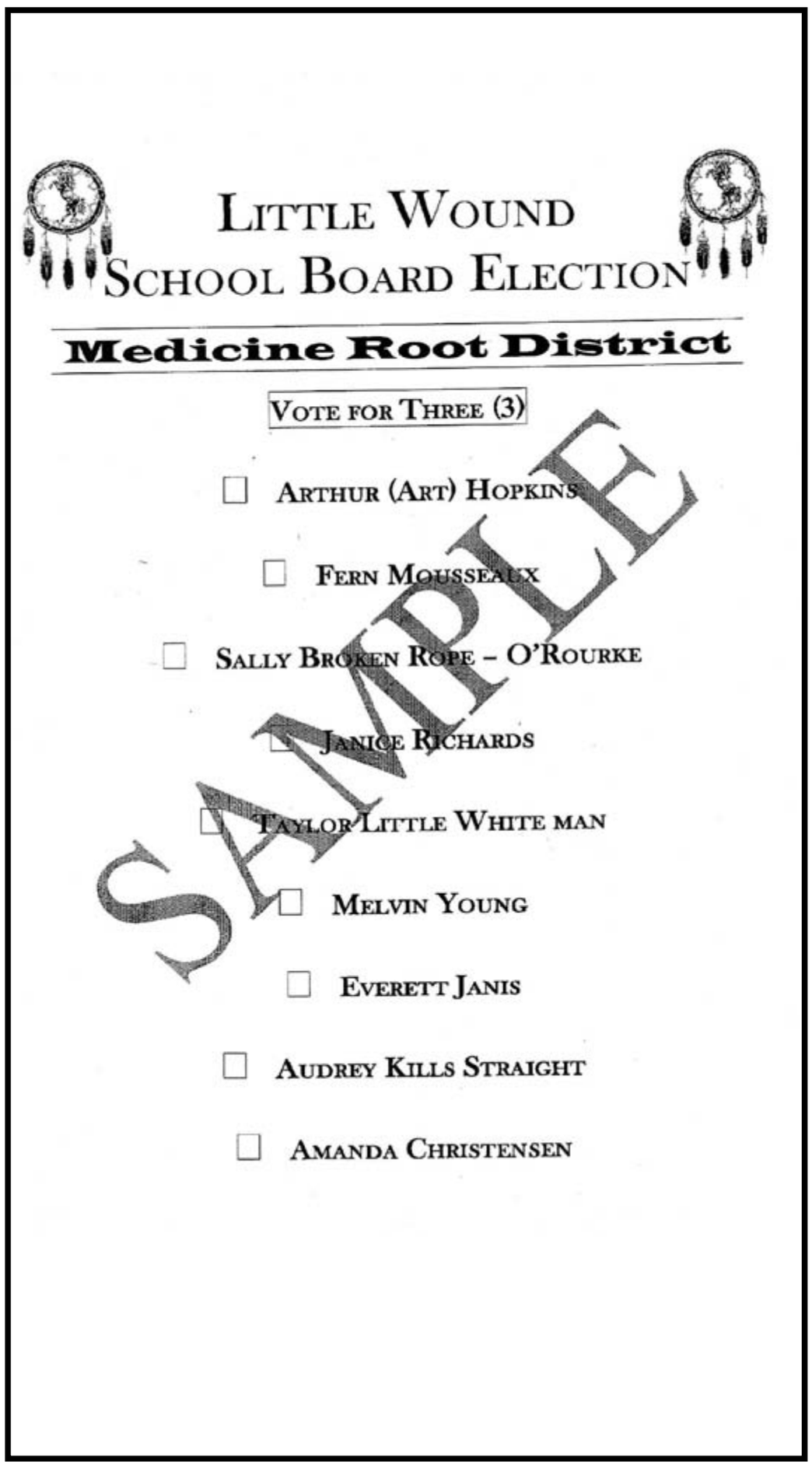
Later, he recorded a song he wrote and gave it to my mother. Grandma Winnie once had a picture of him taken from inside the infamous prison camp , Stalog 17B. He was just skin and bones and had grown a beard. He looked like on of the Holocaust victims.

He had heard it, coming down through the "Grapevine" that they should not try to escape, but rather, stay together. The should not tell the Germans that they were bombers as the Germans did not like bombers.

They also heard it through the grapevine that Congress passed a bill stating that all of the POWs when liberated will be given a jump, one rate up-rating as an act of Congress. As Staff Sergeant Howard B. Eagle to him, that meant that he would be promoted to Tech Sergeant upon liberation.

They were all on a 30 day forced march where, while marching, if any POW could not take it and ran off, out of line, they were immediately shot down. They were marching coming up over a hill when they heard the airplanes first and then they looked up and saw their own American USAF fighter planes flying overhead ad they all began to whoop and shout!

Then, they saw the troops and General Patton coming up over the hill and they were rescued, at last! My father took four German soldiers for prisoners and then there was surrender and WWII was over, at last, after five long years.



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Petitions Issued at LWS Business Office from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm (MST).Petitioners must pick up and return their own petition. Petitioners are required to pay for their own background checks. a blank $20.00 money order for the background check and a blank $5.00 money order for fingerprinting must be taken to Pine Ridge OST Public Safety Building. The background check must be done the same day you pick up the petition, due to the high volume of elections being conducted on the reservation.

September 26, 2006

Petitions and background checks must be returned to the Little Wound School Business Office by 4:30 pm. (MST)

October 05, 2006

Voter's List posted in the election service area.

October 06, 2006

Certified candidate's list posted in the election service area.

October 11, 2006

Deadline to file notarized challenge of voter's list and certified candidates list, no later than 4:30 pm. (MST).

October 16, 2006

LWS election committee answer challenges of voter's and candidates list.

November 01, 2006

Posting Sample ballots in LWS service area.

November 06, 2006

Deadline to cast absentee ballots at LWS Business Office at 8:00 am-4:30 pm (MST) Mandatory mini workshop for judges & tellers, LWS auditorium.

November 07, 2006

ELECTION DAY

November 08, 2006

Unofficial results announced.

November 13, 2006

Official Results announced and posted in election service area.

November 16, 2006

Deadline to file notarized challenge to official election results, no later than 4:30 pm (MST)

November 21, 2006

LWS election committee answers notarized challenge to election results.

December 04, 2006

Final report to Little Wound School Board.

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Thoughts that come from the heart

Issues on the state ballots, spirituality a delicate matter



By Amanda Takes War Bonnett
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Next Tuesday, Nov. 7 is am important day to write on your calendar and to mark down in your memory. It is election day for the Oglala Sioux Tribe and for state elections.

If you are voting in state elections, here are a few of the items that are important to you.

Referred Law 6, which is the Abortion Law, which has been a point of concern in Indian country, especially on the Pine Ridge Reservation. According the state election website, Referral of HB 1215, entitled "An Act to establish certain legislative findings, to reinstate the prohibition against certain acts causing the termination of an unborn human life, to prescribe a penalty therefore, and to provide for the implementation of such provisions under certain circumstances."

The state attorney general explanation of the proposed laws said that current South Dakota law generally allows a pregnant woman to obtain an abortion during the first 24 weeks of pregnancy.

Beyond 24 weeks, abortions may be performed only if necessary to preserve the life or health of the pregnant woman.

House Bill 1215 would prohibit any person, at any time, from providing any medicine or other substance to a pregnant woman for the specific purpose of terminating her pregnancy. However, a person may provide a contraception substance to a woman without penalty prior to the time her pregnancy could be determined by conventional medical testing.

HB 1215 would also prohibit any person, at any time, from using any instrument or procedure on a pregnant woman for the specific purpose of terminating her pregnancy, unless the person is a licensed physician performing a medical procedure to prevent the death of the pregnant woman.

Any person other than the pregnant woman who violates the provisions of HB 1215 would commit a felony.

If approved, HB 1215 will likely be challenged in court and may be declared to be in violation of the US Constitution. If so, the State may be required to pay attorneys fees and costs.

A vote "Yes" will allow the Act to become effective.

A vote "No" will reject the Act.

Another important issue to Indian country is **Initiated Measure 7,** which is an Initiative to repeal video lottery. Video lottery is the machines you see in corner casinos all over in our towns, except for reservations towns because they already have gaming compacts with the states to have slot machines in their casinos.

The attorney general explanation is that the State of South Dakota operates video lottery as authorized by State law. During the last year, the State of South Dakota received approximately $112 million from video lottery which is 11 percent of the state general fund budget.

The proposed law would repeal video lottery and eliminate this source of revenue.

A vote "Yes" will adopt the proposed law.

A vote "No" will reject the proposed law.

We can look at that from a reservation resident standpoint view also. Video lottery in South Dakota is hurting the Indian gaming industry. If a gambler can go to the local bar or restaurant and play video lottery, why should they travel to any of the Indian owned casinos? There was talk of tribal governments coming out against video lottery and why they haven't escapes us.

If tribal leaders believe that by not coming out against video lottery their chances of getting Gov. Rounds to approve their requests to increase the number of slot machines at their casinos, they are dead wrong. Video lottery hurts Indian casinos. It is as simple as that. Every Indian in South Dakota now has the power to change this. Stop hurting Indian casinos and hence the Indian people. Vote Yes of 7 to repeal video lottery. Remember, vote yes on 7.

Another important measure to Indian country is **Initiated Measure 3,** which is an Initiative to prohibit starting a school term prior to the last day of August.

The explanation of that measure is state law currently allows local school boards to establish the start of a regular school term on any date. The proposed law would prohibit local school boards from establishing the start of a regular school term prior to the last day of August.

A vote "Yes" will adopt the proposed law.

A vote "No" will reject the proposed law.

Before 1980, the school start date of South Dakota schools was in September. The school year traditionally ran from Labor Day to Memorial Day. In the 1980s, a trend of or "calendar creep" developed with classes starting in August, earlier and earlier. Many people didn't like that and in 1984, South Dakota initiated a law to start schools after Labor Day. The legislature tried to overturn the vote of the people year after year, and finally succeeded in a 1992 bill.

This measure proposes school statewide will not start before Aug. 31. Although this a state law, it affects tribal schools as most schools are accredited by the state and work with public schools in events, especially with high school sporting events and may eventually follow suit to coincide with the non-Indian school's schedules.

A measure that will affect smoker's and their pocketbook but add revenue to state funds is **Initiated Measure 2,** which is an Initiative to increase the tax on cigarettes and tobacco products and to dedicate the revenues.

South Dakota currently taxes tobacco products. The proposed law would increase taxation on tobacco products sold in the state.

The tax on a 20 stick cigarette package would be raised by $1; the tax on a 25 stick cigarette package would be raised by $1.25.

The tax on all other tobacco products such as cigars, roll-your-own, and chewing tobacco, would increase from 10 percent to 35 percent of the wholesale price.

The proposed law would deposit up to $30 million of tobacco tax revenue into the state general fund. The next $5 million, if any, will be deposited in the tobacco prevention and reduction trust fund. Tobacco tax revenue in excess of $35 million, if any, will be divided among the property tax reduction fund, the education enhancement trust fund, and the health care trust fund. The proposed law also establishes continuous appropriations out of the tobacco prevention and reduction trust fund for specified purposes.

A vote "Yes" will adopt the proposed law.

A vote "No" will reject the proposed law.

As we said before, we have a responsibility to examine the profiles and platforms of all of our candidates at all levels and contribute our voice to the process. When we are fully involved as such, we are less likely to be frustrated by the electoral process as the hope is that the best candidate will be chosen by a majority of people who have the wisdom to make the choice that we can live with for two years.

Spirituality a delicate matter

There are two things that are hard to talk about without getting conflict and that is politics and religion.

Both issues have come to the forefront recently, politics because it is that time of the year... election time and suddenly we get an onslaught of opinion and controversy because election time is a delicate time as it is when those positions that are in power to make change become important.

The other is religion and to many who seek spirituality in their lives and have those beliefs encased in their lives, it became important.

Such is the case with an issue regarding the sacred bundle which is kept by Arvol Looking Horse in Green Grass on the Standing Rock Reservation.

Allegations are flying about through press releases, email and Internet posting sites.

The *Lakota Country Times* received emails and press releases and letters and we made a decision to do a news article, portraying both sides as best as we could instead of publishing the submitted letters.

Communication is a great success key to diffuse confrontation, especially when it involves a core lifeskill... our spirituality and our youth.



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Other Views

The story of Icikpila's night

Dear Editor:

Icikpila Tahanhepi
(Lakota version)

1. Hanmaste na cuglukan na wiyakpakpa yela wa yanke hanl kansit'ka kici tila wan kowakatan wicoti heciya omani i keye.

2.Owatohanya woglag yankapi n wok'upi ca kigla keye

3. Yankan wakpala hel kangi wicasa kyapi na glakinkinya iyang yapi keye.

4. Hiyupi ye, tezi womanhlehkca pelo eya keye.

5. A nantanpi, na aglipi, na tokel okihipi ki ecel apiyapi, eyas glohin na anpo hanl t'a keye.

6. Ho, hehanta hanhepi wanji hececa canna tankalake hena eyasnan Icikpila Tahanhepi yelo eyapi.

Icikpila's Night
(English version)

1. On a moon lit night, when there's snow on the ground and the dew is sparkling in the atmosphere, a young orphan boy who lived with his grandma went to visit a camp across the creek which separated the camp.

2. After a brief conversation and a nice meal, he was headed for home.

3. As he crossed the wooded area, there were some Crow Indians waiting for him. He was shot in the stomach with arrows.

4. He hollered, help my bowels are gushing out.

5. He was resued and doctored, but he had a difficult time breathing and died at dawn.

6. Since then when there is a night such as the one described, the old ones used to say this is Icikipilas night. Hokahey this is oral literature which is being lost.

Rev. Francis Apple
A's'a Kuwapi
Kyle, S.D.

Great high school basketball games

Dear Editor:

Past South Dakota Native American boys basketball champions have been:

1936, Oglala 24 Bridgewater 22, Class B

1939, Flandreau Indian School 32 Rapid City 24, Class A

1955, White River 56 Hayti 55, Class B

1959, Cheyenne Eagle Butte 63 Desmet 47, Class B

1962, Pine Ridge 70 MacIntosh 68, Class B

1986, Switched to 3 classes, AA, A and B

1987, Pine Ridge 60 Lennox 53, Class A

1995, Red Cloud 83 Howard 76, Class A

Past South Dakota Native American girls basketball champions:

1989, Pine Ridge 42 Milbank 40, Class A

Two of the greatest boys basketball palyers I have ever seen play would be Terry Dupris of Cheyenne Eagle Butte and Willie White of the Pine Ridge Thorpes. Who can ever forget the 1987 Class A title game when Willie White led the Thorpes back to a come from behind victory over a great Lennox team.

On the girl's side, it would be the great SuAnn Big Crow of the Pine Ridge Thorpes. She would have been the first South Dakotan to play womens professional basketball if she had not died due to an accident.

Joshua B. Logg
Bismarck, N.D.

Vote yes for LIFE on Nov. 7

Dear Editor:

If the crime of rape is punishable by death, who should be punished, the rapist or the innocent unborn infant, conceived by the crime of it's father?

How dare we petition Almighty God to bless and protect our nation - which was founded in His name and is now openly practicing infanticide?

Thank God for our courageous South Dakota legislators, who were the first to pass a state law protecting the unborn, and for our courageous Governor Rounds, who signed it into law.

The eyes of the nation are on the citizens of our state. WE have been given the opportunity and the responsibility to make a decision which may impact the future of our own children and grandchildren for generations to come.

Vote Yes for LIFE on Referred Law 6.

Velma DeVries
Belvidere, S.D.

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Northern Perspectives

In Lakota it would be *wahonkokiye*



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

I appreciate the phrase, 'things are not what they seem' as it often helps me to see through the maze that is human nature. Lakota people use the terms, 'woableza' or 'owagahnige' as an indication that something has been seen or understood. I have heard leksi Albert White Hat on occasion speak of the term "nake' nula.' I didn't catch his interpretation of the term, but I sense that it meant achieving a state of emotional maturity where insight and wisdom have been achieved.

The other night I traversed overland our great Sicangu 'oyanke' to the casino located in the direction of 'itokakatakiya' as I was to interview Ross Swimmer. I couldn't locate him for about 20 minutes and quickly a snow storm had enveloped the area heading back 'wazitakiya' and I almost experienced a life altering event.

I couldn't see in the blinding snow, so I traveled about 15 miles an hour on the side of the road where the white line is painted.

About 6 miles from home, it began to clear so I moved onto the roadway a bit and proceeded to fish tail. I swung both ways a couple of times and had to steer back into the spin as we are taught.

As I was trying to pull out of one of the spins, I spied a couple of semi-trailers coming over the next hill. I didn't panic, but managed to pull out of my spin and stay on the side of the road.

My muscles didn't tighten up as much as I thought they might in such a situation and as I drove home, the whole event registered in my mind and I thanked *'tunkasila'* that I didn't start my spins when they were getting close.

I hugged my son when I got home because I realized that there could have been a horrible accident and the only thing that might have saved me from getting badly hurt was the fact that we were traveling at a relatively slow speed.

My son and I spied a couple of signs around town that he photographed. One was at the BIA kitchen that clearly reads, 'warning no handrails' and it is funny because there are handrails installed. We saw another sign at the county building that reads, "slow men working.' We need to send those photos to Jay Leno.

Other phenomenon which don't make sense to me, are things I catalogue for safekeeping and then, retell later. For example, in 1988 or so, I wrote to Derek Bok the president of Harvard University and asked for his help in creating some economic development ideas on the Rosebud.

He wrote back and said he couldn't help me. One would think that with a great university and its resources at his disposal that he could have at least referred me to the Harvard Business School.

He signed my diploma and I thought he might at least be a bit sympathetic, but no dice. Last winter, I called the American Indian College Fund, and I asked the director if he would like to advertise the Gates Millennium Scholarship program in our paper and he said he didn't have money for advertisement; go figure! You see, they were advertising like crazy in other media, so I thought we qualified too as we are very much professional in our work.

A week ago, I called the campaign office of candidate Billion and they also said they didn't have any money for advertising. I said, to myself, "self" Jack needs to get the vote out and not take Lakota people in Todd County and Shannon County for granted.

Again, it was a phenomenon that I didn't quite get; again, it may be that hidden agenda business kicking in.

Anyway, the Native newspaper business is rather exciting but even many of our own people won't buy our paper, but will spend a dollar to see what some other community papers may be writing.

Many of those papers can't write in Lakota much less understand the language, but some people have it engrained in them that anything Lakota just doesn't quite measure up and I don't buy that.

Sometimes they even violate cultural rules when imposing on Lakota people to get a story, but Lakota people are too kind to correct them. In Lakota it would be *'wahonkokiye."*

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Notes From Indian Country

State, tribal elections loom large in South Dakota on Nov. 7



By Tim Giago

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Accuracy and integrity are two words that should be the mainstays in the media. In the relatively new world of the media in Indian country these two words are most noted for their absence.

Amanda Takes War Bonnet hopes to change that. She worked in nearly every job position that could be found at my newspapers, the *Lakota Times* and *Indian Country Today* (they are actually the same newspaper as the *Lakota Times* became *Indian Country Today* in 1992) before elevating herself to the editor of both papers.

She toiled at her task for 14 years often recalling the story of how she started out as the newspaper's janitor while attending Oglala Lakota College, moving up to typesetter, staff writer, copy editor and finally landing the job as editor.

Two years ago Bat and Patty Pourier, two Chadron, Neb. business people, contacted Amanda about starting a weekly paper on the Pine Ridge Reservation. Amanda was pretty secure in her job as head of the communications department at Little Wound School at Kyle, but she gave up this fairly cushy job to take on the challenge.

The first thing Amanda wanted to do was to bring back integrity and accuracy to Indian newspapers. She felt that since the sale of *Indian Country Today* to the Oneida Nation of New York in 1998, most Indian newspapers were now used as instruments to spread gossip and hate.

She was disconcerted that many Indian newspapers would not print letters to the editor critical of the editor or staff. She felt that if an editor had a forum to express his or her opinion, they had the obligation to print dissenting opinions.

With these worthy objectives as her goal, she started The *Lakota Country Times* two years ago. The *Lakota Country Times* is growing in stature as an independent minded paper that is representative on the Pine Ridge and Rosebud Reservations as the voice of the Lakota people.

Amanda has gone above and beyond the call of duty to ensure that dissenting voices are not ignored. She has truly brought freedom of the press back to the reservation.

As with any small business, her largest task is securing the advertising income to keep the newspaper afloat. The two departments she did not work in at the old *Lakota Times* were advertising and accounting. This has been a handicap, but she has continued to learn and having passed the two-year mark, her confidence is growing along with her newspaper.

And speaking of integrity in the media, I want to commend Denny McAuliffe of RezNet for setting the record straight on the founding of the Native American Journalists Association. The website of NAJA reads that "a group of Native American Journalists met at Pennsylvania State to assess the state of Native media" but it does not say how they got there. Native journalists did not suddenly materialize at Penn State coincidentally. They came there because I had written letters to all of them about the meeting. And thanks to the help of Penn State Professor of Journalism, Bill Dulaney, I was able to raise enough money through the Gannett Foundation so that the meeting could take place.

McAuliffe was prompted to write a correction on how NAJA was formed for RezNet because of an erroneous press release sent out by the University of South Dakota that named one Charles Trimble as the founder of NAJA. McAuliffe was angered at this deliberate misrepresentation so he wrote an article for RezNet presenting the facts. I advise any one seeking the true facts to go to RezNet today.

Charles Trimble did start an organization called the American Indian Press Association but it folded 10 years before NAJA because it could not secure the funds to survive.

I spoke with Chad Smith, the Chief of the Cherokee Nation, last week about freedom of the press in Indian country because his administration has granted editorial freedom to the editor of the Cherokee tribal newspaper, The Cherokee Phoenix, and he hopes to set a precedent for other tribal leaders to follow suit.

Smith is concerned about Indian journalists with little background in journalism that uses the media to advance their own politics. He also believes that freedom of the press is often stifled by the businesses that advertise because they can prevent editors from writing critical articles that would impact the profits of their businesses.

As long as there are editors like Amanda Takes War Bonnet, freedom of the press does have a fighting chance in Indian country.

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Guest Column

President Bush proclaims November National American Indian Heritage Month

By President George Bush

President of the United States

During National American Indian Heritage Month, we honor the generations of American Indians and Alaska Natives who have added to the character of our Nation. This month is an opportunity to celebrate their many accomplishments and their rich ancestry and traditions.

America is blessed by the character and strength of American Indians and Alaska Natives, and our citizens are grateful for the countless ways Native Americans have enriched our country and lifted the spirit of our Nation. We are especially grateful for the Native Americans who have served and continue to serve in our Nation's military.

These brave individuals have risked their lives to protect our citizens, defend our democracy, and spread the blessings of liberty to people around the world.

My Administration is working to ensure that American Indians and Alaska Natives have access to all the opportunities of this great land. My fiscal year 2007 budget proposes more than $12.7 billion for government programs for Native Americans.

Education is vital to ensuring all citizens reach their full potential, and my budget includes funding to help Native-American schools succeed and meet the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act. The Bureau of Indian Affairs is providing education for approximately 46,000 American-Indian and Alaska-Native children.

To help keep Native Americans safe, I have also proposed to increase law enforcement personnel and improve law enforcement facilities in American-Indian communities. My Administration will continue to work on a government-to-government basis with tribal governments, honor the principles of tribal sovereignty and the right to self-determination, and help ensure America remains a land of promise for American Indians, Alaska Natives, and all our citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE W. BUSH, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim November 2006 as National American Indian Heritage Month. I call upon all Americans to commemorate this month with appropriate programs and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this thirtieth day of October, in the year of our Lord two thousand six, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-first.

Guest Editorial

An open letter to child protection services

By Hazel Bonner

Special to the Times

I was quite disturbed when I read the material from the Pine Ridge Grandmother. I have been involved in some groups seeking better treatment of all children, especially Indian Children. It appears to me to be getting worse.

I decided to look at some reports comparing South Dakota to other states and I learned that South Dakota has one of the highest victimization rates for children and the highest rate of revictimization according to the latest report entitled Child Welfare Outcomes, 2003. South Dakota had been not in substantial compliance in a report of DHHS in 2001 on keeping children safe. They apparently still do not comply.

South Dakota was one of only six states with more than 20 child victims per 1,000 children. They actually ranked the highest in the revictimization rate of children which included maltreatment that reoccurred within a six-month period.

This report is done by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and families.

Child Fatality rates for South Dakota had risen to 2.04 in 2004 according to the national report for 2004. There were 3 fatalities in relation to CPS in 2004, one of whom had received child preservation services provided to the family. We know about two deaths of children where the white fathers were not prosecuted, don't we?

The new secretary of DSS, her grandson was killed by a father who left the child in a hot car the summer of 2005 and the man Janklow defended did the same thing. These babies were 14 and 18 months old. Janklow's man wants his older Indian daughter back But they didn't mean to do that! Yet Indian parents are prosecuted and their children taken by a totally out of control system when their children are not even harmed.

The number of children in foster care waiting to be adopted rose from 176 in 1999 to 450 in 2004. Foster Parents adopted most children at 58.5 percent with other relatives at only 25.2 percent. How many of the foster parents were non-Indian and adopted Indian children?

One Hundred percent of children waiting to be adopted were "special needs" children. Gee, I wonder if that has anything to do with the fact that the US government pays $2,000 more for each special needs child, over and above the $4,000 they pay for every healthy child. Sale of babies? Makes you wonder doesn't it?

South Dakota ranked sixth in the percentage of placements of children in group homes or institutions where they are controlled through drugs. Abuse occurs in those homes as well and most certainly criminal neglect.

In 2004 there were 7,668 reports of abuse or neglect filed. Of those only 1,257 were substantiated and there were 660 cases indicating abuse. A whopping 5,751 cases led to an unsubstantiated finding. Like the grandchild in the Pine Ridge case, maybe? Because of the small number of children (190,874) we rank very high in the rate of victimization.

CPS personnel have power and they abuse that power to the maximum.

They take children where intensive family therapy would solve the problem and they make decisions like in the case of the Pine Ridge grandmother.

The balance in all of this appears to be lacking?

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A View From the West

We are nowhere near the status our ancestors had in their day

By Ivan Star
Special to the Times

I read a foreword by J. Edgar Hoover in an old document about the Constitution of the United States (1958, revised '72).

The former Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation believed that unless a citizen recognizes his or her responsibilities and discharges them accordingly, that person could not know the protections that the constitution provides.

Likewise, unless we recognize our responsibilities and discharge them accordingly as Lakota people or as enrolled members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, we cannot understand our problems. Accordingly, we cannot assemble the proper elements required to alleviate them. If we remain in ignorance of our problems, how can we even hope to fix them?

Of the never-ending tribulations we face on the Pine Ridge, I have always wondered which is the most pressing. It is debatable, but in our constant search for a better life one situation has definitely eluded us; understanding the roots of the concept of self-government. It will certainly behoove us to discover how this relates to us today on the homeland.

Because self-government is such a complex idea, and because it has been a part of our historical process, it makes sense to trace its origin and development and learn how it affects our lives today. I believe a good portion of this responsibility rests on the shoulders of our reservation school system.

At the same time, we cannot point the proverbial finger of blame at our educators because they too have a difficult task; theirs is to sustain a livelihood while maneuvering through the absurdly anonymous scheme of federal officialdom.

This diffusion of authority among numerous offices and the need to follow complex procedures renders it ineffective.

In a historical sense, Congress' hundreds of "Indian" policies have fallen short of their intended goals. For instance, the self-determination policy is a good idea; however, it merely provides a partial and inadequate measure of local control.

The bureaucracy remains in absolute control.

Getting back to the topic of this article, there are some considerations: self-government is natural and indigenous; however, this particular one was manmade.

It originated in the minds of non-Indians who believed they destroyed traditional ways and wished to offer a limited measure of local control and responsibility to their "Indians".

Consequently, this new congressional concept of Indian self-government produced a system that is certainly useful when dealing with the tribes because it provides a framework within which authoritative and predisposed negotiations can take place.

Federal government will not deal with traditional government any more than it will cut military spending to zero.

Now the biggest problem with this situation is that most tribal members believe we are no longer capable of being self-governing, we cannot handle our own affairs. Whether we like it or not, most of us lean toward the comforts and safety of social and economic benefits promoted by the IRA constitutional system backed by our ignorance of the right of self-government.

We have to realize the very fine line between government-to-government relations and being a pitifully dependent welfare state. From what I have seen here, I lean toward the fact that we are nowhere near the status our ancestors had in their day. At best, we are good little "Indians" at the behest of the charitable "Great White Father" in Washington.

Self-government is an inherent right. This means it is as natural as breathing, to which every human being is entitled. Contrarily, one human believed the "Indian" was less than human and opted to take away his right of self-government. Without this natural right, a group, like the Lakota people, cannot advance and flourish.

Muster your imaginative powers and picture the human body with its skeleton removed leaving the nerves and muscles intact. The bone structure provides stability as does the right of self-government.

As such, a culturally distinct population without its inherent right of self-government is completely helpless and without direction.

One important criterion towards becoming self-governing is to learn all there is to learn about how this concept was born and how this system of government affects us. I guarantee we will find the fact that we do have the right, as well as the ability, to govern our own affairs. We will realize that we do not have to have anyone else's approval to do so.

We will see how the federal residential school system during the 1800s successfully stripped "Indian" nations of their independent nature. Keep in mind how this system targeted indigenous youth to achieve their mission. After several generations of this "schooling", it took away our autonomy and contentment and our capability to function as such.

Our ancestors once had a singular sovereign government, one belief system, one language, and a common and candid history. They were self-assured, motivated, content, and they were able to live harmoniously as individuals, with each other, and with their environment.

Following Columbus, the new nation expended an incredible amount of time, energy, and money destroying those elements vital to the wholeness of indigenous nations: worldview, language, history, extended family system, and land, to name a few. The military, government, and the national education system all participated in this blind ferocity.

One of the intents of this genocidal frenzy was to erase the idea of sovereignty from the collective memory of indigenous people. Today, the effect of this systematic obliteration of our cultural principles reigns in plain sight on our reservation.

Nonetheless, I refuse to believe that our ability to govern ourselves is totally gone.

I must point out the fact, however, that most of us are beyond the point of no return. We are too deeply entrenched to accept any change, especially those that deviate from the way we grew up.

I will not refute this human trait. Instead, since our youth represent our future as a culturally distinct group of people, we are obligated to their well-being. We owe them a decent future.

We have to begin asking ourselves some serious questions: are our modern schools still promoting this enervative process by transmitting only half-truths?

Are our schools capable of effectively addressing this centuries old educational shortcoming?

I mentioned it before and I will mention it again; our youth deserve a life better than what we had to cope with.

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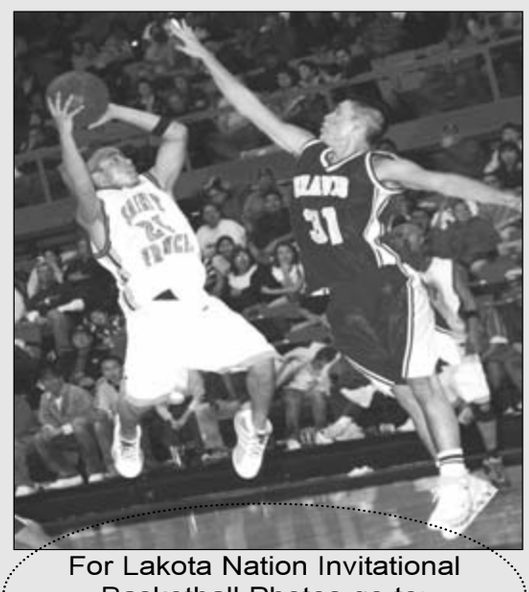


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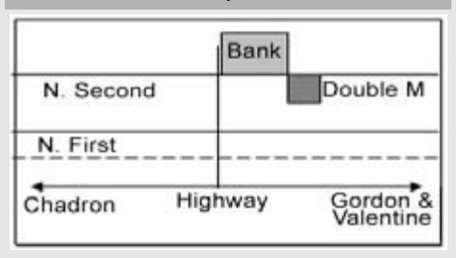
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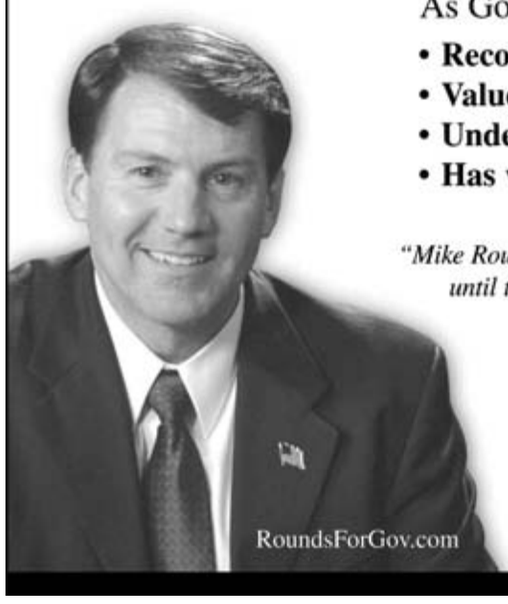
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Other Views

Some of our people have adopted the beliefs and values of others

Dear Editor:

The Oct. 25 - Nov. 1, 2006 issue of the Teton Times and other newspapers carried a column by Tim Giago about the upcoming state and tribal elections.

A portion of this editorial was about the impeachment of Cecilia Fire Thunder for her feminist stand on abortion rights and the lack of knowledge by the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council of their own history and culture. He wrote: "…they (especially the men) would never have taken her to task for her stand on women's rights because the traditional male role of the Oglala Sioux Tribe never, not ever, interfered in the rights of a Lakota woman to decide her own fate when it came to child birth.

A Lakota woman always had the traditional and spiritual right to make her own decision." These are true and very important words written about Lakota women and these words are also true for Dakota women. It used to be said: *Hena winyan tawichohan, na wica kin ed um sni.* Translation: That is women's business and the men do not go there.

Our letter is to praise Mr. Giago for letting people know about the true status of the women of our nations before some of our people adopted the beliefs and values of other people who viewed their women as chattels and reproductive machines.

Sincerely,

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Rapid City, Kyle and Black Hills area

The battering and rape of Indian women is a reflection of a history of colonization

By Karen Artichoker
Special to the Times

On behalf of Sacred Circle, National Resource Center To End Violence Against Native Women, I'd like to thank Tim Giago for speaking out on violence against Indian women in his Oct. 2, 2006, "Unraveling the source of domestic violence in Indian country," response to Jodi Rave's series on violence against Indian women.

As Indian women, we need male allies to help us bring attention to these outrageous statistics that are finally getting some national attention. Unlike other races of women, who will most likely be beaten and raped by men of their own race, the rates of battering and rape of Indian women are crimes that are perpetrated by all races of men.

We agree with Tim's assertion that violence against Indian women is an impact of boarding schools, a tactic of colonization.

We would also point out that, while Indian men were emasculized in that process, Indian women also lost out. Boarding schools taught Indian girls how to be women – Western style.

We got to cook and clean and if we were really good girls we got to be secretaries. In that regard we had the equal opportunity available to other women in this country.

In the process of colonization Indian women also learned that God meant for us to submit to men and our primary function in life was to bear his children and make sure he was comfortable and happy.

That was the western notion of the good woman and no matter what our family history, all women have been exposed to that socialization.

Prior to colonization, we enjoyed status and power in our household, kinship network, and community.

We were respected and indigenous cultural and spiritual teachings held that we are sacred. In the new world, we became second class citizens.

The conversation isn't about whether or not Indian men or Indian women got the worst end of deal. Both genders experienced devastating pain and suffering and we see that historical experience reflected in our families and communities.

And today, we have gender politics where there were none before.

We all know that women are the spoils of war and that means, as women, we are sex objects and disposable to the oppressor.

That's why all men see us as prey. Our own men, Indian men, have now also assumed the role of oppressor and we see them grasp this false and unnatural sense of male power in every black eye and ravaged body that comes through our doors.

The battering and rape of Indian women is a reflection of a history of colonization.

As Indian people, we also see the impact of colonization reflected in child abuse, child sexual abuse, suicide, poor physical health, alcoholism, etc.

Why wouldn't we believe that violence against Indian women wouldn't be the same? As a matter of fact, there are many Indian women who have commented that they believe these statistics are low since the Indian woman who has escaped battering and rape by men are the exception.

We now have the same power imbalances in individual relationships as our oppressors.

Violence continues in individual relationships because it works. Violence also serves to maintain a social paradigm that upholds white male privilege and the entitlement of all men on certain levels. Indian men don't get access to true, natural power but get access to a little bit of the unnatural power that has been held by the colonizers for centuries -the power to terrorize women and children. The theoretical framework of colonization helps us understand that in addition to responding to individual situations of battering and rape, we also need to respond on a bigger societal level. If we don't examine the issue in this context, history will continue to repeat itself.

We've seen one piece of research out of Canada that correlates the high rates of violence against Native women with colonization, including boarding schools. We agree that it's not helpful to blame Indian men since these dynamics were set up long ago and certainly weren't our fault as Indian people. We also have the right to expect men to begin taking responsibility for the toll domestic violence takes on individual women and families.

Karen Artichoker is the Director of Sacred Circle, National Resource Center To End Violence Against Native Women and a Management Team Director for Cangleska, Inc., a domestic violence and sexual assault prevention and intervention program serving the Oglala Sioux Tribe. She is an enrolled citizen of the Oglala Sioux Tribe and also proud of her Ho-Chunk heritage.

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Mustangs close out season with second playoff round loss to Winner

Mustangs finish with 7-3 record

Harding County ends Lower Brule season in second round of 9B

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

WINNER/BUFFALO – Winner dominated the line of scrimmage, shut down Little Wound's running game and scored the first seven times they had the ball to win the second round of South Dakota's 11A football playoffs 51-0 in a bitterly cold and windy night game on Monday in Winner.

Winner's quarterback, Chas DeMers, used some of his state class speed to roll around the right end on the second play from scrimmage for the Warriors and score on a 73 yard touchdown run. Jared Donahue added three touchdowns on runs of 19, 8 and 6 yards as Winner rolled to a 21-0 first quarter lead and closed out the first half with a 45-0 lead.



Little Wound's senior quarterback, Johnny Cloud(5) lets fly with one of his 22 passes in Monday nights second round playoff game against Winner which the Warriors won 51-0. Photo courtesy of Randy Bachelor, White River.



Red Cloud/OLL defeated Little Wound to win the Great Plains Conference on Wednesday and included: Shawn Patton, Truman Rossman, Ryan Lays Bad, Jory Weston, Lyle Jacobs, Kylie Weston, J.D. Plume and Julian Hernandez of Our Lady of Lourdes and Dominque LeBeaux, Jeemiah Two Bulls, Bryan Beetam, Frank Siioux Bob, Phil Zimiga, Jordan Wilson, Mike Ridhards, Steven DeWolfe and Clay O'Daniel of Red Cloud. Photo courtesy of Lynette Cuny and Cindy Jacobs.

"We really struggled to get our running game going against their line," said Darrell Hunter, Little Wound coach, "we had some success with Johnny Cloud and passing although the wind made it a challenge to mount a consistent attack through the air; we have our best success when we have a balanced attack on offense, a good running game to go along with our passing."

Little Wound received the opening kickoff and using a nine yard pass completion from Cloud to Rich Big Boy and a Shilo Pierce three yard run, the Mustangs had a quick first down but the Winner defense went to work holding the Mustangs to a total of five first downs for the entire game. Winner rolled up 345 yards on the ground with DeMers carrying the ball four times for 102 yards and a touchdown while Jerad Donahue carried the ball 10 times for 76 yards and three TDs. Winner scored six of the TDs on the ground and one through the air.

Shilo Pierce, Little Wound's top runner was held to a minus three yards on five carries. Cloud finished with 11 completions out of 22 passes for 100 yards and one interception. TJ McCauley caught three passes for 48 yards, Big Boy grabbed four passes for 38 yards and Pierce had three receptions for 11 yards.

"The boys can hold their heads high, they had a great season and made it to the second round of the playoffs," said Hunter, "we definitely know what we need to work on though, we need to get stronger, work in the offseason and developo our younger players."

Little Wound finished the year with a 7-3 record with wins over Pine Ridge, Hill City, Cheyenne Eagle Butte, St. Francis, Crow Creek, Todd County and Bennett County. Their losses came from Red Cloud, Todd County and Winner. The Mustangs will lose Pierce, Cloud, McCauley, Big Boy, Devon LeBeau and Marcus Lamont but will have Brice Hornbeck, Michael Pretty Voice Crane, JC Mesteth, Oren Three Stars, Enoch Yellow Hawk, Trin In the Woods and Brennan Montgomery back.

Winner moves their record to 9-1 and will host Canton in the 11A semi-finals on Saturday night.

Harding County remains undefeated, downs Lower Brule

On Monday night in Buffalo, Harding County picked up their tenth straight win with a 50-0 triumph over Lower Brule in a windy and blustery game. Lower Brule had earned a second round game on the strength of their 64-12 win over Faith in the first round of 9B playoffs.

Lower Brule finishes the season with a 7-3 record while Harding County will take their 10-0 record and host Colome on Saturday night, the winner will earn a trip to the Dakota Dome for the 9B championship game.

Red Cloud/OLL down Little Wound for Great Plains Conference championship

Honored by the tribal council on Monday

Red Cloud/Our Lady of Lourdes middle school football team lost their first game of the season to Little Wound then came storming back to put together eight straight wins including a 14-12 win over Little Wound to win the Great Plains Conference championship on Wednesday in a game that was split over two days, starting on Saturday and finishing up on Wednesday.

"We are so proud of the boys, they overcame a lot this season including playing several games with only 10 players because of academic eligibility problems," said Rob Clifford, head coach, "we overcame all kinds of adversity, had the opportunity of playing two outstanding running backs, Truman Rossman, who ran for over 600 yards on the season and Kylie Weston, who ran for over 900 yards and we revenged an early loss to Little Wound with the championship game."

After the opening season 42-32 loss to Little Wound, Red Cloud/OLL came back with regular season wins over Pine Ridge 6-0, Rockyford 48-0, American Horse 56-22, St. Francis 50-0 and Wounded Knee District 66-0 and playoff wins over Crow Creek 56-0, Pine Ridge 48-8 and Little Wound 14-12.

This year, the conference started with the requirement that the home team would have one of the four game officials either registered or certified, according to conference president, Dave Michaud, but it did not happen very often. For the championship game, each team was asked to provide two officials then Little Wound committed to providing a crew of certified officials and even though Red Cloud was advised to still bring their two officials, they chose not to. On game day there were no certified officials, Red Cloud was told play the game or forfeit it, the game started and Little Wound had a 12-0 edge at halftime.

After a number of discussions and a call to Michaud, the game was halted and it was decided to return at a future date with certified officials. The teams came back together on Wednesday and instead of re-playing the entire game, the teams just played the last two quarters. Red Cloud scored twice and held the Mustangs scoreless; certified officials were used to officiate the game.

The consolidated championship team included Shawn Patton, Truman Rossman, Ryan Lays Bad, Jory Weston, Lyle Jacobs, Kylie Weston, J.D. Plume and Julian Hernandez from Our Lady of Lourdes and Dominique LeBeaux, Jeremiah Two Bulls, Bryan Beetam, Frank Sioux Bob, Phil Zimiga, Jordan Wilson, Mike Richards, Steven DeWolfe and Clay O'Daniel from Red Cloud. Coaches included Robert Clifford, Shawn Patton and Phil Clifford, Jr. and manager Nick Cummings.

On Monday, the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council honored the team with certificates, an honoring song by Will Peters, councilman from Pine Ridge Village, and tribal flags for both schools involved in the coop.

Football scores second week of playoffs

Winner 51-0 Little Wound
Canton 28-14 Harrisburg
Custer 32-14 Belle Fourche
Del Rapids 7-6 Madison
St. Thomas More 36-0 Stanley County
Elk Point/Jefferson 7-6 Parkston
Aberdeen Roncalli 50-0 Britton-Hecla
Howard 34-26 Wagner
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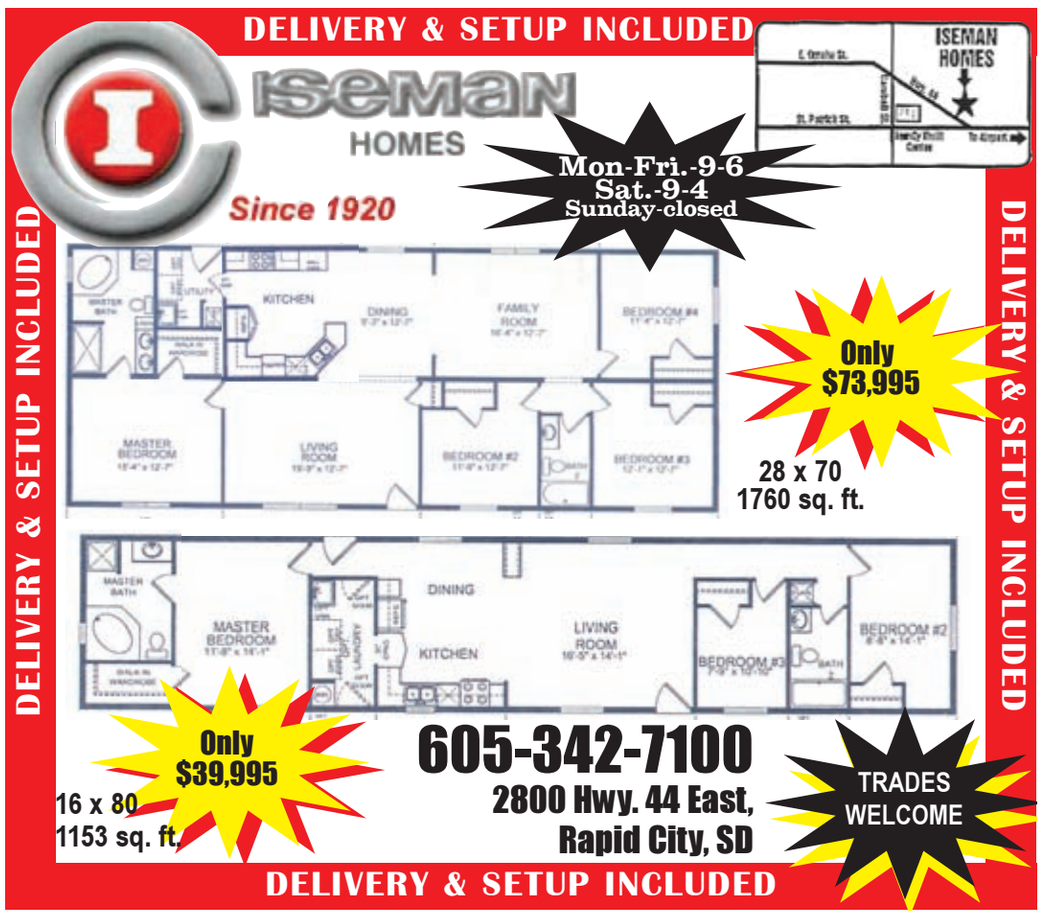


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Two Sections

Michelle May selected New Librarian of the Year

By Connie Blanco
Times Writer

KYLE - Michelle May, Oglala Lakota and director of Oglala Lakota College's Woksape Tipi Library was selected New Librarian of the Year, by the South Dakota Library Association last month.

The Awards Banquet of the South Dakota Library Association Conference was held in Rapid City on Sept. 21. Each year this association of more than 300 people from across the state of South Dakota recognizes their own by nominating those in the library community who make a difference in library services.

One of these awards is known as the "New Librarian of the Year." The New Librarian of the Year is someone who has transformed a routine task or an untried idea into imaginative, creative service; projected a dynamic image of the professional librarian into the community and offered that community something which it did not have before and has performed the function of a librarian for a period of not more than 10 years.

This year, the association gave this award to May, who is director of Oglala Lakota College's library.

The is the first time in the history of SDLA that a tribal college librarian has received this award. This is May's third year at the library and she has worked at the college for seven years.



Michelle May, selected New Librarian of the Year by the SD Library Association.

"Our goal is to make sure every single person in our homeland has the opportunity to become a supporter of Oglala Lakota College's Woksape Tipi Library. We want each one of you to become a sponsor of your library by having a library card, borrow a good book, a video, CD or DVD or ask us questions and we will try to answer them," said May.

"We want you to read the newspapers and magazines and tell us what you are interested in, what books do you want to read. What information you are looking for and we will be glad to help you and if you never make it to the library, at least you will have heard of us. We are the academic library for OLC and provide services to our students, staff and faculty. We are the public library for our homeland on the Pine Ridge and also accessible online," said May.

Aside from a gifted librarian, May has been a story teller for the college's KOLC television station. She reads Lakota story books, which is being aired on the college's television station in the late evenings. She said the story-telling and the television is about connecting with each other. "Traditionally we are connected through stories and we hope to share and encourage, a valuable tradition. Formats change as do the storytellers," she said.

She said library circulation has increased dramatically. Two years ago, more than 1,500 books were checked out and last year more than 5,000 books were checked out, which is more than doubled, cardholders increased by 760.

The library offers readings to Headstart students, kindergarten and first graders during each semester, which has encouraged students to read more books. Michelle will also be a regular guest columnist in this paper in the near future.

The college's main library is located on the Piya Wiconi campus seven miles west of Kyle.

Brain injury support group meeting Nov. 8

PORCUPINE - Traumatic Brain Injury can be a life-altering event for survivors and family members.

Brain injury support groups may be the one place where others understand the unique challenges associated with TBI.

The Protection and Advocacy Traumatic Brain Injury Program of South Dakota Advocacy Services, along with the Oglala Lakota National Vocation Rehabilitation Agency are assisting in the development of a brain injury support group for Native Americans on the Oglala Sioux Nation.

The support group allows individuals with TBI and their family members to provide emotional support and share individual issues and strategies to enhance their quality of life.

The group meets the second Wednesday of every month at 1 p.m. at the Porcupine Clinic in Porcupine. The next meeting will be Wednesday, Nov. 8.

If you have any questions please call Oglala Lakota Nation Vocational Rehabilitation Agency at 605-867-2798 or South Dakota Advocacy Services, PATBI Program at 1-800-658-4782.



Headstart trick or treat

MARTIN - Martin Headstart I and II were busy making visits on Halloween. They traveled to the LaCreek CAP office for a party and costume contest in the morning. In the afternoon the children visited the Bennett County Nursing Home, followed by some treat "and" treating at the LaCreek College Center. Pictured above back row from left to right: Laynee Soderlin, Taatae Fineran, Thea Dubray, Shakyra Poor Thunder, Joseph Means, Todd Morrison, Kimimila Richards, Jonah Bush, Memory Bad Wound, Mollie Grant (front row, left to right) Sadie Grant, Sage Flye, Aloysuis Mousseau, Mahpeya Richards, Jodey Bear Killer.

PHOTO BY CONNIE BLANCO

Whalen chose politics over ministry

By Joe Kafka
Associated Press Writer

PIERRE (AP) - Bruce Whalen, Republican contender for South Dakota's lone seat in the U.S. House, says he lived a less than an exemplary life until he accepted Jesus Christ in March 1995.

A longtime friend had done so earlier, and Whalen noticed the profound change. He wasn't interested in changing his life when he initially spoke to his friend about becoming a Christian, but it wasn't long before he relented.

``I was a very bitter person before I accepted Christ,'' Whalen says. ``But my life was turned around. I started putting away the things that corrupted my future and started to improve my life.''

Whalen, 44, was born in Rushville, Neb.; his parents lived on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, and he is an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. When he was 14, his mother moved to Salt Lake City to take a new job with the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Whalen would not return to his roots until 1999.

In between, there were some troubled years.

Whalen was kicked out of high school in the 12th grade. He would later get a GED.

He married in 1984 but was divorced by 1988. The marriage produced a son, Kyle, now 20. Whalen has since remarried.

Whalen went through a series of jobs before his spiritual awakening. He decided then to become a minister and had enrolled in an Oregon seminary but was quickly told he should go to college if he wanted to become a full-fledged minister.

He returned to the Pine Ridge Reservation and enrolled in Oglala Lakota College in 1999 when he also decided his political leanings were decidedly Republican _ an anomaly in an area that is a Democratic stronghold. Whalen finished college two years ago at 42.

``I'm not a quitter. I took the long route,'' he explains. ``I have a tendency to get distract-

Please turn to Whalen: A2

Community Calendar
Rez Happenings

Grief Support Group
Meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888

Porcupine AA meeting
Every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine., Info call: Janice at 867-5404

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841

Life after death class
Developing a better understanding of the journey of the soul, Fridays at 7 p.m. @ Pine Ridge Village College Center

Weekly Flu Clinics
Tuesday and Thursdays starting Oct. 24 and running through Nov. 30th in Pine Ridge at the Public Health Nursing building. Adults only from 1-5 p.m., for information call 867-3297

District 14A Volleyball tourney
Thursday, Nov. 2 at St. Francis with Little Wound, St. Francis and Bennett County

Flu Shot Clinic
Thursday, Nov. 2nd at the Porcupine Clinic , high risk patients only, for information call 867-3145 or 867-5728

OST Council Regular Session continued
Friday, Nov. 3, in the council chambers of the Red Cloud building in Pine Ridge to complete the agenda of the scheduled regular session for October

Halloween Carnival
Saturday, Nov. 4 at the Wounded Knee District School in Manderson from 6-8:30 p.m. in the school gym

Benefit Basketball Tournament
Friday, Saturday, Nov. 3 and 4 Men's Benefit Basketball Tournament for Dorianne Bad Hand at the Lakota Veteran's gym in St. Francis, eight team single elimination, for info call 747-4479

Annual Bazaar
Sunday, Nov. 5 at St. Isaac Jogues Church/Mother Butler Center in Rapid City from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. arts and crafts, quilts, plant booth, baked goods, children's games, bingo, food concessions and raffles, for information call 343-2165.

Women's Conference
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 3-5 for the 2006 First Nation's Women's Conference at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City

Tribal, State, Federal Election
Tuesday, Nov. 7th is election day for tribal, state and national elections, polls open for state and national elections from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. while polls for tribal elections open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Region 7A Volleyball Tourney
Tuesday, Nov. 7 at a site to be announced featuring the District 13A and 14A winners

Holistic Management Workshop
Wednesday, Thursday, Nov. 8 and 9 at Club 27 in Kadoka with speaker Wayne Berry, or information call 685-6629.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
School pow wow on Thursday, Nov. 9 at Loneman School in Oglala with grand entries at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with supper set for 5 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 17 at Porcupine School with grand entries at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m.

Pow wow and Art Show
Lakota Red Nations 9th Annual Pow wow and Art Show, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 24 and 25 in Gordon, Neb. at he Gordon City Hall with grand entries set for 7 p.m. on Friday and 2 p.m. on Saturday

30th Annual Lakota Nation Invitational
Wednesday-Saturday, Dec. 13th through 16th at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City featuring a 16 team boy's and a 16 team girl's basketball tournament, hand games, knowledge bowl, language bowl,wrestling tourney

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Whalen

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ed, but I'm not a quitter."

Whalen has since held a series of jobs with the tribe, and he worked at a Christian ministry for six months. He had also been the Republican Party's point man on the reservation for some time but clung to his desire to become a minister and return to the reservation to provide spiritual guidance in the heart of a destitute society long racked by hopelessness, alcohol and drug abuse, and people who are among the poorest in the nation.

Whalen, a decided underdog in the race to unseat a member of Congress, says state GOP Chairman Randy Frederick asked him to run for the House. Whalen had called Republican headquarters last December to help with the House campaign and was told there was no candidate yet. He offered to take the challenge, and Frederick called Whalen in February to tell him he was going to be the GOP candidate.

When he returned to the reservation in early 1999, Whalen met his current wife, Carol. They met while attending church and were married in 2000. They have two children: Jeremiah, 5, and Elizabeth, 3.

``I proposed to her on Resurrection Day,'' Whalen says. ``That memory kind of chokes me up. She was crying, and I was crying.''

Whalen says his wife was not surprised when he told her of his intention to run against Democratic U.S. Rep. Stephanie Herseth, who is seeking a second full term.

``We're doing this on a leap of faith,'' the GOP candidate says. ``The door opened up for us. We feel like it's the right thing to do.''

``I'm not out to make a name for myself,'' he adds. ``I've already got one.''

Whalen favors increased tax relief, frugal government spending, a reduction in the reliance on federal assistance, and efforts to create jobs and improve wages. He opposes abortion and often claims to be a champion of family values.

``When I say that I'm the candidate of family values, I know that I'm resonating with people across the state,'' Whalen says, characterizing Herseth as ``the pro-abortion candidate.''

Whalen continues: ``I'm living out these family values, and she hasn't started a family yet. She can say she's the daughter of someone or the granddaughter, but I have children and I have a wife. As a husband and father, your psychology changes.''

A 10-year veteran of the National Guard, Whalen also backs President Bush on the war in Iraq. America should continue its military role until democracy is firmly entrenched in that nation, he says.

Whalen says his faith and empathy for others are among his strengths. He quickly adds that he can lend a different perspective if sent to Washington on the strength of victory Nov. 7. He pledges not to stray from his beliefs, and says he will be a good listener.

``I think what's important to know about me is that I'll cry with you,'' Whalen says. ``I'm a man who grew up in a society that said men aren't supposed to cry. But I'm a man who's willing to change. I want to be a reflection of Christ.''

November commodity schedule

PINE RIDGE - The November commodity schedule is as follows:

Wednesday, Nov. 1 at Pine Ridge and Wanblee

Monday, Nov. 6 at Kyle by the CAP building.

Wednesday, Nov. 8 at Manderson by the post office and Wounded Knee at the upper housing.

Monday, Nov. 13 at Martin Sunrise homes.

Wednesday, Nov. 15 at Porcupine Evergreen by the CAP building.

Friday, Nov. 17 at Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni Lake.

Monday, Nov. 20 at Oglala at the old Oglala store site.

Nov. 24 to 30, Pine Ridge and Wanblee warehouse will be closed for inventory.

The warehouse is open for 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day. Listen to KILI Radio station for any changes.

Listed below is the criteria needed to participate in the commodity program:

1. Verification of income: check stubs, SSI and Social Security, pension letters.

2. Clients residency requires that they live on or near the reservation.

3. No district households shall be permitted to pick up their commodities in Pine Ridge until after the first seven working days.

4. No household shall be permitted to participate in the commodity program and the food stamp program during the same month.

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Bernard A. Quiver, 74.....Wanblee
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Kaye L. Eagle Bull

MANDERSON - Kaye L. Eagle Bull, 60, Manderson, died Saturday, Oct. 28 in Rapid City.

Survivors include her husband, John Eagle Bull, Manderson; a son Jefferson Eagle Bull of Manderson; two brothers, Verdell LaDeaux and Virgil LaDeaux, both of Manderson; and two sisters, Pauline Palmer, Pine Ridge, and Flora Yellow Boy, Scottsbluff, Neb. Wake services were Thursday, Nov. 2, at Wounded Knee District School in Manderson.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 3, at the school, with the Rev. Patrick Barker, Ben Feather and Harold Eagle Bull officiating. Burial will be at St. Thomas Episcopal Cemetery in Manderson.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Lena LeBeau

EAGLE BUTTE - Lena LeBeau, 92, Eagle Butte, died Wednesday, Oct. 25, at her home. Wake services were. Sunday, Oct. 29, at H.V. Johnston Cultural Center in Eagle Butte.

Funeral services were. Monday, Oct. 30, at the cultural center, with Sister Addie Morris officiating. Burial was at Eagle Butte Cemetery.

Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge is in charge of arrangements.

Bernard A. Quiver

WANBLEE - Bernard A. Quiver, 74, Wanblee, died Friday, Oct. 27, in Pine Ridge. He served in the U.S. Army. Survivors include one brother, Charles Quiver, Pine Ridge, and four sisters, Mary Moran, Lena Chipps and Stella Quiver, all of Wanblee, and Eunice Rogers, Rosebud. Wake services were Monday, Oct. 30, at Wanblee CAP Office. Funeral services were Wednesday, Nov. 1, at Wanblee CAP Office, with Deacon Gerald Bush Sr. officiating. Burial was at Quiver Family Cemetery in Wanblee. Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Bruce Alan Chavez

OGLALA - Bruce Alan Chavez, infant, Oglala, was stillborn Wednesday, Oct. 18, at Pine Ridge Hospital.

Survivors include his parents, Myron Chavez Jr. and Anna Shield-Diaz, Oglala; his paternal grandfather, Myron Chavez Sr., Oglala; his paternal grandmother, Pam Lee, Oglala; and his maternal grandparents, Tim and Lexie Shield-Diaz, Oglala.

Graveside services were Oct. 27 at Body of Christ Cemetery in Pine Ridge. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge is in charge of arrangements.

Melody C. Kills Crow Indian-High Hawk

PORCUPINE - Melody C. Kills Crow Indian-High Hawk, 41, died Oct. 30 at New Castle, Wyo. as a result of an automobile accident.

Survivors include sons Trinity Brave Heart, William High Hawk, Julian High Hawk all of Porcupine.

Daughters:\ Ashley Peltier and Mary High Hawk both of Porcupine and Lisa Contreras of Wheatland, Wyo.; her mother Helen Kills Crow Indian of Porcupine; brrother Charles Iron Rope of Kyle and a sister Gloria High Hawk of New Kensington, Penn.

A two night wake will begin at 12 noon on Thursday, Nov. 2, at the Porcupine CAP Office in Porcupine.

Funeral services: will be at 10 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 4, at thePorcupine CAP Office in Porcupine.

Officiating is Emerson Spider, Jr., Abraham Tobacco

Burial will be in the Native American Church Cemetery, Porcupine.

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Psychic - Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

My name is X. and I was born on Aug. 24, 1963 at 3:20 p.m. is there any thing you can tell me about what my future holds for me? Just skeptical I guess so that's why I'm asking any info that only I would know that you can sense?

Wanting to know

Dear Wanting to know:

I took out your name so this will be more confidential. You're numerology tells me that you are a six. Sixes are people that are accumulators. During their middle age they do find financial security. Their problem is that they tend to get preoccupied with the physical side of life: what they own, physical relationships, jobs, etc.

They also hold onto things, even grudges. Your birth time equals a five, the survival number. People with fives in their numerology often have rough childhoods, but do find balance. The overall number is two. That is a person that is concerned with others, and mating with someone is very important. You have a tendency to be altruistic, and give a lot of yourself to others.

The danger is in dissolving who you are to please others including your mate. In life, to become a totally balanced person you must find your true identity and remain true to your nature and not compromise who you are for others.

I see a lot of change in your immediate future, as you have just gone through a rather rough time and it is time to face your own behavioral challenges. Returning to school would be the best option; and you may do that sooner than you realize. The relationship you have been fighting with yourself over is not a healthy one. Take charge of your life. You can do it the easy way, or you can take more time by going back and forth in your relationship and postponing more education. Either road you take, you will eventually return to the understanding that you want things to be better, so only you can make them that way. Blessings and good luck.

Dear Anna,

I met you at the retreat in Keystone. You told me some interesting things, and I just wanted to touch base with you again. anything you could tell me will really be helpful and I was wondering do you see me quitting my job, or will I be here a while longer. I was getting those thoughts about suicide will they ever go away.

Hope you have a good day.

Job thoughts

Dear Just thoughts:

You are such a wonderful and beautiful woman. Hold onto that image. You have a chemical imbalance, exacerbated by hormonal influence.

There are herbs that you can take to help bring about balance and that combined with prayer in an Inipi would be very beneficial. In the event that you cannot get yourself together to do that, then a faster temporary solution would be to see a doctor and get a mild mood enhancer.

You are depressed. Suicide thoughts tell me that you have lost touch of your relationship with the Creator or God. The thing is, every spark of life force within you is of the very nature of God. You are a creative expression of God - or a spirit in human form. Your life is your life. It is what you have been given to express your spirit. Your life is about YOU, it is a gift. You are no more nor less than anyone else on the earth. You have certain genetic proclivities, certain talents, a particular type of body, a certain unrest trained intelligence, and you can accomplish anything in this world that you design yourself to do. You are not disadvantaged by your circumstances.

You are in charge of your life. The Creator did not leave you out of any of the gifts of life. As humans, we like to burden ourselves with thoughts of disaster and unequalness. True, not everyone is a concert pianist - but he who is not a pianist may be a math genius, or a compassionate caring care giver, or a man that works with the earth, or a builder, or just have a genius sense of humor.

We are all different in our talents, but to not use your talent or recognize your talent is taking God for granted. People have mistaken their pitiful understanding of what God is for being pitiful. If you believe yourself to be a pitiful human being then you rally the spirit of defeat within. It takes just as much time and energy to be a pitiful person that it does to be successful. The difference is in your perspective. God gave us all strength, endurance, love for others, compassion for ourselves and others, and the Spirit from within to use to create a good life and a good world. You are not less than any other.

Get over yourself. You are healthy, beautiful, smart, loving, and if you don't have a boyfriend then you don't need one right now.

Things are changing around your work. It is a very precarious program and everyone is being affected. Attitudes and morale start at the very top. Everything there is quite a mess, so all the employees are insecure.

Start looking for a new job. Start with what you like to do. I do see you working within the court system or OST Public Safety - but first, let the sunshine into your life, thank the Creator for your life, and see a doctor or get to sweat. Work on wellness, not on pity.

Dear Anna,

I just read your column and decided to take a chance and step out there and put my life in your realm to cure my curiosity, and excitement! My loved one doesn't encourage me to seek psychics, in the past I've been disappointed by empty insight.. but it's a thrill for me.

I don't live on the reservation, but I miss it there. I envision myself returning with resources or the ability to successfully contribute. It's important to me, I see it as a modern way of how the Lakota woman gives back to her community.

Anyway, I believe I'll be ready when I retire. What's up with that? I have an awesome loved one, freely and morally showers me with love, friendship, loyalty, laughs, and high maintenance. At least what I consider high. I want to get a degree. Do you see it? Also, I developed an imaginary crush on someone on the reservation. Does this cat know? When and does it dissolve? I shall hope to hear from you. Let me know.

Signed Curios in California

Dear California Girl:

Yes, you will come back to the rez - to help; probably in about another five or six years - before you expected to. The reason you are there (in California) is to see how other people do things, to become economically viable - and to begin to get your higher education degree. You have a lot to contribute. I do see you returning to school - and I do see a degree in business or public administration (health admin?).

By the way, proportionally speaking, it is the Lakota women that are making the biggest contribution and effort on the reservation today. They are getting their degrees, they are starting programs, they are working hard at cultural revitalization, they are running things.

Some men are also right in there with the women, but all you have to do is look around, count the men vs. women and then assess why that might be true: the Lakota People are losing more young men than women to drugs, alcohol, and crime.

Your mate is a man that adores you. He has no desire to live on the rez. Things will change in the future and he is very likely to stand beside you until you decide differently. The guy on the rez is not stupid. He knows you like him - but he has a complicated life and so he expects nothing to come of it. Besides, you are a zillion miles away - what can flirtation hurt (his rationale). Don't worry, I don't see you giving up your life in California to run off with the rez guy at this time. The future, however, is open.

Dear Anna,

This is my problem, I am a college student who decided to quit because the powers that be won't cut me a break.

I feel that I have no one to turn to, I have had my troubles before, but this time I feel like giving it all up. I am a single parent; I have raised my child by myself since it was born; I have trouble trying to make its life better, everything that I have done up to this point was for my child, but now they want my child, and when I say they I mean my child's father's family. I have tried and tried to get a home where she could say that it belonged to my child but some where I failed to make it happen and I am doing what I can to make that idea come true.

My child also wants a younger sister or brother but I don't know if I can have a kid again. Why is all this negativity happening to me? Do you see anything good in my future.

The only thing that I can tell my kid is that where our hearts lay and where they meet. This is our home.

Looking to the future

Dear Looking to the Future:

Things are rough right now. They really aren't out to get you at the college - but they are a "head" institution (they have many rules and regulations), and have trouble, sometimes, finding their hearts. The difference is; when you are in high school, you have to be there and they have to work with you. In college, you are in an adult world - they don't have to do anything but teach those that are there to learn.

It is your duty and responsibility to be there, study hard and prepare yourself for a better and bigger world. The instructional staff and administrative staff don't care if you don't show up, or don't have a ride, or can't afford a notebook. That is not cruelty - that is adulthood responsibility for self. They have Head Start childcare available. You have to arrange financing with them - they have rules. You have to arrange the time and your day to go to class.

Get yourself back to school girl - even part time. Work on a better future. They have tutors available for every class - talk with your instructors if you can't keep up. Take responsibility for your own learning curve.

Don't even (please I beg you) think of having another child until your education is complete.

Your in-laws are seeing you struggle with the simple thing of being self-sufficient. If you don't want trouble there then become who you will be eventually anyway - responsible. If you can't go to class right now investigate on-line education.

Spirit told me last week that most of the women that I counsel and talk to have one thing is common: they don't believe they are equal to the task of taking good care of themselves. You fall in that category. You don't think you can - but you can. I do see you going to school in the health field. It seems, however, that you may start in early childhood development.

Your in-laws won't give you trouble as long as you are moving forward. Their concern is for your child. They want the best for him. Please make a plan and follow through. You can find the appropriate help at the school, and within some of the programs offered on the rez. You can get a job, and will hear of one within ten days - apply and it is yours.

It is not easy being an adult. That is why older people discourage the young ones from having children too early. It is harder with a child - but it is not impossible. You have a friend that wants to move out of state and take you with her. Don't go - you will be back, broker, and totally discouraged, and your child will have to stay with his grandparents while you get back on your feet.

Don't be discouraged by the struggle - be proud of your progress. I see you making it.

Dear Anna,

How are you doing? It is me the one with the blown out knee...from the motel...but I had a question? How is my grandma Sandy, Uncle Ruben, Dad, and older brother doing on the other side? I often find myself thinking about them when they sing a prayer song. And I have this new girlfriend, I was just wondering how long our relationships going to last?

The other side

Dear The Other Side:

How's your knee? Grandma Sandy says: "Have a heart with others, and they will have more heart with you. I am fine and with many of my friends and relatives. I have just welcomed another one home. I always loved your eyes, keep smiling and dry them for me." Uncle Ruben says,"I am with your brother. He is good. I want you to wear the right clothing (said with humor), take some time to dust off the old relics and put them back carefully, don't pick your nose." You dad says,"go easy on the women, they deserve the break. Wash your hands before you eat (humor), take the time to brush your teeth, and try to drive like a sane man. I love you." Your brother says,"Hey man, it's cool."

On the new girlfriend how long question: This one could last a long time. Be good and it will last longer than that.

Dear Anna,

I'm writing you this letter because my heart has been broken again and my feelings are all but together. My emotions are a roller coaster and I'm unsure as to why I'm feeling like this. I have everything I want in my life and I feel content with my kids yet somehow I feel like I'm missing out on something. I've cried for this man who was all but nothing to me and now it's like I just got slapped in face with his BS.

I'm trying hard to move forward but I feel like I'm in quicksand and sinking slowly and I'm confused about how to move on now without this man. They say all men are not dogs but I differ with saying now cause there are some that are!!

Underpaid and overloaded

Dear Underpaid:

You are just lost in the "what if" world. There is an addiction pattern to relationships that don't work. and that combined with the fear of feeling lonely equals an immediate return to the cycle of mis-matched mates, which causes relationships of imbalance, which causes breakups, which causes loneliness. Just remember the truth and get a new perspective. Remember how he really is - not how you remember him being that one time. You need someone different that he was. You don't know him, so just wait until you do. How do you move on without him? One day at a time. Everyday a blessed day without his "BS", without his cruel sarcasm, without his bad habits, drinking, temper and hollering. Sounds ideal to me, doesn't it to you?

That's how you do it. When there isn't a mate in your life - then know, because everything is in Divine Order, that today, everything is perfect that way. Figure yourself out, use this chance to become the really wonderful woman you are: without jealousy, insanity, demands and petulance.

Become the wholly gracious woman you are, right now. Then, when you are in balance, the man that is your balance and mate will come in. You have not been left out of God's equation of going two by two.

You can't rush your mate's entrance into your life. He will be there when he is there - and you better be in balance when he does come in, or he will have to leave you behind.

Enjoy being single: as the old song puts it,"One less bell to answer, one less egg to fry, one less man to pick up after - I should be happy, but all I do is cry."

Dry your eyes, enjoy your freedom, heal yourself from past harms and wait: In about two years he will be here. Be his equal. Don't need anything when he gets here, just want to be with him, don't need to.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551.

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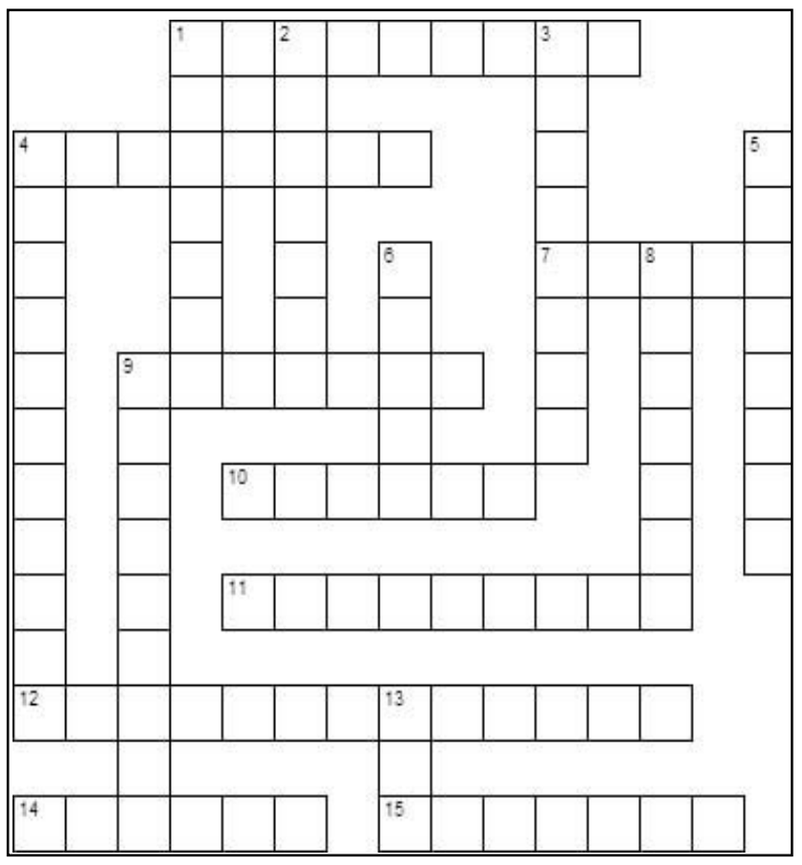
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Lakota Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)



Across

1. different from each other
4. to shake hands
7. to boil
9. the kidney
10. since that
11. make different
12. incurable
14. to look into
15. to use up

Down

1. even be
2. to swim
3. get firefood
4. to wash hands
5. sticking together, as in candy
6. lelt hand
8. the fourth
9. look upon
13. steam

Answers from last week's puzzle



MINUTES

-Unapproved-
Shannon County Board Meeting
Batesland, S.D.
Monday Oct. 23, 2006
MINUTES

The Shannon County School Board held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, October 23, 2006 at Batesland, South Dakota. President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Board members present Angie Eagle Bull, Ruth Cummings, and Todd O'Bryan.

Members absent: Melvin Cummings, Chuck Conroy.

Others present: Dr. Margo Heinert, Superintendent; Maurice Twiss, Special Service Director; MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager; Vickie Grant, Assessment Coordinator; Dana Christensen, Technology Director; Robert Two Crow, Lakota Studies Director; Myron Pourier, Director of Facilities & Maintenance; Ted Hanson, Special Education Director; Marlene Stout, Red Shirt Principal; Bob Hall, Rockyford Principal; Wayne Goff, Batesland Principal; Loretta Giago, Wolf Creek Principal; Gertrude Swain, OST Juvenile Court, Corine Brave, OST Juvenile Court.

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

7097 Approval of Agenda: Motion by R. Cummings to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

7098 Approval of Minutes: Motion by O'Bryan to approve minutes of the 9/27/06 regular meeting. Motion carried.

7099 Executive Session: Motion by O'Bryan to go into executive session at 5:19 p.m. to discuss personnel. President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 6:27 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

7100 Personnel: Motion by R. Cummings to approve all personnel recommendations, as listed. Motion carried.

Resignation: Manual Tayle- Batesland Bus driver-effective 10-16-06; Anson Red Star-Wolf Creek Cook-effective. Early retirement request: James Bradford-Wolf Creek School teacher, effective end of contract.

Request for Transfers: Dawn Dugan-from Rockyford Receptionist to Rockyford Secretary.

Amendment Contract for Approval: Robert Barnett-Batesland Teacher $43,000.

Contracts for Approval: Sandi Gubranson-Wolf Creek Special Education Teacher, from 9-27-06 to 5-23-07, $26,827.40; Anna Rau, Rockyford Preschool Teacher, from 9-27-06 to 5-23-07, $26,827.40.

Rockyford School Recommendations:
Lorelei Red Shirt, Receptionist Alternate; Galen Janis, Custodian.

Wolf Creek School Recommendations:
Anthony Rowland, Special Education Aide; Jovita Seda, Special Education Aide; Wade Lone Elk, Special Education Aide; James White Face, Special Education Aide; Troy Blount, One on One Special Education Aide; Paul Daughtery, Custodian.

Extra Curricular Assignments:
Jonathan Long Soldier, Rockyford Basketball Girls Basketball Coach 10/-6 - 12/06; Tyrell Pierce, Rockyford Basketball Coach 10/06 - 12/06; Sonia Bear Runner, Rockyford Basketball Girls Basketball Coach 10/06 - 12/06.

45 Day Probationary Completions: Jennifer Hooper, Batesland Early Childhood Special ED Aide, upon completion.

Special Service Agreement: Philip Wiesz, Install Playground equipment 10-14-06 $3,750; Gloria Stromer, Library Aide, 1day per week at $75 per day, 10/06 - 5/07.

7102 OST Diversion Program: Corine Brave, of the OST Juvenile Court System, presented the board with a system to aid the schools in improving school attendance by working with the OST court system counselors, attendance clerks, social workers, & principals. The board requested principals to report back at November board meeting.

7103 Applications for High School Tuition: Motion by to approve applications for high school tuition for 2006-07, as listed on file. Motion carried.

7104 Dress Code Policy: The Dress Code Policy was presented for the third reading. Motion by O'Bryan to approve adoption of the policy, as presented. Motion failed, two voted yes, R. Cummings opposed.

7105 Financials: Motion by O'Bryan to approve the financial report, payroll report, receipts and disbursements, as listed. Motion carried.

Description of goods or services
VSP $35.06; Everett Poor Thunder $125.00; Terri Janis $60.00; Big Foot Conference $600.00; Myron Pourier $70.40; Velma Kills Back $81.60; Jackie Bird $1500.00; Deb Blue Bird $110.40; Scott Means $50.00; SPED Parent $303.44; Vina Holiday $63.04; Craig Howe $250.00; Golden West $41.55; Darrell Eagle Bull $116.00; SPED Parent $140.80; NIISA $825.-00; DENR $10.00; Jackie Bird $500.00; Div. Of Criminal Invest. $704.00; TOTAL $5,586.29.

Checks to be processed: Supplies: Educators Outlet, General Fund $342.52; Evergreen Office, General fund $3,744.36; Weekly Reader Corp, General Fund $520.20; Office Max, General Fund $321.41.

General Fund
A&B Welding Supply supplies $33.90, $102.23, Vendor total $136.13; ASBSD subs $250.00; AT&T long distance $1,134.37; Abouresk & Zephier PC attorney fees $125.27; AD pad supplies $48.99; Advance Business & Computing services $5,525.00; Alco Store supplies $319.70; All Season Sports supplies $155.-00; Amick Sound Inc supplies $122.08; Apple Computer Inc machines etc $366.00, $2578.00, $224.95, $7110.00, $355.00, $115.95, Vendor total $10,749.90; Armstrong Extinguishers inspects $276.00; August Ann supplies $12.73;

Bennett County Booster II supplies $410.00; Bird Jackie performance $250.00; Black Hills Electric $531.44, Black hills Reception & Rental $1,069.75; BP gasoline $102.84; Brewer Charles field trip $75.00; Business Office Systems Inc supplies $17.43, $17.-86, $30.37, $9.56, Vendor total $75.22; Buyindies.com books $55.50; CDW Government Inc supplies $2,-680.00, $500.00, $55.00, Vendor total $3,235.00; Chadron Wholesale supplies $428.41, $17.47, $73.-97, Vendor total $519.-85; Chief Eagle Dallas services $1,000.00; Chris Supply Co Inc $56.40, $488.98, $463.38, $403.39, $71.95, $271.42, $413.10, $108.22, $56-.99, Vendor total $2-,333.83; Christensen Dana travel $259.44; Classroom Direct Com supplies $856.35, $207.12, $650.64, Vendor total $1714.11; Cole Pest Control $289.00, $200.00, $138.00, $303.00, Vendor total $930.00; Companion Corporation subscribe $1297-.00; Computer Village repairs $350.00; Conroy Charles mileage $11.20; Corporate Card charges $24,-972.89; Cummings Melvin mileage $32.64; Dakota West Books $294.00, $3191.60, Vendor total $3485.60; Debbie's Cakes & Floral cakes $27.00; Decker Equipment supplies $866.12, $153.92, Vendor total $1020.04; Delta Education supplies $56,379.84, $3,052.00, $8,688.00, Vendor total $68,119.84; Double M Studios supplies $100.00, $355.00, Vendor total $455.00; Eagle Bull Andrea mileage $35.20; Educational Aids Inc supplies $32.93; Evergreen Office supplies $3.96, $.99, $9.00, $6.95, $.99, $7.99, $291.60, $5.28, $7.92, $2.87, $7.98, $29.80, $11.95, $62.57, $13-.99, $662.69, $9.98, $13.46, $17.38, $20-.86,$42.65, $41.97, $24.45, $4.95, $454-.75, $49.75, $69.06, $112,98, $159,28, $410.40, $17.91, $783-.20, $169.42, $105.37, $268.55, $72.48, $66-.42, $5.58, $767.87, $19.86, $14.40, $227-.01, $59.85, $160,38, $212.94, $77.40, $341-.80, $79.80,$18.92, $146.93, $96.19, Vendor total $6,270.93; Family Thrift Center supplies $54.42, $3.85, $47.70, $56.89, $18-.96, $20.23, $71.93, $51.47, Vendor total $325.45; Father Flannigan Boys Home supplies $174.58; FEDEX freight $67.84; Fence Connections Inc supplies $300.10; Foltz-Hall Candace travel $96, $73, Vendor total $169.00; Foreman Sales & Service parts $70.03, $31.03, Vendor total $101.06; Fred Pryor Career Track supplies $1,056.82; French Flowers supplies $21, $35. $20, vendor total $76.00; Golden Corral Family Steakhouse supplies $19.23, $91-.63, Vendor total $110.86; Golden West Tech Inc tele maint $485.10, $485.10, $485.10, $485.10, Vendor total $1,940.40; Golden West Tele Co $1,142.35; Gordon-Rush school District wolf creek-fees $30.00; Grant Vickie travel $161.08; Great Plains Communications $833.91; Great Western Tire Co tires $1,834.72; Grocery Mart supplies $6.81; Gustav A Larson Co supplies $544; Hauff Mid America Sports supplies $539.20, $61-.10, $92.65, $133.95, $173.65, vendor total $1,000.55; Heartland Paper Co supplies $70.50, $188.39, $547-.09, Vendor total $805.98; Heinert Margo travel $229.40; Hills Tire & Supply $596.00; Hill Yard supplies $279.21, $24.37, $2,492.27, $1,549.58, $1,082.43, $85.00, Vendor total $5,512.86; Hobart Sales & Service supplies $699.45; Homestead Building supplies $942.95; HRINDA fees $636.08; Huether Amy travel $73.00; Husker Auto Parts $122.40, $258.34, Vendor total $380.74; Ideal Supermarket supplies $42.52; Impressions Rubber stamp Inc supplies $84.85; Industrial Electric supply $298.02; International Laser group supplies $271.70, $1057.01, $445, $69-.52, $823.43, $105.80, $149.61, $615.56, Vendor total $3,537.63; Jaymar Business Form supplies $814.53; Jenner Equip Co $150.52; Johnson Machine parts $1503.28; Kaiser Rebecca reading $79.95; Kaplan Early learning Co supplies $542.34, $1022.76, Vendor total $1,565.10; KT Connections Inc repairs $50, $848, Vendor total $898.00; Kuxhaus Amie supplies $52.38; Lacreek Electric Assoc utilities $11,990.02; Laker Team Chemical Inc weed killer $3-,520.00, $3,520.00, $1,760.00, Vendor total $8,800.00; Lakeshore Learning Material supplies $44.85; Lakota Country Times $389-.44; Lakota Language Cons odium supplies $190.37; Lauson Products supplies $36.88; Little Wound School supplies $6,800.00, $14,118.50, $15-,466.62, $18,935.40, $21,858.76, $2,391.94, Vendor total $79-,571.22; Lonberger Dawn Travel $124.20; Loneman School prelim $23,998.13; Lowes Home Center supplies $1,197.12; McDonalds Sturgis field trip $73.95, $99.36, Vendor total $173.31; McGrath Sue services $500.00; McKie Buick Pontiac GM $61.67, $42.31, $5.06, Vendor total $109.04; Menards supplies $634.87, $325.32, Vendor total $960.19;

Murdocks Electrical Maint $106; NISSA reg $825; OST Water & Sewer water-sewer-RS $105.00; O'Bryan Todd mileage $22.40; Ocetiwakan Publish Co-books $69.00; Office of Indian Education reg $75.00; Ogden Consulting, LLC presenter $3,900.00; Oglala Lakota College books $1,093.75; Ohrtman Susan supplies $102-.45; OST Solid Waste Management fees $1,827.46, $479.00, $4,558.20, $6,461.36, Vendor total $13-,326.02; Palos Sports Inc supplies $62.90; Panhandle Sales & Service supplies $650; Parent Teacher Outlet, LLC supplies $84.13, $69.11, $198.83, $35.23, $201.54, $139.07, Vendor total $727.91; Pearson Education Inc curric $38.59; Peterson MaDonna travel $395.76; Petty cash Batesland $25.03, Petty Cash Wolf Creek $191.02; Pitney Bowes Postage supplies $53.46; Pizza Ranch Chadron trip $156.00; Plains Trading Co supplies $283.65; Porcupine School final $1,395.66, $6,377.82, Vendor total $7,773.48; Positive Promotions supplies $5,290.38; Pourier Myron travel $148.40, $122.40, Vendor total $270.80; Prairie Edge supplies $105.50; Ramkota Pierre travel $45, $135, Vendor total $180; Ramkota RC travel $60; Rapid Chevrolet parts $127-.61, $115.11, Vendor total $242.72; Rapid City Journal sub $95.00; Recorded books, LLC $28.80; Reinhart Institutional foods service $268.54; Rick & Mick Vignulle assembly $750.00; Rockhurst University reg $399, $241.68, Vendor total $640.68; SD Dept Revenue-Motor Vehicles license $26, $39, $8, Vendor total $73.00; SD Municipal League registr $45; SD Trucking Association supplies $21.48; Salomon Sanitation Garbage service $1,210.00; $240, $1155, $990, Vendor total $3,595.00; Sam's Club supplies $6.37, $127.58, $405.52, $159.49, $194.74, Vendor total $893.70; Scholastic Books Club supplies

$362.25; Scholastic Inc $47.53; School Health Corporation supplies $538.16, $67.97, $75.45, $154.95, Vendor total $836.53; School Specialty supplies $50.42, $337.77, $659.15, $228.54, $182.57, $399.35, $108.01, Vendor total $1,965.81; SDN Communications tele $1,870.22; Sears Commercial One supplies $23.30; Servall Towel & linen $3,053.71, $1,588.87, Vendor total $4,642.58; Shannon County Imprest acct $3-,613.05; Sheridan Co Journal $96.96; Singing Horse Trading post supplies$29.80; Sioux Nation Shopping Center $90.15; Sport Time supplies $496.18; Summit learning supplies $96.86; Sunburst Visual Media $268.63; Tatonka Capital Corp lease $564, $275, Vendor total $839.00; Temperature Tech supplies $412.30, $1,173.06, Vendor total $1,585.36; Town of Batesland water & sewer $500.00; Twiss Maurice Travel $840.34; University of Minnesota classes/books
$2,060.55; US News and World Reports subscr $49.75; Warne Chemical & equip $2,037; Westco gasoline $3,153.85; Waylon Carol supply reimb $1,201.87; White Clay Grocery supplies $450.00; William V McGill Co $373.44; Z Medical Service Co $113.85; Fund Total $363,397.78.

Capital Outlay Fund
Apple Computers Inc replacements $749.55, $1,662.16, $3,324.32, Vendor total $5,736.03; BHSU Book Store $197.63; Best Business Products lease $506.69, $176.66, Vendor total $683.35; Corner Construction Corp RS Project $70,000; Dell Marketing equip $3,969.60; Dial Virtual School classes $2,640.00; ETA/Cuisenaire textbooks $851.68; Houghton Mifflin Co textbooks $404.50, $202.03, Vendor total $606.53; National Geographic School Pub $646.38, $619.65, $1278.18, Vendor total $2544.21; Pearson Education Inc curric $4,909.23, $1,319.80, $58.73, $1,455.64, $1,169.78, $4,377.24, $1,558.15, Vendor total $15,378.57; Plains Trading Co supplies $364.42; SD Federal Property Agency $44,850.00, 17,350.00, Vendor total $62,200.00; Tatonka Capital Corp lease $4,186.00; Zanner-Bloser Ed Publishers books $8901.75, $1157.19, Vendor total $10,058.94; Fund total $179,416.96.

Special Education Fund
Black Hills Hearing Health supplies $1,000.00; Black Hills Special Services $3,298.40; Brimark Inn travel $140; Children's Care & Rehab Development $9,834.00; Children's Care Hospital & School tuition $4,316.56, $20.00, Vendor total $4,336.56; Children's Home Society $600.00, $1,387.57, $1,387.57, Vendor total $3,375.14; Conference Connections reg $300.00; Travel $70.40; Travel $53.76; Different Roads Inc supplies $112.75, $86.95, Vendor total $199.70; Donovan Mark travel $70.40; Hanson Ted travel $147.44, $57.60, Vendor total $205.04; Harcourt Assessment $594.63; Herberg Vallorie mileage $28.16; Holiday Inn Spearfish travel $155.10; Just For Kids Speech Therapy services $9,593.00; Keegan Cindy travel $73.00, $159.08; travel $55.68; McDonalds meals $7.94, $17.05, $15.53, $14.23, $13.49, Vendor total $68.24; Moore Krista mileage $240.64; Petty Cash Wolf Creek School $57.16; Travel $100.48; Ramkota Pierre $45.00; Ross Dona Ruth services $1,462.50; Shannon County School Imprest $444.24; Sioux Nation Shopping Center supplies $15.95; Sky Ranch for Boys Inc $3,500.00; Super Duper Inc supplies $789.92; Travel $547.60; US Toy/Constructive Plaything $45.75; Wellspring Inc $284.40, $104.28, Vendor total $388.68; Travel $13.24, Fund total $41,386.45.

Food Service Fund
Bernard Food Industries $1,852.45, $895.67, Vendor Total $2,748.12; Blue Ink Distributing $716.00; Child & Adult Nutrition $120.00; Food Service of America $2,651.92, $5,705.68, Vendor total $14,983.42; Harkers's service $693.12, $3078.98, $1771.68, $3976.36, Vendor total $9,520.14; HillYard supplies $159.60, $83.48, $309.56, Vendor total $552.64; HRS Food Service $487.35; Ideal Supermarket $94.31; Kemps Gillette Diary $755.86, $1,719.52, $2,000.74, Vendor total $4,476.12; Petty Cash Batesland School $185.00; Reinhart Institutional Foods $4,410.13, $618.14, $9,186.98, $965.75,

Vendor Total $23,881.00; Reitz Carol travel $74.88; School Specialty service $7,541.62, Fund Total $65,340.60.

Federal Programs
Special Services
Batesland VFO supplies $550.00; Hauff Mid-America Sports $1,536.40, $270.50, $731.40, $805.55, $828.85, $291.25, $396.44, $875.50, $1308.10, $397.44, Vendor total $7441.43; Heathershaw Designs $1652.00; Occupational Health Network $2.020.00; Shannon Co School Imprest $1,529.00, Fund total $13,192.43, Checking Account Total $662,734.22.

7106 Small Appliances in Classrooms: Motion by O'Bryan to limit the use of small electrical appliances in classrooms to education purposes only, due to safety concerns. Motion carried.

7107 Tribal Ordinance No. 06-16: Motion by R. Cummings to support Tribal Ordinance No. 06-16, effective July 25, 2006, outlawing ownership of unaltered or part-mix pit bulls, rotweillers, or Doberman pinschers on the Pine Ridge Reservation, including Shannon County School District property, Motion carried.

7108 Student Enrollment: Motion by R. Cummings to enforce a policy which states that only students who live within the Shannon County School District boundaries, or who are legally enrolled in the district through the South Dakota Department of Education Open Enrollment policy, may attend school in the Shannon County School system. Motion carried.

7109 November Board Meeting: The November board meeting will be held on Nov. 27, 5:00 p.m. at Batesland.

7110 Principals and Directors Reports: Principals and Program Directors gave verbal reports to the board.

7111 ASBSD Delegate Assembly: The ASBSD Delegate Assembly will be conducted in Pierre on November 27, 2006.

7112 NSBA Conference: The National School Boards Association will hold their annual conference in San Francisco, April 14-17, 2007.

7113 Negotiations Workshop: ASBSD will hold a negotiations workshop in Rapid City on November 15, 2006.

7114 Adjournment: Motion by O'Bryan to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m. Motion carried.

Signed by MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager,

Shannon County School District
Disbursment Report
September 30,2006

General Fund	$363,600.31
Capital Outlay Fund	$218,438.63
Special Education Fund	$28,983.51
Food Service Fund	$36,404.22
T/A. Support Service	$3,462.61
T/A Wolf Creek	$0
T.A Batesland	$0
T/A Rockyford	$0
Total of All Funds	$650,889.28

Shannon County School District
Payroll Report
September 30, 2006

Types of Services	Salaries	Benefits	Total
1000 Instruction Service	$421,171.02	$106,694.06	$527,865.08
2000 Support Service	$200,823.05	$51,918.97	$252,742.02
3000 Other Community Ser	$2,393.70	$464.60	$2,858.30
6000 Co-Curricular	$1,632.59	$142.61	$1,775.20
General Fund Total	$626,020.36	$159,220.24	$785,240.60
Special Education	$123,976.33	$35,738.08	$159,714.41
Food Service	$23,034.31	$7,456.21	$30,490.52
Total All Services	$773,031.00	$202,414.53	$975,445.53

Shannon County School Distric 65-1
REVENUE REPORT
September 30, 2006

Revenue Sources	General Fund	Capital Outlay	Special Education Fund	Pension Fund	Food Service	T/A Service	Impact Aid
Local sources							
Taxes	$330,826.97	$3,281.52	$1,488.83	$260.22	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Other	$58,579.56	$10.32	$0.0	$0.00	$8,905.68	$208.73	$0.0
County Sources							
County Apportionment	$175.00	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
State Sources							
State Aide	$357,611.00	$0.0	$117,679.00	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Other	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Federal Sources						$0.0	$0.0
Other	$184,748.53	$0.0	$54,070.00			$0.0	$0.0
Operating Transfer In		$0.0			$0.0		
Total Revenue For Fund	**$931.941.06**	**$3,291.84**	**$173,237.83**	**$260.22**	**$8,905.68**	**$208.73**	**$0.0**

LEGALS

Little Wound School Board
P.O. Box #500
Kyle, SD 57752-0500
605-455-6150
Fax #: 605-455-2340

INVITATION FOR 401(K) AUDIT PROPOSAL

Little Wound School Board is seeking a 401(k) Audit proposal for the plan year ending August 31, 2006.

Sealed proposals will be opened and acted upon at the Budget meeting on Monday, November 20, 2006. Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or to waive any informality and to accept the proposal that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound School.

Closing date for sealed proposals is 2:00 pm on Friday, November 17, 006.

Please submit proposals in a sealed envelope marked "Audit Proposal" to the School Business Office or the following address:

Little Wound School, Paula Pourier, Business Manager, P.O. Box #500, 500 Main Street, Kyle, SD, 57752-0500. For more information you may contact Paula Pourier at 605-455-6173.

Little Wound School Board
P.O. Box #500
Kyle, South Dakota
605-455-6150
Fax #: 605-455-2340

IINVITATION FOR AUDIT PROPOSAL

Little Wound School Board is seeking a Financial Audit proposal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006. Little Wound School is a P.L. 100-297 BIA Grant School with an estimated annual budget of $12,000,000.

Sealed proposals will be opened and acted upon at the Budge meeting on Monday November 20, 206. Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or to waive any informality, and to accept the proposal that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound School.

Closing date for sealed proposals is 2:00 pm on Friday, November 17, 2006. Please submit proposals in a sealed envelope marked "Audit Proposal" to the School Business Manager or the following address:

Little Wound School, Paula Pourier, Business Manager, P.O. Box #500, 500 Main Street, Kyle, SD, 57752-0500. For more information you may contact Paula Pourier at 605-455-6173.

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing
P.O. Box 603
Pine Ridge, S.D.

Request for Proposals

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing ("OSLH") is requesting proposals from qualified individuals for Single Audit for FY ending December 2005-2006 relating to the OSLH Planning and Administration, Maintenance, Development, and Housing Services.

Firms/individuals wishing to submit proposals may request additional information from OSLH BY calling (605) 867-5161, or by faxing to (605) 867-6355. Inquiries about the proposal process should be directed to Ken Lone Elk, Executive Director.

All proposals must be received at Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing, Attn: Ken Lone Elk, Executive Director, P.O. Box 603, East Hwy. 18, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday, November 3, 2006.

Proposals shall be submitted in triplicate in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Proposal for Audit Services." Proposals not received by that time and date will be rejected.

OSLH reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive any and all deficiencies.

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Red Cloud Indian School

Accepting applications for the following position for the 2006-07 School Year:

High School Math Teacher
High School Counselor

Application Deadline: Open Until Filled. Send application to:

Robert Brave Heart, Sr.
Superintendent
Red Cloud Indian School
100 Mission Drive
Pine Ridge, SD 57770
605-867-5888
bbraveheart@redcloudschool.org

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Happy 57th Memorial Birthday to my grandpa "Timmy Bull, Sr." from your granddaughter, Antoinette Brave Heart

Happy Birthday to my bro & uncle Anthony Jr. on 10-15. from your sis Antoinette & brother-n-law Tom, your nieces Talanna & Tiara

Happy 12th Birthday
Oct. 24 -Ceaser Fire Thunder
Oct. 28-Leo LaysHard
Oct. 29-Gramma Rena
October-Rolland Layshard
Oct. 11-Duane Bluefird
Oct. 30-Tyler Two Crow
from
Kevin, Kathie, Cody St. John and BJ Killsback

Congratulations to Janelle One Horn and Charlie Iron Rope on the arrival of their new baby coming in the spring 2007. love, your buddies from Kyle.

Happy Birthday to my big brother Tim Bull Bear Jr. whose turning 30 yrs old on Oct. 31st (Don't scare too many people) from your lil sis Verine Sue.

Happy Birthday to Timmy Bull Bear Jr. on Oct. 31st from your sister Faye, & Anthony & kids .

Happy Birthday to Michael Knight! 22 yrs old. You are like my brother! You stuck up for me. Your sis, Jessica

Happy 1st Birthday to Ryder Plenty Arrows on Oct. 11, 2006 from your mom & Dad BJ Plenty Arrows & Stacee Bradford

Congratulations to Maureen Bull Bear on the birth of her baby girl Julia Alyce Bull Bear 7 lbs 11 oz. born October 25th

Happy Birthday to Anthony Brave heart Sr. who will be 40 years old on October 30th. From your one and only Fay, & kids Jr., Daniel, Diandra & Derek

Happy Birthday to uncle Timmy Bull Bear on October 31 from Antoinette Brave Heart

I would like to wish my daughter Emily Ashmore a very belated happy birthday on 10-15 and also out to my mother Vina Yankton (Lone Hill) a belated birthday on 10-22. Happy Birthday, love Michelle, Frank, Bobbi, Arna

Happy birthday to my Uncle Myron B.H. on 10-25 who will be 38. from Antoibnette, Tom & girls

Happy Belated 18th Birthday to Anthony Brave Heart Jr. Oct. 15. Hope you like your birthday present. From Mom, Dad, Brothers & sisters.

Happy Birthday Aunt Roseanna on November 2!



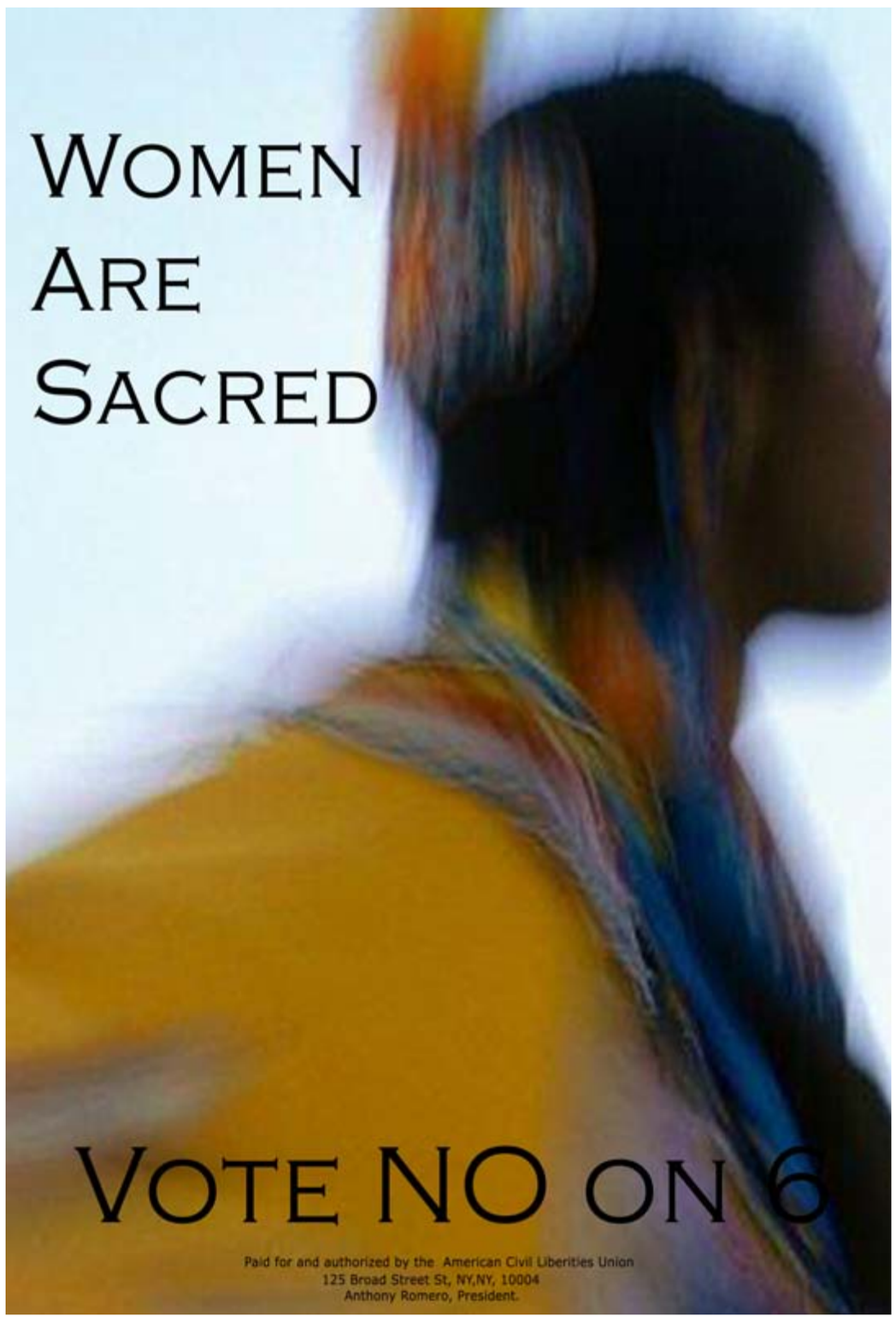
We are looking forward to your visit this week all the way from Texas. Welcome back ya'll! Love you, Roseanna, Jenni and your new grand-niece Sara.

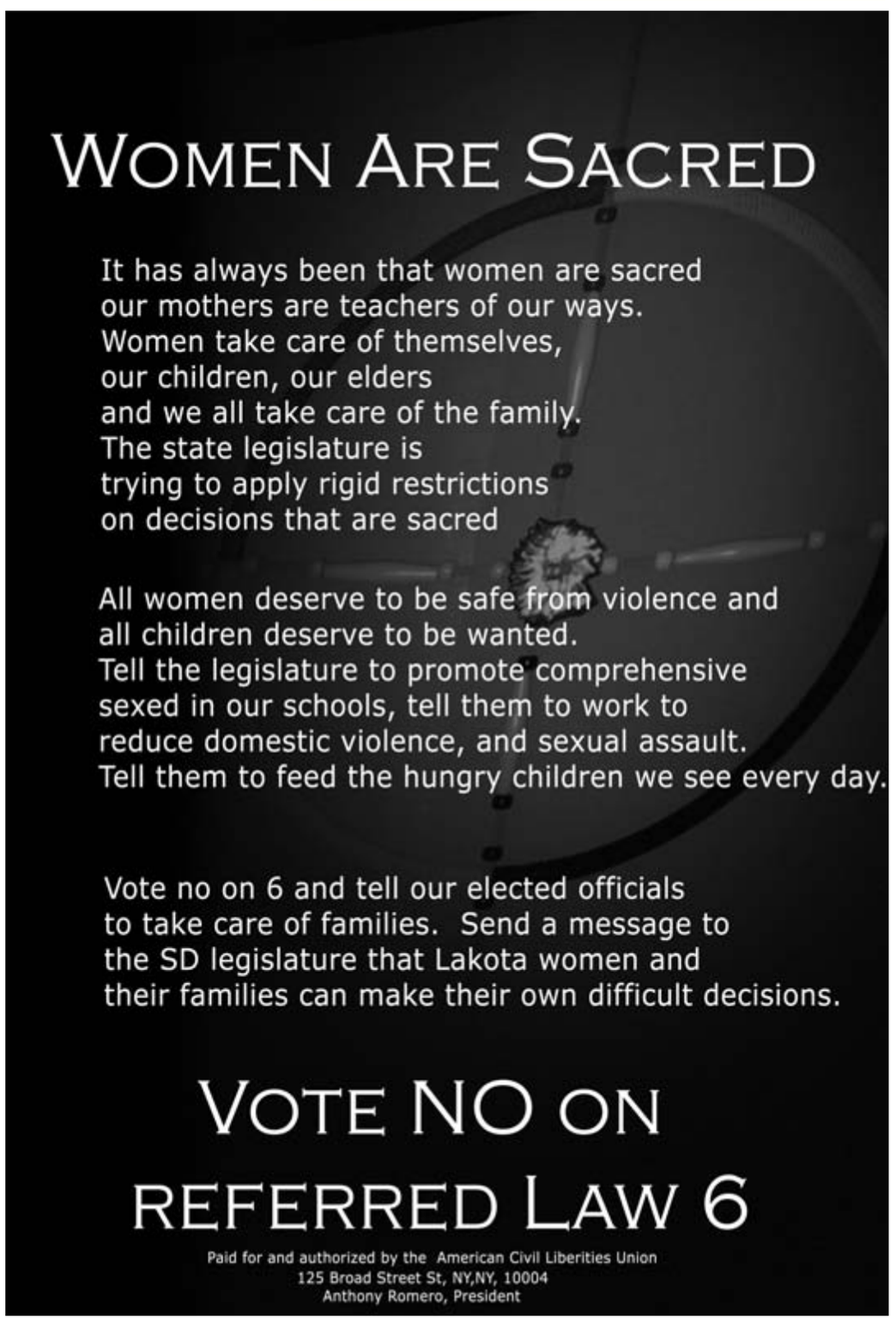


We would like to wish our baby boy Michael Knight Jr. a happy birthday on Nov.5. We can't believe you're already one! You're growing so fast, we love you very much, enjoy your cake & ice cream, Mom & Dad.

"Lordy, Lordy", look whose "Gee" 40! Happy Birthday to Anthony Sr. on 10-30 coming from Antoinette, Tom Talanna & Tiara

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We wish you many more and Happy Halloween too. Love you, your dad, mom, brothers and sister

Happy 3rd Birthday
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Jaden Lee Takes War Bonnett
on
Nov. 5th
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With love from Grandpa, Gandma and Uncle Ray-Jay
in Porcupine, North Dakota

I would like to wish my future husband, Robert Montileaux Happy Birthday on Nov. 4th!
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Love, Reve

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Love,
Cheyenne and Perry

I like to wish my lil niephew, the one with the sweet rides...a Happy 3rd Birthday, on the 5th of Nov....I love YOU Jaden Lee Takes War Bonnette.....Always, Auntie Beanerz

Happy (belated) Birthday "Ponch" Two Bulls November 10th., May you have many more.
Manuel, Sheri, Cowboy, Michael and the girls.

Happy (belated) Birthday to Nicole Richards
November 06th
We love you, Dad & Michael.

Memorial 4th Birthday,
October 8th,
Luke Firethunder
Baby Luke, you're always in our hearts, still hurts that you're not here with us, but I know you're in a better place.
From Kevin, Kathie,
Cody St. John and
BJ Killsback

I would like to wish my papa Leo Litt a very happy birthday on Oct. 28, wish you all the happiness on your special day.
Love, Ciara M.

Happy 36th Birthday
wishes out to
Robert M. on 11-4-06
From: Reva, Randa & Son

Happy Birthday grandpa Tim-my bull Jr. on 10-31 from Talanna & Tiora Janis

Happy Birthday to Monique Top Bear on Oct. 24th from Verine, Amy, Mart, & Faye

Happy Birthday to Patricia Red Cloud October 28th coming from your Dad
Verdell Red Cloud Jr.

We want to wish our daddy Michael Knight a happy birthday on Oct. 27th. We love you. Thank you for everything you do for us.
Anpo, Ashanti, Baby Michael

Like to say what up to Melissa R. down at Big Bats, whats up Ya friend,
Bailey C.

To our little gift
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I would like to say Happy Birthday to my husband Michael Knight Sr. I love u a lot, thank you for everything, your wife,
Coney Knight

Congratulations to
Nicole Swallow &
Derek Returns
on bringing home
their beautiful baby girl
Tyrie Latrice Returns.
Love you girls,
always Nanny

I would to say "I love you" to my boyfriend Joe Gibbons. Also say thank you for all the things he has done for me. Big or little. Love always, your shortcake
Nonalita

Happy Birthday to
Jaden Lee
Wishing you a great day!



From Grandma Amanda,
KaKa Leon,
Auntie Jen and Vanessa
and Uncle Jeremy

Happy Birthday to my grandson Jaden Lee
Be good! Miss you!
From Grandpa Leon
Takes War Bonnett

We would like to send our love and prayers to our niece and nephew Arianna Marrufo and Antonio Marrufo. And also to Tony and Stacy Marrufo be strong for your beautiful children and each other. The lord will guide you and take care of your family as long as you accept him in your hearts. You are in our thoughts and prayers everyday.

Thanks mommy for being such a good true mama, love
Shiniya Big Crow

Happy 57th Memorial Birthday to
Timothy Bull Bear
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Madeline Bull Bear.

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Brewer way ahead of Two Eagle, Jack, Janis, and Brown are out

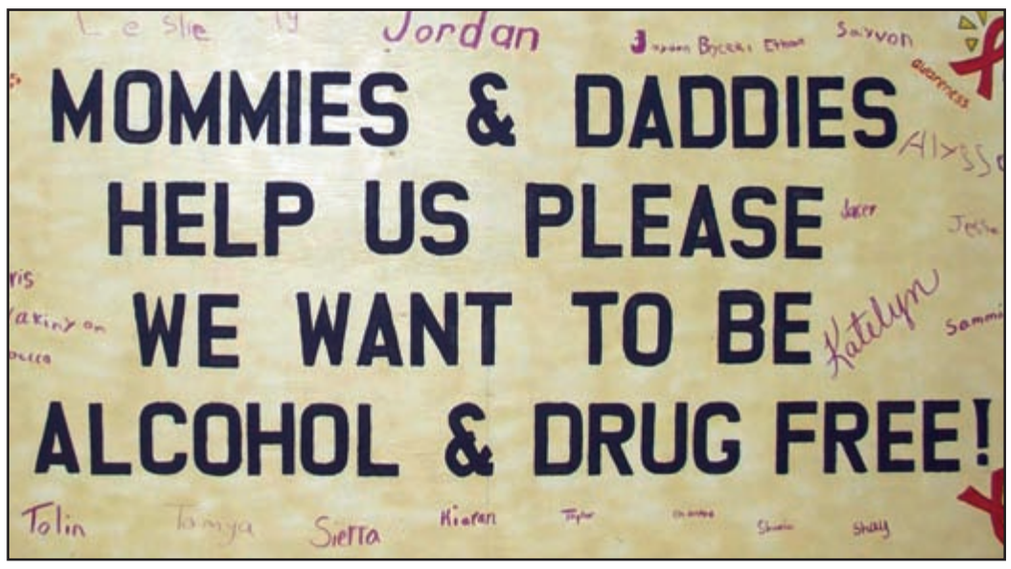
By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - In spite of orders from the election court of appeals, executive board demands and an attempt by public safety to confiscate ballot boxes, the general election of the Oglala Sioux Tribe went on as planned on Tuesday, Nov. 7 across Pine Ridge Reservation.

John Steele, past four term president, collected 2,341 votes to easily outdistance past president Cecelia Fire Thunder who unofficially finished with 1,398. William Shorty Brewer finished with 2,297 while Melanie Two Eagle gathered 1,429. Lisa Adams ran unopposed on the ballot for chief judge with voters able to vote yes or no and 1,718 voted yes and 1,513 voted no.

The former court of election appeals had ordered a new election, declaring the primary election null and void on Oct. 22, on Monday Oct. 23, the tribal council voted to not honor their order and then removed the election court of appeals. On Thursday, after reviewing the

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Students build 19 bill boards for roads to Kyle



Little Wound Elementary third grade students designed the above sign that will line the roads to Kyle. This is one of 19 signs. Ty Apple, Sierra Bobtail Bear, Sayvon Chasing Hawk, Taylor Christensen, Katelyn Clifford, Leslie Cuny, Jacey Eagle Heart, Chantee Ferguson, Tolin Gregg, Rebecca Hunter, Jordan Janis, Samantha Little Whiteman, Chris Mesteth, Jr., Alissya Pretty Weasel, Jesse Red Feather, Brycee Red Owl, Shania Red Owl, Shay Red Owl, Jaden Richards, Ta'mya Running Hawk, Ethan Running Shield, Kieran Takes War Bonnett, Delilah Thunder Chief and Wakinyan Young-Gay with their teacher Matilda Montileaux.

By Amanda Takes War Bonnett
Times Editor

KYLE - Little Wound Elementary School students crafted bill boards to line the roads that lead to Kyle to bring awareness to alcohol and drug use and domestic violence.

The students participated in Red Ribbon week and National Domestic Violence awareness month during the week of Oct. 23 to 26.

Activities includes presentations by the Western Prevention Resource Center, the United States Attorneys office, the Department of Justice and Cangleska of Kyle. Norma Rendon and Heath Ducheneaux spoke to the students on stopping violence in the home.

Community members and parents participated in a walk on Thursday, Oct. 26 with the theme 'Reclaiming Our Community."

A classroom decoration contest was held for 16 elementary rooms, that was won by Matilda Montileaux's second grade classroom.

Shelly Middletent, elementary counselor, said the bill board construction was new this year and the plywood and posts was donated by Oglala Lakota Housing Authority and the paint by the school. There were 16 classroom and three groups of parents that crafted the billboards.

"There has been a lot of alcohol related deaths with car accidents and we need to start the process of healing our communities, and bring awareness to the community," she said. The billboards will be a reminder to the community on the effects of alcohol and drugs. It will help send out strong messages to the community by the students.

On Oct. 26, the school had an unveiling of the billboards with Wilbur Between Lodges of the housing, as guest speaker.

Middletent said it was a effort by the school and community organizations to promote the awareness week.

Anpetu Luta Otipi of Kyle helped purchase the t-shirts for the walk. By networking and celibrating with other organizations the week turned out really well, she said.

RST votes against passage of trust reform act, could be first step to termination

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - In a regular scheduled council meeting held on Oct. 31, the RST council unanimously passed resolution number 2006-288 opposing the passage of U. S. Senate Bill 1439 the Indian Trust Reform Act of 2004.

Antelope district council representative, Robert D. Moore, led the discussion in describing the implications of the proposed legislation which he noted is intended to resolve the Cobell v. Kempthorne class action suit which was originally filed earlier as Cobell v. Norton. Moore explained that any resolution of the Cobell litigation is seen as a first step by the Bush Administration to terminate tribes.

The resolution takes note of the fact that SB 1439 would extinguish any further mismanagement claims against the federal government, establish a settlement fund, and generally limit the liability of the U. S. government



Robert Moore



Harold Frazier

for a transition period to allow land consolidation. The Rosebud Sioux Tribe objects to the fact that the legislation was drafted and introduced without an opportunity for RST to analyze it, comment on it and without proper consultation with the tribe.

Furthermore, Senator McCain and Senator

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OLC announces plan for veterans memorial

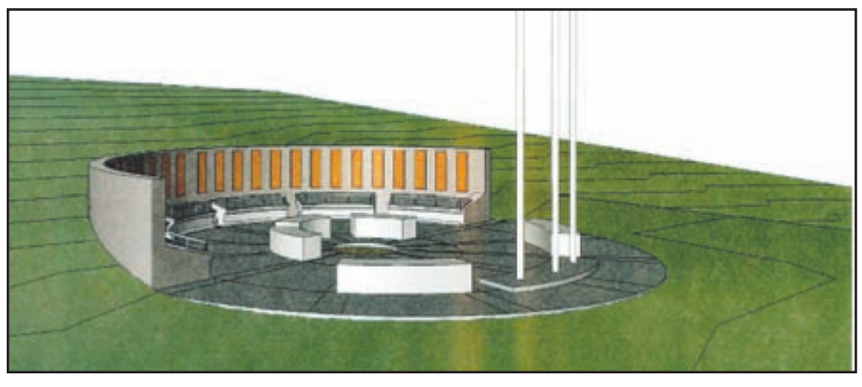
KYLE - Oglala Lakota College is proceeding ahead for a Spring 2007 completion of its Veterans Monument.

The memorial will be built on Oglala Lakota College's Piya Wiconi campus, which is located six miles west of Kyle.

The plan will result in a half-circle concrete wall with bronze metal plaques that will contain the names of Pine Ridge Reservation Lakota veterans from World War I, World War II, Korean War, and the Viet Nam War.

At the monument site will stand life size bronze statues of a male and female Lakota Veteran, and flag poles for the U.S. American flag and the Viet Nam Veteran Flag.

OLC expects to have the remaining work done on the Veterans Monument by May, 2007, and there will be an unveiling at OLC's graduation week-end in June of 2007.



The preliminary design of a view from the southwest of the planned veterans memorial depicts a circular wall with bronze plaques and three flag poles with statues of a female and male Lakota veteran. Encompass is the company that designed the monument.

OLC has prepared a list of the Pine Ridge Lakota Veterans, and is now asking the public to notify the college of Lakota veterans whose names do not appear on the prepared list. Only veterans with honorable discharges will appear on the Veterans Monument.

Oglala Lakota College will take changes to the veterans listing until Dec. 1, 2006. OLC must have the names of the Lakota Veterans by this deadline date so that the names can be sent to be placed on the bronze plaques.

The list can be viewed at Oglala Lakota College or upon request from to the college.

The list has World I veterans, World II, Korean War veterans, Vietnam Era Veterans and Vietnam In Country veterans.

Changes to the names on the list may be sent to Diane Winters, Assistant to the OLC President, at Oglala Lakota College, PO Box 490, Kyle, SD 57752, or you may contact her at 605-455-6022.

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background check of current president, Alex White Plume, the election board decided to remove him from the ballot due to a felony conviction and moved the third vote getter, Cecelia Fire Thunder onto the presidential ballot.

The tribal council selected another court of election appeals on Friday including Connie Pumpkinseed, Barb Jones and Marge Hunter Janis. Working to deal with three appeals including White Plume's, the appeals court met on Sunday but were not sworn in until Monday. On Monday evening the appeals court issued a decision that ordered a new election with a time frame for the primary and general that had adequate time to do full background checks of all candidates. The executive board also met on Monday and voted to cancel the general election and do it all over.

The election board reviewed both the executive board order and the court of election appeals and decided to go ahead with the general election.

"We had printed ballots with Steele and Fire Thunder and another set of ballots with Steele and White Plume," said Maretta Champaign, election board member, "we decided that the executive board did not have the authority to cancel the election and the court of election appeals went outside their purview by ordering a new election and since they did not deal with White Plume's appeal, we decided to move ahead with the general election with the ballots having Steele and Fire Thunder on them."

Election day, Tuesday, Nov. 7 was a beautiful fall day and the election board distributed ballots to all 22 tribal precincts and the election was on.

During the morning of election day, the election court of appeals met and decided to issue a supplemental order which stated that White Plume had not had a felony conviction in his background and they certified him as a candidate for president and then they ordered the confiscation of all the ballot boxes and ballots for the general election. White Plume received the court of appeals decision and sent a memo to chief of police James Twiss ordering public safety to pick up all of the ballot boxes and secure them until the court of appeals could decide what to do with them.

Public Safety struggled to implement the order and by evening, all 22 boxes made it to the election board office in Pine Ridge at the old HIS hospital even the Red Cloud community box that had been taken to public safety central building and placed into the evidence storage room. Not without controversy though.

In Calico, the ballot box was removed for a period of time during the day and then later returned. In Allen, the ballot box was removed 20 minutes before the polls were to close; some voters were just finishing up with their ballots and ended up with no place to put their ballots. In Sharps Corner, Muffie Mousseau, election judge refused to give up the ballot box and deposited it in her trunk only to be followed from Sharps to Pine Ridge by several police cars.

All three ballot boxes in Medicine Root District were confiscated and taken to Pine Ridge where the election judges and tellers from Medicine Root District were eventually able to do the unofficial tally.

The security at the old hospital were told to lock up the election board offices and take the board keys, they chose to watch over the proceedings while a number of precincts called in their unofficial tallies.

On Wednesday, Nov. 8 the election board was planning to start their official count in the afternoon.

"We are planning to allow the process to continue," said Eileen Janis, OST vice president and executive board member," we let it run through and there will be an opportunity to challenge the results or make an appeal."

Alex White Plume, tribal president, stopped in at KILI Radio Wednesday afternoon to make a press release and describe his efforts to work towards a fair and objective election with a revised election ordinance.

"We will have a council meeting at Billy Mills Hall on Tuesday, Nov. 14 open to anyone who has a complaint on this election, we are going to do the right thing, we need to honor the orders form both of the court of election appeals to set up a new time frame and conduct another primary and general election , a time frame that allows time for a full background check on all candidates not just a few."

Official results from the election board are due on Friday, there were 424 challenge votes. For Wakpamni District, another primary election was held due to discrepancies in the original primary election, the top four council candidates will go into a special Wakpamni District general election.

Unofficial results for tribal council include:

Oglala:

Floyd Brings Plenty 230, Jake Little 202, Paul Little (Inc) 195, Valerie Kills Small Janis (Inc.) 179.

Pine Ridge:

Don Garnier 350, Ella Jon Carlow (Inc) 335, Carol Crazy Thunder O'Rourke 315, Gary Janis 261, Lyle Jack (Inc) 229, Gerald Big Crow 228.

Wakpamni:

Sonia Little Hawk Weston 257, Tom Conroy 153, Maxine Lakota (Inc) 118, Ricky Grey Grass 115, Herb Colhoff 80, Sandy Two Lance 69, Lillian Tobacco 69, Walt Big Crow(Inc) 45, Charles Pourier 57, Richard Mousseau 50, Rex Conroy 26 and Kim Killer 25.

Pass Creek:

Ron Duke 160, Lydia Bear Killer (Inc) 127.

LaCreek:

Craig Dillon (Inc) and Kim Clausen were elected by acclamation in the primary.

Eagle Nest:

Jim Meeks elected by acclamation in the primary, Tom Poor Bear (Inc) 175, Ruth Brown (Inc) 91.

Medicine Root:

Austin Watkins Sr. (Inc) 324, Cora Whiting 254, Archie Hopkins 199 and Juanita Scherich 165.

Porcupine:

Philip Good Crow (Inc) 252, Wesley Chuck Jacobs 186, Bernard White Face (Inc) 170 and Dave Pourier 169.

Wounded Knee:

Garfield Steele (Inc) 255, Kathy Janis (Inc) 204, Philip Jumping Eagle 189 and Garfield Apple 132.

Little White Man, Richards, Janis lead in Little Wound School Board election

KYLE - The Little Wound School board election was run on Tuesday in conjunction with the OST general election and unofficial results showed incumbent Taylor Little White Man leading newcomer Janice Richards 760 to 657 with incumbent Everett Janis in third with 557.

Art Hopkins is just out of the top three with 555. Melvin Young is fourth with 481, Sally O'Rourke is fifth with 463. Additional candidates include: Fern Mousseau 378, Amanda Christianson 347 and Audrey Kills Straight 198.

The top three candidates will earn four year terms on the Little Wound School Board. Archie Hopkins and Linda May are on the board and incumbent Cecelia Fire Thunder chose not to run.

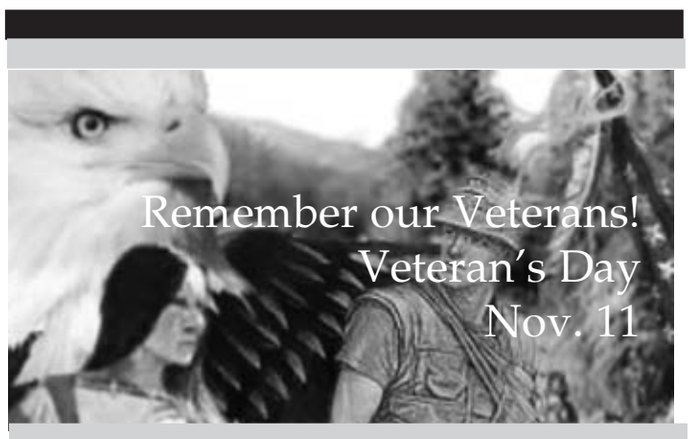
According to Melanie Janis, election coordinator, official results should be ready by Friday.

Oglala Lakota College selects board members

PIYA WICONI - In conjunction with the OST General Election, Oglala Lakota College held a board election Tuesday to select board of trustee members and local board members.

In Pine Ridge, Dennis Brewer received 231 votes to Gerald Big Crow's 108 for board of trustees member; there were 44 challenges. In Wanblee for the Eagle Nest College Center Pete Red Willow defeated Ron "Beef " Randall 85-80 for the BOT position with 11 challenges. In Oglala, Ernie Little received 195 votes to Ingrid One Feather's 112, there were 21 challenges. Francine Poor Bear, Pass Creek and John Her Many Horses, Wounded Knee District earned board positions by acclamation.

In local board races for LaCreek College Center in Martin, Tammy Grass 111, Charles Bettelyoun 106 and Amanda Takes War Bonnett 103 with five challenges. In Allen for the Pass Creek College Center Mary Jealous of Him received 120 votes, Anthony Poor Bear 77 with 12 challenges.



RST Liquor Commission votes down two license requests

ROSEBUD - According to Anthony Bordeaux, Jr. the RST Liquor Commission met on Monday, Nov, 6 at 5:30 p.m. and entertained two requests for tribal liquor licenses.

One was from Syd Colombe and the other originated from Wild Bill's. Both applications were voted upon and had similar outcomes. In both cases, one commission member voted for the issuance, while two voted against and there was one member not voting.

The Chairman of the liquor commission is John Charles Arcoren and the commission members are Pete Reynolds, Theresa Stead, and Anthony Bordeaux, Jr. Bernadette Howard resigned after the vote was taken and this will create a vacancy.

Bordeaux noted that the commission discussed the impact of having a 'dry' reservation, but took no action.

Currently the Rosebud Casino and Prairie Hills sell liquor within their establishments, but off-sale liquor sales are not licensed.

Abortion ban is rejected by South Dakota voters

Bradford, Two Bulls, Lucas victorious

Unofficial results: Cheyenne River tribal chairman Frazier is defeated by Brings Plenty

By Times Staff

Cheyenne River election

Cheyenne River Sioux voters went to the polls on Tuesday and unofficial results indicated that tribal members had elected Joseph Brings Plenty over incumbent tribal chairman, Harold Frazier, by a total of 1,286 votes to 751. Frazier has been a highly visible spokesman for many of the issues that are confronting Lakota people in South Dakota and across the nation.

Nationwide elections

Nationwide, Democrats swept into power in the U. S. House of Representatives and promised to make changes in the way the U.S. is waging the Iraq war. Nancy Pelosi, Democrat of California made history as the first woman to serve as the speaker of the house.

As of Wednesday, the U. S. Senate race in Montana was projected to be won by Democrat Jon Tester and in Virginia Democrats needed to win in order to control the Senate. The latest results showed that the Senate may be tied at 50 each, with Virginia's votes still being counted. Democrat Jim Webb was leading by a total of less than 9,000 votes and a recount could take weeks.

South Dakota elections

In South Dakota, voters sent Rep. Stephanie Herseth back to Washington with a wide margin over Republican Bruce Whalen of Pine Ridge. Herseth had 230,298 votes to Whalen's 97,781 votes.

For the governor's race, incumbent Republican Mike Rounds defeated Dr. Jack Billion of Sioux Falls by a margin of 207,000 to 121,242 votes. Whalen was quoted on South Dakota Public Radio as saying that his candidacy was not taken serious by the media. In the race for Attorney General, incumbent Larry Long defeated Standing Rock Sioux tribal member Ron Volesky by a margin of 207,093 to 104,253 votes. Apparently, Volesky conceded the election early in the evening noting that a lack of campaign finances were a factor in his poor showing.

South Dakota House and Senate

In the race for South Dakota House and Senate, Democrats lagged behind the Republicans by a margin of 15 senate seat to the Republicans 20. They gained five senate seats and one house seat. In the House, the final tally may show the Republicans in the lead by a margin of 50 seats to the Democrats 20 seats.

In District 26 with all precincts reporting, Julie Bartling of Burke defeated Lee Weidner of White River by a margin of 4,374 to 3,003 votes for a seat in the state senate. In District 26A, Larry Lucas of Mission defeated Barry Jensen by a vote tally of 1,243 to 965 votes. Independent Calvin Jones, Jr. a Sicangu tribal member had a total of 377 votes.

In the District 27 race, incumbent Jim Bradford (D), defeated Mark Devries by a margin of 2,760 to 2,217 votes. Maxine Broken Nose, an Oglala Sioux received 802 votes.

In the Eagle Butte area, in District 28A for the state house, Cheyenne River tribal member, Thomas Van Norman defeated Everett Hunt by a margin of 1,652 to 1,085 votes.

In District 32 for the state senate, Tom Katus, who opposed the abortion ban defeated Elli Schwiesow by a margin of 4,994 to 4,515 votes.

In a couple of races for circuit court judge, Kathleen Trandahl defeated Rose Ann Wendell by a margin of 12,103 votes to 9,714 in District 6. Also in District 6, Lori Wilbur of Pierre defeated Anita Fuoss of Murdo by a margin of 15,410 votes to 6.069.

In District 7 for circuit judge, A. P. Fuller defeated Lance Russell by a margin of 17,941 to 14,420 votes.

State amendments

On Constitutional Amendment C that related to judicial accountability, it was defeated by a margin of 89 percent to 11 percent. Initiated Measure 2, which called for an increase in cigarette and tobacco products was approved by a margin of 61 percent to 39 percent. This means as much as $1 will be added to the cost of a pack of cigarettes.

On Initiated Measure 3 which would have prohibited school districts from starting a school term prior to August 31, it was defeated by a margin of 185,122 to 140, 508 votes.

Initiated Measure 4 which would have provided safe access to medical marijuana for certain qualified persons was defeated by a vote of 52 percent disapproving to 48 approving.

On Initiated Measure 5, which places certain restrictions on the use of state owned or leased aircraft, it was approved by voters by a margin of 55 percent to 45 percent.

On Initiated Measure 7, which would have repealed video lottery was defeated by a margin of 67 percent to 33 percent. The ballot listed that voting yes on this measure would cost the state $112 million. On Initiated Measure 8, which would have repealed the gross receipts tax on wireless telecommunication services was defeated by a margin of 61 percent to 39 percent.

Finally, on Referred Law 6, which would have placed a total ban on abortions in the state, was defeated by a margin of 185,948 votes to 148,666 votes. This proposed law touched the communities of Pine Ridge reservation, as former tribal president Cecelia Fire Thunder, was impeached for her participation in the abortion ban.

County elections

In county and local elections, Bennett County voters elected Lindell Adair, Republican, as sheriff and Susan Williams as county auditor. Dennis Gregg (R), Jason T. Fanning (D), and Rolf Kraft (R) won commission seats.

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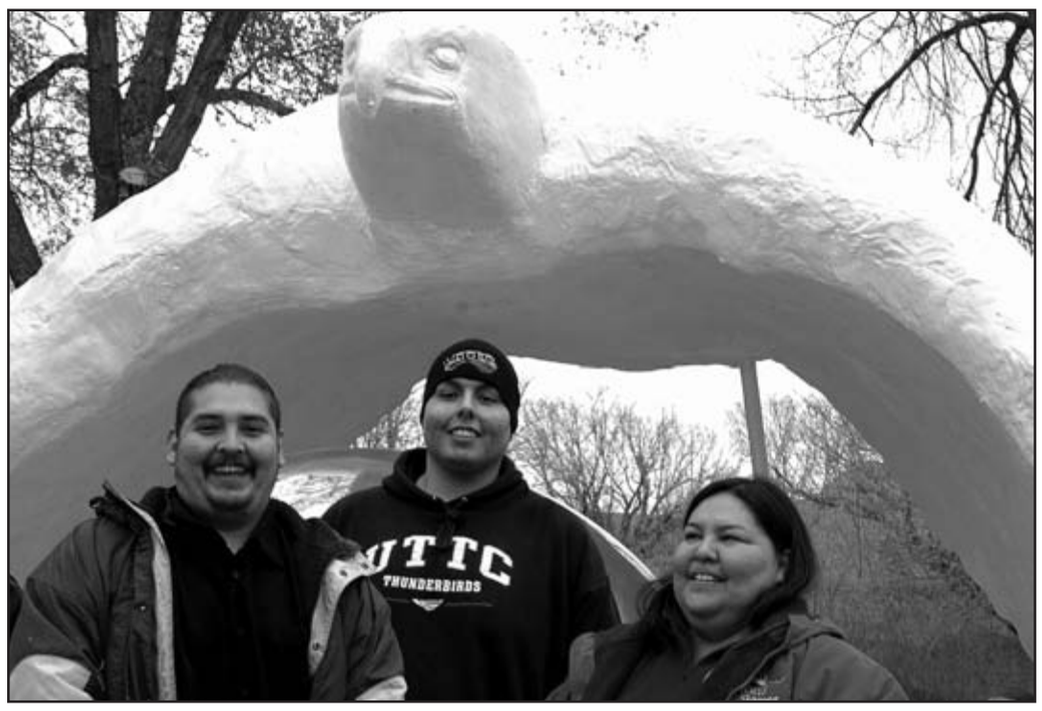
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United Tribes Technical College Art Marketing students had labored long hours over the summer to create a 12 foot tall sculpture called "Reflections." It depicts a larger-than-life eagle with its wings enfolding a steel globe that represents "Mother Earth."

One day before a planned dedication program, the six-foot diameter stainless steel gazing ball was found loosened from its concrete foundation. Upon it was written a racial slur followed by an obscenity: "I didn't get my check this month. How about You? with slang.

"I was pretty stunned," said Jeremy Joe Pettigrew, Oglala Lakota, from Wounded Knee, and one of the artists. "Didn't that die out in the 50s? Why are people still being racist towards American Indians?"

"It just makes me so mad I don't know what to say," said Josie Denise Redday, Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate, Bismarck.

City workers removed the writing, which looked like it had been done with a magic marker, and the dedication program was held as scheduled on Nov. 3.

"I don't really feel like celebrating anything right now," said Wayne Pruse, UTTC art-art marketing program director, during the program. "We're supposed to be here to honor the students and their accomplishment. But with this, the prejudice takes over. I probably had my head in the sand, thinking we were making some progress in this community. But, no. People will do this. They always do."

The sculpture was commissioned by the Bismarck Parks and Recreation District and located along a popular walking path near the Missouri River. It was the third of six public sculpture projects that the district and UTTC students have planned for the area.

During the program, Redday described what the "Reflections" sculpture stands for: "The majestic spirit eagle engulfs the globe with its powerful wings. Courageous eagles are seen as spiritual messengers. They carry prayers from the earth world to the spirit world."

Redday, Pettigrew, and another student, Mike Francis Gopher Jr. (Blackfeet), Chugiak, AK, recovered their poise in front of the audience of 50 and described with good humor their work over the hot summer, battling mosquitoes, and pushing the project to completion.

"Despite the vandalism, this work remains as a valid symbol of cultural sharing and unity," said David M. Gipp, UTTC president. "One of our goals for being involved with the parks district in constructing these eagle sculptures is to reach out to the community and change attitudes."

Mark Zimmerman, President of the Bismarck Board of Park Commissioners, expressed support for the students and their work.

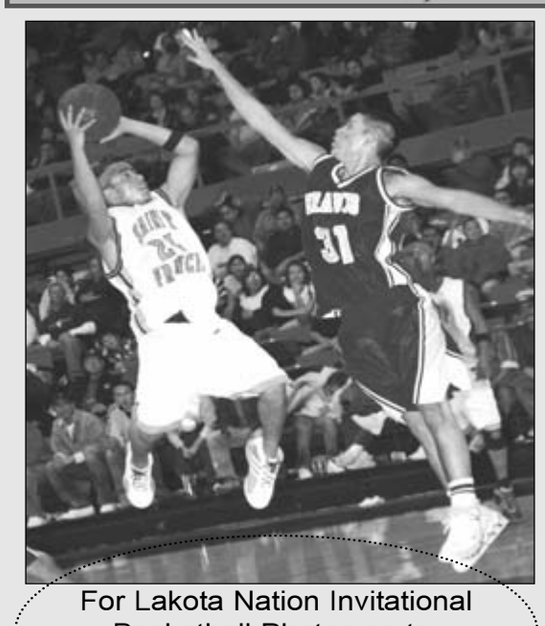
"It was nice to see that the vandal did not destroy the spirit of the artists," said Deb Ness, Bismarck Chief of Police, who attended the dedication. "Their presentations were so delightful and their passion for their work showed through like sunshine on a cloudy day. It was quite evident that they were not going to allow this destructive behavior take away from the true meaning of the sculpture."

Ness said a police report will be filed and an investigation conducted.

At the end of the program a teacher from the college said a prayer in Lakota and a traditional honor song was sung as 60 well-wishers shook hands, hugged, and congratulated the student artists.

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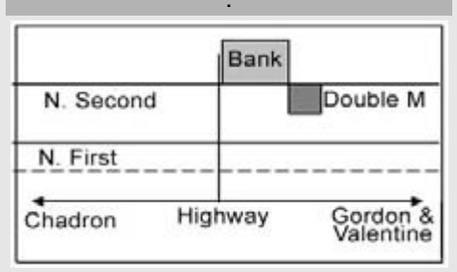
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OST election

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background check of current president, Alex White Plume, the election board decided to remove him from the ballot due to a felony conviction and moved the third vote getter, Cecelia Fire Thunder onto the presidential ballot.

The tribal council selected another court of election appeals on Friday including Connie Pumpkinseed, Barb Jones and Marge Hunter Janis. Working to deal with three appeals including White Plume's, the appeals court met on Sunday but were not sworn in until Monday. On Monday evening the appeals court issued a decision that ordered a new election with a time frame for the primary and general that had adequate time to do full background checks of all candidates. The executive board also met on Monday and voted to cancel the general election and do it all over.

The election board reviewed both the executive board order and the court of election appeals and decided to go ahead with the general election.

"We had printed ballots with Steele and Fire Thunder and another set of ballots with Steele and White Plume," said Maretta Champaign, election board member, "we decided that the executive board did not have the authority to cancel the election and the court of election appeals went outside their purview by ordering a new election and since they did not deal with White Plume's appeal, we decided to move ahead with the general election with the ballots having Steele and Fire Thunder on them."

Election day, Tuesday, Nov. 7 was a beautiful fall day and the election board distributed ballots to all 22 tribal precincts and the election was on.

During the morning of election day, the election court of appeals met and decided to issue a supplemental order which stated that White Plume had not had a felony conviction in his background and they certified him as a candidate for president and then they ordered the confiscation of all the ballot boxes and ballots for the general election. White Plume received the court of appeals decision and sent a memo to chief of police James Twiss ordering public safety to pick up all of the ballot boxes and secure them until the court of appeals could decide what to do with them.

Public Safety struggled to implement the order and by evening, all 22 boxes made it to the election board office in Pine Ridge at the old HIS hospital even the Red Cloud community box that had been taken to public safety central building and placed into the evidence storage room. Not without controversy though.

In Calico, the ballot box was removed for a period of time during the day and then later returned. In Allen, the ballot box was removed 20 minutes before the polls were to close; some voters were just finishing up with their ballots and ended up with no place to put their ballots. In Sharps Corner, Muffie Mousseau, election judge refused to give up the ballot box and deposited it in her trunk only to be followed from Sharps to Pine Ridge by several police cars.

All three ballot boxes in Medicine Root District were confiscated and taken to Pine Ridge where the election judges and tellers from Medicine Root District were eventually able to do the unofficial tally.

The security at the old hospital were told to lock up the election board offices and take the board keys, they chose to watch over the proceedings while a number of precincts called in their unofficial tallies.

On Wednesday, Nov. 8 the election board was planning to start their official count in the afternoon.

"We are planning to allow the process to continue," said Eileen Janis, OST vice president and executive board member," we let it run through and there will be an opportunity to challenge the results or make an appeal."

Alex White Plume, tribal president, stopped in at KILI Radio Wednesday afternoon to make a press release and describe his efforts to work towards a fair and objective election with a revised election ordinance.

"We will have a council meeting at Billy Mills Hall on Tuesday, Nov. 14 open to anyone who has a complaint on this election, we are going to do the right thing, we need to honor the orders form both of the court of election appeals to set up a new time frame and conduct another primary and general election , a time frame that allows time for a full background check on all candidates not just a few."

Official results from the election board are due on Friday, there were 424 challenge votes. For Wakpamni District, another primary election was held due to discrepancies in the original primary election, the top four council candidates will go into a special Wakpamni District general election.

Unofficial results for tribal council include:

Oglala:

Floyd Brings Plenty 230, Jake Little 202, Paul Little (Inc) 195, Valerie Kills Small Janis (Inc.) 179.

Pine Ridge:

Don Garnier 350, Ella Jon Carlow (Inc) 335, Carol Crazy Thunder O'Rourke 315, Gary Janis 261, Lyle Jack (Inc) 229, Gerald Big Crow 228.

Wakpamni:

Sonia Little Hawk Weston 257, Tom Conroy 153, Maxine Lakota (Inc) 118, Ricky Grey Grass 115, Herb Colhoff 80, Sandy Two Lance 69, Lillian Tobacco 69, Walt Big Crow(Inc) 45, Charles Pourier 57, Richard Mousseau 50, Rex Conroy 26 and Kim Killer 25.

Pass Creek:

Ron Duke 160, Lydia Bear Killer (Inc) 127.

LaCreek:

Craig Dillon (Inc) and Kim Clausen were elected by acclamation in the primary.

Eagle Nest:

Jim Meeks elected by acclamation in the primary, Tom Poor Bear (Inc) 175, Ruth Brown (Inc) 91.

Medicine Root:

Austin Watkins Sr. (Inc) 324, Cora Whiting 254, Archie Hopkins 199 and Juanita Scherich 165.

Porcupine:

Philip Good Crow (Inc) 252, Wesley Chuck Jacobs 186, Bernard White Face (Inc) 170 and Dave Pourier 169.

Wounded Knee:

Garfield Steele (Inc) 255, Kathy Janis (Inc) 204, Philip Jumping Eagle 189 and Garfield Apple 132.

Little White Man, Richards, Janis lead in Little Wound School Board election

KYLE - The Little Wound School board election was run on Tuesday in conjunction with the OST general election and unofficial results showed incumbent Taylor Little White Man leading newcomer Janice Richards 760 to 657 with incumbent Everett Janis in third with 557.

Art Hopkins is just out of the top three with 555. Melvin Young is fourth with 481, Sally O'Rourke is fifth with 463. Additional candidates include: Fern Mousseau 378, Amanda Christianson 347 and Audrey Kills Straight 198.

The top three candidates will earn four year terms on the Little Wound School Board. Archie Hopkins and Linda May are on the board and incumbent Cecelia Fire Thunder chose not to run.

According to Melanie Janis, election coordinator, official results should be ready by Friday.

Oglala Lakota College selects board members

PIYA WICONI - In conjunction with the OST General Election, Oglala Lakota College held a board election Tuesday to select board of trustee members and local board members.

In Pine Ridge, Dennis Brewer received 231 votes to Gerald Big Crow's 108 for board of trustees member; there were 44 challenges. In Wanblee for the Eagle Nest College Center Pete Red Willow defeated Ron "Beef " Randall 85-80 for the BOT position with 11 challenges. In Oglala, Ernie Little received 195 votes to Ingrid One Feather's 112, there were 21 challenges. Francine Poor Bear, Pass Creek and John Her Many Horses, Wounded Knee District earned board positions by acclamation.

In local board races for LaCreek College Center in Martin, Tammy Grass 111, Charles Bettelyoun 106 and Amanda Takes War Bonnett 103 with five challenges. In Allen for the Pass Creek College Center Mary Jealous of Him received 120 votes, Anthony Poor Bear 77 with 12 challenges.



RST Liquor Commission votes down two license requests

ROSEBUD - According to Anthony Bordeaux, Jr. the RST Liquor Commission met on Monday, Nov, 6 at 5:30 p.m. and entertained two requests for tribal liquor licenses.

One was from Syd Colombe and the other originated from Wild Bill's. Both applications were voted upon and had similar outcomes. In both cases, one commission member voted for the issuance, while two voted against and there was one member not voting.

The Chairman of the liquor commission is John Charles Arcoren and the commission members are Pete Reynolds, Theresa Stead, and Anthony Bordeaux, Jr. Bernadette Howard resigned after the vote was taken and this will create a vacancy.

Bordeaux noted that the commission discussed the impact of having a 'dry' reservation, but took no action.

Currently the Rosebud Casino and Prairie Hills sell liquor within their establishments, but off-sale liquor sales are not licensed.

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Cheyenne River Sioux voters went to the polls on Tuesday and unofficial results indicated that tribal members had elected Joseph Brings Plenty over incumbent tribal chairman, Harold Frazier, by a total of 1,286 votes to 751. Frazier has been a highly visible spokesman for many of the issues that are confronting Lakota people in South Dakota and across the nation.

Nationwide elections

Nationwide, Democrats swept into power in the U. S. House of Representatives and promised to make changes in the way the U.S. is waging the Iraq war. Nancy Pelosi, Democrat of California made history as the first woman to serve as the speaker of the house.

As of Wednesday, the U. S. Senate race in Montana was projected to be won by Democrat Jon Tester and in Virginia Democrats needed to win in order to control the Senate. The latest results showed that the Senate may be tied at 50 each, with Virginia's votes still being counted. Democrat Jim Webb was leading by a total of less than 9,000 votes and a recount could take weeks.

South Dakota elections

In South Dakota, voters sent Rep. Stephanie Herseth back to Washington with a wide margin over Republican Bruce Whalen of Pine Ridge. Herseth had 230,298 votes to Whalen's 97,781 votes.

For the governor's race, incumbent Republican Mike Rounds defeated Dr. Jack Billion of Sioux Falls by a margin of 207,000 to 121,242 votes. Whalen was quoted on South Dakota Public Radio as saying that his candidacy was not taken serious by the media. In the race for Attorney General, incumbent Larry Long defeated Standing Rock Sioux tribal member Ron Volesky by a margin of 207,093 to 104,253 votes. Apparently, Volesky conceded the election early in the evening noting that a lack of campaign finances were a factor in his poor showing.

South Dakota House and Senate

In the race for South Dakota House and Senate, Democrats lagged behind the Republicans by a margin of 15 senate seat to the Republicans 20. They gained five senate seats and one house seat. In the House, the final tally may show the Republicans in the lead by a margin of 50 seats to the Democrats 20 seats.

In District 26 with all precincts reporting, Julie Bartling of Burke defeated Lee Weidner of White River by a margin of 4,374 to 3,003 votes for a seat in the state senate. In District 26A, Larry Lucas of Mission defeated Barry Jensen by a vote tally of 1,243 to 965 votes. Independent Calvin Jones, Jr. a Sicangu tribal member had a total of 377 votes.

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State amendments

On Constitutional Amendment C that related to judicial accountability, it was defeated by a margin of 89 percent to 11 percent. Initiated Measure 2, which called for an increase in cigarette and tobacco products was approved by a margin of 61 percent to 39 percent. This means as much as $1 will be added to the cost of a pack of cigarettes.

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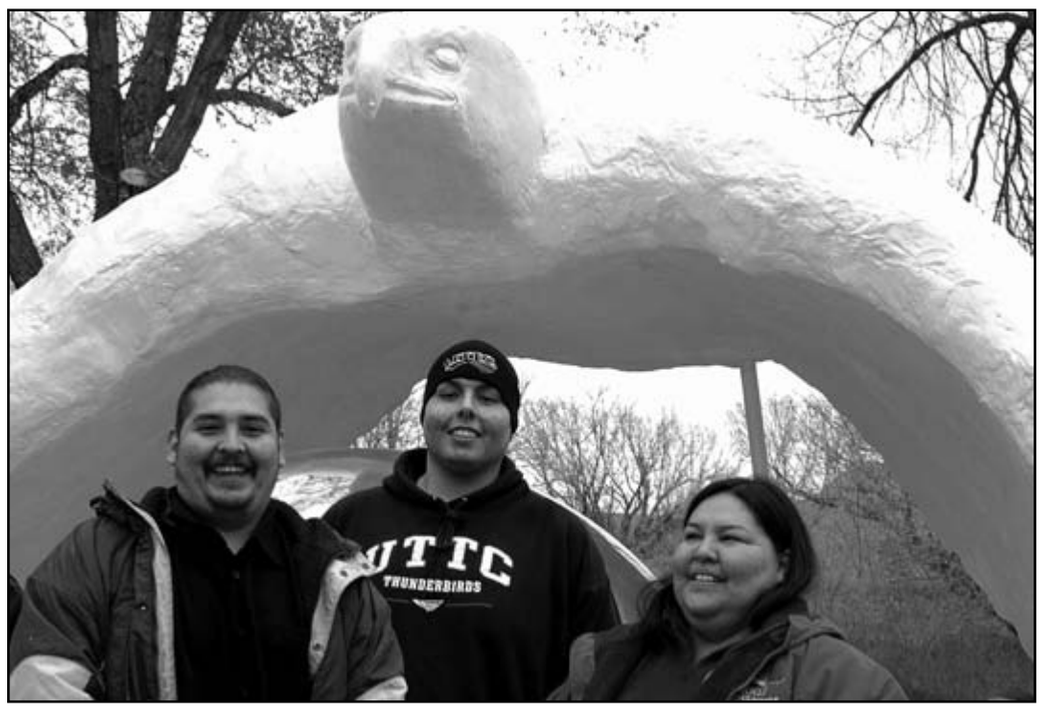
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Eagle sculpture defaced prior to dedication

BISMARCK - Even before the city of Bismarck and United Tribes Technical College could unveil their latest public art collaboration, vandals defaced the new sculpture in a city park here.

United Tribes Technical College Art Marketing students had labored long hours over the summer to create a 12 foot tall sculpture called "Reflections." It depicts a larger-than-life eagle with its wings enfolding a steel globe that represents "Mother Earth."

One day before a planned dedication program, the six-foot diameter stainless steel gazing ball was found loosened from its concrete foundation. Upon it was written a racial slur followed by an obscenity: "I didn't get my check this month. How about You? with slang.

"I was pretty stunned," said Jeremy Joe Pettigrew, Oglala Lakota, from Wounded Knee, and one of the artists. "Didn't that die out in the 50s? Why are people still being racist towards American Indians?"

"It just makes me so mad I don't know what to say," said Josie Denise Redday, Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate, Bismarck.

City workers removed the writing, which looked like it had been done with a magic marker, and the dedication program was held as scheduled on Nov. 3.

"I don't really feel like celebrating anything right now," said Wayne Pruse, UTTC art-art marketing program director, during the program. "We're supposed to be here to honor the students and their accomplishment. But with this, the prejudice takes over. I probably had my head in the sand, thinking we were making some progress in this community. But, no. People will do this. They always do."

The sculpture was commissioned by the Bismarck Parks and Recreation District and located along a popular walking path near the Missouri River. It was the third of six public sculpture projects that the district and UTTC students have planned for the area.

During the program, Redday described what the "Reflections" sculpture stands for: "The majestic spirit eagle engulfs the globe with its powerful wings. Courageous eagles are seen as spiritual messengers. They carry prayers from the earth world to the spirit world."

Redday, Pettigrew, and another student, Mike Francis Gopher Jr. (Blackfeet), Chugiak, AK, recovered their poise in front of the audience of 50 and described with good humor their work over the hot summer, battling mosquitoes, and pushing the project to completion.

"Despite the vandalism, this work remains as a valid symbol of cultural sharing and unity," said David M. Gipp, UTTC president. "One of our goals for being involved with the parks district in constructing these eagle sculptures is to reach out to the community and change attitudes."

Mark Zimmerman, President of the Bismarck Board of Park Commissioners, expressed support for the students and their work.

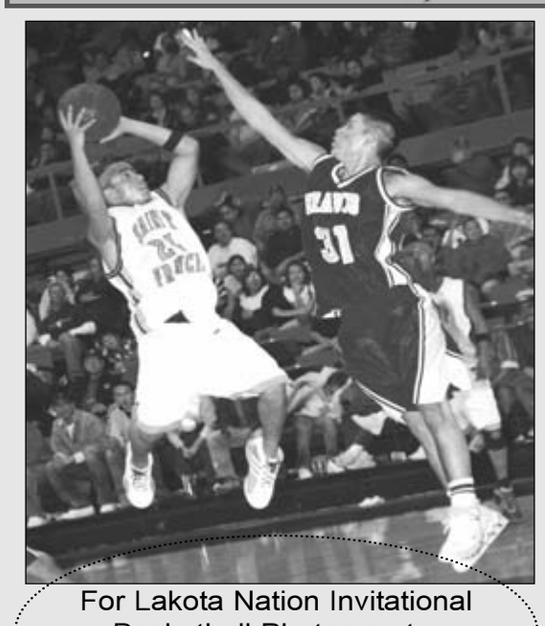
"It was nice to see that the vandal did not destroy the spirit of the artists," said Deb Ness, Bismarck Chief of Police, who attended the dedication. "Their presentations were so delightful and their passion for their work showed through like sunshine on a cloudy day. It was quite evident that they were not going to allow this destructive behavior take away from the true meaning of the sculpture."

Ness said a police report will be filed and an investigation conducted.

At the end of the program a teacher from the college said a prayer in Lakota and a traditional honor song was sung as 60 well-wishers shook hands, hugged, and congratulated the student artists.

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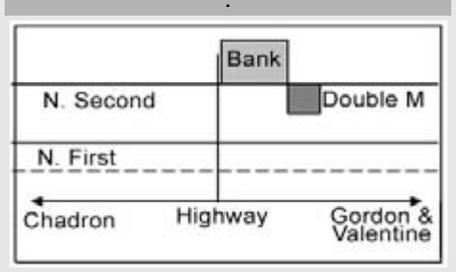
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OPINION PAGE

Our Views

Doing more for our veterans

The great legacy of young Lakota soldiers going off to defend our original homeland is continually documented and applauded by history and those in every Lakota community and *tiospaye*.

Many hearts broke when we read about Specialist Lori Piestewa, Hopi, and her gallant efforts to repel the enemy when she and her convoy were ambushed in Iraq in March of 2003.

She was the first woman to die in the Iraq war and the first Native American woman.

We grieved for her children and parents and were happy when the Arizona legislature re-named a peak for her in Phoenix that originally was 'Squaw Peak' an offensive name to many. Many came out in support of her family.

We grieved again as we learned of the death of U. S. Marine Corporal Brett Lundstrom, an Oglala Sioux soldier who was appropriately honored in the Lakota way as he was carried home in a wagon and given a Lakota name by Birgil Kills Straight.

The late John Around Him was also present to honor him and say that Lakota people captured the U. S. flag from the seventh cavalry and it was ours, too.

Native Americans have always served in a higher per capita number than any other ethnic group in America and rightly so and at the end of last year, over 20 Native American soldiers had died in Iraq.

The Iraq war has not been a wholly popular war among Native people; however, Lakota people have perpetually cherished the sacrifice that its warriors have made.

The Lakota soldier is held in great esteem for having made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our country and the some five hundred tribal nations which make up our great land.

It goes without saying that we at the *Lakota Country Times* also send out our undying appreciation for those who have passed on and to those military veterans who continue to live amongst us and who often continue to fight their own battles in whatever form they may present themselves.

As a society, we can do more for veterans. We say in our vision statements and programs that we support and care for veterans and we need to work each and everyday to that end as there are many veterans who do not have adequate housing, healthcare or transportation.

Let's not just see these things as slogans and popular sayings, but lets collectively do something to enact legislation and dedicate more funding for veterans who need action and not empty words.

On a campaign visit to the Pine Ridge and Rosebud reservations on Monday with Rep. Stephanie Herseth, Sen. Tim Johnson spoke of veterans and the children.

He said, "We can improve the lives of the little ones here. We need to take care of veterans. They need more than a pat on the back."

South Dakota has 77,000 veterans and recently honored Vietnam veterans at Pierre.

Election is over

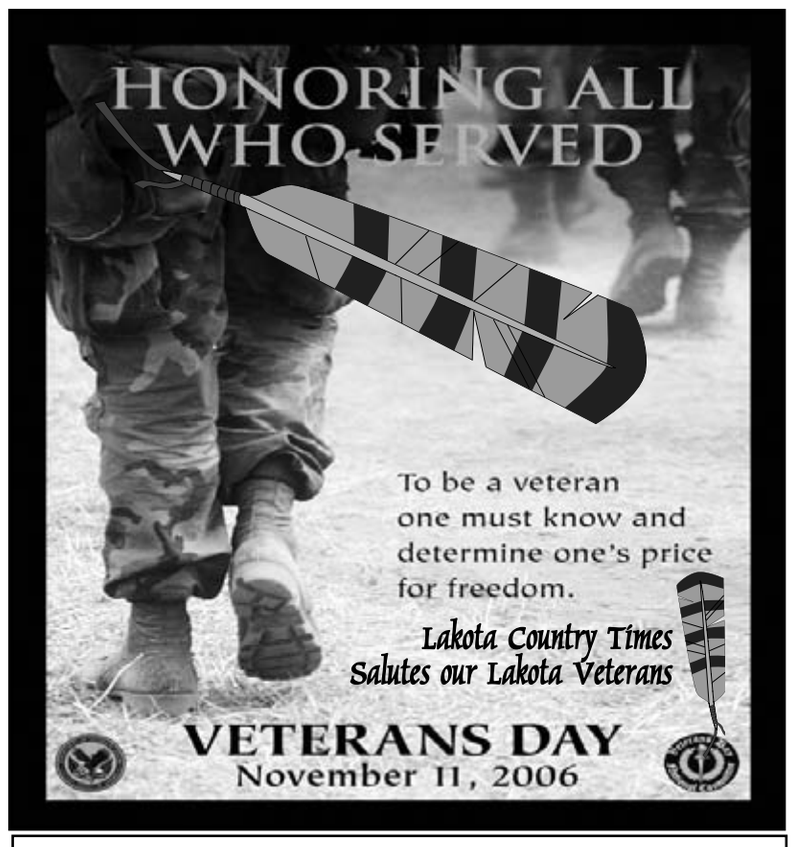
Now that elections are over, it is time to get back to work. Whether it be tribal, state or national, the people made their choice. Let's accept it and move foward.

Indian Country is overwhelmly Democratic and the task at hand for Lakota tribal governments is to successfully advocate for the protection of our land base which is held in trust and the protection of our inherent quasi-sovereign status and a government to government relationship with the U.S.

In recent months, there has been concern among Lakota tribal nations that the land trust reform act will be the first step in the federal government's attempt to terminate tribes.

Tribal nations are now positioned to serve in a consultative capacity for any future considerations in settling the Cobell case.

Tribal nations have to gain a bit of sophistication in honing their lobbying skills as they travel to Capitol Hill.



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Other Views

Thank you to police officer for promoting justice

Dear Editor:

This is a letter of recognition for Kathy Wells. I would like to thank her for all her efforts in helping to bring justice to the eastern half side of the reservation.

Everyone that is arrested for a crime has a right to trial, a right to face their accuser. The way this happens is that the person arrested pleads not guilty and this is set for trial.

The court issues subpoenas, requiring the accusers (officers, victims, complainants, witnesses, etc.) to appear for a trial. If the subpoenas are not served we can not have a trial and the case ends up getting dismissed. No justice!

The only officer that has been serving any subpoenas and notice of hearings from July through October is Officer Kathy Wells. This means that only the people in two districts are getting served with subpoenas.

Only two districts have a right to justice? Is this right? Is this fair?

I would like to personally thank Kathy Wells for going out of her way to do her job!

We need more officers like her, so that when you or one of your friends or family is a victim of a crime, they can have their day in court, they can be heard!

Wanda Reddy
Kyle, S.D.

Other Views

Mood of the Voters

Anger, frustration evident statewide

By By David Kranz

Reprinted from the Sioux Falls Argus Leader

Some South Dakotans are going to the polls Tuesday just plain mad.

Mad at their party. Mad at the war in Iraq. Mad about loss of freedoms.

The mood of discontent is prominent among registered voters I surveyed in the past few days.

What they want is a world less threatened by war. A Congress that learns about efficiency. A state Legislature that starts paying attention to the people. And politicians who try to unite rather than divide.

Harvey Wollman has seen government from a variety of angles. He was in the state Senate, served as lieutenant governor and presided for a short time as the state's 26th governor.

Now, the 71-year-old Frankfort-area farmer is an elder statesman, often lending an ear to what bothers people.Two things make this election different from others, Wollman says.

"The unusually large number of initiated measures – and this often leads to the radicalization of good intentions, even by well-meaning people on either side of the aisle," Wollman says.

"Inject a few religious views, and you have a lot of contention. Normally, they are settled in the halls of the Legislature. Now, they are settled in the living rooms and in our friendships. Voter fatigue is obvious, and you tell that by the early voters who want to get it behind them," Wollman says.

It's not just local, though.

The confusion over our national policies, the disappointment in the war issue when you have less than a majority of people supporting the policies – it is not a good thing. Most people say we need to shift the emphasis from partisan politics to problem solving, and some people think that can be solved by new leadership," Wollman says. "Those two things make this election different."

Yankton: Syd Hansen

Give Syd Hansen an opening to say what he thinks, and the 75-year-old Yankton transmission-repair man will take it.

He drinks his bottle of Sprite and shakes his finger as he talks angrily about the war outside a local convenience store.

"I'm against the war, period. It's not necessary. It's all about religion and land. It is taking a long time. What's the delay with training the Iraqis?" he says.

The United States has to face some realities as it looks for ways to deal with this situation, he insists.

"You never will kill all the terrorists as long as we are on the earth," he says.

Porcupine: Russell Means

And there is the spending by Congress. Something has to be done, says Russell Means.

Means, a 67-year-old Native American activist from Porcupine, doesn't mince words as he lays blame on the Republican Party that he has embraced in the past.

"I still sense a Republican mood by voters, though. I do not believe South Dakota as a whole is fed up with the Bush administration, but I can't understand why. As a registered Republican, I feel that deficit spending is anti-Republican. It certainly isn't fiscally responsible," Means says.

A View From the West

To honor the Lakota war veteran

By Ivan Star

Special to the Times

I have wondered often as to why some war veterans readjust well to civilian life while others do not do so well. Some veterans seemingly are unscathed by the brutality of war. They seem stronger and better for having experienced it, while others are enervated and embittered by the same experience.

During WWII, thousands of United States prisoners of war were tortured in concentration camps.

I read that some were able to stay alive by retreating from their hideous environment to an inner life of rich resources.

When liberated, they became stronger, not weaker, and lived long good lives. Some did not recover psychologically and spiritually from their experiences. Why?

I am familiar with the popular view Lakota people hold for their war veterans.

However, when I returned from the war in Vietnam so many years ago, I could not fit into that cultural design. After many years, though, I was able to face my situation and came to understand my trauma symptoms.

Most Vietnam War veterans have adjusted well to life back in the United States. A significant number of combat veterans did not make it all the way home from that war in Southeast Asia. At least half a million Vietnam veterans continue to survive, plagued by serious, war-related, readjustment problems.

These symptoms appear in a variety of ways: flashbacks of combat; feelings of alienation; unexplained anger; depression; loneliness and an inability to get close to others often culminating in failed marriages.

Oftentimes alcohol/drug abuse and violence serves as a way to cope with these esoteric symptoms.

Please, I would like this article to coincide with Veteran's Day.

I use the following piece for my personal recovery effort by simply reading it as often as possible.

This is my humble way of paying tribute to my fellow veterans who are still struggling to fit into the "world" again. They fought in a difficult war that split the nation and faced a difficult homecoming.

I believe, as survivors, as veterans, we owe our fallen comrades. Let us live out our lives in their honor.

Peace and Freedom

(Adapted from an article written by an unknown Vietnam War veteran)

When I touch fire and it burns my hand, is my hand alone responsible? Of course not! The whole person was involved. When I went to war, was I alone responsible?

Of course not! The entire nation was responsible for what happened there, not me alone.

I ask myself, "Who pulled the trigger? Who killed all those people? Then I tell myself… it was the President, it was Congress, it was the people… I was only the hand ordered to do it. So why hoard the shame and guilt? When I came to

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Northern Perspectives

Change as described by a number of Lakota words



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

With so many changes occurring every day on the Rosebud and Pine Ridge communities, I thought I would seek out some of the terms that suggest change in Lakota.

The first one that I can say that I have not heard used, is ok'oke which describes a commotion or activity. Leski

Albert White Hat used the sentence, "When the nation comes together, there are some real activities" to illustrate the term.

A common term that many of are familiar with is otehi. It speaks to the difficulty of something when it occurs and change certainly fulfills that definition.

Another one that comes from that root word is *otehike*, which generally describes something that is expensive or maybe even is costly to achieve once changed has occurred.

When politicians announce their intention to run for office it is described as c*aje oehpeyapi.*

You can visualize someone throwing their name in the ring to be included in the contest or election.

Blihimiciye is another common term that suggests renewal and self encouragement and certainly can apply to a nation that is in transition or change.

For the individual it is a call to be strong during difficult times.

Wana iyehantu is also very interesting as it says that now is the time for something to begin or the time is now. *Lehan* also speaks to the present moment in time and it might be used to describe the present circumstances which are confronting a nation.

Yet, another fascinating words that comes to mind when I think of change is *u tokca* or to make something different.

The implication may be that something needs changing and its contents or the way it looks may be changed. *Ici tokca* means differing from each other and could be used to describe some initiative that will help the people and is different than what is currently being relied upon.

Even a word like *wapiyawe* means to repair something and when change occurs that is what happens when someone works to make the economy or living conditions better. A word like *owakile* could be used to mean that I am looking for change and say something about one's expectation. I do think it usually is used to describe looking for a thing.

Years ago, if one were fortunate enough to hear elders in a council meeting many of the terms relating to change would certainly be heard.

They would likely be talking about how they advocated for the people and made something better. If I made something better, it would be written as *bluwaste'* and that certainly underscores the good in every change that we encounter.

The term *woope* refers to the laws which have been enacted and when you study the term it almost seems like it is related to the word *wokohpe* wh

ich means something that is scary or frightening.

Anyway, change is something that is forever inevitable and we are surprised when it arrives but really we shouldn't be. When you think of the term *skanskan* it means something that is forever moving and life is just that way, forever changing and in Lakota there are many more terms which describe those changes.

I have only hit on the most obvious.

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Notes From Indian Country

Breaking down the walls in 'Show Business'



By Tim Giago (Nanwica Kciji)

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Oh, Hollywood, that beautiful place where dreams are made and dreams are dashed.

I need not go into the horrific, erroneous, hideous, nonsensical and racist movies about Native Americans that have sprouted in this magic kingdom and left such an onerous stench across Indian country because they have been enumerated countless times amongst the Indian people themselves.

We are all products of our times. Jay Silver Heels, the infamous Tonto of the Lone Ranger films, fought to make changes in the movie industry at a time when Indians were considered no more important than ornaments that decorate the movie set. He went along to get along and his "pidgin English" pronunciations to the "Masked Crusader" soon became synonymous with all Indians. "Me makeum smoke signals to Great White Father, Ugh" was the kind of language any aspiring Indian actor had to master before he could be cast in the early Grade "B" Westerns.

White kids playing Indians in the perennial game of Cowboys and Indians were soon spouting this "Tontonese" with expert clarity. In the 1930s and 1940s, Indian children attending classes at the Indian boarding schools went so far as to emulate the linguistics of Mr. Silver Heels. Even in the movie Key Largo, a movie in which Silver Heels plays the part of a Seminole Indian, he continues to speak in his "pidgin English" voice.

I spoke with Silver Heels many years ago at an awards banquet in Los Angeles and I was not surprised to hear him say that he was always very, very uncomfortable speaking as he did and he wished he had been more assertive to the many white directors who expected him to speak like an unaccomplished idiot. "But this is the way it was back then and I think I allowed myself to be manipulated because I was one of the few Indians actually playing the part of an Indian and I really hoped that by going along I would be able to open the door for other Indian actors," he said.

The Indian people are truly the invisible people in the movies and in the many television sit-coms. You tell me when you last saw an Indian in an everyday situation in a sitcom? I know that the television series Northern Exposure featured Elaine Miles, Umatilla, as Marilyn Whirlwind in a recurring role, but that series was an exception to the rule.

Movie opportunities are rare indeed for Indian actors and actresses. It is probably more so for Indian women because in the early days of motion pictures whites portrayed most Indian women. Of course, Victor Mature as Crazy Horse opposite Earl Flynn as George Armstrong Custer in "They Died with Their Boots on" is also an example of non-Indians taking on the roles of strong Indian males.

Graham Greene is probably one of the best-known Indian actors and yet even he chose to take on a role that was demeaning. A movie based on the book "The Education of Little Tree" written by Forrest Carter, a white man claiming to be an Indian, and worse yet, a former member of the Ku Klux Klan, placed Greene in the uncomfortable position of playing a role that should have been left in the hands of a white man playing an Indian. As a matter of fact, based on the lies that created the book, it was a movie that should not have been made at all.

Carter, the author, was a segregationist writer for the racist Governor of Alabama, George Wallace, and the leader of a Ku Klux Klan branch that preached hate against blacks and Jews. Amy Kallio Bollman said of his book, "It is not autobiographical - at least not as we conventionally utilize that term. While the aesthetic value of the book is arguable, it contains messages which are thinly veiled pro-white supremacist and which are perhaps unintentionally anti-Native American."

American Indian film director Chris Eyre has made a supreme effort to bring movies with Indians as main characters into the mainstream, but the lack of good scripts and a high wall to climb within the movie industry have shackled him. He is young and he will, in my estimation; knock down the wall standing in his path.

As Indians we have to move past stereotypical movies like "Black Cloud" with Eddie Spears and Russell Means. As a matter of record, for an activist Means played the only role worth mentioning in the movie. It's like when you see any really bad movie, but even in the badness, you find one actor of worth. Means filled that role in Black Cloud.

If there is an Indian star on the horizon it has to be Adam Beach. I am sure that he is at times uncomfortable about the roles he has to take on as an Indian actor. Even in his dramatic role as Ira Hays in Clint Eastwood's "Flags of Our Fathers," Beach had to further dramatize the image of a stereotypical drunken Indian.

I am hopeful that those past Indian actors like Jay Silver Heels and Eddie Little Sky will someday be honored for the pain they had to endure while trying to make their mark in Hollywood. They did open the doors for real Indians with their sacrifice.

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Lakota war veterans

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understand this

, I began to be free.

When I went to Vietnam, I had no concept of war. I had almost no contact with the Vietnamese people and their culture, or their lives. I was told that the Viet Cong needed to be killed because they are evil and they are killers. I saw my friends killed by them.

Thirty years later, I continue to suffer because I feel guilty about the things I did in Vietnam. Other times, I feel ashamed, fearful, and angry. I caused a lot of harm and damage there. Now, if I vowed never to do it again, is this regret wholesome? Can it be of benefit to me? Of course, it will!

When I came home from the war, the American people were cold, neglectful, and unappreciative, and of course, I became angry. However, I learned those people did not know anything about war. They had a very wrong view of war. I, on the other hand, experienced the reality of it firsthand.

When I saw that they were speaking out of ignorance, I stopped being angry with them. I was ignorant too, but I have learned, and I can liberate myself from my war induced shame, guilt, and anger. Then I can offer my compassion to others. I must learn to share my insight with others so they will not be tempted to do it again.

Acknowledgment is a basic condition for happiness. If society could understand my pain, my hopes and my despair, it will certainly make me happy.

However, society still does not understand me, even my own family. I once blamed non-veterans for not understanding me. Even though I suffered a great deal, I took the time to understand my own suffering.

At first, I thought America understood the Gulf War veterans better than it did me. That is not so. Their nature of war, whether in Vietnam or in the Gulf, is the same. It does not change just by the way people welcomed us back. Whether they shouted profanity at me or waved flags and welcomed me home, the true nature of war is the same. I have to see that.

Many years have passed and I am now calm enough to realize that the Vietnam War was not necessary. So much energy spent, so many young men lost their lives… actually, millions of people died there. There are still a lot of mines and bombs that have not been defused there, and there are many such bombs in my soul. I need to go there first, before I can go to Vietnam to help defuse bombs there.

If I can achieve awareness, understanding, transformation, and peace, I can share with the rest of society the realities of war, the chaos, the madness and oftentimes the stupidity. As a veteran, I can illuminate the way for other combat veterans, much like a candle. In addition, I can teach someone how to reach that inner peace.

Once a person makes peace with him or herself, making peace with others comes naturally. Just like our ancestors of many, many years ago. Someday, we may be able to stop using violence to resolve conflicts; to make the world a peaceful place; to ensure for my children and grandchildren a life worth living.

As long as people believe the Gulf War was moral, just, and liberating, they will be tempted to do the same thing. How can I prevent that? Perhaps I can't, but I can certainly share the truth and my insight. I have to disclose my thoughts and thus allow myself to be free. I need to look deeply into my soul to find peace. I do not have to embrace my pain in private anymore.

Transformation is the key.

Looking into the ocean of suffering, I see that it is immense. However, if I turn around, I see the land. It is possible to transform my heart.

Moreover, when I vow to go in the direction of peace and service, a rose will be born in me.

My brothers who died during the war have been reborn as flowers. I have to harvest them and form a beautiful bouquet. I must not dwell on my memory of guilt, shame, fear, and anger. I have to learn from my suffering and all those flowers will smile deeply on me, and I can be free, and be at peace.

I can then learn to love and trust again. I can live the way Wakan Tanka meant for me to live.

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Little Wound football earns seven all conference awards, seven honorable mentions

Thorpes place six, Todd County, Red Cloud five each

Cloud, Pierce, Scott, Michaud lead offensive picks, Twiss, Krogman, Pretty Voice Crane lead defense

By Tom Crash
Times Sports Correspondent

MARTIN - Little Wound finished off a very successful year on the football field by getting to the second round of the South Dakota 11A football playoffs and now they have dominated the West River Conference all conference selections with seven first team picks and seven honorable mention selections.

Over half of the choices were on offense as senior Johnny Cloud led the way at quarterback followed by Shilo Pierce at running back and Devon LeBeau and TJ McCauley at wide receiver. On the defensive side of the line of scrimmage, Michael Pretty Voice Crane, a sophomore, was selected at linebacker while Brice Hornbeck, a junior was chosen at defensive back. Marcus LaMont, a senior, made it at offensive line.

"This year was a good year for both the offense and defense, we seemed to have the ability to score when we really needed it and to stop the other team when the game was on the line," said Darrel Hunter, Little Wound head coach.

Mustangs earning honorable mention nods included Brice Hornbeck, 11, wide receiver, Rich Big Boy, 12, tight end, Jeremy White Face,12, line, Desmond Richards,10, defensive back, Enoch Yellow Hawk,9, defensive end, Marcus LaMont,12, defensive tackle and Oren Three Stars,9, linebacker.

Dave "Bulldawg" Michaud, Pine Ridge's senior running back led the way for six Thorpes on the all conference team including Louis Ramos, a senior fullback, DJ Big Crow, a senior tight end, Andrew Backwards, a senior lineman, DJ Clifford, a senior defensive back and JD Two Bulls, a senior defensive tackle. Honorable mentions included Wayne Trueblood, punter, DJ Big Crow, defensive end, Will Brewer, offensive line and Louis Ramos, linebacker.

Gunner Krogman, a junior for Todd County was selected as first team linebacker and could very well been a running back as well; Mike Neiss, kick returner, Chris Rahn, defensive tackle, Jaden Allen, defensive end, Brent Larvie, offensive lineman.

Falcon honorable mention included Mike Neiss at wide receiver and Noah Kilonzo at kicker. Red Cloud earned their first trip to the playoffs in a decade and were led on the all conference team by Billy Scott, a junior running back, Dave Giago, a junior wide receiver, Shay All Runner, offensive line, Andrew Twiss a junior linebacker and Sang Jun Park, a sophomore kicker. Red Cloud honorable mentions include Art Vitalis at kick returner, Rich Charging Cloud at defensive back and Bobby Twiss on the offensive line.

JJ Arcoren, a defensive back and Ian Little Shield, a punter represented St. Francis.

Bennett County finished with four first team selections including Jeremiah Donavan, offensive line, Andrew Olson, defensive back, Corbin Kratovil, defensive end and Bo Sharp, linebacker. Honorable mention choices were Austin Haynes, quarterback, Carson Smith, fullback, DJ Toczek, tight end, Clint Sasse, defensive back, Carson Smith, and Chase Keiffe, linebackers.

Pairings for State Championships

Sioux Falls O'Gorman vs. SF Roosevelt 11AA
Canton vs Dell Rapids 11A
St. Thomas More vs. Aberdeen Roncalli 11B
Parker vs. Elkton 9AA
Scotland vs. Gettysburg 9A
Colome vs. Iroquois 9B



The Todd County Falcons brought home the combined point Class A Cross Country team Championship. Back row: (L-R) are Coach Steve Her Many Horses, Trevor Covey, Morganna Running, Wes Running, Marc Whirlwind Soldier, Steve Antoine and LaBradford Eagle Deer. Front: (L-R) are Max Grimshaw, Arna Two Hawk, Josie Stone, Kyla Marshall, Julie Bernie, Kylie Wilson, Emmy Her Many Horses and Coach Tonya Whirlwind Soldier.

PHOTO BY: VI WALN

Rosebud cross country teams honored

By Vi Waln
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The performance of sixteen local athletes was recognized by the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council last week. All of the students competed at the State Cross Country Championship meet held in Huron last month.

The Todd County Falcon boys cross country team was represented in the Class A competition by Marc Whirlwind Soldier (13th), Wes Running (15th), Steve Antoine (33rd), Trevor Covey (62nd), Max Grimshaw (121st), and LaBradford Eagle Deer (125th).

Lady Falcon runners included Kyla Marshall (7th), Julie Bernie (16), Morganna Running (34th), Kylie Wilson (51st), Emmy Her Many Horses (100th), Arna Two Hawk (107) and Josie Stone (alternate).

The Falcons brought home the team combined point Class A Championship trophy. In the boy's category the Falcons finished in second place with 75 points.

The Lady Falcons earned 80 points to capture third place. The teams are coached by Steve Her Many Horses and Tonya Whirlwind Soldier.



Marc Whirlwind Soldier and Kyla Marshall display the Todd County Falcon Regional Cross Country Championship trophies along with their State Runner Up and Third Place trophies. Both athletes will represent the Todd County Falcons and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe in the 2007 USA Cross Country Championship race sponsored by Wings of America next February in Boulder, Colo. PHOTO BY: VI WALN



Rosebud Sioux Tribe Vice president Wayne Boyd presents certificates to members of the White River Tiger Cross Country team. (L-R) are: Frank Waln, Bradley Roan Eagle, Coach Tim Hollar and Natasha Six Toes.

PHOTO BY: VI WALN

The White River Tigers were represented at the State B boys meet by Frank Waln (6th) and Bradley Roan Eagle (24th). Natasha Six Toes finished 17th in the girls competition. The Tigers are coached by Tim Hollar and Carol Rogers.

Each runner received a Certificate of Achievement in recognition of their athletic performance and finishing an outstanding season. A monetary donation was made to both schools to fund the purchase of athletic clothing. Cake and ice cream were served to the general public.

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Cangleska Inc., building new women and children's center

Awarded $1 million from USDA

KYLE - South Dakota United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development presented Cangleska, Inc. with a ceremonial check representing community facility direct loan funds of $500,000 and guaranteed loan funds in partnership with Native American Bank of Colorado of $500,000 to be used for the construction of a women's and children's center.

"This project is a great example of how federal funding can assist those who are dedicated to providing safety and empowerment to victims of violence," said Acting State Director Tim B. Potts. He continued, "The facility will be centrally located on tribal land near Kyle and services will be available to all residents on the Pine Ridge Reservation."

Cangleska, Inc. is a state incorporated, private, non-profit 501 (c) (3) as well as a tribally chartered organization which was created in 1996 in order to provide domestic violence/sexual assault prevention and intervention services to citizens of the Oglala Sioux Tribe on the Pine Ridge Reservation. Cangleska, Inc. oversees the operations of ten departments including working towards enhancing the safety for victims of domestic and sexual violence,



Top: Construction in progress of the new women and children's shelter just west of Kyle.



Right: Rural Development Acting State Director Tim B. Potts, Karen Artichoker, Jesse Claussen, George Twiss and Ben Artichoker, all representing Cangleska, Inc.

in addition to providing accountability and rehabilitation to the offenders.

Cangleska, Inc. presently operates out of a building

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Pine Ridge High School plans career fair

PINE RIDGE - The Pine Ridge High School will be coordinating a career fair on Dec. 6 at the high school.

This fair will have two parts. The first part will take place in the gymnasium where tables will be set up for post secondary institutions such as Oglala Lakota College, the School of Mines and Technology, South Dakota State University, and military recruiters.

These organizations will be available to talk to interested students. Regional employers such as the Bureau of Indian affairs, Black Hills Regional Hospital, Pine Ridge Hospital, and the United States Forest Service will also be available.

The second part of the career fair will take place in high school classrooms. Individuals from the community and the region will be speaking to students in classrooms around the building.

These speakers will be successful native people, as well as repesentatives from employers around the region.

The idea is to plant a seed and paint a picture for students about life following high school.

Speakers will share their personal journeys including obstacles, choices, and bumps in the road on their journeys.

Lunch will be served to all participants.

If you are interested in knowing more, please email Pine Ridge High School Transition Coordinator, Cory Tomovick at ctomovick@hotmail.com.

Sicangu elder Mary C. Bordeaux Hunger dies at 100 years old

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

MISSION – Long time resident, Sicangu elder Mary C. Bordeaux-Hunger "Wi Waste'ka Win,"(Pretty Moon Women) 100, died at the Winner Regional Healthcare Center in Winner on Oct. 31.

She had celebrated her 100th birthday last June 2 with friends and family in attendance at the healthcare center. She was a very dignified Lakota winyan who was a gracious host and often received visitors with a lot of enthusiasm. She touched the lives of friends and family alike.

She lived in Mission since 1942 and was active in the St. Thomas Alter Society and a long time board member of the White Buffalo Calf Woman's Society.

Wake services were held at the SGU multipurpose building on November 2 and 3 with services each night at 8 p.m. Buddy Edwards led the Catholic wake services and Dorothy Gunhammer assisted him. Hundreds of mourners were in attendance over the course of three days.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Nov. 4 with burial at St. Francis.

A number of speakers were invited to speak about Mary's long life toward the end of the service. SGU President Lionel R. Bordeaux said it best when he said that Mary's death represented the end of an era, as she was one of the few remaining links to the past.

Granddaughter, Monica Larvie, told a story which was related to her by Mary when she was a young girl growing up in White Thunder community east of Wood. Her family had purchased a radio and sat around to listen to it the very first time. Her mother spoke only Lakota and asked the children to keep quiet as she explained that if they could hear those in radio land, they surely could hear them also. Monica explained that Mary lived to see the advent of other greater advances in technology



Mary Bordeaux Hunger died last week at the age of 100.

today. She also served as a resource when Father Eugene Buechel of St. Francis Mission compiled his Lakota language dictionary.

Tillie Black Bear, executive Director of the White Buffalo Calf Woman's Society said when Mary lived in White River, she often helped women who were in need and in that regard, was an early advocate for women. She was also a long time advocate for the WBCWS and would travel at times to conferences. Their travels usually found them in used vehicles which did not have any air conditioning or which had a noisy muffler, but they managed to reach their destination.

Phyllis White Shield-Iyotte, was asked by the family to provide an overview of Mary's life. Much of the information had come from an interview ten years earlier that had been put together by daughter, Theresa and former daughter in law Ann Moran.

Mary was number eight of 13 children born at the Spotted Tail Agency to Charles Bordeaux and Agatha Brunot, who was a Yankton Sioux. She married Adolph Hunger on June 3, 1929 and they had five children; Clara, Charlie, Louie "Buzzy", Wilbur, and Theresa. Her paternal grandfather was James Bordeaux who owned the first trading post in Chadron, Neb. And owned a Trading Post at Fort Laramie, WY. Great Sioux Nation Days.

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Community Calendar
Rez Happenings

Weekly Flu Clinics
Tuesday and Thursdays starting Oct. 24 and running through Nov. 30 in Pine Ridge at the Public Health Nursing building for adults only from 1-5 p..m, for information call 867-3297.

OST Commodity Issue
Monday, Nov. 13 in Martin, Wednesday, Nov. 15 in Porcupine at the CAP office and Evergreen, Friday, Nov. 17 in Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni and Monday, Nov. 20 in Oglala.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
School pow wow on Thursday, Nov. 9 at Loneman School in Oglala with grand entries at 1 p..m and 6:30 p.m. with supper set for 5 p.m.; Friday, Nov. 17 at Porcupine School with grand entries at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m.

DJ Sobriety Dance
Friday, Nov. 10 at the St. Francis Community Center from 9 p.m. to 12 midnight, a fundraiser, for information call 747-5756 or 208-0852.

Surplus Inventory Sale
Friday and Saturday, Nov. 10 and 11 at the St. Agnes Parish Hall in Manderson from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day, lunch will be sold - building materials, supplies, fixtures, cabinets, doors, carpet, etc.

Open House
The OST Homeless Shelter (Akicita Wokini), invites all veterans and families to an open house, Saturday, Nov. 11 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with a lunch set for 11 a.m., for information call 867-2466.

14th Annual Traditional Wacipi
Saturday, Nov. 11 at the Lower Brule Sioux Tribe Community Center with grand entry at 1pm with Kul Wicasa Princess Contest, for information call Arielle at 473-0625 or 473-0699 or Blair at 473-0625.

Boxing Smoker
Little Wound Boxing Smoker on Saturday, Nov. 11 at the LWS Elementary gym with weigh ins at 1 p.m. and fights at 5 p.m.

Gospel Concert 2006
Remember Our Loved Ones Gospel Concert, Saturday, Nov. 18 at the Porcupine CAP Office from 2-9 p.m., lunch will be served at 12 noon before the concert, limited chairs so bring your own chairs.

Pow wow and Art Show
Lakota Red Nations 9th Annual Pow wow and Art Show, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 24 and 25 in Gordon, Neb. at the Gordon City Hall with grand entries set for 7 p.m. on Friday and 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Career Fair
Wednesday, Dec. 6 at Pine Ridge High School with post secondary institutions and regional employers setting up in the gym and individuals speaking to classes from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Christmas Dinner/Traditional Wacipi
Saturday, Dec. 9 at the Mother Butler Center in Rapid City with dinner at 5 p.m. and Wacipi from 7-10:30 p.m., bring a side dish to share with family and friends, main menu provided, everyone welcome, raffle and table rentals available, for info call 545-1399 or 454-1456.

30th Annual Lakota Nation Invitational
Wednesday-Saturday, Dec. 13 through 16 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City featuring a 16 team boy's and a 16 team girl's basketball tournament, hand games, knowledge bowl, language bowl and wrestling tourney.

Holistic Management Workshop
The Holistic Management Workshop has been rescheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 6th and 7th at Club 27 in Kadoka with speaker Wayne Berry, for information call 685-6629.

Cangleska

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owned by the Oglala Sioux Tribe. Cangleska, Inc. has outgrown the present shelter facility and is in need of more space. The newly constructed facility will provide accommodations for thirty women and their children, as well as office/meeting space for the administrative and counseling services of the organization. The federal funding will be leveraged with an applicant contribution of $250,000.

"This construction project is a great example of how effective collaboration creates something positive in a community. We're so thankful that victims of domestic violence will have safe space and the program's capacity to accommodate families in need is increased by a new facility," said Karen Artichoker, management team director for Cangleska, Inc.

The Pine Ridge Reservation is served by the Rapid City Office. Connie Gerard is the Rural Development Specialist who assisted with this application. USDA Rural Development has ten offices in the state that assist rural communities. Office locations include the state office in Huron, along with area offices in Aberdeen, Huron, Mitchell, Pierre, Rapid City, Sioux Falls, Sturgis, Watertown, and Yankton.

USDA Rural Development's mission is to deliver programs in a way that will support increasing economic opportunity and improve the quality of life of rural residents.

Diabetes Prevention Program holds all night marathon walk

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ST. FRANCIS - The second annual Diabetes Prevention Program marathon walk was held at the St. Francis Indian School new track from 6:00 a.m. November 3 and it concluded twenty four hours later at 6:00 a.m. on November 4. The purpose was to draw attention to the potentially debilitating disease which afflicts many Lakota people.

This apparently is the first of several activities by the DPP to raise awareness about the prevention and control of diabetes during National Diabetes Awareness Month as proclaimed by RST president, Rodney M. Bordeaux.

Recent days have been very cold on the Rosebud once the sun goes down, however DPP program staff kicked off the event in collaboration with Sinte Gleska University in the early morning with a Lakota prayer by Tillie Black Bear. Staff from SGU had erected three tipis on the football field and had kept a fire going.

Connie Black Bear-Brushbreaker, Director of the Diabetes Prevention Program which is located next to the I.H.S. hospital in Rosebud explained that their objective was to have someone walking on the track at all times. The DPP program staff worked in 12 hour shifts and would often walk if no one else was on the track. She said, "I am a diabetic also and I walked ten miles so far." She explained that as a way to raise consciousness about diabetes they created the marathon as a way for people to show their support. They would get no incentives or gifts for walking, but their efforts would help to focus attention on the need to take such preventive measures to fight diabetes.

There was a sign-in sheet and walkers were fed lunch, dinner, snacks and breakfast during the event. The snacks also included water for all participants.

Last year there were over 400 walkers who walked during the marathon and though it was difficult to predict the total number of walkers this year, many SFIS students could be seen walking on the track. The Rosebud Sioux Tribe had offered its workers administrative leave if they wanted to participate in the marathon walk.

The other members of the DPP staff include, Wopila Bad Hand, Tonya Whirlwind Soldier, and Alex Whipple all put in over 80 laps as the idea was to have someone walking continuously.

Javier Alegree, public information officer for the DDP noted in a press release on Monday that the marathon walk was a success and that 200 total walkers had signed in and participated. For more information please visit www.rstdpp.org.

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At the point of the interview ten years ago, she had 16 grandchildren, a number of grandchildren and thirty-three great-grandchildren. She was active in the Catholic Church most of her life. Her hobbies included quilting and crafts and went to the 8th grade at St. Francis Indian Mission.

Mary did not speak English until she attended Catholic school and related that the vocations that were taught at SFM included, cooking sewing, beading, crochet, and quilt work for the girls. Mary was quoted ten years ago as remembering, "From living away from school in tents and on the ground and in log homes, it was not uncommon to get serious ailments. Such as tuberculosis, diphtheria, cholera from impure water." She also noted that, "100 years ago, the Jesuit Priests were the early missionaries among the Sioux here. They traveled by horse and buggy to the Sioux homes.

One early missionary, Father Eugene Buechel, who started the first Sioux dictionary, but he died before completion."

She was the first Lakota woman to be admitted to the all girls Catholic Academy in O'Neil, Neb. and Honorary Doctorate Degree from Sinte Gleska University, she was very proud of that fact.

Defenders of the Black Hills to meet on Rosebud Nov. 25

ST. FRANCIS - Defenders of the Black Hills will hold their Regular November Meeting on Saturday, Nov. 25, from 1 to 5 p.m. at the St. Francis Community Hall, St. Francis, SD. This is the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

The November monthly meeting will be in St. Francis so many of the elders and other people living on the Rosebud Reservation may attend. The wisdom and spiritual guidance of elders helps this work to protect and restore the environment of the 1868 and 1851 Treaty Territory.

Other items on the agenda include a report on the United Nations Expert Treaty Seminar held in Alberta, Canada, and a discussion on plans for a Uranium Summit to be held Dec. 20 at Hot Springs.

There will be a feed for all who attend, and a couple of honoring ceremonies will be held. This is for Wopila for all the years the Teton Sioux Nation Treaty Council has participated at the International level with the United Nations. Everyone is invited to attend.

For further information, or to donate food or gifts, call (605) 399-1868.

Holiday Hoops Classic Dec. 2

PORCUPINE - The sixth annual Holiday Hoops Classic will be held Dec. 2 and 3 at Porcupine School.

The tourney will be an eight tournament of staff only, proof of employment will be required. Awards include sweaters, tshirts and there will be free admission. For more information contact Harold Hollow Horn at 441-4199 or 455-6474.

Chantel Wilson memorial walk Nov. 20

PINE RIDGE - There will be a four directions memorial walk in memory of Chantel Wilson on Monday, Nov. 20 at a 10 a.m. at Pine Ridge.

This is the second year the walk is held to bring awareness to meth use. Chantel Wilson died when she was 15 years old of a one time use of meth. The family of Chantel appreciates all the people, schools, organizations for their support of the walk last year, especially Will Peters, Charlie White Elk and Beverly Tuttle.

The walk will start from the four directions of the four way in Pine Ridge at 10 a.m. and meet at the intersection. There will be special speakers, prayers, and will conclude with a meal at the Billy Mills Hall. A free dance will follow later in the day. Meth information, tshirts and water will be distributed to the participants.

In May of 2006, a concert and community awareness event was held to bring awareness to the devasting effects of meth use.

Little Wound School Events

KYLE - The following are a list of events and activities for Little Wound School.

Monday - Nov. 13

3:30 p.m. - Middle School girls basketball game @ Loneman

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 pm - K-5 Mother/Daughter night

Middle School 21st Century tutoring

Tuesday - Nov. 14

3:30 pm - Middle School Basketball game @ American Horse

3:45 p.m. - Middle School Staff meeting

5:00 p.m. - 9:00 pm - Family Literacy, Fitness & Community Prevention

Wednesday - Nov. 15

"Youth Leadership" Craft Night

Middle School 21st Century Tutoring

3:45 p.m. - Parental Involvement Meeting in auditorium

Thursday - Nov. 16

3:45 p.m. - Middle School girls basketball game vs Wounded Knee

Friday - Nov. 17

Teca Wacipi Okolakiyi Pow-Wow at Porcupine.

Reservation bound homes stalled

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - New mobile homes that are supposed to be brought to South Dakota Indian reservations to ease housing problems are tied up in federal red tape.

The trailers, which are stored in Arkansas, were bound for hurricane victims in the South last year but never were used.

Sen. Tim Johnson, D-S.D., helped push a provision through Congress to make the transfer possible.

But the Federal Emergency Management Agency first must complete an inventory to determine how many of the mobile homes are surplus and can be sent to reservations.

FEMA and Department of the Interior officials also are developing a procedure for tribes to apply for the trailers.

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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I'd let you inspire me some more by letting me in on some information. Currently, I am going through a lot of emotional feelings about how my family is running right now. Well, I have been wondering if you could tell me if I will ever leave the father of my children?

He told me he changed when we were back together and until this day he hasn't changed any bit. I am under pressure lately and am trying to lose weight but find it very hard to have time.

Will I lose weight? I have also been wondering if I will ever have a relationship with this guy I met in August of last year? I have seen him at a powwow but was too scared to talk or say hi, do you think he felt the same? When I met him I thought me and him were going to be an item, but he ended up moving away to attend college and had a girlfriend. I really think he is the one to be with. He and I are alike,

Feeling undecided

Dear Feeling Undecided:

Yes, you will lose weight when you separate from you current boyfriend.

What made you think your boyfriend would change? Because he said so? Basically, without counseling and real effort people don't change their basic philosophy and attitudes, respect and behavior. Without some kind of intervention things will just stay the same. He still has the same problems and the same attitudes about his problems.

Mostly, he is into blame - he thinks you are his problem, and that you cause all of his problems.He still views the world in the same way. He is still angry and resentful and he doesn't trust women - any woman. Will you leave him? That is what, eventually, you will have to do, or decide that it is okay to be miserable.

They guy at the powwow? Nothing is really going to go on there at all. He has a girlfriend, and despite your thinking you are in the market - you are not. You are not single until you are single.

But, please don't make the desire to be with someone else your reason for leaving your current boyfriend. Leave him because you don't want to be there - not to be with someone else. You have co-dependent behavior (or you wouldn't be in an unhappy relationship any longer than it takes to discover you are unhappy) and you will take those behaviors with you into the next relationship. That will guarantee another miserable relationship. So, stop the cycle. Get some therapy in codependency. Find your personal power and quit expecting some man to make you happy. No man can do that, only you can do that.

You feel like an adult child of an alcoholic parent. That presents all kinds of whick-whack behavior patters. Programmed responses to any given situation that result in destructive behavior.

You can recover from this cycle, go forward and find a wonderful life with a wonderful mate - but you have to take the first step with education about yourself and your behaviors. Please do that.

I do see you leaving the man you are with, hooking up with another guy, not getting therapy, being miserable and continuing on in that cycle clear until you are in your forties. Please change your future. Blessings to you.

Dear Anna,

I have been with my boyfriend for almost a decade and he and I are still not married. We have children and he is wonderful. I have cheated on him twice, but it occurred more than a year ago. I have since sworn to not do it again.

Lately though it just seems like I have been thinking about sleeping with someone else. It makes me feel really bad on the inside.

My boyfriend and I have been through a lot this year and he has forgiven me. I have been honest with him about it and we have worked out a lot of issues, but I am unable to tell him about my impure thoughts.

How do I know he would tell me if he had the same thoughts? He has also admitted to something with one of our friends. I just feel like he isn't telling me the whole truth about his mistakes in the time we have been together. I know I should put it in the past but it just doesn't feel right to move on yet because something doesn't fit into the picture.

How can I trust him if I don't know him as well as I thought I did?

Stuck in a rut and need assistance soon
Dear Stuck in a rut:

At least your letter made me smile. First rule of a healthy relationship is don't try to monitor your mate's thoughts. The thought police routine is a very harsh road.

Second rule in a relationship is not to say too much about your own wayward thinking. Until you are "in action" you are not guilty of anything (except certain religions tell you that impure thoughts are a sin). Action is what does count.

You are bored. Find something to think about besides sex with someone else. When you decide that the relationship you are in is OVER - then end it, then do what you want. Don't set yourself up for failure by deciding that sex with someone different will help you. It will complicate your life, it will work on your own personal "guilt center." Personally, I don't understand how anybody that is busy with children, working, cleaning their house, sports activities and school activities with their children, helping with homework, grocery shopping, preparing meals, doing the dishes and driving to and from anywhere and everywhere can have an ounce of energy left for fantasies, let alone anything left over for extra curricular sexual activity.

What are you doing that you have so much spare time and energy?

Relationships that are built on sex as a foundation will fail unless there is a lot more going on.

Long term relationships suffer from boredom, if the couple do not find each other stimulating physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually.

Long term relationships with healthy sex lives include a feeling of tenderness and trust that only long term relationships can create.

Orgasms are a very insecure investment. For ten to fifteen seconds you risk everything you have invested in your current relationship and life. That is a truth that more men than women disregard, and then pay for it with everything they own.

If you don't feel attractive or sexy, then address your concerns with diet and exercise. Don't search for another man to tell you are attractive and sexy.

He will tell you that for as long as he "needs" you, then he'll dump you and gossip about you. The payoff is worse than the investment.

Again, your condition is emotionally and mentally within you. It is a psychological problem. One you have to fix with healthy tools. Learn to love yourself, be appreciative for what you have, and focus your life on being the wonderful, loving, powerful woman that you are.

Don't worry about trusting your mate. It is you that you don't trust.

Dear Anna,

I have a few questions to ask and I was wondering what if I were to introduce my baby to my boyfriend, is it too soon? How would my family and in laws feel about it? I talk with my son's grandmother but it would bother them.

You see my son already learned his new words and above all things it is 'da da.' The main part of it is that he don't know his real dad and maybe won't. But times were hard but now I have gotten the hang of it so far. I also how does the next year look for me? What does my boyfriend feel for me? Does my son's father still have feelings for us and when will he ever come back? Will he forgive me?

Headstrong and confused

Dear Headstrong and confused:

The easiest sound for a child to make is the "da da" sound. It doesn't really have much association with a dad, unless people reinforce it with recognition or association with a dad. Your in-laws won't necessarily like you introducing your child to a man, but if he isn't a creep, they won't mind too much. If you make a big deal about introducing him to a man that is in your life then it will be a big deal.

If you treat it casually, as mommy's friend, and it is in the rhythm of all of your other friends, then your child won't react very strongly at all. He will take his cues from you. All children don't like to be usurped by another person coming into the household - in other words; they want all of their mom's attention all of the time.

Don't feed into that or your child will blackmail you with temper tantrums anytime that he is not the center of attention. Be very careful about having a man move into your home. Take a very long time before you consider that as an option.

Healthy people have friends and their children learn to be social and have manners in the company of people that are their parent's friends. Again, if you make a big deal out of it then so will your child. Parents continually get all upset over something and then their children get upset (taking the cues from mom and dad). The parents then feel that whatever has upset them is upsetting to the child, when in fact, it is the parents being upset that upsets the child.

Your baby's dad is not coming back. In time, he will be okay with you, but he has decided that he doesn't want a woman in his life that would betray him. Pray that he understands that you are just a human, that you make mistakes, and that you are still a good person. He just doesn't want to be hurt by you again so he will stay away.

Good luck. You will find a wonderful man in your life when your son is about three. Until then, everyone you date is just that - someone you date - not your life mate. I am glad that you are concerned for your child - that makes you a good and caring mom.

This next year looks better than last year for you. You will make more money, have more fun, and feel good about all that you have accomplished for yourself and your child.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551.

All requests may be subject to publication.

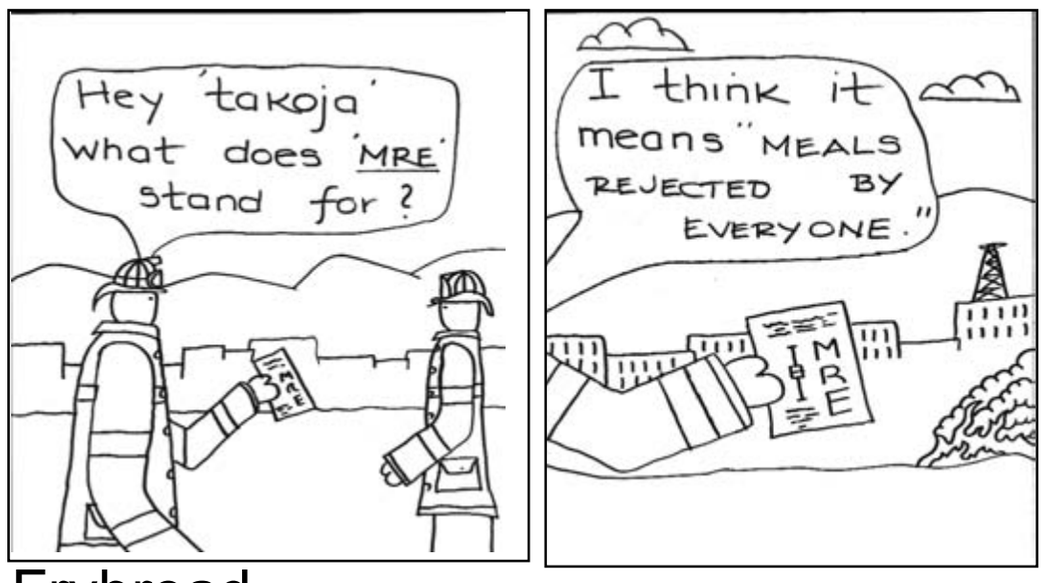
Clearly mark Ask Anna on your request. This column is meant for entertainment purposes only.

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Allow two to three weeks for an answer to Ask Anna inquiries.

The Rez Firefighter (Peta Usniyapi)

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Frybread By Thom Little Moon



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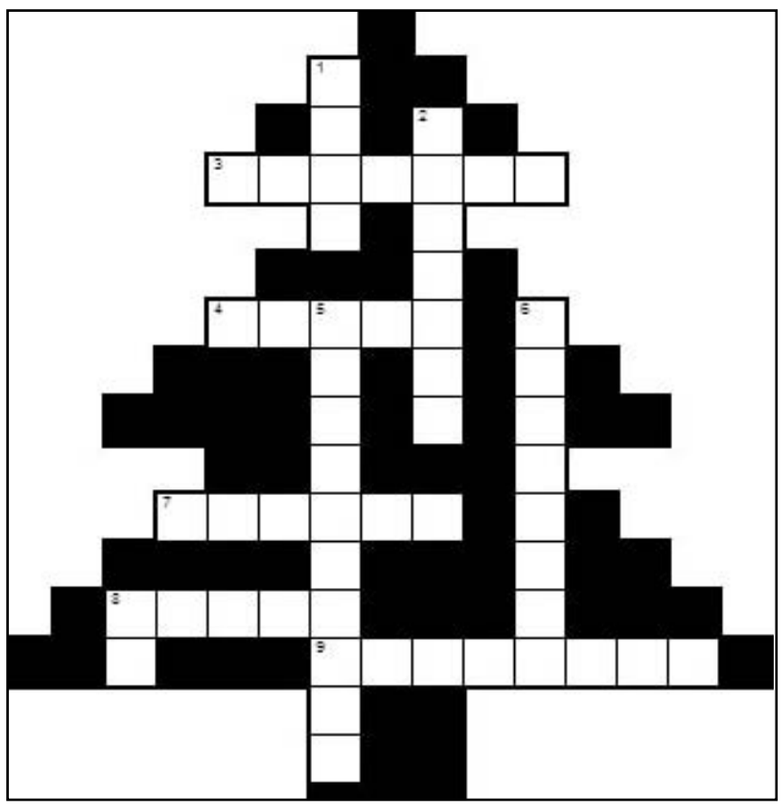


Lakota Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)

Across
3 leaves (7)
4 egg (5)
7 telephone (6)
8 squash (5)
9 gloves (8)

Down
1 cold (4)
2 creek (7)
5 sheep (10)
6 lightening (8)
8 sun (2)



Memorial dinner and feed for Richard Verdell Metcalf on Nov. 12

ST. FRANCIS - At Digmann Hall at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 12.

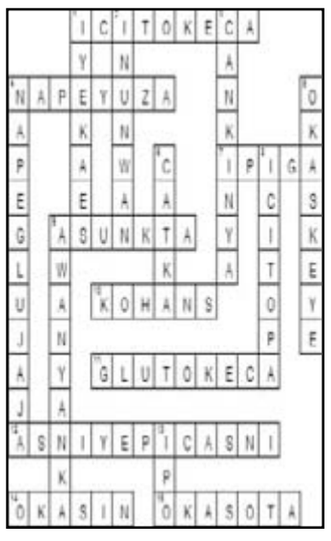
Roy Stone, Sr. will offer a Lakota prayer.

The Spring Creek drum will be the host and

"Everyone" is cordially invited.

'Verdell' was a four term RST tribal council representative.

Answers from last week's puzzle



- RESIDENTIAL WORKER WANTED -

Lutheran Social Services is looking for a friendly, responsible individual to provide supervision/support for young adults in our independent living program, Stepping Stones. Responsibilities include routine curfew checks and transports. Part & full time hours available in AM and PM. Must be 21 with High School Diploma, Bachelor's preferred: one year related experience & driver's license required. Salary DOE.

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Robert Grey Eagle, 53.....Rushville, Neb.
Frederick A. Moeller, 48.....Martin
Derek A. Boerschig, 17..... Manderson
Arta M. Winters, 18..... Potato Creek
Flora Bird Head-Larvie, 48..... Pine Ridge
Rev. Leslie Bobtail Bear, 70.....Little Eagle
Jontay J. Iron Horse,13 months.....Oglala
Sterling B. Little, 61..... Tripp
Melody C. High Hawk, 41..... Porcupine
Fenton Little Dog Sr., 47..... Timber Lake
James John Wilson, 48.....Porcupine

Robert Fast Horse-Grey Eagle

RUSHVILLE, Neb. - Robert Fast Horse-Grey Eagle, 53, died Nov. 4 at the Gordon Memorial Hospital of Gordon, Neb.

She is survived by spouse Janeen Lone Hill-Grey Eagle, Rushville, Neb.; sons Jesse Grey Eagle, St. Paul, Minn.; Jaron Grey Eagle, Rushville, Neb.; Travis Lone Elk, Minneapolis, Minn.; daughters Latisha Mesteth, Manderson; TaShina Fast Horse, Pine Ridge; Zannita Fast Horse, Jenna Grey Eagle, Jonna Grey Eagle and Dana Lone Hill all of Rushville, Neb.; Jaida Grey Eagle, Minneapolis, Minn. And Flute Song Woman Fast Horse-Elk, Pocatello, Idaho; brothers Leslie Bush, Porcupine; Thomas Tyon, Wyoming and a sister: Amelia Torres of Lead; and 25 grandchildren. A first-night wake was Wednesday, Nov. 8 at Billy Mills Hall, Pine Ridge and Thursday at the Porcupine School, Porcupine.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 10 at the Porcupine School.

Interment will be at the Gospel Mission Cemetery, Porcupine.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Frederick A. Moeller

MARTIN - Frederick A. Moeller, 48, died Nov. 3 at the Bennett County Hospital of natural causes.

Survivors include a daughter: Melanie Dubray of Chicago, Ill.; a brother Leslie Moeller of Martin and a sister Wanda Cottier of Martin.

A wake service was held Tuesday, Nov. 7 at Frederick Moeller residence, Sunrise Housing in Martin

Funeral services were Wednesday, Nov.8 at the Frederick Moeller Residence in Martin.

Officiating was Rev. Jeff Siscoe with burial in the Lakota Chapel Cemetery in Martin.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Interment: Lakota Chapel Cemetery, Martin, SD

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Derek A. Boerschig

MANDERSON - Derek A. Boerschig, 17, Manderson, died Thursday, Nov. 2, in Manderson. Survivors include his parents, Frank and Diane Boerschig, Manderson; one brother, Ryan Boerschig, Manderson; and three sisters, Inez Boerschig, Frankie Boerschig and Kelsey Boerschig, all of Manderson. Wake services were Monday, Nov. 6, at Wounded Knee District School in Manderson.

Funeral services were Wednesday, Nov. 8, at the school, with the Rev. Chris Collins officiating.

Burial was at St. Agnes Catholic Cemetery, Man-der-son. Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Arta M. Winters

POTATO CREEK - Arta M. Winters, 18, Potato Creek, died Monday, Oct. 30, in Interior as a result of an automobile accident.

Survivors include her parents, Eugene Winters Sr. and Phyllis Winters, Potato Creek; four brothers, Larry Rodriguez and Joe Winters, both of Potato Creek, Cary Winters, Rapid City, and Stacy Winters, Leavenworth, Kan., and four sisters, Lois Winters and Farrah Winters, both of Potato Creek, Clair Two Bulls, Kyle, and Raina Rodriguez, Rapid City.

Wake services were Nov. 4 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Hall in Kyle and at Crazy Horse School in Wanblee.

Funeral services were Monday, Nov. 6, at the school, with the Rev. Rob Kroll officiating and traditional Lakota services by Larry Swalley.

Burial was at the Winters Family Cemetery, Bear Creek.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Flora Bird Head-Larvie

PINE RIDGE - Flora Bird Head-Larvie, 48, Pine Ridge, died Wednesday, Nov. 1 at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include two sons, Duane Star Jr. and Joseph Star, both of Pine Ridge; one daughter, Frenchone Larvie, Carswell, Texas; two brothers, Marvin Runs Above, Pine Ridge, and Sylvester Bird Head, Rapid City; and two sisters, Rebecca Runs Above and Bonita Black Elk, both of Pine Ridge.

Wake services were Saturday, Nov. 4, at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services were Monday, Nov. 6, at Billy Mills Hall, with the Rev. Rhoda Mesteth officiating.

Burial was at Holy Cross Episcopal Cemetery in Pine Ridge. Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Rev. Leslie Bobtail Bear

LITTLE EAGLE - The Rev. Leslie Bobtail Bear, 70, Little Eagle, died Friday, Nov. 3, at St. Alexius Hospital in Bismarck, N.D. Arrangements are pending with Oster Funeral Home in Mobridge.

Jontay J. Iron Horse

OGLALA - Jontay J. Iron Horse, 13 months, died Friday, Oct. 3, 2006, at her home. Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge.

Sterling B. Little

TRIPP - Sterling B. Little, 61, Tripp and formerly of Oglala, died Saturday, Oct. 28, at Avera St. Benedict Hospital in Parkston. Survivors include two sisters, Sandra Woodard, Rosebud, and Serena Little, Salt Lake City.

Graveside services were Nov. 6 at Makasan Presbyterian Cemetery in Oglala.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Tamako A. Grinnell

RAPID CITY - Tamako A. Grinnell, 80, Rapid City, died Sunday, Oct. 29, in Meade County.

Survivors include her husband, Fred Grinnell, Rapid City; one daughter, Masae Terada, Japan; one brother, Sapporo Hokkaido, Japan; and two grandchildren. Visitation was Sunday, Nov. 5, at Kirk Funeral Home in Rapid City.

Graveside services were Monday, Nov. 6, at Black Hills National Cemetery near Sturgis.

Melody C. Kills Crow Indian-High Hawk

PORCUPINE - Melody C. Kills Crow Indian-High Hawk, 41, Porcupine, died Monday, Oct. 30, in Newcastle, Wyo., as a result of an automobile accident.

Survivors include three sons, Trinity Brave Heart, William High Hawk and Julian High Hawk, all of Porcupine; three daughters, Ashley Peltier and Mary High Hawk, both of Porcupine, and Lisa Contreras, Wheatland, Wyo.; her mother, Helen Kills Crow Indian, Porcupine; one brother, Charles Iron Rope, Kyle; and one sister, Gloria High Hawk, New Kensington, Pa.

Wake services were Nov. 2 at Porcupine CAP Office.

Funeral services were Saturday, Nov. 4, at Porcupine CAP Office, with Emerson Spider Jr. and Abraham Tobacco officiating.

Burial was at Native American Church Cemetery in Porcupine.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Fenton Little Dog Sr.

TIMBER LAKE - Fenton Little Dog Sr., 47, Timber Lake and formerly of Little Eagle, died Monday, Oct. 30, at Mobridge Regional Hospital.

Wake services were Nov. 2 at Blue Gym in Little Eagle. Funeral services were Friday, Nov. 3, at the gym, with the Rev. Leslie Bobtail Bear, Diana Covey, Rocky White Mountain and the Standing Rock lay readers officiating, and traditional services by Allen Flying By and J.B. Kills Pretty Enemy.

Burial was at St. John's Episcopal Cemetery in Bullhead.

James John Wilson

PINE RIDGE - James John Wilson IV, 48, died on Oct.29.

James, who was better known as "Jimmy John" was born on May 15, 1958 in Pine Ridge to James "Dr. Jim" Wilson and Florence Ellen (Whipple) Wilson.

Jimmy John will best be remembered for his excellent guitar playing skills. He also sang and played the piano. He played with various local bands through out the years, including Arrow Space and most recently he played lead guitar and sang with the Mystic Warrior Band.

In addition to his love of music, Jimmy John enjoyed working with electronics, carpentry, and construction. He served in the U. S. Army.

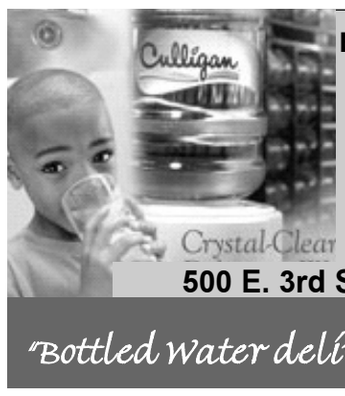
Survivors include his wife, Eileen Wilson, of Pine Ridge; his father, Dr. James J. Wilson III, of Rapid city; two brothers, Charles Wilson, of Minneapolis, and Thomas Wilson of Pine Ridge; and three sisters, Lyn Wilson-Pine and Edna Wilson, both of Rapid City, and Donna Wilson, of No. 4 Community.He is also survived by special friend (adopted son), Willy Shangreaux, of Pine Ridge, and his beloved pets Nubsy, Skinny, Weasel Head, Nita, Burp, and Angie.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Florence Ellen (Whipple) Wilson, three nieces, Cassandra Pine, Christina Lone Elk-Wilson, and Kateri Wilson, and twin nephews, James and Jamie Wilson.

A one-night wake was held on Thursday Nov. 2 at Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Nov. 3 at Billy Mills Hall, with the Rev. Rhoda Mesteth and Ben Tyon officiating. Burial was at the Wilson Famliy Cemetery in No. 4 Community. Sioux Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

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- Position Announcement - Professional Research Assistants

Positions #678632 Req.#17521 **Position#678633 Req.#17523**

The American Indian and Alaska Native Programs (AIAMP), University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center, seeks 2 full time Professional Research Assistants (PRAs) on the Wiconi Teca Waste Project.This position is based in Pine Ridge, SD.

Duties:

Locate local, eligible study participants; organize and participate in research project data collection; maintain all required documentation w/accuracy and timeliness; collaborate with other project research assistants; and other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

MS Office Suite preferred; flexibility in work schedule (some evenings/weekends);professionalism and observation of confidentiality and appropriate communication; detail oriented and efficient; some knowledge and interest in HIV-prevention or school-based programs, research experience preferred; knowledge of Lakota language and culture preferred.

Minimum Requirements:

Bachelor's degree or equivalent work experience; computer experience; valid driver's license, reliable personal vehicle, proof of auto liability insurance, and willingness to travel reservation-wide, and occasionally out of state.

Salary: $28,500-$31,000 commensurate with experience

To Apply: Send a cover letter, resume, and names of three professional references to: PRA-WTW-FW8 Search Committee, Mail Stop F800, PO Box 6508, Aurora, CO 80045. Please indicate "WTW-FW8 Search" on the resume or cover letter.

Application Deadline: **11/21/06**

The University of Colorado at Denver and Health Sciences Center requires background investigations for employment. The University of Colorado is committed to diversity and equality in education and employment.

INVITATION FOR WORKMAN COMP BID

Little Wound School Board is seeking a Workmen's Compensation bid for the period of November 7, 2006 through December 31, 2007.

Sealed proposals will be opened and acted upon at the Regular Board meeting on Monday, November 20, 2006. Little Wound School Board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or to waive any informality, and to accept the proposal that is to the advantage of and in the best interest of the Little Wound School.

Closing dated for sealed proposals is 2:00 pm on Friday, November 17, 2006. Please submit proposals in a sealed envelope marked "Work Comp Bid" to the School Business manager or the following address: Little Wound School, Paula Pourier, Business Manager, P.O. Box #500, 500 Main Street, Kyle, SD 577520-0500.

For more information you may contact Paula Pourier at 605-455-6173

ROSEBUD ELECTRONIC INTEGRATION CORPORATION POSITION OPENINGS

REIC is seeking for Program Analyst to perform detailed financial analysis of costs and revenue, compile different sources of information for reporting, advise management in the areas of cost analysis and cost control issues, and prepare budget reports with differing types of analyses.

REIC is also looking for Electronic Integration Technicians to begin work in the January/February timeframe for the Advanced Electronic Rosebud Integration (AERI) Army Project.

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Applications can be picked up at the RST Resource Development Office in Mission, SD.
For more information, please call (605) 856-5644.

Prairie Wind Casino Oglala Sioux Tribe

SOLICITING FOR PROPOSALS

Prairie Wind Casino is soliciting proposals for a packaged Health insurance quote to include health, dental, vision, short term disability and life insurance to become effective January 1, 2007.

The proposal must state your understanding of the work to be done and must include the qualifications and experience of your firm and staff. A copy of your firm's latest quality review letter must be included in your proposal.

If applicable, minority and Indian preference must be requested in the proposal.

Cost will not be the only determining factor in awarding the proposal. Tlhe Prairie Wind Casino reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Proposals must be sealed and postmarked by December 8, 2006, at 5:00 PM.

Please address to ATTN: Human Resource Department, Prairie Wind Casino, HC 49 Box 10, Pine Ridge, SD 57770.

Call 605-867-6300 Extension 121 for more information.

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Happy Birthday to 3 of my greatest Grandkids
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Minez Apple Nov. 11
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Happy Birthday my little Darlings, Grandma loves you very much, with all our love, Grandma Ann & Unci Mildred

Happy Belated Birthday to my precious Son: Billy Apple II on Oct. 30 Love you very much and God Bless You Love, Mom

Happy Belated Birthday to Loretta Takes War Bonnet on Oct. 30th plus Congrats to your new Baby Boy Smitty :) Love your family in Martin

Happy Belated Birthday to our son Joseph Means We love you Baby J. With Love, Mom & Dad

To my Big Bro in Kyle. Hey Zack, bet ya tought we 4got about you huh? Just want you to know we do care, so hang in there... your lil' sis Court and family

Happy Birthday (also) to Destiny Watson on Nov. 12. You're making us proud! Mom Shannon, DadGerald and the rest of your family in Oglala.

Happy 14th Birthday to our only lil' brother Leon Eagle jr. Much luve, Emily, Whit, Doris, Mom, Dad,Kobe, Alexus Have a lot of fun!

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Happy Birthday Alycia Take Care and God Bless you and help you in lyour endeavors. Love, your family

We would like to say congratulations to our cousin Lauretta "Kizzy" Two Hearts on her new baby girl Melania. she is so pretty just like her mommy. we can't wait to take her for a cruise with us this summer. Love always, your crazy cousins next door, Shanay, Shantay and Jordan.

Just wanted to say Happy Birthday to Shelby Dallas Clifford and Logan Wade Clifford WE love you Love Dad WILL, Rox and Garrett

Memorial Dinner & Feed For Richard Verdell Metcalf At Digmann Hall at 1PM on Sunday, November 12 Roy Stone, Sr. will offer a Lakota prayer. The Spring Creek drum will be the host and "Everyone" is cordially invited. 'Verdell' was a four term RST tribal council representative.

Congratulations to Calob Two Hearts for his new sister Melania. Your're a big brother now you have alittle sister to watch out for, take care of your crazy cousins next door. Shanay, Shantay and your partner in crime Jordan Rashawn.

I wanna let my kids Shanay, Shantay and Jordan know how proud of them I am, keep up the good work in school, to my oldest Shanay thank you for stepping up and helping me with your little brother and sister, I know they get on your nerves sometimes but remember you're their only sister they have and you all have to take up for each other, you know deep down inside they love you, to my dancing girl Shantay I am so proud of you for trying your hardest in school, Geez, your 4th grade already, time sure flies by, and to my baby boy Jordan Rashawn son your growing up so fast, your already 2nd grade, you amaze me with everything you do, you're so handsome and smart, no matter what, you 3 will always be my babies,
Love always
Your mommy, Alyce

LEGALS

Request for Proposals

The Rosebud Sioux Tribe is requesting proposals from any and all firms and individuals for the provision of lobbying services for the 2007 South Dakota Legislative Session.

Interested firms and individuals must have a background in or experience with working with Federal and State agencies on issues, topics, and proposed legislation in State and/or Federal legislative governmental branches.

Statement of work

The firm or individuals selected by the Rosebud Sioux Tribe will perform services including but not limited to:

1. Report on and analyze proposed legislation affecting Native Americans, Indian Country generally, and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.
2. Organization and coordination of testimony on proposed legislation by community leaders, elected officials of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, and other qualified experts and advocates on issues affecting Indian Country.
3. Track and update the status of legislation affecting Native Americans and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.
4. Provide research and information to legislators.
5. Propose, draft, and contact media sources for press releases and other releases of information on behalf of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.
6. Collect and disseminate information on voting by legislators, identify and legislation not favorable to the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, develop, coordinate, and pursue strategies for both types of legislation, record and report on voting results.
7. Prepare a final report on legislation enacted by the 2007 South Dakota Legislature.

Budget:

Respondents to this Request for proposal must bid an hourly rate with an estimate of the total project budget for the term of the 2007 South Dakota Legislative Session with a total budget in the range of $10,000 to $15,000. The total contract price will not exceed $15,000.

Deadline for submission of Proposals

Please submit your proposals to the address listed below by December 5th, 2006. If you have any questions regarding this request for proposals, please contact:

Michael Lapoint, Chief of Staff, President's Office,Rosebud Sioux Tribe
PO Box 430
Rosebud, SD 57570
Phone: (605) 747-2381

Point of Contact

The primary point of contact for submitting proposals is:

Rodney M. Bordeaux, President
Rosebud Sioux Tribe
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Congrtulations to our daughter on a job well done by placing 1st at the AAU Regional Cross Country Meet held in Yankton SD on Oct. 28, 2006. We are very proud of you Destiny Monique Watson. Hope you make lus lmore proud at Orlando, Florida From: Mom shannon, Dad Gerald, your bro Wanbli (Thunder) and your lil sisters whisper, Peyton, Skyla, Kristin & Taryn

Congratulations to my niece Lauretta Two Hearts on the birth of her new baby girl Melania Velma Rose Two Hearts, your baby girls finally here and she is so beautiful. Take care of her, they grow up fast, remember I am always here for you
Auntie Alyce & family

Happy Veteran's Day



To My Dad
Dr. Archie Beauvais

"Beaux"

Welcome Melania Velma Rose Two Hearts, born 10-26-06, you're finally here, took you long enough you're so beautiful you have the prettiest eyes, remember you have a bunch of grandma, grandpak uncles, aunties and cousin who will always be here for you.

Happy Birthday to our daughter-in-law
Alycia Wilson, on Nov. 9, 2006
We hop you have many more as you deserve the best, and many more. Keep up the good work in college & we are looking for that 4 year degree! You can do it. Love and God Bless,
Ray & Carole

Happy Birthday to Al ycia,
Hope you have the best day ever. We wish you many more & thanks for everything you do for us. Have fun, RaJuanna, Joseph and Lyndon

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I want to thank you guys at Lakota Country Times for everything you do to get the News out.
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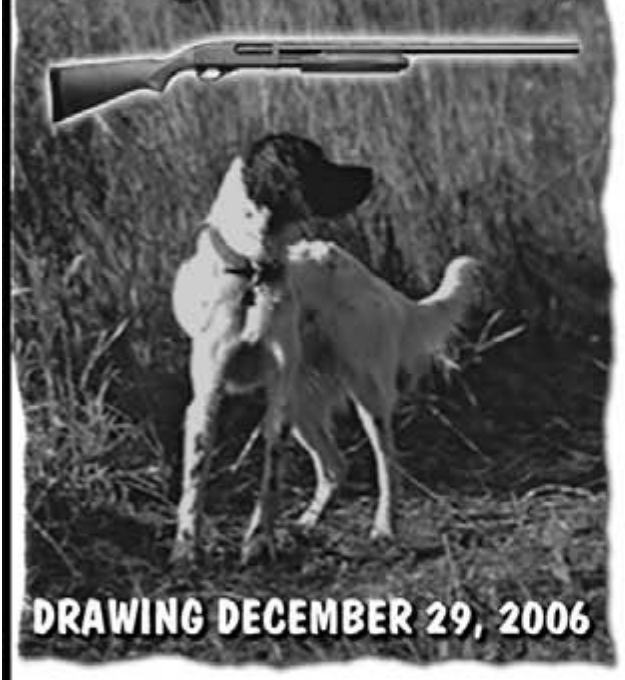
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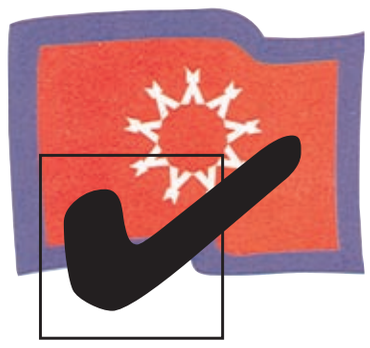
OST election may be redone

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - OST Election Board completed the official general election count on Monday and all three board members signed off on the results on Tuesday. Official results were in jeopardy after Charlene Black Horse, board chair walked out on Friday.

"We are moving ahead with a general election for Wakpamni District," said Sandy Bettelyoun, board member, "we were hoping to have it on Nov. 21 but it looks like it will be in early December."

The judiciary committee of the tribal council met Wednesday afternoon and directed the OST executive board to do what is necessary to bring a resolution to the question of the election and decide on a way to move forward. Alex White Plume, using his administrative operating procedures, selected Lydia Bear Killer to be acting secretary so that the executive board could meet. Last week White Plume had suspended Rhonda Two Eagle, OST secretary, and over the past week had attempted to have four executive board meetings to no avail. No decision had been made by either the tribal council or the executive board as to whether the general election conducted on Tuesday, Nov. 7 would count or whether a new timeframe



would be put together to conduct a new primary and a new general up to that point.

"We really need to think of the credibility of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, there were so many problems with both the primary election and the ballots and the brouhaha on general election day over stopping the election or continuing on and fighting over the ballot boxes that for the sake of the reputation of the tribe and the belief in a fair election system, we need to do a new election," said current OST vice president, Eileen Janis.

On Oct. 22 the first Court of Election Appeals ordered a new primary election. On the 23, the tribal council voted to go on with the general. On Nov. 6 the second court of Election Appeals ordered a new primary and general election with a timeline adequate to have full background checks on all candidates. On Nov. 7 the election board went on with the general election. The Court of Election Appeals made a supplemental order and voted to certify Alex White Plume as a candidate and ordered the election stopped and asked the public safety to secure the ballot boxes.

The council attempted to meet in Manderson on Monday, Nov. 13 needing a quorum of 12 they were at 11 when Walt Big Crow left and Philip Good Crow arrived, still at 11, Craig Dillon left and Tom Poor Bear arrived, still at 11. White Plume went on with an informal meeting and those gathered listened to a variety of speakers including Floyd Hand, Bernice White Hawk, Bob and Anita

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RST works to deter gang activity among youth

By Vi Waln
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - In the fall of 2005, the National Violence Prevention Resource Center was contracted by the Aberdeen Area Mental Health Office of Indian Health Services to prepare an assessment of youth gang activity within the Rosebud Reservation.

Chris Cuestas, a nationally recognized expert in criminal street gangs, visited the Rosebud area in October and December 2005. Meetings were held for community members interested in providing input on their perceptions and experiences regarding gang and youth violence locally. Attendees completed surveys and also provided personal anecdotes.

Cuestas also interviewed several individuals while following up on graffiti indicators and night-time observations. Area program personnel were presented with NVPRC's mission and completed surveys regarding youth services. In addition, quantitative data was compiled from housing, law enforcement, courts, planning and enrollment. The resulting assessment was delivered to the Rosebud Sioux Tribal Council.

Subsequently, the tribal council approved a two year contract with NVPRC to develop and administer a gang reduction task force for the tribe. This contract was funded by the Sicangu Wicoti Awanyakape (SWA) and the RST Education Department (RSTED). The RSTED is the liaison for the contract and receives a monthly summary of activity, including copies of meeting rosters.

Gang Reduction through Intervention, Prevention and Suppression (GRIPS) was created as a multi-disciplinary task force for the RST in an effort to reduce gang activity within the Rosebud reservation. The initial meeting was in May 2006 with 15 community members and RST program personnel attending.

Also during the month of May 2006, a task force overview was presented to 280 community members, parents, students, school staff members and tribal officials. Communities and entities participating included Parmelee, St. Francis, Rosebud, Okreek, Sinte Gleska University's Family Life Center, Rosebud Boys & Girls club and the Wanbli Wiconi Tipi. A public service announcement was also broadcast on KINI radio station.

In June 2006, membership applications for positions on the task force were accepted from 17 program staff and community members including the Boys & Girls Club, SWA Corporation, RST Prosecutor's Office, Rosebud Police Department, SGU Gear-Up Project, RSTED, TCSD, Piya Mani Otipi and the Sicangu Coalition.

Volunteers for the task force include representation from the Wesleyan Church, New Hope Ministry, and the Parmelee and Antelope communities. During the next four months, members received task force notebooks and elected task force officers and agreed on the task force's overall mission statement, goals and objectives.

Task force members include: Calvin Waln, Jr. (Chairperson) RST Police Department, Jacinda Begay Hacker (Co-Chairperson) Boys & Girls Club, Richard Bracha (Secretary) RST Education, Rene Thin Elk (Treasurer) Sicangu Owayawa Oti, James Leader Charge (Voting member) RST Education, and Kathy Chauncey, (Voting member) SGU Gear-Up Project.

During the months of June through September 2006, over 1,400 community members, parents, students, school staff members, and tribal officials participated in sessions. Many of the participants learned about the interpretation of graffiti, Block Watch and responsive

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Discrimination lawsuit of farmers and ranchers ongoing

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) - Attorneys for American Indian farmers and ranchers in a discrimination case against the federal government are slated to meet in Fort Yates to gather more information and witnesses.

The lawsuit, filed in 1999, alleges the U.S. Department of Agriculture discriminated against Indians in the granting of loans beginning in 1981.

Joe Sellers, the Indians' lead attorney in Washington, D.C., said his firm is gathering up to 100 Indian ranchers and farmers to serve as witnesses for a trial. He said about 50 witnesses have been found so far, mostly in North Dakota, Montana and Oklahoma.

A meeting was last week at the Prairie Knights Casino near Fort Yates is targeting Indian producers from South Dakota who believe they have been discriminated against by the USDA, Sellers said. ``This is an information-gathering trip - we want to reach out to people in South Dakota about the case,'' Sellers said.

The Indian lawsuit was granted class-action status in 2001. It alleges USDA denied or delayed loans, or did not approve enough money to keep farms afloat financially.

The case, Keepseagle vs. Johanns, refers to Fort Yates rancher George Keepseagle and Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns. Attorneys estimate the number of Indian plaintiffs could be in the tens of thousands. A settlement figure has not been calculated, but would likely be in the ``hundreds of millions,'' Sellers said.

'Feast of Nations' feeds hundreds at Mission

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

MISSION - On Thursday, Nov. 9, St. Thomas Hall was once again the site of the annual 'Feast of Nations' dinner sponsored by the Rosebud Ministerial Association. The all day affair ran from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and served hundreds from the local community. The delicious meal featured a turkey dinner with all of the trimmings, with a variety of cakes and pies for dessert.

What is most interesting about the very generous and creative event each year is the fact that it attracts so many people from the area and a great example of area churches working together to make the event a success. Given the volume of people who show up for a free delicious meal, it is an indication that area merchants and sponsors donated food items and paper products.

Lakota people from many of the 20 communities congregated for a free meal which also included some beef, in addition to a 'give-a-way' at noon during which the community was given a whole variety of household goods, clothing and food items.

At 5 p.m. the 'Feast of Nations' gathering honored military veterans who were in attendance as had been done last year in observance of Veteran's Day on Nov. 11. Christian Life Fellowship pastor, Jack Moore, emceed the honoring while brother, Robert Moore, an associate pastor and RST council representative sang, "America, the Beautiful." Each veteran received a patriotic lapel ribbon, while a line was formed and the public shook hands with each of the veterans.

Throughout the day, Pastor Darlene DeSersa Myers sang some very beautiful Christian songs in Lakota and in English, while many people came back for a second meal. Actually, some never left. There were also volunteers from a number of Christian parishes from as far away as North Carolina and Arkansas, as well as some from nearby in Sioux Falls and Minnesota.

Finally, Rosebud's own Jim Young arrived after 7 p.m. and sang his very haunting song about the Lakota soldiers who were killed in Vietnam entitled, "They Cut Their Names in Stone."

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Rosebud Casino general manager moving on

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - Chris Bussey, recently hired in the fall as General Manager at the Rosebud Casino has apparently moved on after a rather brief stint.

Bussey, from the Grand River band of Ottawa and Chippewa of Michigan arrived on Aug. 28. The consulting firm of Tracy McCarty of Las Vegas, NV was utilized by RST to initially identify Bussey as a potential candidate for the position. With his departure, it remains to be seen if RST will utilize another executive search firm as that approach is likely expensive for the client and the candidate.

Bussey, with a three year contract from RST in hand had hoped to involve himself in networking with area businesses and to strengthen existing relationships that might result in increased customer spending. At the time of the initial interview with the *Lakota Country Times* in September, he noted that up to ninety-five percent of the casino's revenue is derived from slot machines and that it is a vital function that must be carried out with care and responsibility.

On Thursday of last week, the RST Gaming Commission voted, "to terminate General Manager Chris Bussey's temporary Gaming License until background investigation is completed and application is received by Gaming Commission" during an official meeting of the commission.

There was no official reason provided by RST for the termination of Bussey's temporary gaming license by the gaming commission, however, it effectively removed him from the gaming floor in his capacity as General Manager. Contrary to rumor, it should be noted that the RST council did not 'fire' Bussey.

The departure of Bussey is likely a great disappointment as the hiring process will begin again to identify a permanent replacement. At present, Alma Valandra was appointed as the acting General Manager.

No other information was provided as the former General Manager's right to due process and right to privacy, as well as that of RST, must be protected.

Last May and June many Sicangu tribal members were aware that the casino was struggling with decreasing casino profits and this was of great concern as the income generated from the casino is often dedicated to a variety of tribal initiatives to benefit the Rosebud.

St. Francis council representative, Mike Boltz, speculated at that time that the significant dip in gross revenue may have been due to the nature of the gaming industry at the time and the relatively rural location of the casino. Also, he pointed out that the overhead expenses of the casino were a consideration, as well as the number of "comps" that were being given out to customers.

The members of the RST Gaming Commission are Marcella Prue, Cheryl Murray, Fremont Fallis, Betty Zimmerman and Donald Little Thunder. The Director of the Gaming Commission is Gerald Eagle Bear and the compliance officer is Marvin Thin Elk.

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facility strategies during sessions.

As part of the task force, two subcommittees were established. The Public Relations committee was formed to develop and oversee community relations projects. The task force has developed and distributed gang and youth violence prevention informational fliers for youth and community members.

Also, the graffiti abatement committee was formed to respond to requests for assistance in removing graffiti from communities. Graffiti abatement has been conducted in the following locations: Parmelee, Rosebud, Mission, Antelope and He Dog. Task force members were assisted by 108 youth and community members. Over 90 gallons of paint was contributed by SWA and used in the program.

Additionally, NVPRC developed a program for the task force members to involve parents and schools in gang prevention and intervention. The Parental Notification System includes a task force approved letter of notification for parents of youth who are exhibiting gang-related activity or behaviors. RST program personnel and area schools notify the task force of youth who need support and referral options, In turn, the task force reviews requests monthly and responds with home visits or school visits. An advisory letter is sent to the parents.

The NVPRC also reviewed the current RST gang ordinance and codes and has suggested an amended version. It was passed through the task force and forwarded for approval to the RST Attorney General and distributed to the RST Council.

NVPRC is also assisting area schools in security, bullying prevention, youth workshops in choices and consequences, and policy development.

Also, during the months of May through September 2006, Cuestas met with tribal officials and program administrators, law enforcement and judicial staff, local clergy, schools and media to develop local support of the youth violence prevention strategy and to gather requests for assistance.

GRIPS meetings are held every month. For more information please call the RST Education Department at (605) 747-2833 or toll free 877-691-8183.

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Ecoffey, Bruce Whelan, Vern Moves Camp and council representatives Will Peters, Lydia Bear Killer, Garfield Steele and Mary Poor Thunder. Some talked of a council meeting on Wednesday and others said next week.

"There seemed to be a consensus of those council members present to have the executive board move ahead with a new election," said Eileen Janis, "we could not get enough executive board members to meet on Wednesday, though."

On Wednesday after the judiciary committee encouraged the executive board to move ahead, the executive board met with White Plume, Janis and Bear Killer and decided to honor the second court of election of appeals and order a new election timeframe, starting from scratch and building in enough time to do full background checks on all candidates. The timeframe should have all new officials sworn in by March 6. The current election board of Charlene Black Horse, Maretta Champagne and Sandy Bettelyoun were suspended and the office was set to be locked up.

With the official results of the general election released by the election board on Tuesday, John Steele, past four term president, finished with collected 2,544 votes to outdistance past president Cecelia Fire Thunder who finished with 1,474. William Shorty Brewer finished with 2,592 while Melanie Two Eagle gathered 1,611. Lisa Adams ran unopposed on the ballot for chief judge with voters able to vote yes or no and 2,131 voted yes and 1,777 voted no.

Alex White Plume, current tribal president, continues to push for a whole new election, White Plume was taken off the ballot on Thursday, Nov. 2 and re-certified as a candidate on election day, Nov. 7 by the Court of Election Appeals. White Plume passed out a request made to the Bureau of Indian Affairs last year for a constitutional convention.

In a press release from the Pine Ridge Grass Roots Oyate, Floyd Hand states that if the council refuses to take action on a new election, the group may consider taking over the Red Cloud building as they did in 2000.

Other proposals include running just a presidential election the same time that the Wakpamni general election is held.

"We really need to make a decision, as soon as possible, we cannot continue not making a decision," added Janis.

Official results for tribal council include:

Oglala: Floyd Brings Plenty 249, Jake Little 216, Paul Little (Inc) 213, Valerie Kills Small Janis(Inc.) 189.

Pine Ridge: Don Garnier 383, Ella Jon Carlow (Inc) 358, Carol Crazy Thunder O'Rourke 340, Gary Janis 289, Gerald Big Crow 255, Lyle Jack(Inc) 249,.

Wakpamni (Primary) Sonia Little Hawk Weston 276, Tom Conroy 166, Maxine Lakota(Inc) 139, Ricky Grey Grass 125, Herb Colhoff 86, Lillian Tobacco 81, Walt Big Crow(Inc) 77, Sandy Two Lance 76, Charles Pourier 62, Richard Mousseau 54, Rex Conroy 28 and Kim Killer 27.

Pass Creek: Ron Duke 181, Lydia Bear Killer (Inc) 49.

LaCreek: Craig Dillon (Inc) and Kim Clausen were elected by acclamation in the primary.

Eagle Nest: Jim Meeks elected by acclamation in the primary, Tom Poor Bear(Inc) 184, Ruth Brown (Inc) 88.

Medicine Root: Austin Watkins Sr. (Inc) 340, Cora Whiting 274, Archie Hopkins 218 and Juanita Scherich 177.

Porcupine: Philip Good Crow (Inc) 267, Wesley Chuck Jacobs 191, Dave Pourier 178 and Bernard White Face(Inc) 174.

Wounded Knee: Garfield Steele (Inc) 281, Kathy Janis(Inc) 221, Philip Jumping Eagle 206 and Garfield Apple 150.

Little White Man, Richards, Janis earn seats on Little Wound School Board

KYLE - The Little Wound School board election was run on Tuesday in conjunction with the OST general election and official results showed incumbent Taylor Little White Man as the top vote getter with 797 votes and newcomer Janice Richards with 699. Incumbent Everett Janis was the third highest finisher with 595 as the top three earn four year terms on the Little wound school board..

Art Hopkins finished just out of the top three with 582. Melvin Young was fifth with 511, Sally O'Rourke was sixth with 485.

Additional candidates include: Fern Mousseau 403, Amanda Christianson 381 and Audrey Kills Straight 208.

The top three candidates earned four year terms on the Little Wound School Board. Archie Hopkins and Linda May are on the board already.

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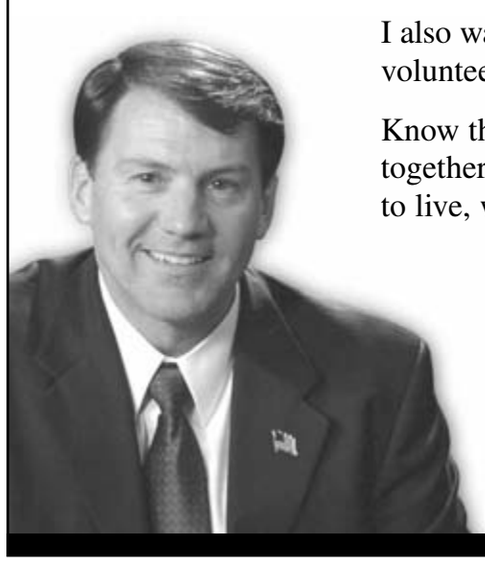
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Wolf Creek, Pine Ridge, Loneman, Little Wound win Big Foot Conference finals

KYLE - Porcupine's Darrel Lays Bad Jr. and Crystal Kills Back have been winning throughout the fall and nothing changed at the Big Foot Conference finals last month in Kyle as Lays Bad beat Dallas Condon and Darwin Raisch of Wolf Creek to win the fifth and sixth grade boy's division while Kills Back won the 5th and 6th grade division over Pine Ridge's Brooke Pond and Francis Morgan.

Condon and Raisch teamed with Brandon Benson and Jared Rencontre to win the fifth and sixth grade boy's division championship for Wolf Creek while Pine Ridge won the 5th and 6th grade girls led by Pond and Morgan and assisted by Delores Janis and Shaniah Richard.

Loneman's Christian Tobacco led an Eagle sweep of the 7th and 8th grade boy's division finishing ahead of teammates Kyle Blacksmith and Randy Witt; Orin Morrison rounded out the championship team. Pine Ridge's Jessica Tall won the 7th and 8th grade girl's division downing Loneman's Calandra Wanatee and her teammate Jasmine Hoof. Little Wound won the 7th/8th grade division with Talisha Goodlow, Wilma Watkins, Kristen Clifford and Alaina Clifford.

Team standings for each division included:

5th/6th grade Boys 1) Wolf Creek 23, 2) Pine Ridge 45, 3) Wounded Knee District School 51, 4) American Horse 108, 5) Rockyford 109, St. Francis finished second with 29 but is not a member of the Big Foot Conference; Girls 1) Pine Ridge 13, 2) Batesland 34, 3) Wolf Creek 74, St. Francis finished with 54; 7th/8th grade division Boys 1) Loneman 16, Our Lady of Lourdes 23 and American Horse 34; Girls 1) Little Wound 14 and 2) Loneman 27

Individual results include:

5th/6th grade Boys -1) Darrel Lays Bad/Porc, 2) Dallas Condon/WC, 3)Darrwin Raisch/WC, 4)Wayne Eagleman/S\F, 5)Jesse Brown/PR, 6) Darren Richards/AH, 7)Brandon Benson/WC, 8)Daryl Jones/SF, 9)Adonis Saltes/PR, 10)Alvin Two Eagle/SF. 11)Jack Brandis/SF, 12)JC Clifford/WK, 13)Rueben Randall/CH, 14)Travis Kills Back/RF, 15)David Gibbons/WK, 16)Jared Rencontre/WC, 17)Lance apple/WC, 18)J oe Morgan/PR, 19)Mesu Rendon/PR, 20)Michael Swallow/PR, 21) Anton Little Shield/SF, 22) Eugene Chief Eagle/Lone, 232) Darion Plenty Arrows/AH, 24) Clinton Ten Fingers/RF, 25) June Ladeaux/WK, 26) Ranzle Lays Bad/Porc, 27)Dale Bad Hand/SF, 28)Jim Rodriguez/WC, 29) Dusty Two/SF, 30) Daniel Kills Small/Lone, 31) Brian Big Crow/WK, 32)Nathaniel Brown Bull/LW, 33)Dennis Bull Bear/LW, 34)Michael Harvey/Bates, 35)Shane Star/WC, 36)Terrel Pulliam/PR, 37)Kyle Hill/WC, 38)Joe Canouyer/PR, 39)Trent Little Dog/WK, 40)Sydney Rowland/WC, 41)Leroy Looks Twice III/WK, 42)Eston White Pipe/PR, 43)Mark Cedar Face/PR, 44)Richard Brewer/WC, 45)Vincent Little Dog/RF, 46)Harlen Standing Bear/WC, 47)Robert Little Dog/RF, 48)Andy Riley/RF, 49)Myron Dillion, Jr./AH, 50)Shamauri Hawkins/AH, 51)Sunshine Tall Man/AH, 52)Walter Canouoyer/PR.

5th/6th grade Girls: 1)Crystal Kill Back/Porc, 2)Brooke Pond/PR, 3)Francis Morgan/PR, 4)Delores Janis/PR, Kristen Charging/WC, 6)Sydney Brown/Bates, 7)Justina LeBeau/Bates, 8)Cristi Sioux Bob/RC, 9)Mariah Young/Lone, 10)Shaniah Richard/PR, 11)Leslie Little Moon/Bates, 12)Cecelia Two Lance/RC, 13)Savanna Jensen/RC, 14)Lareese Blue Legs/PR, 15)Sierra Stands/SF, 16)Tierra Swift Bird/WC, 17)Brittney Bull Man/AH, 19)Jori Gunville/SF, 20)Autumn Spotted Elk/SF, 21)Whitney Black Elk/Bates, 22)Shawin Thunder Hawk/PR, 23)Jennifer Brandis/SF, 24)Misty Two Eagle/SF, 25)Maylene Richard/PR, 26)Tear Ecoffey/PR, 27)Trista Merival/PR, 28)Kila Blacksmith/Lone, 29)Crystal Fast Wolf/AH, 30)Jada Janis/PR, 31)Sharea Brown/PR, 32)Erica Cordier/SF, 33)Dora Douville/SF, 34)Kiya Provost/PR, 35)Dymond Bad Heart Bull/RF, 36)Robbie Ghost Bear/WC, 37)Rowena Metcalf/SF, 38)Darien Quick Bear/SF, 39)Mandy Arcoren/SF, 40)Bobbie Sanchez/SF, 41)Leah Richards/WC, 42)Tera Garnier/PR, 43)Juliana Alford/PR, 44)Erika Crow/Bates, 45)Deanna Martin/RF, 46)Janelle Black Elk/PR, 47)Lainey Bear Killer/AH, 48)Dusty Jumping Eagle/PR, 49)Koty Janis/PR, 50)Mariah Shangreaux/PR, 51)Summer Marshall/WC, 52)Brandi Grant/PR, Genriel Ribitsch/WC, 54)Wicahpi Walking Eagle/SF, 55)Christina Swift/SF, 56)Rinie Big Crow/SF, 57)Rhea Running Hawk/PR, 58)Carly Martin/PR, 59)Kayanne Janis/PR, 60) Halan McCloskey/SF, 61) Daniel Nisse/SF and 62) Charlene McCloskey/SF.

7th/8th grade Boys: 1)Christian Tobacco/Lone, 2) Kyle Blacksmith/Lone, 3)Randy Witt/Lone, 4)Kiley Weston/OLL, 5)Jalen Left Hand/Bates, 6)Andrew Chipps/CH, 7) Craig Goodlow/LW, 8) JD Plume/OLL, 9)Vincent Little Dog/WK, 10)Tre Goings/OLL, 11)Tyler LeBeau/CH, 12)Stephen Ashley/AH, 13)Merl Boltz/Bates, 14)Lyle Jacobs/OLL, 15)Justin Stone/AH, 16)Jon Pond/PR, 17)Orin Morrison/Lone, 18)Nick Fast Wolf/AH, 19)Steven Yellow Hawk/AH, 20) Chance Bear Killer/AH, 21) Jeff New Holy.Bates, 22) Jody Ballhagen/OLL, 23) Rubel Garcia/CH.

7th/8th grade Girls: 1) Jessica Tall/PR, 2) Calandra Wanatee/Lone, 3)Jasmine Hoof/PR, 4)Talisha Goodlow/LW, 5)Wilma Watkins/LW, 6)Kristen Clifford/LW, 7) Tiana Yankton/PR, 8) Corinna Sitting Bear/WC, 9Marisasa Two Lance/OLL, 10) Alaina Clifford/LW, 11) Denisha Janis/LW, 12) Rebecca Ten Fingers/Lone, 13) Katherine Janis/LW tie, 13) Kassy Randall/CH, 15) Cenedra Morrison/Lone, 16) Kyra Young/Lone, 17) Juanita Deaton/AH, 18) Jamie Hudspeth/RC and 19)Gypsy Cross/OLL.

Eagle Butte girls, McLaughlin boys, Mendoza, Wohlleber grab state championships

Todd County teams take combined title, Takini boys third

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

HURON - the 2006 State Cross Country meet in Huron was the story of individuals pulling their teams up to new highs, Kiko Mendoza, a sophomore at Takini, won his second straight State B championship and led his team to a third place finish after finishing 14th two years ago and sixth last year while Jordan Wohlleber, a freshman at Cheyenne Eagle Butte, won her first State A individual championship after taking fourth as a 7th grader and third as an 8th grader and led her team to the championship.

Kyla Marshall, a freshman at Todd County, took 7th individually after finishing 15th last year as an 8th grader and helped her team to the third place trophy. Todd County's Marc Whirlwind Soldier, a freshman, took 13th, 8th in the team standings and helped lead the Falcons to a tie for first place in Class A while Ian Wiest, also a freshman, at McLaughlin took 14th/9th to help the Midgets to the championship; Sam Iron Thunder, McLaughlin's fifth runner took 26th to Todd County's fifth runner, Max Grimshaw giving McLaughlin the state championship and Todd County the runner-up trophy. With a second in the boys and a third in the girls, the Falcons won the combined Class A trophy.

Jordyn Cook, Eagle Butte senior, took third and helped Wohlleber as she has all year; the championship team included Ashley Iron Moccasin in 10th, Erica High Bear in 19th with Allie Moran 56th, and Marissa Laundreaux 65th.took 76th. In addition to Marchall, the Lady Falcons included Julie Bernie 12th, Morgana Running 24th, Kylie Wilson 37th, Emmy Her Many Horses 69th and Arna Two Hawk 73rd.

Wiest was helped by Brian Taken Alive 21st, Anthony Iron Thunder 22nd, Cory Yellow Earing 23rd, Sam Iron Thunder 26th and Gerald Running Hawk 40th. The Falcons included Wes Running 10th, Steve Antoine 19th, Trevor Covey 38th, Grimshaw 76th and Labradford Eagle Deer 80th. Takini's third place team included Calvin Flying By 21st, Keiko Iron Hawk 27th, Dugan Franco 35th and Sam Mendoza 37th. White River was sixth and Lower Brule was ninth.

Top individuals placing at State included: Class A Boys Alex Wilson-Pine/Pine Ridge 3rd, Sean Red Elk/Little Wound 21st, Daniel Grass Rope/Flandreau Indian 26th, Philip Red Elk/West Central 27th, Dallas Two Lance/PR 30th, Lowell Two Eagle/FI 32nd, James Pine/PR 51st, Gabriel Renville/FI 58th, Jerad Weston/Red Cloud 81st, Trudell Slow Bear/FI 92nd, Cordray White Dog/CEB 102nd, Class B Boys William White Buffalo/Jones County 5th, Frank Waln/White River 6th, Eltwin Grass Rope/LB 22nd, Bradley Roan Eagle/WR 24th, Sean Johnson/LB 37th, Kyal Middletent/LB 55th, Kevin Wright/LB 58th, Kansas Middletent/LB 81st, Fernando Rios/WR 88th, Jason Lehman/WR 92nd,.

Class A girls: Christian Janis/Pine Ridge 20th, Jessica Tall/PR 22nd, Desirae Blacksmith/Red Cloud 75th, Saige Pourier/RC 76th, Kayla Weston/RC 106th.

Mendoza wrapped up his season with a second place finish in the State AAU run on Oct. 28 in Yankton, taking second to Parkston's Alex Muntefering. Going on to basketball now, Mendoza has set up some ambitious goals of winning the 800, 1600 and 3200 in next spring's State track meet.



Jordan Wohlleber and Jordyn Cook lead the pack at an earlier run in Philip, Wohlleber took the individual championship at the State A cross country championship in Huron while Cook took third, both were instrumental in Eagle Butte winning the girl's team championship;

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OPINION PAGE

Guest Editorial

The idea of a future without the Lakota language is unimaginable

By Ivan Star
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Oglala, S.D.

I have talked with many Lakota language speakers about the possibility of losing of our Lakota language.

Most of them refuse the mere thought of it.

Their rejection is not mild; rather, it is an intense denial.

The idea of a future without the Lakota language is unimaginable among the last of the Lakota language speakers, myself included.

Looking at facts, though, we subjected our youth to more than 30 years of federally funded language programs in our federally funded elementary and high schools.

These students now number in the tens of thousands. Most are adults who cannot carry on a conversation with their inherent Lakota language.

I hear the concerns of many language proficient people who, shoved aside for unknown reasons, could only stand by and watch. Some of these people had the right idea as to what needed to be done to reverse the ongoing loss of our language. We recently lost one such Lakota person, the late John Around Him.

Consequently, can a member of the federally sanctioned Oglala Sioux Tribe, speaking English only, claim to be Lakota?

Can our youth claim to be sovereign when they cannot speak Lakota? We have several generations who have nothing to stand on in terms of ethnicity, except a federal enrollment number, and a federal Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood.

A few of our youth are avid singers with various local drum groups; yet, they do not understand the words they sing so beautifully.

Others are accomplished traditional, grass, jingle, and fancy dancers, yet, they cannot speak the Lakota language.

Then there is this disturbing new phenomenon - the emergence of a new language.

Our younger tribal members have combined bits and pieces of Lakota and English words and phrases into a language. Amazingly, they can actually communicate with this new verbal anomaly.

In addition, alien ethnic trends have invaded the homeland and captivated our youth. I have been looking for one of those new ball caps, but all the ones I examined are made to be worn with the bill forward. On a sad note, a majority of our younger generations are not interested in Lakota music. They are infatuated with a strange music form containing brash profanity.

Overall, they seem to be imitating other cultures and languages. Is it because they know only bits and pieces of their own culture, history, and language? In other words, has the past federal assimilation policy succeeded? I can see this happening among Native Americans populations in a major city, but not here on the homeland. This is the purpose of the Melting Pot Theory.

What we have now are several generations of Lakota-looking people who believe the language spoken by their parents and grandparents is now outdated, if not dead.

They are unable to communicate with it. In its place, we have familiar Lakota names and phrases integrated with Pidgin English.

Not all is lost though; I hear older Lakota language learners reciting memorized lines and phrases. Please, understand me. As a Lakota language speaker, I appreciate your effort. I acknowledge your compassion. You are open-minded enough to make a sincere effort at maintaining our beloved Lakota language. So many others don't even bother.

I convey to you part of a conversation with the late Edwin Fills the Pipe. Even after many years, his words still ring loud and clear in my mind; "If you are going to speak English, speak it right. If you are going to speak Lakota, speak it the way it was meant to be spoken." He did not believe in short cuts when it came to speaking Lakota.

Anyway, does this depressing picture mean these federally funded language programs failed... or have they succeeded? I think as Lakota parents, grandparents, adults, including our academic professionals, we are responsible for our future. What we do today will certainly affect our future as an indigenous nation.

In the event one wants to begin the slow process of understanding, one could learn the real purpose of bilingual education.

Personally, I believe bilingual education did the wrong thing by not doing the right thing. My only regret is that, as a proficient Lakota language speaker, I merely stood by and watched as this enervative process transpired before my eyes.

I once was a hopeful language "teacher" in one of our local schools. Eventually, I tried desperately to inspire awareness in our professional educators and in the community. Resulting from my ineptness, though, I failed miserably with my awareness effort.

It seemed I was always going against the grain so to speak.

Consequently, I became a sort of scalawag (good-for-nothing). Even now, after many years, I encounter suspicion and outright rejection. Within the tribal educational arena, I am a discombobulated purveyor of gloom and controversy.

Anyway, getting back to the issue of language loss, it is not only a tangible; it is a solid indicator of the ongoing loss of language and culture. In addition, we have to examine how language death will affect us in the geopolitical arena. We have to look at how the federal government will perceive and use our situation in relation to sovereignty or nationhood.

Ultimately, we have to reexamine our existing language programs, especially the method (s) they relied on to transmit language.

I will argue that whatever methods were used in the past have proven ineffective. I know this is hard to swallow, but we have to give this our most objective effort and put forth a lot of maturity.

If we have to use federally funded language programs, then the God-given gifts of listening and speaking must be in the forefront. Reading and writing exercises and skills should only supplement these natural attributes. In other words, concentration must be on this oldest and most natural method of transmitting language.

Such a Lakota language program must implement three vital elements: community language speakers; common everyday language; and, as natural an environment as possible. This means speaking the language persistently in the classroom. It is a waste of time, effort, and money if the Lakota language is unspoken daily, both in the school and in the community.

As such, the school can implement school related activities and exercises such as speech recognition with recordings.

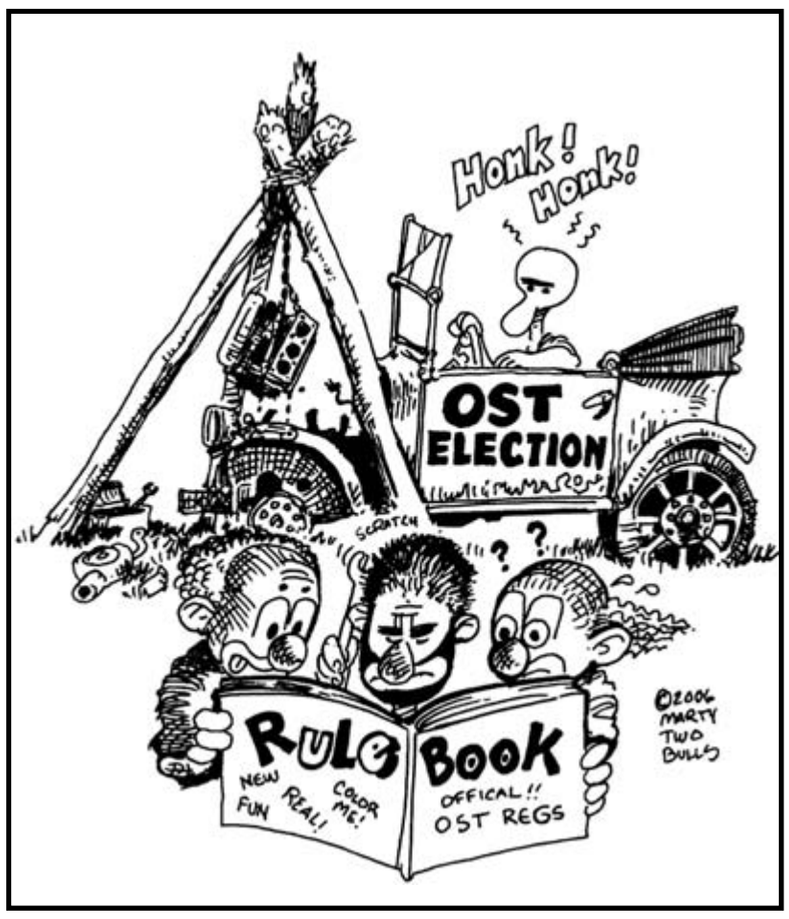
Language proficient community members can evaluate student recordings, grading for proper pronunciation. Other classroom exercises can effectively evaluate spelling, syntax, and punctuation.

At any rate, we "taught" Lakota language for decades and have not seen any real success. We have tried every conceivable method, development, and technological means available, and we are still losing our language. Perhaps, we have a finger hold on the situation. At any rate, formal language programs have not transmitted Lakota language on a massive scale.

At best, we have seen a small percentage of speakers. However, these students came from homes where Lakota language is the mode of communication. They learned it in their home environment and were already speaking it when they entered our language programs.

I can never forget the debilitating experiences of my own school years. Some of my classmates had a good time with my language and name as they made them the butt of their spitefull insensitive jokes. This situation was the result of the school's policy prohibiting Lakota language use among the student body.

It is time to reevaluate and make changes for the sake of our future as a Lakota nation.



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Other Views

The top four toughest ordeals to bear in life by the Lakota

Dear Editor:

The top four toughest ordeals to bear in life by the Lakota.

1. Losing a first born child.
2. When a mothers dies, and leaves behind a nursing child. There were no nursing bottles and milk in those days.
3. Putting on their leggings on a severe cold morning. Men had to get up and start the fire in the tipi.
4. When a few braves on a war party wre frightened by the over whelming odds by the enemy. Very few escaped to tell about it.

The Lakota translation for this is as follows:

Taku top Lakota wankapaya otehika yawapi hena lena e.

1. Cinca tokapa t'api ki he otehike.
2. Winya wanji t'e na hoksi azinkiyapi wanji ehpeya iyayapi ki he otehike.
3. Osni otehike hanl hunska sniya kic c'unpi he otehike.
4. Zuya conala yus'inyayapi ki he otehike.

Fr. Francis Apple
Kyle, S.D.

Fake medicine men don't have the solutions

Dear Editor:

Our lands, our ceremonies, our sacred bundle, and our Oyate are not for sale. Seems like everywhere we turn, there are fake medicine men and women by the dozen. Either that they are a chief or a shaman, or spiritual leader or something.

Only thing is, they are part of our problem.

They don't have solutions for our people, but profit from our misery. They are called culture vultures and draw the focus away from our real issues.

All fake medicine men should waiver their sovereignty if they make it a business to sell our ceremonies for profit. Because of the double justice: where they have jurisdiction over us, but we don't have any jurisdiction over them. Because of them putting white people up on a vision quest, or sundancing, giving them Cunumpa's, than when the real Oyate, try to unite, than they are right in the middle trying to put their two cents in our business. The government has always hated us and things aren't getting any better for us, the only way we can get ahead is to organize our people and get our lands and monies the government has stolen from our Oyate.

We are the only people in the world who are made wards of the government and live on concentration camps and live under an apartheid system called the Indian Reorganization Act and the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

We are the victims of the longest ongoing Holocaust in the world. Yet, these supposed Lakota representatives don't do anything about us being forced into poverty and having our lands stolen. We are the only people in the world who deal with the broken lies and promises of a government which continuously oppresses our people.

The full bloods are the only ones who have the power to get our lands returned, because they were here before the coming of the white man and are living proof. The watered down generic plan Indians are part of the Great Melting Pot.

So are the individuals who marry non-Indians. They are assimilated and cannot represent our Lakota Nation. And we don't want them to. They make poor role models, because we want our children to keep our blood lines strong. Why marry a non-Indian when you come from great chiefs and warriors.

It is sad that our men failed us. Because, it takes 3/4 of our male majority to make a decision on our homelands. America needs to put our people in their rightful place as First Americans, First Nations, not second class citizens.

There seems to be a lot of controversy around the Wolakota Foundation, with the keeper of the sacred bundle, because of the woman he is with.

He automatically waived his traditional sovereignty to be under federal governmental IRS non-profit laws.

Therefore, the Calf Pipe is a corporation now. All people asked for was accountability of the money she raised.

After all, non-profits are suppose to be public information and if there is nothing to hide, than they shouldn't have to worry. Our people fought too hard and too long. Everyone needs to earn their respect.

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Other Views

OST grassroots Oyate demand new election

Dear Editor:

A special session of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council was to take place today, Nov. 14, exactly one week after the general election held on Nov. 7. There was widespread speculation that some members of the sitting council had planned to impeach the OST President Alex White Plume. With that news, White Plume supporters came from every corner of the reservation to voice their objections and demands for a new election.

The meeting, scheduled to start at 10 a.m., initially had a quorum of 12. However, shortly after arriving and signing in, two OST Council Members left the meeting, thus breaking the quorum. They are Craig Dillon of LaCreek District and Walt Big Crow of Wakpamni District. Four other members were excused for business travel. They included: Ruth Brown, Lyle Jack, Austin Watkins, and Barney White Face. Juanita Scherick of Medicine Root District has resigned her seat on the Council.

Although there was no quorum, President White Plume and the remaining council members present agreed to stay and participate in an informal discussion with concerned tribal members.

Several elders spoke about the illegal election of Nov. 7.

They are demanding accountability and noted that the corruption is widespread and runs deep. The overwhelming theme of their complaints was a demand for the current OST Election Board to be terminated and investigated. Further, many demanded that President White Plume be put back on the ballot and for a new election to take place as soon as possible.

OST Council Member Will Peters of Pine Ridge Village District stated that the tribal police had done little to enforce the order handed down by the OST Court of Election Appeals, which ordered tribal police to confiscate the ballot boxes from polling sites on Nov. 7 to enforce their final and binding ruling that the General Election was illegal and should not be held, as a new Primary Election had been ordered. Further he suggested that there are many complaints against tribal police that seem to fall on deaf ears.

Treaty Elder and Buffalo Chief Floyd Hand stated, "…we will see who attends the next scheduled meeting. If any of the OST Council Reps choose to stay away to prevent a quorum, we have the right to take control of the tribal offices. We did this in 2000 to stop the corruption and embezzling. It belongs to the grass roots oyate (people). We must take a stand for what is right!"

Tribal member Debra White Plume, addressed the crowd with her concerns about the OST Election Board's gross misconduct. She informed the audience that she had attempted to file a written complaint against the OST Election Board on Nov. 7. Tribal code states that the Secretary of the Oglala Sioux Tribe must be the officer to receive written complaints. However, the Secretary, Rhonda Two Eagle did not come to work on Nov. 6 or Nov. 7, so she distributed copies of her complaint to Vice-President Eileen Janis and to various council members that were at the office on those days. Mrs. White Plume stated, "If our vote is silenced and our written complaints are ignored, what is our recourse?"

That is the question of the day…"What is our recourse?" The grass roots oyate, the traditional people, want their voices heard. They are demanding a fair and impartial election. The people are demanding that an independent outside group be contracted to conduct this election.

Hearing the frustration of the elders, President White Plume stated that he is within his power to convene an Executive Board meeting and take action to nullify the Nov. 7 election and set a timeline for a new election. President White Plume plans to call the OST Executive Committee into session in the coming days in order to address this issue.

Natalie Hand
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Coach tells his side of the game

Dear Editor:

This letter is in reference to the *Lakota Country Times* "Red Cloud/OLL down Little Wound for the Great Plains Conference Championship" Nov. 2 to Nov. 8 issue.

The 2006 Jr. Mustang football team finished their regular season with a perfect record of 10-0.

I want everyone to know how proud I am of these boys for working so hard and pulling together through the many challenges they faced both on and off the playing field.

Last season we won only a single game, and I really felt like I let them down as a coach and their leader. This season I really felt fortunate to have such tremendously talented atheletes come and really dedicate their time and their energy into making this season so perfect.

I challenged them every single day we met out on the field and pushed them really hard to always give me their best. We went into the conference playoffs this year with an attitude that we were going to take it one play at a time, one game at a time. Many teams this young with this many wins would get overconfident and think they would be able to do anything and win. These guys stayed humble and focused for each game and really took care of business when it was time to play.

On the morning of the championship game I recieved a call from Red Cloud's coach to talk about the game. I asked him what he thought of the four inches of snow falling on our field the night before.

I proposed that to ensure safe travel that we reschedule the game for the next week, but he said they were ready that day. I went along with it with no objection. When I arrived in Kyle I learned that our state officials for the game sent word that they were unable to come. The rule on officials states that all each team has to do is have two referees from their area there to officiate. Realizing this, I tried to have my athletic director contact Red Cloud(on a Saturday no less) to inform them of this change. We scrambled to get two people who had "reffed" for us lined up, and Red Cloud could not, but they did agree to play the game with the people that we found.

I have to say that those guys who agreed to do it were good, honest men who knew the rules of the game, and are not the kind that would cheat young kids out of a fair shot at a game. As the game progressed a few calls were made that were protested by Red Cloud, and at one point the coach stopped the game to complain about them.

In an effort to show sportsmanship, I went so far as to give them the ball back after we recovered an onside kick. Their coach swore up and down that the ball should be placed on the 45 yard line for a kickoff, and I let him talk me into it just to be fair because honestly I thought that I must have done it wrong kicking from the 40 all season!!

That ball was ours, and I just want to clarify that even though it was my fault for not knowing and letting them pull one over on us. Every other call that day was made against the Mustangs and so I do not understand what they had to worry about besides getting outplayed. At halftime the game was 12-0. After the half someone had called the head of the conference and told him the situation with the referees that were not represented by Red Cloud. He gave the authorization for the game to be postponed immediately and played again only with refs that Red Cloud wanted to use. Here's the kicker!! When I spoke with the guy in charge of the call that Monday he told me that he was not made aware that the game was in the last 51 seconds of the third quarter. He said himself that the only way a game can be stopped, once the ball is kicked off, is from lightning or severe weather that endangers the players!! So, yes, they came back to our house and they beat us that following week. My hat is off those kids at Red Cloud for that. I don't want them to ever think they did anything wrong. They were very impressive on and off the field. I do, however, want the truth about it all to be known no matter who won!! I know now what I should have done differently, but it is over and I accept that. I had total faith in my team from the very beginning that they would play their hearts out. That's all you are supposed to do as a coach and a parent. Support your players and your kids, but allow them to play the game and simply love them through the wins as well as the losses.

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Notes From Indian Country

It's all over including the shouting



By Tim Giago
(Nanwica Kciji)

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How many of you breathed a deep sigh of relief when the last political advertisement gradually faded from the screen of your television set?

What a horribly nasty political campaign this has been. In South Dakota the "Morality Gestapo" in the South Dakota Legislature, tried to push their religious agenda upon the rest of us with a law to ban all abortions without exception for a pregnancy brought about by rape or incest. It went much too far and the Referred Law 6, as it appeared on the ballot, saw 56 percent of the voters reject it.

Tom Katus, a longtime leader of the Democratic Party in South Dakota, defeated the most outspoken advocate of banning all abortions, Elli Schwiesow, with 53 percent of the vote. Schwiesow made the abortion ban the keynote of her campaign. Heads more sound and sane saw this law as an infringement on the rights of women.

The sad episode of this assault upon the rights of women was the solitary decision of the Oglala Sioux Tribal Council to not only emulate the wrongheaded lawmakers of the South Dakota State Legislators, but to go against the cultural, traditional and spiritual values of their own history to do so.

In the process they made a mockery of tribal traditions when they impeached a truly great leader, the first woman ever to serve as President of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, Cecelia Fire Thunder.

Was it because she stood up for the rights of women or was it because she is a woman? Comments by Lyman Red Cloud, the great-great-great grandson of Chief Red Cloud, would suggest that it was because she is a woman. He said that women should not be elected as president and that it was the job of men. Mr. Red Cloud is, apparently, not schooled in the history of his own people.

Lakota women were always looked upon as the teachers and nurturers of the young. They were highly revered and often the tribal leaders sought out their ideas and suggestions. And here is the real sticking point: Lakota, Dakota and Nakota (Sioux) men never, and I mean never, dared to enter into that private world of the women when it came to child bearing.

This was an area that was strictly taboo to the men. Women made their own decisions and choices when it came to having children.

Bruce Whalen, an Oglala Lakota, a Republican and a born again Christian, also made abortion the focal point of his campaign to unseat U. S. House of Representatives incumbent, Stephanie Herseth (D-SD). Herseth soundly trounced him as she took 69 percent of the vote.

On the Pine Ridge Reservation things were so unsettled that the tribal leadership could not even conduct a simple election. They have had 72 years since the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934 gave them the power to conduct free elections to learn and yet they could not get it right. The Election Board rejected the top vote getter in the Primary Election, Alex White Plume, and the acting president after the ouster of Fire Thunder, thus opening the door for Fire Thunder to run against 4-time president, John Yellow Bird Steele. Steele won in the General Election on November 7 by a two-to-one margin. That still hasn't settled the issue as White Plume has appealed the decision of the Election Board that removed him from the ballot for having a felony conviction some 32 years ago, a conviction that was later reduced to a misdemeanor.

The reduction of his sentence still runs contrary to tribal election rules according to the Election Board. The Tribal Council will be meeting this week to make a final decision. Will a new election be called or will the Council allow this one to stand? Let's hope they get it right for a change. But stay tuned.

While we are speculating let's take this one step further. How many Indian people across America would like to see former U. S. Senator Tom Daschle named as Secretary of the Interior? Now here is a person who, more than any other non-Indian in America, with the possible exception of Stephanie Herseth, truly knows and understands the many complexities in Indian country. He knows most tribal leaders in America by their first names.

There are few issues in Indian country that he does not know about. But more than that, he is neither sympathetic nor empathetic to the multitude of problems facing American Indians. Instead he is pragmatic, fair-minded and understanding. What better qualifications to serve as the one person most responsible for the ills or gains of the Indian people?

In Indian country the rich get richer and the poor get poorer.

While the rich tribes are squandering away their millions on boxing matches and women's basketball teams, and then crowing about the few thousands they are donating for charitable organizations, the poor tribes are still living two and three families to a house, the worst health care in America, schools that are still lined with asbestos, unemployment rates that are at 70 to 80 percent and the earliest death rate of any other race of people in America.

In the long run it makes one wonder if it really matters which political party is in power. As a rule, neither party seems to care and if they do care, they seem to not have the means to make a difference.

Abortion should never have been the centerpiece of this election.

Humanity and compassion for those less fortunate should have been in the mix somewhere and education, healthcare, and civility should have rounded out the mix.

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Thank You

Thank you so much to the District 26A voters for your support in the November Elections. I will never forget your help and kind words. Many important issues were brought forth in this election. I will work to help everyone and will do my best to represent Indian Country in Pierre. Please feel free to contact me at any time during the upcoming Legislative Session.

Larry Lucas
State House of Representatives
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How to cook a turkey



Saunie Kay cooks it. She puts it in the microwave for about 10 minutes. She grabs bread, puts turkey mayonnaise, and lettuce on it. Sometimes I eat it or give it to my dog. My grandma, my sister's and I all eat chocolate pie too.

ADAYNIA POOR BEAR

My mom takes out the bones. She cuts it up on the counter. Then she puts it in the oven for 15 minutes. She takes it out and we eat it with a fork and knife. We also eat fruit, potatoes and gravy.

TERRELL PULLIAM

My Grandma Karen puts it in the oven for one hour. She puts those sticking things in the ham and cooks that too for an hour. We have red jello, stuffing and apple pie. My mom helps too.

SHAYLENE RICHARD

My Grandma Doreen cooks the turkey. She cuts it up and puts stuffing in it. She cooks it for h-o-u-r-s! She takes it out, lets it cool, and we eat it. We have gravy, ham and pumpkin pie too.

MISUN RENDON

First you have the stuffing, next you have to have a turkey. Now you pt it in the oven for 4 minutes and 30 seconds.

Then you add the stuffing. You eat it with a fork and knife. We have pickles, olives, and beets.

We have all those pies, pumpkin, banana, blueberry and regular berry.

My Grandma Patty cooks all of the stuff. When I am done, I play.

KORDELL SHANGREAUX

I don't' know how my mom cooks it. We have steak, vegetables and pumpkin pie.

DANAE WATTERS

My grandma puts it in the oven for 1 minute. She takes it out and gets a leg for me. I have potatoes, gravy, corn and chocolate cake. My Auntie Kim and her kids, my grandma Melva and her kids, and everyone else comes to eat.

FERRIS WHITE BULL

First, my mom defrosts it. Then, she puts in a pan and covers it with foil. She puts it in the oven for 4 to 5 minutes and cools it off. Then she puts stuffing in it and puts it back in the oven for 3 hours and until it is done. We're ready for Thanksgiving dinner and we eat.

MARK CEDAR FACE

The above recipes were written by Georgine Pourier's third grade students at Pine Ridge Elementary School.

My mom takes out the bones and puts in the oven. When its done, she cuts it up, I eat it with salt.

My mom cooks blueberry pie too. I really don't watch her.

SAMUEL BAD MILK

My grandma takes it out of the sack it's wrapped in and puts it in the oven.

She waits for a while and takes it out. She makes stuffing and everything else.

SIERRA BAGOLA

My mom takes off the wrapper and pulls out the plastic thing inside.

She cuts it up, puts it in a pan and cooks it on the stove.

I think she fries it.

TESSA BLACK ELK

We let it sit out for awhile and thaw out.

Then my mom puts it in the oven for an hour at 10 degrees.

She takes it out and lets it cool off after its done cooking.

She makes dressing for the turkey. I eat my turkey with salt and pepper on it.

KOTY JANIS

But it at the store. Cook it in the oven for one hour at 350 degrees. Take it out and eat with jello.

JEANETTE JUMPING EAGLE

Grandma buys it, sticks it in a pan and cooks it.

She usually doesn't like anyone to bother her while she cooks, so I just play outside.

SHELBY MERRIVAL

American Horse School lists perfect attendance students

ALLEN - American Horse School, of Allen, has listed their first quarter perfect attendance students as follows:

Armet, Lavera
Ashley, Trey
Attack Him, John
Bear Killer, Chance
Bear Killer, Kaylynn
Blue Legs, Daylene
Brave Heart, Chanda
Brave Heart, Chandler
Charger, Cullan
Charger, Cullan
Deaton, Jaunita
Dubray, Dusty
Dubray, Hanna
Dubray, Nate
Dubray, Ronalee
Dubray, Tamarra
Fast Wolf, Crystal
Fast Wolf, Lucus
Fast Wolf, Natasha
Fast Wolf, Nick
Fast Wolf, Terry
Fast Wolf, Tim
Faubian, Shikayla
Faubian, Skyler
Fineran, Myron
Gay, Kiona
Has No Horse, Jerry
Hawkins, Christopher
Makes Good, Jenna
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Marshall, Meltina
Means, Mason
Means, Miyah
Means, Pricilla
Moore, Jakota
Moore, Malakota
Moore, Travis
Morrison, Vinnie
No Neck, Utah
Packed Frankie
Pinkerton, Brent
Plenty Arrows, Darion
Poor Bear, Celene
Poor Bear, Lakota
Pumpkin Seed, Lorence
Red Bear, Howard
Red Bear, Quentin
Reddest, Kaylee
Richards, Dakota
Richards, Darren
Richards, Dusty
Richards, Mary
Richards, Michael
Richards, Sydney
Salway, Iris
Sharp, Buzz
Sharp, Justin
Shot with Arrow, Trudell
Standing Bear, Arlo
Standing Bear, Gordon
Standing Bear, Ned
Swalley, Almadon
Thunder Bull, Laney
Two Bulls, Tashia
Vasquez, Lamia
Vasquez, LaMia
Walks Out, Antonia
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Wilson, Aaliyah
Wilson, Everett
Wilson, Michael
Yellow Hawk, Breanna
Yellow Hawk, Breanna
Yellow Hawk, Dalton
Yellow Hawk, Daryl
Yellow Hawk, Kailie
Yellow Hawk, Leoni
Yellow Hawk, Nileen
Yellow Hawk, Star

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye Pahin Sinte Owayawa Pow Wow

Porcupine School will host their pow-wow in their gym on Friday, November 17, 2006. beginning with Grand Entries at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. and serving supper at 6 p.m.

For more information call 455-6450.

Bettelyoun, Eagle Heart and Quiver graduate from CHS alternative

WANBLEE - Three students recently graduated from Crazy Horse School alternative school.

Regenia Bettelyoun and Michele Eagle Heart graduated Oct. 23 and Tessa Quiver graduated on Nov. 7.

The diplomas were issued from Crazy Horse High School and their transcripts are on file at the school.

The program is currently full, but there is a waiting list and when there is a slot open, applicants will be contacted.

The program is allowed 10 students in the morning and 10 students in the afternoon session.

Contact Mr. Mullen at 605-455-6839 or 605-462-6792 for more information.







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Words for the People

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Kornmann rules that Todd County Schools violated student's rights

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

PIERRE - In a relatively lengthy court opinion, U. S. District Court Judge, Charles B. Kornmann, ruled on Oct. 20 that the Todd County School District had violated a student's rights to a free education without, according to him, appropriate due process of law.

The student was identified in the court document as, Ernest Doe, an eighth grader at the Todd County Middle School, along with his mother, Danita Doe. Both names are pseudonyms and as plaintiffs in the case they alleged that the school district had violated the student's right to due process by suspending him for the long term when the Todd County Middle School handbook calls for a three day suspension in the case of vandalism.

Attorney, Dana Hanna, filed the complaint last January against the school district and named TCSD superintendent, Dr. Richard Bordeaux and the Board of Education in the suit. The board is comprised of Randy Her Many Horses, Troy Heinert, Charles Moe, Steve Her Many Horses and Marlon Leneaugh.

On Oct. 14, 2005 Doe admitted that he and three other students had fired a 22. caliber rifle in the vicinity of the school from a moving vehicle. School was not in session at the time as it was past midnight when the incident occurred.

TCMS principal, Peggy Diekhoff, sent a letter to Doe's parents explaining that the suspension was due to possession of a weapon and vandalism to school property. She noted that it would last until the next school board meeting. On Oct. 25, Bordeaux modified the suspension to a long term suspension until the end of the semester, Jan. 13. Bordeaux's or Diekhoff's letter did not mention the Guns Free School Act of 1994.

In Kornmann's discussion of the plaintiff's motion for summary judgment regarding four legal arguments he begins by saying that the TCMS handbook did not contain any language about the Gun Free Schools Act of 1994 which the school relied upon. Any middle school student reading the handbook would not know what was prohibited. Furthermore, the act was repealed and only applied to states. The handbook specifies that in the case of vandalism only a short term suspension for the first offense may be imposed. Bordeaux's letter of October 25 arbitrarily imposed a long term sentence

In the second argument, the court found that the school district never communicated to the student, prior to the hearing that they were going to use the Gun Free Schools Act. Nor, was there any document that outlined the Superintendent's report as required by South Dakota administrative rules. The student could not adequately prepare for the hearing without that report and thus, it amounted to a lack of due process.

Third, when the district failed to make a decision on the stu-

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Three top Native writers celebrate sisterhood

KYLE - Three prolific and award-winning authors will gather at the Oglala Lakota Pejuta Haka Center in Kyle and the Dahl Arts Center in Rapid City for Celebrating Sisterhood: Exploring the roles of women in tribal culture.

The project sponsored by Cangleska, Inc and the South Dakota Humanities Council is funded through a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Oglala Lakota College is a collaborator on the project.



Allison Hedge Coke



Sally Roesch Wagner



Susan Powers

Sally Roesch Wagner, Allison Hedge Coke and Susan Powers will give presentations and participate in a round-table discussion about the changing roles of native women and their sisterhood. The project, which includes a program at 1 p.m. Nov. 17 at the OLC Pejuta Haka Center in Kyle and an evening program at 7 p.m. Nov. 17 at the Dahl Arts Center in Rapid City, examines the social, political and cultural evolution of native women.

Wagner was one of the first women to receive a doctorate for work in women's studies in the United States (UC Santa Cruz, 1978), Dr. Wagner is also a founder of one of the country's first women's studies programs at California State University, Sacramento (1970). She has been women's studies professor for 34 years and now Executive Director of the Gage Foundation in Fayetteville, N.Y. Wagner is the nation's foremost authority on Matilda Joslyn Gage.

She appeared in Ken Burns' PBS documentary, "Not for Ourselves Alone: The Story of Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony", for which she wrote the accompanying faculty guide. She was a historian in the PBS special, "One Woman, One Vote". She wrote the book Sisters in Spirit: Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) Influence on Early American Feminists.

Award-winning poet Allison Hedge Coke's readings always

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Lawmakers decide not to appeal redistricting case court decision

By Chet Brokaw
Associated Press Writer

PIERRE (AP) - State lawmakers will not ask the U.S. Supreme Court to overturn a federal judge's decision that redrew the boundaries of three South Dakota legislative districts in an American Indian voting rights case.

The Legislature's Executive Board decided not to pursue further appeals after Attorney General Larry Long advised lawmakers there was little chance the nation's highest court would hear the appeal, Sen. Ed Olson, R-Mitchell, chairman of the Executive Board, said Friday.

Olson said he believes the Legislature should have appealed the case because lawmakers will continue to face the same issues in the future when it is time to redraw district boundaries according to population shifts.

The Executive Board, which handles management issues for the Legislature, voted 8-5 to not pursue further appeals. An earlier motion in favor of an appeal failed by one vote.

U.S. District Judge Karen Schreier of Rapid City redrew the boundaries of the three legislative districts in an attempt to give American Indian voters a chance to elect more Indian candidates in an area that includes the Pine Ridge and Rosebud reservations.

Schreier ruled that the Legislature's 2001 redistricting plan violated the voting rights of Indians in the area, and a federal appeals court later upheld her ruling. Schreier established new districts in the area, and those new districts were used in Tuesday's elections.

The number of Indian lawmakers elected in the three-district area dropped by one in Tuesday's election. Rep. Paul Valandra, D-Mission, did not seek re-election and was replaced by a non-Indian. That replacement was former Rep. Larry Lucas, also a Democrat from Mission, who won many times under the old district configuration.

After the 2001 Legislature approved a redistricting plan, four Indian voters filed a lawsuit alleging that the plan violated the federal Voting Rights Act. The American Civil Liberties Union filed the lawsuit on behalf of Indian voters.

Schreier ruled in 2004 that the Legislature's redistricting plan illegally put too many Indians in District 27, which for many years had included the Rosebud Indian Reservation and the main part of the Pine Ridge Indian reservation. Nearly 90 percent of those living in the district, which covered Shannon and Todd counties and a connecting strip across southern Bennett County, were Indians.

Schreier found that the illegal packing of District 27 diluted Indian voting strength in an adjoining district.

The judge drew district boundaries that put the Rosebud and Pine Ridge reservations in different legislative districts.

Schreier has already ordered the state to pay the ACLU more than $641,000 in legal fees and costs in the case.

PBS to host special on Native teens

A special entitled "Native American Teens: Who We Are" will be aired during the week of Nov. 18 with host Litefoot, Native rap artist and actor. Co-host for the event will be Christina Douglas and it will be a program that features some accomplished teens, films made by teens, and a discussion with group of Native leaders shot around several different reservations in the country.

The focus will be on a teen lacrosse player from the Seneca reservation in New York and how lacrosse sticks are made traditionally. In Fort Hall, Idaho a young Shoshone-Bannock, Hovia Edwards, will demonstrate the skills her father taught her in playing the traditional flute. This project includes a website with additional resources about the film and resources about Native Americans and a classroom discussion guide. Please visit www.pbs.org/inthemix.

Community Calendar
Rez Happenings

Holiday Hoops Classic Dec. 2
The sixth annual Holiday Hoops Classic will be held Dec. 2 and 3 at Porcupine School. The tourney will be an eight tournament of staff only, proof of employment will be required. For more information contact Harold Hollow Horn at 441-4199 or 455-6474.

OST Commodity Issue
Friday, Nov. 17 in Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni and Monday, Nov. 20 in Oglala.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
School pow wow on Friday, Nov. 17 at Porcupine School with grand entries at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m. and Friday, Dec. 1 in Batesland sponsored by Shannon County Schools in Rockyford and Batesland.

Pow wow
White Buffalo Club pow wow at Chadron State College on Saturday, Nov. 18 with grand entry at 1 p.m., free Indian Taco feed at 4 p.m., for information call 308 432-6496 or 6250.

Book Forum
Circle of One Book Forum with "Custer Died for Your Sins" as the selection for Saturday, Nov. 18 from 2-5 p.m. at Prairie Edge Bookshop in Rapid City, for info call 574-2165.

Boxing Memorial
Saturday, Nov. 18 at the Bear Soldier Youth gymnasium in McLaughlin for the Carl and Rene Cameron, Jr. Boxing Memorial with weigh ins at 2 p.m. and bouts at 6 p.m. featuring teams from North and South Dakota, for information call Shannon at 823-4116.

Gospel Concert 2006
Remember Our Loved Ones Gospel Concert, Saturday, Nov. 18 at the Porcupine CAP Office from 2-9 p.m., lunch will be served at 12 noon before the concert, limited chairs so bring your own chairs, everyone welcome.

Health Fair/4 Direction Walk
Tuesday, Nov. 21 in Pine Ridge at Billy Mills Hall with a healthy meal celebrating November as American Diabetes Month, doors open at 8 a.m., health fair at 9 a.m. and walk at 10am, for info call 867-2344.

Pow wow and Art Show
Lakota Red Nations 9th Annual Pow wow and Art Show, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 24 and 25 in Gordon, Neb. at he Gordon City Hall with grand entries set for 7 p.m. on Friday and 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Career Fair
Wednesday, Dec. 6 at Pine Ridge High School with post secondary institutions and regional employers setting up in the gym and individuals speaking to classes from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Christmas Dinner/Traditional Wacipi
Saturday, Dec. 9 at the Mother Butler Center in Rapid City with dinner at 5 p.m. and wacipi from 7-10:30 p.m., bring a side dish to share with family and friends, main menu provided, everyone welcome, raffle and table rentals available, for info call 545-1399 or 454-1456.

30th Annual Lakota Nation Invitational
Wednesday-Saturday, Dec. 13 through 16 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City featuring a 16 team boy's and a 16 team girl's basketball tournament, hand games, knowledge bowl, language bowl and wrestling tourney.

Concert, Arts and Crafts Fair
Lakota Holiday Concert and Arts and Crafts Fair, Tuesday, Dec. 19 at the Lower Brule Community Center starting at 5:30 p.m. with all musicians and singing groups welcome, for information call Earl Bull Head 605 473-9232.Holistic Management Workshop.

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dent's appeal it amounted to a lack of a fair due process hearing. When the school board made no decision and referred the issue back to the superintendent it failed to take any action other than to continue the student on home study.

The school's policy provides for a short term suspension in the case of vandalism of one to three days and thus, the student was ineligible for a long term suspension. There also was no evidence that Ernest had set foot on school grounds and thus, the Gun Free School Act did not apply.

In any case, the student was entitled to a hearing on the merits of his appeal and absent that, it amounted to a violation of the student's right to a fair and due process hearing.

When the student was expelled without the right to a fair hearing his rights to due process was not afforded. When a school extends an extension that requires a separate hearing and that did no occur.

Finally, Kornmann wrote on page 15, "As previously mentioned, school board members are held to know the constitutional rights of their students and the law that governs their conduct. Yet, the defendants failed to comply with the law or heed the lessons from their previous experiences. The defendants repeated some of the very same conduct in this case that the Court held was impermissible just a month earlier in the Waln case."

The next step in the legal proceedings will most likely find the Todd County School District appealing Kornmann's ruling to the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals to see if his ruling was correct, unless of course there is an out of court settlement.

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stir emotions. She is the author of Rock Ghost, Willow Deer: A Story of Survival, a razor sharp portrayal of her life with a schizophrenic mother; prejudice; and abuse - beatings, rape and alcohol and drug abuse. Her debut collection of poems Dog Road Woman, brought her the American Book Award in 1998 Coke, who is Huron and Tsalagi (North Carolina), French Canadian and Portuguese, grew up mostly in North Carolina but also in Canada during the summers. The family stayed in South Dakota often and her roots date back the area before it was a territory.

She earned her MFA at Vermont College and will join the faculty of Northern Michigan University in January 2005.

Susan Power is a member of the Standing Rock Sioux tribe and a descendant of the Sioux Chief Mato Nupa (Two Bears). She received degrees from Harvard/ Radcliffe and Harvard Law School, and attended the Iowa Writers Workshop. She is a writer and poet , and also teaches creative writing. She received the 1995 PEN/Hemmingway Award for Best First Fiction. She is the author of the Grass Dancer , which won the 1995 Ernest Hemingway Award for best first work of fiction. The book encompasses interconnecting tales of several generations of North Dakota Sioux. The numinous power of the spirit world illumines the novel; the narrative flows forward and backward in time, and dead forbears--such as the 19th-century lovers Ghost Horse and Red Dress--are vital presences in daily life and Roofwalker, which received the Milkweed National Fiction Prize.

Cangleska, Inc. sponsored the project as a part of a year-long domestic violence awareness effort in the communities where native shelters serve women.

To Each and Every One
of My Supporters.
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Woksape Tipi Library offers plenty



By Michelle May

Oglala Lakota College Woksape Tipi Library

KYLE - We had a great book talk with Steve Hendricks, author of *The Unquiet Grave: The FBI and the Struggle for the Soul of Indian Country* who was our guest at Woksape Tipi on Oct. 31.

There were about 30 people in attendance and included students, faculty and community members.

We did an interview for KOLC in the morning and in the afternoon we sponsored a public forum for conversation and questions with Steve. Steve donated a copy of his book to each of our library centers. This story begins with the death of Anna Mae Aquash and outlines the deception perpetrated by the FBI, BIA and AIM according to documents Steve obtained from the FBI through a lawsuit filed by Steve.

Needless to say the activities surrounding Wounded Knee in 1973 and subsequent actions that followed in our homeland on the Pine Ridge remain extremely painful and difficult to verbalize without profound emotional expression.

The atmosphere became very electrified when a community member vocalized his disagreement with the interpretation of the role of AIM associates presented by this young author. Words were also spoken about the 'arrogance' of outsiders coming to our home and telling us what happened, why and how we can begin to heal. There is validity in this statement and it could have become a learning experience for the young author and others in the audience but unfortunately the moment was lost in the emotional firestorm in which it was presented.

Academic and public libraries are places that promote free speech and the exchange of ideas, controversial and otherwise. It is very important in how we address each other, simply put - dialogue is essential for learning and good manners are essential for good dialogue.

Woksape Tipi Library provides public forums that promote discussion in an intellectual manner. There is much to be gained by asking hard questions in a manner that promotes thoughtful responses. We thank everyone that attended and participated in the forum. With all the talent we have in our homeland we will see a time when we write about our own history and we tell those not from here, how it happened, why it happened and how we have begun to heal ourselves from within.

So snap, crackle, pop and here we go again. On Friday, Dec. 1 at 1 p.m, Woksape Tipi is hosting a South Dakota Humanities Program entitled *Three Voices*.

Three women, Geraldine Goes in Center, Lilah Pengra and Joyce Jeffereson will be dressed as people in the 1870s.

They are playing the roles of people who were here and others who came here in order to tell the story of how people shared some of their values and goals and at other times saw things in very different ways. Everyone is welcome! Stay tuned for more information as the time comes near.

With winter coming on we all need to know what the best remedies are for our aches and pains and Woksape Tipi Library has just what you need, fill those long winter evenings by checking out the Prescription for Nutritional Healing: A Practical A-to-Z Reference to Drug-Free Remedies Using Vitamins, Minerals, Herbs & Food Supplements (over 5 million copies sold and the nation's number one bestselling guide to holistic health). A companion copy to Nutritional Healing is found in the Prescription for Herbal Healing: An easy to use A-to-Z Reference to Hundreds of Common Disorders and Their herbal Remedies. Also for natural healing is the Indian Herbalogy of North America: The Definitive Guide to Native Medicinal Plants and Their Uses, this is an encyclopedic guide to more than 200 medicinal plants with descriptions of plant appearance and uses and directions for methods of use and dosage. Also just arrived are the Secrets of Native American Herbal Remedies and the companion book of Natural Alternatives to Antibiotics: Using nature's Pharmacy to Help Fight Infections. As spring draws near plan to use the Herbal Remedy Gardens: 38 Plans for Your health & Well-Being - even if you are not a gardener you can plant for specific health issues that include a cold and flue garden, decongestant garden and headache relief and so much more!!

For families with loved ones recently diagnosed with Type 2 Diabetes, we have a simple step by step guide titles The First Year: Type 2 Diabetes: An Essential Guide for the Newly Diagnosed.

This winter we are promoting the Second Annual Woksape Tipi Book Talk. This year we have selected *Indian Killer* by Sherman Alexie. This is definitely different than his other works. *Indian Killer* is about a serial murderer terrorizing Seattle.

This piece of work is perfect for an evening of discussion!!! Remember great literature is all about the emotional response a piece of work evokes from within you, if you don't like the story, that is okay, come and join the discussion.

Our Book Talk is held on Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2007….so you have plenty of time to check out the book which will be available Dec. 1 from Woksape Tipi.

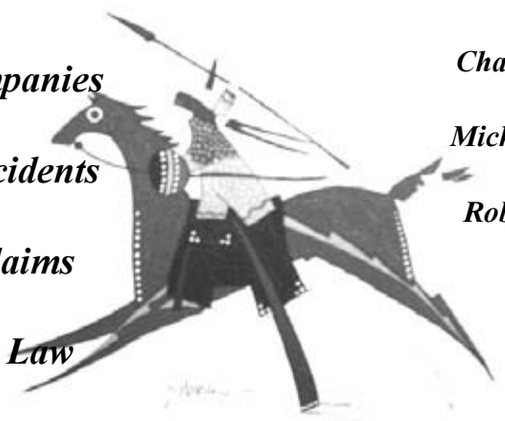
We have ordered 15 volumes and after the Book Talk, one volume will be placed in each center as part of the fiction collection.

Hope to see you at the library!

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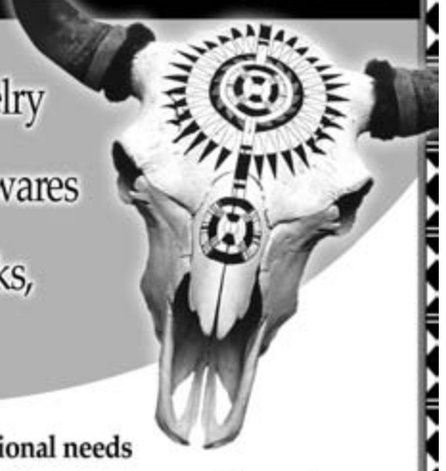
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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I have many questions for you but there is one big question I need to ask. I was talking to this woman she is from out east from the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.

I talked to her and never met her which is kind of bad in my situation. She has two kids from what I was told. We talked for about three months and I liked the idea of hearing from her. Her voice is what I liked the most she has personality, she is very kind and caring. You know I saw her picture and she is the most beautiful woman I had seen.

I email her every now and then but I never get a response from her, is it because she is ignoring me or what is it? I am financially set I lost contact with her when I went to Artesia for training. I blame myself for not staying in contact with her can you give me some advice I need to know if she is okay and if her kids are fine too.

If she is out there can I ask, would it be possible to get in contact with her. This is my first time I have fallen for a woman who I never met before.

Help me find my future woman?

Lost without her

Dear Lost without her:

That's the trouble, isn't it? This kind of relationship I refer to as a GUD (geographically undesirable). She is a good person, she is beautiful...and she is kind.

However, she is now with someone else. Her silence is out of loyalty to her new relationship. So, you see, she is also loyal. She also has a pretty good temper, so a one-on-one relationship with her, daily, might have been very explosive and uncomfortable.

You will hear from her again in a few months. She will catch you up on her life. By that time, however, another person will have entered your life. The one thing that you have going on right now is the "romantic" view of her. It really isn't based on a full scope of understanding, because email and phone relationships only show the best part of someone. In other words, usually there is a whole lot of "acting the part" going on.

The real person isn't showing up, because the day-to-day issues are not present in the relationship.

Don't worry, you will get a better scope of who she really is from others that do know her, and by the time she circles back to you things in your life will have changed. I would caution you against dropping the new relationship with the real woman for the phone and email attraction - it would cause you hardship.

Dear Anna,

I read your column every Friday and I like what you say to people and I was wondering if you can help me? I like going to school really and these girls are always trying to fight but I need my education so I don't do anything. I always think about my ex, he talks to me but then again he seems like he hates my guts? Does he?

How are my nephew and nieces, will they all be okay? My mother, how will she be? My little sister, is she okay? Is she going to have a boy or a girl?

My grandmother will she be alright? My other little sister will she quit being a pain and straighten up? Will my mother get back with my step dad? God Bless You always.

Struggling This Way

Dear Struggling:

At some time, in the perfect future, where people truly understand and respect each other as sisters and brothers of spirit, stupid young people will quit trying to bash each other's brains in. Currently, there is almost a cultural obligation to be tough. Anyone that is different, or disagrees with another is subject to a beating.

It is so far away from the Lakota values that it pointedly demonstrates a true need for cultural revitalization. It would help if all parents could tell their children not to hit anyone, unless they are willing to spend the rest of their lives in prison. The reason for that is simple - if you hit another, you could kill them. I apologize for the girls that feel a need to validate themselves through someone else's pain.

Someday, they will realize how off-base and out of balance they are. Someday they will recover from this illness. Until then, walk when you can, run when you must, and hold your ground if you can't back off. I will pray for protection for you and all children that find themselves in jeopardy - and pray for the ones that jeopardize, so they may find a better way of living.

Your ex is just being civil. Don't get your hopes up. He doesn't really "hate" you, but he doesn't want to be with you either. Let it go. If you force an encounter with him based on false hope, you will be used and your feelings will really be hurt.

Your family members all seem to be doing okay. They struggle, but things do get easier this next year. I see a little boy for your sister. Yes, someday, your little sister will quit being a pain and straighten up, but not for a while. She has to figure out what kind of person she wants to grow up and be, and I have the faith to believe that she understands that a good way of living and being creates a good life. Bad behavior, alcohol etc. leads to chaos, and eventually living under the bridge in Rapid.

Your mom and step dad are going back and forth. They care for each other but dysfunctional dependency and co-dependent behavior is wracking them apart. They will continue to come together and break up for awhile. There is a chance that they can get it together, but it takes a lot of internal changes for the relationship to be successful.

Take care of yourself. Keep going to school. Prepare yourself well - I see you as thinking about a career in the health field - good choice and good luck. Blessings to you.

Dear Anna,

I just wanted to know if you sensed that I would be going through a rough time before it happened? I just lost my cousin who was like a sister to me in a automobile accident. I just don't know how to feel I think I just can't feel anymore.

As for my relationship I've been married for more than 20 years and we have five children together and our oldest is going to be 24 here in a couple of months and the youngest will be four at the end of this month. I want to move on and leave this place all together but I don't know where to go and start over or something.

Can you give me some guidance as to what the future holds in the next year of so? Will I still be married to my husband? I know I love him dearly but I just feel like I don't know, you know? Will my daughter get out of jail or will she get prison time?

She is in for drugs. Any insight of what to expect would be helpful.

Also will me or my husband ever hit anything big at the casino? I just hate going to that place because I never win anything. I know that's not good thing to be doing but I guess it keeps my mind occupied from worrying all the time. Well anything positive would be helpful at this time I know only God knows whats in store but still I just would like to cheat and know a little something OK? God bless.

What's in the future for me

Dear What's in the future:

Death of a loved one is hard to go through. The big key is not to take it personally - it wasn't done to hurt you - it is just the cycle of life. The ones that die are comforted and are in a better place.

We cry for ourselves and the ones left behind. We miss them, and want to have them in our lives. Give yourself some time.

I know the restless spirit when I see one. You need renewal in your life, a stronger sense of purpose and a self-image of being a successful person. Change your definition of success from just being dollars and cents to strength of character and the gentle lovingness of your soul. It will help you.

Your daughter will be sentenced to prison, but the sentence will be suspended and she will be on probation. She will have to seek treatment and successfully complete a program. She has to find sobriety or she will end up in prison. If she gets mouthy, while in jail, she will also face more criminal charges, which will put her in prison. Think of this as a journey for her, to give herself a chance to change and possibly save her life. She obviously learns the hard way, not through words, but through personal experience.

I don't see you permanently leaving your husband. You need more personal completion and it doesn't come from the outside. No matter who you are with you are still you, and the feelings of aggravation and restlessness will still be with you until you figure yourself out. That is part of life's journey: first to find the best in yourself, second to discover what it is you want and need to do in your life to complete a successful journey, and third to live each day as an exciting journey on your path.

That is what the middle years of life are for, to become the person you are, to begin to learn the wisdom that takes you into your elder years. Everyone goes through it.

The casino? Well, I don't win very often, and for that reason, I don't gamble very often. My best advice is to wait until everything in your life seems to be going in a good way; when lucky things begin to happen; then check it out. The odds are with the house - but if your odds are up on the top, then you can win. I don't see you winning until next June or July. Keep that in mind. If you have the money, and you enjoy an evening out, then set aside the amount of money you would spend and call it entertainment. Just gamble that amount, and have a good time. Release expectation and outcome and stay in the moment. If you can't do that, and can't afford it, don't gamble, go out to dinner, a movie and shopping instead.

One word of understanding for you. God has given you your life; to lead and express your journey in your way. The reality you create comes from within you. Every action creates a response; every thought creates a mood or emotional energy; every interaction with another creates a climate. Worry is self-defeating.

You can worry about the color of a wall, but the worrying won't change the color of the wall - the action of painting it will.

You have many good things happening in your future. Through your involvement with a community action board, related to education, your whole life will change. That will probably begin in about another year or so.

Good luck, and keep your chin up, your eyes open, and your heart in tune with love.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551.

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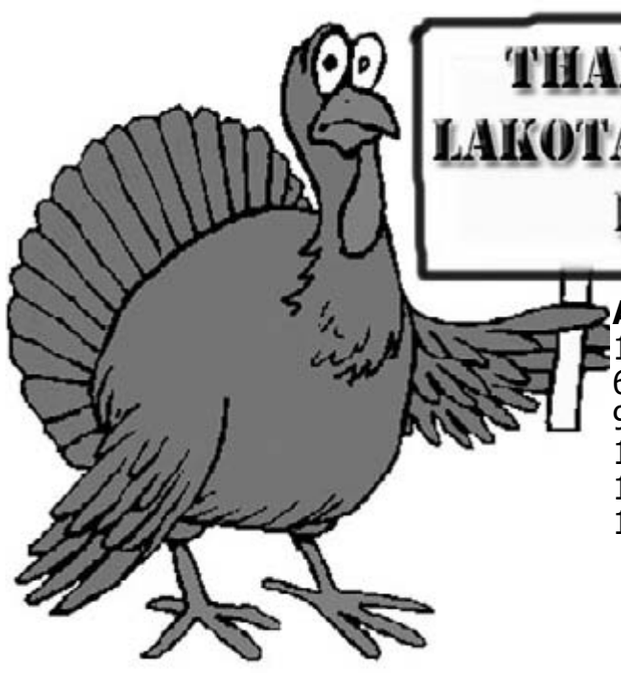
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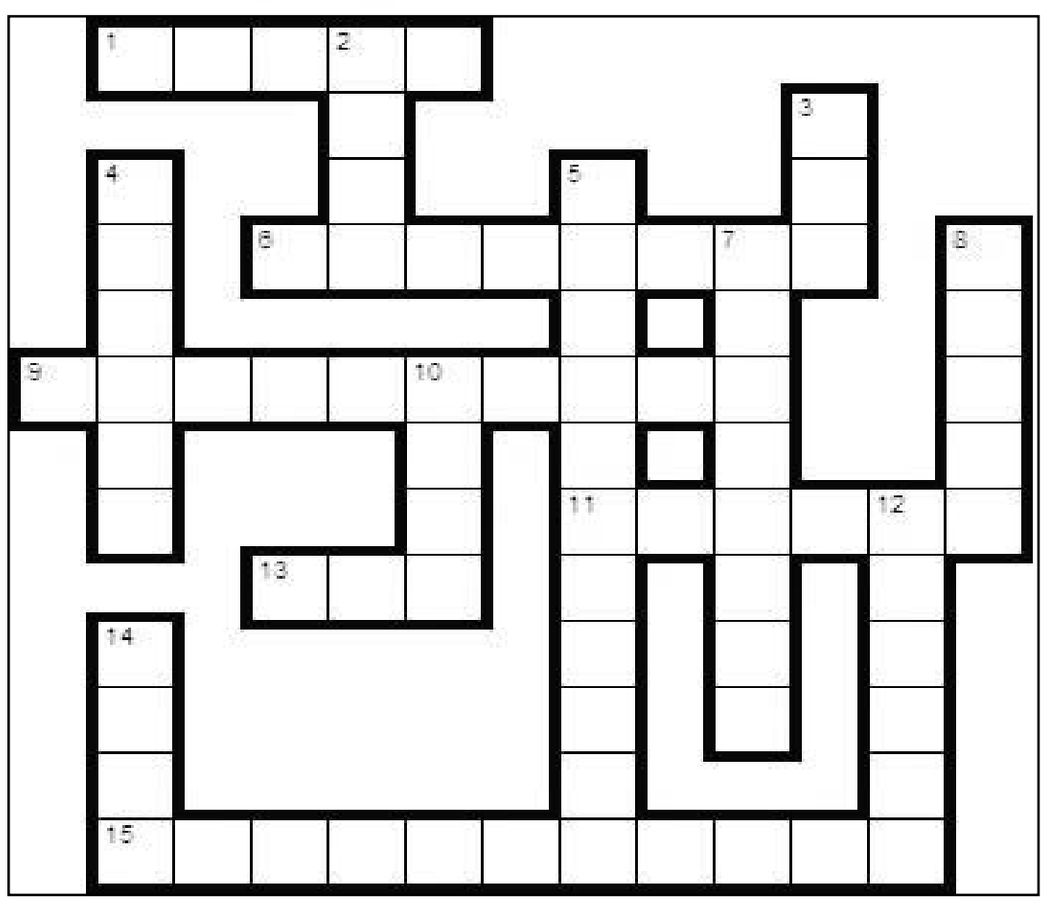




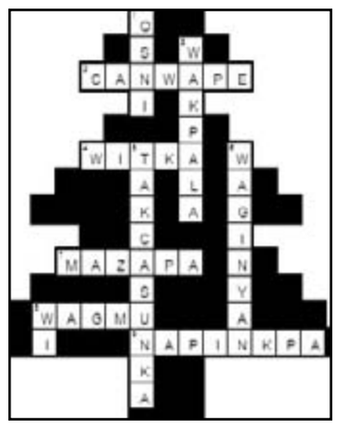
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Alfred D. Andrews, 54..... Gordon, Neb.
Mildred Apple, 87.....Kyle
Amanda Morsette, 94.....Batesland
Nancy G. Black Horse, 71.....Pine Ridge
Rhonda Lee Black Crow, 49.....Rushville
Baby Bear Robe, infant..... Pine Ridge
Rev. Leslie Bobtail Bear, 70.....Little Eagle
Amy K. Plenty Bull, 65.....Porcupine

Alfred D. Andrews

GORDON - Alfred D. Andrews, 54, died Nov. 13 at Gordon, Neb. of natural causes. He was veteran of the United States Marine Corp.

He is survived by his mother Effie G. Garnier Andrews of Pine Ridge; sons Robert Andrews, Kevin Andrews and J.D. Andrews all of Cheyenne, Wyom.; Step Daughter: Chelese Andrews of Cheyenne, Wyom.; sisters Karen Dean of Ft. Worth, Texas and Gloria Nelson of Pine Ridge.

A one night wake service will begin Thursday, Nov. 16 at the Makasan Presbyterian Church in Oglala.

Funeral services will be Friday, Nov. 17, at 9 a.m. at Makasan Presbyterian Church in Oglala with Rev. Asa Wilson officiating.

Burial will be Friday at the Black Hills National Cemetery, Sturgis.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Mildred M. Apple

POTATO CREEK - Mildred M. Apple, 87, died Sunday evening Nov. 12 in Rapid City of natural causes.

She was born Sept. 5, 1919 at her home in Cane Creek to Martin and Louise (Jones) Shangreau. She attended the country elementary school in Cane Creek and later graduated from Pine Ridge High School in 1938. She married John Apple in 1940 and in 1942 they moved to their present home in Potato Creek where they ranched and raised their children.

She is survived by her three sons, Donald Apple, John Apple and Melvin Apple of Potato Creek. Four daughters, Arlene Brewer and Delores Apple both of Pine Ridge; Phyllis Heathershaw of Potato Creek and Patty Apple of Kyle; Betty Apple of Rapid City.

She is also survived by her sister Ann Conroy and brother-in-law, Tom Conroy both of Bateland and one sister-in-law, Ethlyn "Johnny" Shangreau of Pine Ridge.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1979; brothers Bernard, Wesley, Charles and Calvin; sisters Margaret McGaa, Flora "Fussie" Brafford, Bernice Watters, Shirley Tapio and Cecelia "Sister Babe" Cottier.

Also by 18 grandchildren, 34 great grandchildren and three great, great grandchildren.

A one night wake begins Friday, Nov. 17 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Hall in Kyle.

Funeral services will be Nov. 18 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Hall.

Officiating will be Rev. Robb Kroll, SJ with burial at St. Stephen's Catholic Cemetery, Kyle.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Amanda M orrisette

BATESLAND - Amanda Morrisette, 94, died Nov. 12 at the Pine Ridge Hospital of natural causes.

She is survived by a son Joseph Morrisette, Sr., Wakpamni Lake; adopted sons Marvin Richards, Sr. Pine Ridge; Richard Marshall, Rapid City; adopted daughter Betty Brave Heart, Porcupine; sisters Hazel Fast Horse, Rapid City; Mary Ann Meester, Mesquiste, Ariz.; Numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

A two night wake begins 3:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 16 at the C. Bear Memorial Gym in Batesland.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 18 at Holy Cross Episcopal Church, Pine Ridge.

Officiating will be Rev. Rhoda Mesteth and Rev. Cordelia Red Owl with traditional services by Mr. Wilmer Mesteth, Mr. Sidney Has Nor Horses and Mr. Rick Gray Grass

Interment will be at the Holy Cross Episcopal Cemetery, Pine Ridge.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Nancy G. Black Horse

PINE RIDGE - Nancy G. Black Horse, 71, Pine Ridge, died Wednesday, Nov. 8, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include one son, Sid Black Horse, Pine Ridge; one daughter, Theresa Black Horse, Pine Ridge; two sisters, Pauline Big Crow and Ramona Tallman, both of Allen; and four grandchildren.

Wake services were Monday, Nov. 13, at Joyner Episcopal Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Nov. 14, at Holy Cross Episcopal Church in Pine Ridge, with the Rev. Rhoda Mesteth and the Rev. Patrick Barker officiating. Burial was at Holy Cross Episcopal Cemetery in Pine Ridge.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Rhonda Lee Black Crow

RUSHVILLE, Neb. - Rhonda Lee Black Crow, 49, died Nov. 3, in Rushville, Neb. Rhonda Lee Black Crow was born July 22, 1957, in Denver, Colorado, to Dorothy and Charles Currey.

She was raised in the Erie and Longmont Colorado area by her grandparents, Chelmar "Moonshine" and Leah Miller. Rhonda shared many fond memories of her grandfather working in the coal mine, camping trips, fishing, and most importantly, grandfatherly advice and love.

She truly adored her grandfather and treasured all the times she had with him. Rhonda moved to South Dakota in 1996 and lived in the Wakpamni and Rapid City area. Rhonda married Eugene Black Crow July 16, 1998.

To this union a son, Shine was born, who is named after her beloved Grandfather. Rhonda, Eugene, and Shine moved to Edgemont in 1999. Rhonda was known as a hard worker.

She worked at the InterMotel Leasing, State Veterans Home, Fresh Start and started a little business, Shine on Gifts.

Rhonda loved to do beading, crafting, gardening and working on the computer. Rhonda is survived by her husband, Eugene Black Crow, Wakpamni; a son, Shine Max Black Crow, 8 years old, Rapid City; a son, Charles Feis, 27 years old, Longmont, Colo.; a daughter, Catherine Asmussen, 15 years old, Tacoma, Wash.; a brother, Charles Miller, Wheatland, Wyo.; and many friends.

Memorial services will be at St. Andrew Church, Wakpamni Lake at 6 p.m. Friday evening, Nov. 17, and Dec. 2 in Edgemont at Assembly of God.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Baby Bear Robe

PINE RIDGE - Baby Bear Robe, infant, Pine Ridge, was stillborn Wednesday, Oct. 25, in Sioux Falls.

Survivors include mother, Tessie Bear Robe, Sioux Falls; four brothers, Adam Bear Robe, Andrew Bear Robe, Derek Red Cloud and Philip Standing Soldier Jr., all of Pine Ridge; and three sisters, Patricia Red Cloud, Lashawnda Red Cloud and Kimberlin Red Cloud, all of Pine Ridge.

Graveside services were Monday, Nov. 13, at Body of Christ Presbyterian Cemetery in Pine Ridge.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Rev. Leslie Bobtail Bear

LITTLE EAGLE - The Rev. Leslie Bobtail Bear, 70, Little Eagle, died Friday, Nov. 3, at St. Alexius Hospital in Bismarck, N.D.

Wake services were Friday, Nov. 10, at the blue gym in Little Eagle.

Funeal srvices were Saturday, Nov. 11, at Elk Horn Congregational Church in Little Eagle, with the Rev. Norman Blue Coat, Marc Stewart, Simon Looking Elk, the Rev. Leslie Campbell, Lyle Noisy Hawk, the Rev. Webster Two Hawk, Rocky White Mountain and the Episcopal lay pastors and ministers officiating.

Burial was at Elk Horn Congregational Cemetery in Little Eagle.

Amy K. Plenty Bull

PORCUPINE - Amy K. Plenty Bull, 65, Porcupine, died Monday, Nov. 6, at Pine Ridge Hospital.

Survivors include her husband, Virgil Plenty Bull, Porcupine; one son, Orval Poor Bear, Lincoln, Neb.; four brothers, Howard White Face, David White Face, Timothy White Face and James White Face, all of Porcupine; and six sisters, Trevian Scout, Vina Steele, Myrna Young Bear, Lillian Good Shield, Clara Whipple and Mary Young Bear, all of Porcupine.

Wake services were Sunday, Nov. 12, at Porcupine CAP Office.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Nov. 14, at Porcupine CAP Office, with the Rev. Howard White Face officiating.

Burial was at Lakota Gospel Church Cemetery in Porcupine.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

A memorial poem for Floyd Charging Crow

Nov. 16 to Jan. 3, 1995

We wish we could see you one more time come walking through the door but, we know that's impossible.

We will hear your voice no more. We know you can feel our tears and you don't want us to cry. Yet, our hearts are broken because; we can't understand why someone so precious had to die.

We pray that God will give us strength and somehow get us through as we struggle with this heartache that was caused by losing you.

In loving memory of our son, brother, uncle, dad
Floyd Charging Crow who left us on Jan. 3, 1995
Happy Memorial Birthday on Nov. 16th, 2006
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Interested firms and individuals must have a background in or experience working with Federal and State agencies on issues, topics, and proposed legislation in State and/or Federal legislative governmental branches.

Statement of work

The firm or individuals selected by the Rosebud Sioux Tribe will perform services including but not limited to:

1. Report on and analyze proposed legislation affecting Native Americans, Indian Country generally, and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.

2. Organization and coordination of testimony on proposed legislation by community leaders, elected officials of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, and other qualified experts and advocates on issues affecting Indian Country.

3. Track and update the status of legislation affecting Native American and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.

4. Provide research and information to legislators.

5. Propose, draft, and contact media sources for press releases and other releases of information on behalf of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.

6. Collect and disseminate information on voting by legislators, identify any legislation not favorable to the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, develop, coordinate, and pursue strategies for both types of legislation, record and report on voting results.

7. Prepare a final report on legislation enacted by the 2007 South Dakota Legislature.

Budget:

Respondents to this Request for proposal must bid an hourly rate with an estimate of the total project budget for the term of the 2007 South Dakota Legislative Session with a total budget in the range of $10,000 to $15,000. The total contract price will not exceed $15,000.

Deadline for submission of Proposals

Please submit your proposals to the address listed below by December 5th, 2006. If you have any questions regarding this request for proposals, please contact:
Michael Lapoint, Chief of Staff, President's Office,Rosebud Sioux Tribe
PO Box 430
Rosebud, SD 57570
Phone: (605) 747-2381

Point of Contact

The primary point of contact for submitting proposals is:
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Rosebud Sioux Tribe
PO Box 430
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Phone: (605)747-2381.

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OST HOUSING REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing ("OSLH") is requesting proposals from qualified individuals for Single Audit for FY ending December 2005-2006 relating to the OSLH Planning and Administration, Maintenance, Development, and Housing Services.

Firms/individuals wishing to submit proposals may request additional information from OSLH by calling (605) 867-5161, or by faxing to (605) 867-6355. Inquiries about the proposal process should be directed to Ken Lone elk, Executive Director.

All proposals must be received at Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing, Attn: Ken Lone Elk, Executive Director, P.O. Box 603, East Hwy. 18, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday, November 30, 2006.

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Closing dated for sealed proposals is 2:00 pm on Friday, November 17, 2006. Please submit proposals in a sealed envelope marked "Work Comp Bid" to the School Business manager or the following address: Little Wound School, Paula Pourier, Business Manager, P.O. Box #500, 500 Main Street, Kyle, SD 577520-0500.

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THE CHARGING CROWS

We would like to send the sweetest Happy Birthday to Autumn Salway on Oct. 21st with lotsa love from: Art, Sherrie, Brandon, AJ,Cassie, Shania, Priscilla

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Tammy Jade Uses Arrow
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Tony & Stacy Marrufo
Angie & Jesse Reyes
Angelo & Quanita Marrufo
Wanbli & Misty Poor Bear
Clara RodriguezDarlene Poor Bear

Happy Birthday to my niece Ciara L. Mesteth on Nov. 14th. Don't eat too much cake & ice cream. Love Auntie Tiara.

Congratulations! To Trisha Apple and Robert O'Rourke on the birth of your baby boy Jamison Carter O'Rourke born on 10-27-06 7lbs. 15 oz., 19 in. You too are doing a good job raising your boys. Keep it up! Coming from 2 very proud grandmothers Sally O'Rourke, & Debbie Apple and from the rest of the families.

I would like to wish my daddy Chris Mesteth Sr. a very happy birthday on 11-13. Wish you all the happiness on your special day, your princess, Ciara Mesteth.

Happy Birthday to our little girl Kacey Cummings from the crew at RWL Construction. Hope you had a good day. Enjoy your cake.

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November 28
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Congratulations on your engagement Richard Big Boy, Sr. and Lynnette One Horne. Hopefully marriage is soon before it blizzards. From: Ivan & Deanna Reddest & family, Al III and Delane & family, Lenn & Lynelle, Lyle & Gail and Kyle & Santanne.

Happy 10th Birthday on Nov. 13, 1996, Noah Spotted Eagle. My son, it's 10 years since the day you were born, and it has been the best 10 years. I've been blessed with a son like you. I'm proud of you son, you've reached the double digits and soon you'll be a teenager, but you will always be my baby, love your mom Heather

Happy Birthday to my auntie and grandma Mona Bull on Nov. 20 coming from your neice Antoinette and granddaughters Talanna and Tiara

Happy 25th B-day to our brother Wesley Means Jr. on 11-7-06. Happy birthday bro & son.
Love, the girls & mom & babies.

Happy Birthday "Baby Boy" Noah Spotted Eagle on 11-13-06. Who's in A-Town "He's Fine" "he's Mine" Happy Birthday. From Mom & Dad.

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Nov 17-Stephanie Yellow Hawk
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Noah, Sylviana Roman Thomas

I would like to wish my love, Justin, a happy b-day on 11/10. I hope you enjoy your day baby, with all my heart. Court

Happy Birthday to Monique Top Bear on 10-24-06. Hey sis I hope you had a good day. Thanks for always being here for me. I love you with all my heart, love your big sis
Trisha, Rob & boys.

Memorial Dinner for Bobbie and Myrtle





The families of Bobbi K. Poor Bear Hacker & Myrtle Lulu Suzanne Poor Bear Salas would like to invite friends and relatives to an unveiling of Headstone and Memorial Dinner/giveaway on Saturday, November 18, 2006. The unveiling will be held at the Allen Community cemetery at 11:30 a.m. the dinner and giveaway to follow at the American Horse School.

Happy Memorial Birthday to my cuz Deanna Faith on Nov.3,2006 who would of been 29 coming from
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HAPPY MEMORIAL BIRTHDAY TO MY BROTHER FLOYD CHARGING CROW ON NOVEMBER 16TH, 2006. YOU WERE GONE FOR 11 YEARS NOW BUT I MISS YOU LIKE IT WAS YESTERDAY. YOUR MEMORY LIVES ON IN ALL OF OUR HEARTS. WITH LOVE AND PRAYERS. YOUR SISTER MARILYN

Happy Birthday to my 2 babies- my big baby Chris Mesteth Sr. on Nov. 13th and to my baby girl Ciara Mesteth on Nov. 14th-hope you guys enjoy your days,
love Tasha.

Happy Birthday to my God daughter Niquisha Maste Bettelyoun on 10-23-06. I didn't forget, I wish you many more to come.
I love you with all my heart.
Love Trisha, Rob & Boys.

Congratulations to Belva Clifford on the birth of your baby boy, Laddimer Bucklen Bill Clifford, born on 10-26-06, 8.bs. 12 oz. 19 in. Hey girl keep up the good work! I know it's hard being a single parent but you're doing an awesome Job! When you need me I'm here for you, love, always,
Trisha, Rob, & Boys

Congratulations! To Lauretta Two Hearts on the birth of your baby girl Melonia Velma Rose TwoHearts born 10-26-06, 6lbs 10 oz. 19 in. Hey girl keep up the good work, She's beautiful. I want you to know your doing awesome being a single parent, love always Trisha, Rob, & boys.

In Loving memory of
Uncle Nathan Elk
11-14-05
Uncle, it's been a year since you've passed away. We miss you a lot, and think about the memories you left us with. We love you and miss you dearly. From: your nephews Jarrett & LaDette in Colorado, Delane & Irma in New Mexico & your niece Stephanie.

Happy Birthday to: Chase LWM on 11-17, Ciara M - 11-14, Chris M.-11-13, Shonic LWM-II-9 from Pearl & kids.

Congratulations to Rocky & Kayla on the birth of their new baby girl, Johanna Jade Fraser born 10-28-06.

Happy 1st birthday to our little Brat girl on Nov. 14th Ciara Mesteth
Love, Grandma Joann
& grandpa Leo.

To my beautiful mama Cathy White Face. Happy Birthday on 11-02. You may be turning a year older but you still look young and hot. I will always care for you and love you because you do the same for me. Much love 4 ya, your beautiful daughter Princess Cant Skuya Two Crow.

I would like to wish my beautiful and sexy honey Cathy White Face a happy birthday on Nov. 2. I will always be by your side and care for you and I will always love you too. Love Sheldon Two Crow.

I would like to say congratulations to Janelle One Horn and Ryan Featherman on their new baby. We all hope your lives will be as new as your baby. From your best friends.

Happy 10th Birthday to our big bro Noah Spotted Eagle on Nov. 13, 2006. We wish you the best B-day ever. From your bro & Sis Roman & Sylviana We love you!

Congratulations to Janell & Ryan Featherman on their baby coming soon. Hope you guys enjoy that loving sparkle. Love, your aunts & uncles.

In Loving Memory of My Brother Nathan Elk 11-14-05
Brother, it's been a year since you've been gone but not forgotten. Not a day goes by without us thinking about you and all the great memories you left us with. Remembering you today. We'll miss you always. From your Sister "K" and Egan.

In Loving Memory of Grandpa Nathan Elk 11-14-05 Grandpa just letting you know we love you very much and miss you a lot! From your Takoya's Ethan "Takoj" Mills, Candace "Candy" Hollow Horn, Jayden Iron Boy & Trinity Jealous Of Him.

In Loving Memory of Our oldest brother Nathan W. Elk, Our hearts still ache in sadness and secret tears still flow, what it meant to lose-you no one will ever know. Passed away Nov 14, 2005, You will never be forgotten. We pledge to you today in a hollowed place within our hearts is where you'll always stay. From your brother Emerson Elk & family and your sisters Kathy & family, Norita & family

Happy B-day Jessie P.H. hope you enjoy ur day. Call me someday, hope you and Ducky make things work.

Happy Birthday to our cousin Ciara Mesteth, she'll be 1 on Nov. 14th- from the Montana Crew, Camden, Tanner & Addison Young

Happy 34th Birthday to our lovely Mom Sherrie Yellow Boy on 10-27-06. We are the luckiest kids on earth to have a Mother as wonderful as you! Life would be miserable without you. We love you Mom, From, The Best of the Best: Dad, Brandon, Cassie, AJ, Shania, Priscilla.

Happy birthday to our mother Francine M. Janis on Nov. 27th. Don't know what we would do without you! Best wishes and many more to come. Love, your kids Lorie, Tiffany, Brenda and Casey.

Hey baby Jamie just wanna say I love you and you mean the world to me. You're getting so big now, pretty soon you'll be starting school. Be good baby girl, love your mom Eileen Rose.

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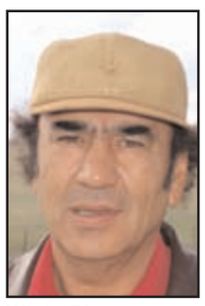
By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Two weeks after the Oglala Sioux Tribe conducted a general election, one week after the council failed to get a quorum to certified that election and six days after the executive board made council representative Lydia Bear Killer acting secretary to vote for a new election, Alex White Plume, president of the Oglala Sioux Tribe after a day long council session declared a new election.

The tribal council met Tuesday, Nov. 21 at the Billy Mills Hall in Pine Ridge to make a decision on the election.

Anywhere from 12 to 16 council representatives listened to a variety of opinions and feelings from community members, elders, elected officials and election candidates on whether or not to have a brand new election.

Council Representative Philip Good Crow's motion to hold just a presidential reelection finally hit the floor after the day long debate.


White Plume

When Garfield Steele's motion to hold a brand new election was not accepted, he moved to table Good Crow's motion. The council voted five yes for tabling and nine no.

Seeing that the votes on the council floor were not there for a new election, White Plume stood up and declared a new election.

Immediately council representatives nominated representatives for a new election board; Dr. Elgin Bad Wound from LaCreek District, Pastor Leon Matthews from Pine Ridge, and past council representative Richard Little Hawk were nominated to the election board with Phyllis Hollow Horn and Lilly Mae Red Eagle nominated as alternates.

The council immediately went into a discussion of accepting the resignation of Council Representative Juanita Scherich from Medicine Root District. After a passionate thank you and a prayer of support for her colleagues Scherich submitted her resignation; Scherich has served two terms on the Oglala Sioux Tribal council from Medicine Root District.

Her first term she served as chairperson as the health and human service committee and chair of the finance committee on her second

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St. Francis Mission sues SFIS over $1.5 million gift

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ST. FRANCIS - Several weeks ago, the Sicangu tribal membership was informed that Sicangu Oyate Ho, the corporate arm of St. Francis Indian School had received a bequest from the Delores Cerro Trust of Bakersfield, Calif.

The $1,530,000 bequest was restricted to student scholarship support and capital improvements.

In a press release dated Nov. 20, Superintendent Larry Parker wrote that the interest derived from the trust income was going to be applied to a 50/50 matching grant entitled, "Fighting Obesity through Play" grant.

However, on Nov. 9, the Rosebud Education Society/St. Francis Mission filed an injunction in tribal court to stop SFIS from programming any of the money for their planned purposes.

RST tribal court judge, Janelle Sully, issued the injunction based upon information provided by St. Francis Mission.

St. Francis Mission contends that there was an agreement with SOH/SFIS that originated over 25 years ago and that it served as the basis for the lawsuit in tribal court. The Mission apparently wrote a letter to SOH, Inc. noting that any donations or bequests that arise out of their fund raising efforts at to go to St. Francis Mission. Furthermore, the agreement noted that there is a certain partnership 'relationship' between the Mission and SOH, Inc.

The attorney for SFM, Robert Doody said, "Unfortunately, since litigation is currently pending we can not say any more about the matter. We trust that the judicial process at the Rosebud Tribal Court will lead to a just decision on this matter."

Doody, did however, make reference to the actual civil complaint filed in RST tribal court that also contained a couple of exhibits. At issue is a financial agreement detailing how the receipt of monies, wills and bequests that were solicited by SFM and their proper disposition.

The agreement was reiterated in 1984 and both parties relied upon the following statement to govern their financial relationship, "SOH agrees to cooperate with RES in the Little Sioux projects and that any funds received through these projects go into the RES account subject to the obligations of this contract." The 1984 agreement notes that in all cases the intentions of the donor will be honored.

SFM contended in the complaint they were not aware of the $1.5 million dollar bequest until after it was made and that they were alarmed that the money had been deposited in the school's general fund when, in fact, it had restricted uses.

Furthermore, SFM said that the school did not inform the Cerro Trust estate that there was an agreement in place. In the civil complaint, SFM asks the court to render a judgment against SFIS for the total amount received by them in the amount of $1.5 to $2 million.

One exhibit contained the 1984 agreement and the other was a

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TWO SECTIONS

School violence is focus of public meeting by Todd County Schools

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

MISSION - Many community members, especially parents, are well aware of the numerous 'bomb threats' which have been called into the Todd County Middle School and the high school in the last two years.

At the middle school last year the response, when a threat was called in, was to evacuate the students to the high school area.

After repeated bomb threats, they almost seemed 'routine' and the students would simply be evacuated and then they sat outside in buses until an 'all clear' signal was announced. Some parents likely were not aware that an evacuation had been held until their children let them know.

Dr. Richard Bordeaux, Superintendent, did not note the fact that new cameras have been installed at the middle school and this, in turn, will help identify potential suspects.

Last Thursday, the TCSD Board of Education held a public forum in response to the increasing violence in the district. Several community members, parents, law enforcement officials, school personnel and students were in attendance. Apparently, the high school was the target of four consecutive bomb threats last week. Such disruption to the normal school day is stressful for parents and students alike, while the cost to dispatch emergency personnel to conduct a search is difficult to assess.

School board member, Troy Heinert, said, "We heard a lot of people. That made a difference for me. There are so many entities that all deal with kids and we are not connecting. We got some good ideas and we know what changes we need to make. We will be redoing the lobby and access points…A school resource officer, we have pushed for that and we should have at least one this year."

Heinert, whose idea it apparently was to hold such public meetings noted that the school board will schedule another public meeting before the Christmas holidays.

At Todd County High School, Principal Vicki Sherman is often at the focal point of some of the ensuing discussion as to what should be done to combat the increasing concerns about violence and bomb threats in the school.

She said, "The board of directors have been very supportive and have gone with our recommendations. For parents, it is good to have this kind of meeting so that they can ask us questions…our policies are not meant to kick kids out, but to keep our staff safe."

Sherman went on to say that the whole violence and bomb threat issue is not a joke.

It is a community problem and when it does occur, so much time is lost.

She confirmed the fact that there was a possible gun threat and the

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$1.5 million in court at Rosebud

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financial statement for the years 1991-2004 which documented the monthly donations by Dolores Cerro.

Parker described the Delores Cerro Trust as one that had made other public, private and religious bequests and that before Ms. Cerro died, she called SFIS and relayed her intentions as to how the bequest was to be used.

An RST tribal court hearing on the injunction was to be held on Nov. 22, however, it has been postponed until a later date.

Parker said, "It is unfortunate that the RES is not collaborating more with the school for the benefit of the children at SFIS., The information supplied by RES in regard to the injunction, contained both false and misleading information as to the use of the money from the trust. To date none of the money has been spent, but has been invested in a separate account at Wells Fargo according to action by the Board of Education." Parker noted that the charges were groundless and the suit would be thrown out of court.

Todd County School focus

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school was in lock down status earlier in the month. The school has a zero tolerance policy for students who engage in fighting and when there is a problem students are referred to counseling. TCHS has only three counselors who work with 500 students.

Finally, Sherman noted that the Student Council and National Honor Society students have been asked to come up with strategies to address the subject of violence. Also, a classroom called "Wico Icage Teca" has been created to accommodate up to fifteen students who may be experiencing behavioral issues in their regular classroom.

Many of the parents who did show up for the meeting are those who normally attend meetings and Sherman noted that the remaining parents who do not, are the ones that the school would like to reach.

At the Todd County Middle School, counselor Bob Crichlow met with the student council consisting of 17 students, three or four times, and each one drafted their ideas about the recent bomb threats and threats of violence. They presented their suggestions and comments and Heinert said he was proud that they stood up and made their voice known.

One suggestion noted that, "When we evacuate to the school buses, the school buses remain on the school property. We are inside the danger zone. We feel that we need to keep our students safe and that we need to remove our students off of school grounds."

Another said, "We believe that the bomb threats are extremely dangerous. The reputation of our Lakota Nation and our Todd County School District is damaged. People think wrong of us. We believe and want to emphasize that we have a good and a safe school."

OST election

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term.

As Scherich second term round down, she decided to look for other work and applied for 12 jobs and was formerly chosen to be the director of the tribe's ONTRAC program on Nov. 9, two days after the general election.

The council voted 12 yes and two no, to accept Scherich's resignation and voted 14 to 0 to move the next vote getter, Sandra Old Horse into the vacant council position.

Sidney Witt, associate tribal judge, swore in the new council representative and Will Peters sang an honoring song for the outgoing council represenative and in the incoming council representative.

As an afterthought, the council voted 8 for and 3 against and 3 not voting to support the new election board and alternates.

As a tribal council representatives, executive board and community members filed out of Billy Mills Hall, a number of candidates elected in the general election of Nov. 7 expressed an interest in filing an injunction against the Oglala Sioux Tribe and it's attempt to conduct a brand new election.

White Plume's action came on the heels of a great deal of confusion and controversy surrounding the 2006 OST election. Two different court of appeals had voted to redo the entire election and on Oct. 23, the tribal council had voted not to support the first court of election of appeals and expressed interest in moving ahead with the 2006 election.

Although there was no timeline for the new election, the council and tribal president expressed that the new election board get to work immediately in creating a new timeline for both the primary and general election.

No action was taken on selecting a new court of election appeals; the current board of election appeals is made up of Connie Pumpkinseed, Barbara Jones and Marjorie Hunter Janis.

Merrival named as source of drug trafficking

PINE RIDGE - Jean "Chickie" Merrival of Denver, Colo. who testified at the trial of Flint Thomas Red Feather, Marvella Richards, Rusty Richards, and Geraldine Blue Bird has pled guilty to conspiracy to distribute cocaine and was named as the source. The four were also found guilty of conspiracy and other charges.

The defendants were part of a drug trafficking operation that sold drugs on the Pine Ridge reservation which were brought in from Denver.

Twenty people in all have been indicted as part of the same drug operation and included Janine Cottier of Pine Ridge and Tanya Elk Boy, also of Pine Ridge. Cottier pled guilty to the charge of conspiracy to sell cocaine, while Elk Boy pled not guilty to the selling cocaine between 2004 and 2005. Conspiracy carries a sentence of ten years to life and a possible fine of $4 million.

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National Meth Awareness day set for Nov. 30

PIERRE - Personnel from various agencies will be available for radio, television and newspaper interviews during the week of Nov. 27, leading up to Meth Awareness Day on Nov. 30.

To schedule someone for interviews regarding this important issue, please contact:

Tammy Scott, MAPP-SD Prevention Coordinator (Meth Awareness and Prevention Project of South Dakota) at 605-842-6635, email address, mappsd67@gwtc.net.

Recent studies show from January to September 2005, 8.81 pounds of Meth were seized in South Dakota and from January to September 2006, 24.52 pounds of Meth were seized in South Dakota.

The South Dakota De-partment of Corrections prison intakes from July, 2005 to June 2006.

*14 percent of adult males have a primary diagnosis of Meth addiction

*32 percent of adult males report using Meth.

*37 percent of adult females have a primary diagnosis of Meth addiction

*47 percent of adult females report using Meth.

In South Dakota the number of children placed in state custody/foster care because of a Meth-related cause has continued to rise, stats who 58 were placed in 2003, 110 in 2004 and 183 in 2005.

The average cost of having a child in foster care is $21,092. For 2005, the cost of foster care for children from a Meth-related placement averaged $3,859,836 (183x$21,092).

In South Dakota 12 percent of 11th grade females have used Meth one or more times during their lives.

The U.S. Department of Justice is sponsoring "National Methamphetamine Awareness Day" on Nov. 30, in order to generate awareness about the damaging effects of meth abuse on individuals, families and communities.

In South Dakota, the U.S. Attorney's office, the Governor's office, the Attorney General's office, the Department of Human Services, and MAPP-SD are partnering to increase awareness and decrease demand of this highly addictive and dangerous drug.

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"In Touch With the Community"

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Tribes working to prevent meth use

By Christina Good Voice
Associated Press Writer

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) _ In the rural areas of the Osage Nation reservation, tribal officials say a silent epidemic is spreading, causing domestic abuse, child abuse, child neglect and an overall decline in the quality of life for some Osages.

Methamphetamine use is on the rise, and tribal leaders passed an anti-meth bill this week that would set minimum penalties for the use, possession and distribution of meth.

The bill, which was passed Wednesday in the Osage Nation Congress, is a starting point in the Osage Nation's battle against the ``methamphetamine epidemic,'' Osage Congresswoman Debbie Littleton said.

Littleton worked diligently to get the legislation passed because she said she had seen firsthand the effects of the drug on family members.

``It's something I've been concerned with a long time,'' Littleton said. ``It didn't seem like there was anything being done about it.''

About 69.2 percent of the open Indian child welfare cases in the tribe are related to methamphetamine, said Lee Collins, director of social services for Osage Nation.

The tribe, which occupies Osage County in northeastern Oklahoma, has about 3,200 members living on its reservation.

Collins said the 2004 Oklahoma law that restricted access to products containing pseudoephedrine, a key meth ingredient, helped to bring down usage numbers on the reservation, but the trend has reversed as meth trafficking in the area has increased.

``If we looked at the past three months we'd see that number go up significantly,'' Collins said. ``I've worked with families (involved with meth), and in the past 11 years I've seen one mother get off meth and stay off.''

Even those who seek treatment for their addiction don't last and they wind up back in the system, she said.

Other problems that go hand-in-hand with methamphetamine use are child neglect and abuse.

``People who have used meth don't supervise their children. They party, sleep, and their children are subject to things such as sexual abuse by strangers the parents have let stay at their homes,'' Collins said.

If all of Oklahoma's tribes would work together in applying for grants, they might be more successful in getting the funds needed to create two-year treatment programs, Collins said.

Right now the Osage Nation only has a 28-day treatment program that Collins said is insufficient for any meth addict. She said a true addict would need at least a two-year program to stay clean.

``It's not just tribes _ it's all of society,'' Collins said. ``We've got to do a better job of protecting our children so the parents can get the treatment they need.''

Other tribes like the Cherokee Nation and the Choctaw Nation are working to get meth prevention grants to aid in their fight to keep the drug out.

The Cherokee Nation has received a $350,000 methamphetamine prevention grant that will be used to educate the community _ particularly the 16 to 20-year-old population _ and raise awareness about the drug.

B.J. Boyd, deputy director of Cherokee Nation Behavioral Health, said the tribe wants to help communities develop their own drug prevention plans and programs.

Boyd said the tribe doesn't have exact numbers on meth use within the Cherokee jurisdiction, but the tribe has the sense that it's there just by talking to tribal law enforcement.

``What we have in our area, it's not just an Indian problem,'' Boyd said. ``We're very integrated with other people who aren't Indian, and it's a problem for the whole community. We don't see that one group is source of the problem.''

The Choctaw Nation is seeking funding for a meth prevention grant that will only be given to five tribes across the United States.

Gary Nunley, director of behavioral health for the Choctaw Nation, said the grant would help with prevention, treatment and recovery for meth users.

The tribe has a 30-day treatment facility, and 45 percent of those who enter the program have said meth is their drug of choice, Nunley said. The Chi Hullo Li, or We Care for You, center is a six-month facility for mothers who are seeking treatment but don't want to be separated from their children. Methamphetamine is the leading drug at the facility.

``Meth is highly addictive. It takes a toll on the whole body and results in a loss of job, family and finances,'' Nunley said. ``It's a real serious problem.''

Nunley said Indian tribes should work together on the issue to find a solution.

``We should be partnering more formally with other tribes across the country to see if we can't identify a solution and the practices that work,'' Nunley said.

Red Cloud High School honor roll listed

PINE RIDGE - Red Cloud High School has released their honor roll list for the first quarter. The Gold Honor Roll is as follows:

Seniors

Matthew Shoulders 4.2, Allie Weston 4.2, Alex Morgan 4.2, Flora Crazy Thunder 3.85, Jade Janis 3.7, Tasheena Schreiner 3.7,Tanner O'Daniel 3.7, Sammi Herman 3.7, Christopher Reis 3.7, Lauren Lacey 3.7, Paul Eagle Bull 3.7, Breanne White 3.7, Lana Two Dogs 3.5, Samantha Janis 3.5, Michelle Janis 3.5

Juniors

Veronica Watters 4.1, Danielle Hudspeth 4.0, Audrey White 4.0, Amandeline Ecoffey 3.8, Chant Knight 3.7, Grey Hamilton 3.7, Angel White Eyes 3.7, Arthur Vitalis 3.7, Christian McGhee 3.6, Season Frank 3.6, William White 3.5

Sophomores

Sang Jun Park 4.1, Bobbi White 3.9,David Arrendondo 3.9, Marque Lunderman 3.9, Ezra Zephier 3.9, Juliana Brown Eyes 3.9,Shelby Ross 3.8, Mellisa Shoulders 3.8, Jacob Vocu 3.8, Jamie Ten Fingers 3.8, Danielle Locust 3.8, Elicia Truckenbrod 3.7, Charlee Running Eagle 3.7, Leonard Lone Hill 3.7, Daniel Hudspeth 3.7, Wade O'Bryan 3.6,Richard Dubray 3.6, James Yellow Boy 3.5, Alice Jack 3.5

Freshmen

AmberPalmier 4.0, Autumn White Eyes 4.0, Henry Hudspeth 3.8, Aubree Running Hawk 3.8, Carly Clifford 3.7, Kaitlyn Davis 3.7, Josey Johnson 3.7, Shelby McGhee 3.7,Michelle Twiss 3.7,Sarah Herman 3.6,Dane Arrendondo 3.5, Teslah Knight 3.5, Becky Condon 3.5, Daisa One Feather 3.5

Honor Roll for First Quarter

Seniors

Katrina Clinchers 3.4, Paulina Fast Wolf 3.4, Nicolette McLaughlin 3.3, Ashlee Randall 3.3,Ashlee Randall 3.3, Juwan Singh 3.3, Kay Two Bulls 3.3, Melvin Tibbitts 3.3, Lavelle Warrior 3.2, Jessie Little Finger 3.2, Delmarina One Feather 3.2, Cassandra Palmier 3.0, Catlin Clifford 3.0, Angel Big Crow

Junior

Stevie Tobacco 3.4, Ashley Pourier 3.4, Katheena Bad Wound 3.4, Andrew Twiss 3.3, Dylan Fills Pipe 3.2, Elaine Locke 3.2, Lisa Bear Robe 3.2,Casey Zimiga 3.2,Conrad Two Lance 3.2, Clinton Swallow 3.2, Kenith Franks 3.2, Rilda Means 3.1, Kristin Brings Him Back 3.1, David Anaya 3.0, Samantha Romero 3.0, Jacqui White 30, David Giago 3.0,Richard Williams 3.0, Jasmine White Butterfly 3.0, Sierra Two Bulls 3.0, Ida Clark 3.0,

Sophomores

Josh Huston 3.4,Charles Eagle Bull 3.4,Cheyenne Cummings 3.4, Jacob Franks 3.4, Elliot Hamilton 3.4, Charity Wilson 3.3, Ryan McLaughlin 3.2, Shaina Clifford 3.2;Saige Pourier 3.1;Latawna Pille 3.1, Kody Brown 3.0,Chelsea Zimiga 3.9, James Bush 3.0,Jennifer Brave Heart 3.0, Kiley Brings Plenty 3.0, Sam Hollow Horn 3.0

Freshman

Laree Pourier 3.4, Amber Steele 3.4,Colby Weston 3.3, Calsee Has No Horse 3.2, Raymond Hernandez 3.2, Lariah High Hawk 3.2, Kristy Boltz 3.2, Stephanie Clifford 3.0, Bryer Cottier 3.0,Bryer Cottier 3.0,Victoria Phelps 3.0, Montana Sierra 3.0,Jacey Twiss 3.0, Ethleen Cournoyer 3.0, John Richards 3.0.

Sitting Bull site proposed for national registry

MOBRIDGE (AP) - Two men restoring the gravesite of Sioux Indian leader Sitting Bull hope to find out soon if it will be listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Rhett Albers of Mobridge and Bryan Defender of McLaughlin acquired the property more than a year ago.

The two men have been working to improve Sitting Bull's final resting place. It now has lighting, security and signs. Until recently, the monument and bust had been neglected and vandalized.

Albers and Defender hope that a visitor center can be built on the 40 acres that surround the monument just west of Mobridge.

Sitting Bull's ancestors moved his remains to South Dakota in the 1950s from an original burial spot near Fort Yates, N.D.

The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe has listed the site as a significant stop along the Native American Scenic Byway.

Oglala Lakota College selects board members

PIYA WICONI - In conjunction with the OST General Election, Oglala Lakota College held a board election Tuesday to select board of trustee members and local board members; official results were released on Tuesday .

In Pine Ridge, Dennis Brewer received 249 votes to Gerald Big Crow's 130 for board of trustees member. In Wanblee for the Eagle Nest College Center Pete Red Willow defeated Ron "Beef " Randall 88-83 for the BOT position.

In Oglala, Ernie Little received 203 votes to Ingrid One Feather's 122. Francine Poor Bear, Pass Creek and John Her Many Horses, Wounded Knee District earned board positions by acclamation.

In local board races for LaCreek College Center in Martin Tammy Grass 113, Charles Bettelyoun 108 and Amanda Takes War Bonnett 107 with two board openings.

In Allen for the Pass Creek College Center Mary Jealous of Him received 124 votes, Anthony Poor Bear 84.

In Eagle Nest, Earlene Rooks for 4 year term. Pahin Sinte- Ruth Weston for 4 year term. Pejuta Haka - Marie Apple for a 4 year term, Bill Gourd for a 4 year term and Theresa Mendoza for a 2 year term. East Wakpamni - Charles Conroy and Trina Lone Hill. Pine Ridge college center - Dorothy Tyon.

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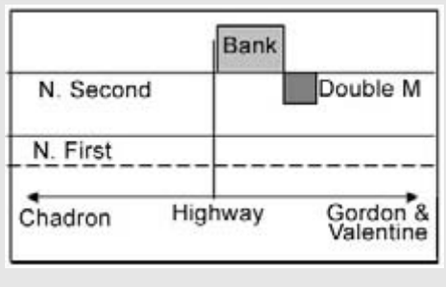
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For more information, call: (605) 455-6179 or 455-6178. www.lws.k12.sd.us

OPINION PAGE

Our Views

Thanksgiving and spirituality

In Lakota country, there does not seem to be much debate about the significance or the symbolism of Thanksgiving Day and life goes on.

There are many Native Americans who take the holiday as just that a holiday from time off from work, school and time to rest. And a time to eat and be with family.

To mainstream America it is a holiday to celebrate and give thanks. It is hard for Indians to think along those lines of historical celebration as our ancestors were already here.

Since the day supposedly originated in Plymouth, we on the northern plains do not see the direct connection to those earlier times and thus, our children are destined to also see the day as a time to indulge and maybe put on those extra pounds.

The modern conveniences we have all come to enjoy have somewhat dulled our sense of outrage and what western society has done to erode Lakota life.

In a fast paced world, it is easy to be pulled in every direction and not fully understand that our world, too, is developing a new complexion and a new perspective.

Our language and culture has been admired by hobbyist, researchers, photographers and generally, people who sometimes pose a nuisance to the direction of Lakota society. We need to assist in being our own architects of future Lakota life.

Let's be our own teachers, entrepreneurs, doctors and lawyers and then, we can demonstrate to our children that we are able to set forth what our society should look like.

The beauty of Lakota culture is very much evident and as we reflect on the uniqueness that is ours, we can celebrate and give thanks.

Spirituality

As publishers of a weekly newspaper, there are times we have to make decisions that will affect the philisophy of the newspaper.

After reflecting on the nature of Lakota 'spirituality' we realized, after the fact, that it is a commodity of sorts that is quite valuable to the survival of our people and the generations which are following us.

It is a way to provide good health, wicozani, for all who follow its teachings. Many of those teachings take a lifetime to comprehend as many may take experience and dedication when applying them to one's life.

'Spirituality' is not something we can measure or touch. It is intangible, as they say, and it really depends upon one's perception of all things related to it. For example, not only do we humble ourselves and learn by example and observation when we are in a ceremonial setting, but we learn the sacred language associated with it.

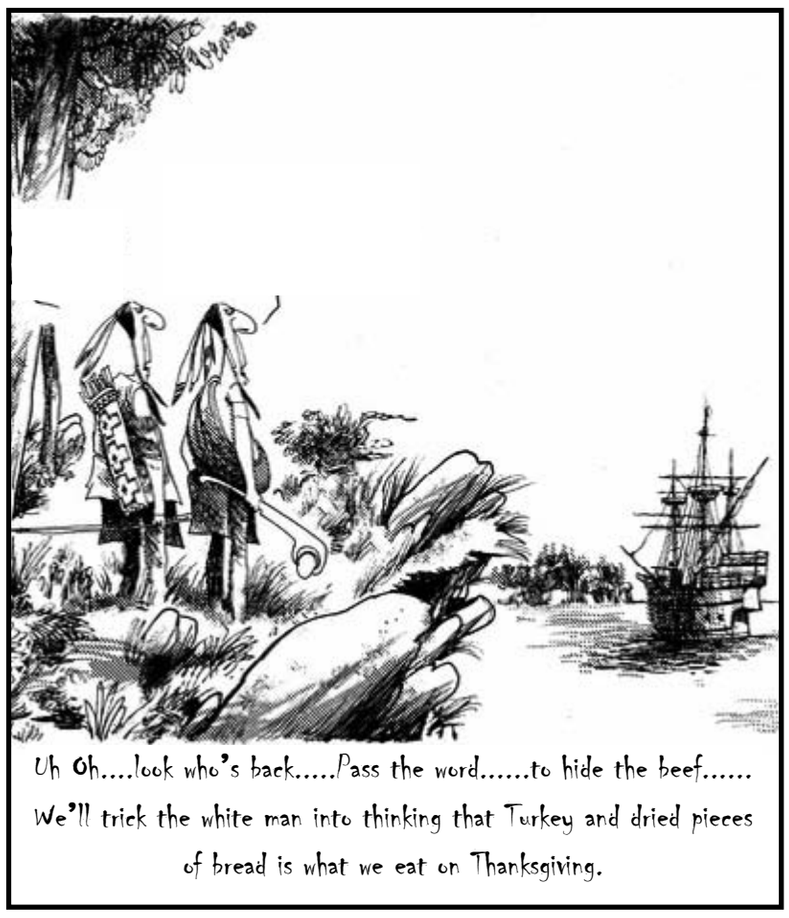
We believe the Lakota teaching that 'we are all related' as in mitakuye oyasin. It implies that everything that shares life is related to one another and that we are to treat each other as relatives.

In Lakota society, it is difficult to be caught in the middle of discussions and arguments about issues that concern 'spirituality' because we have been taught that such wisdom only comes from the Creator in ceremony.

As common men and women, or ikce wicasa na winyan, we have not truly gained the totality of wisdom and humility to say with certainty that 'this is how certain rituals should be done' or how people should conduct themselves. Such awareness comes with a commitment to humility and self-betterment through practicing such values that we have been taught as generosity, patience, understanding and dedication.

Many of us work to subscribe to those values which are most dear to us as a family unit or tiospaye and we really cannot prescribe what others should be doing to attend to their spirituality.

Lately we have received submissions of one saying things against each other, and we will not print those accusations, without proper documentation.



Uh Oh....look who's back.....Pass the word.....to hide the beef..... We'll trick the white man into thinking that Turkey and dried pieces of bread is what we eat on Thanksgiving.

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Other Views

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5. Oca blihi c'i yaye.

Grandchildren you're gonna have a hard row to hoe.

1. Grandchild, you are goign to walk on life's journey.
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4. On certain days, offer your Pipe (Cannupa) the Creator will help you abundantly.
5. So take courage. Hokahey words of wisdom.

Rev. Francis Apple
A s 'a Kuwapi

Guest Editorial

Thanksgiving is a lie, just like Santa Clause and the Easter Bunny

By Tommi Avicolli Mecca
Reprinted from the Beyond Chron, an online San Francisco edition

Thanksgiving is a lie. Just like Santa Claus and the Easter Bunny.

There's no more truth to the Hallmark moment of Pilgrims and Native Americans sharing a feast of squash, corn and turkey than there is to Betsy Ross sewing the first American flag.

No definitive historical evidence exists to prove either patriotic legend. According to my favorite history text, "Lies My Teacher Told Me" by James W. Loewen, it was all manufactured to create a feel-good beginning for this country.

Thanksgiving wasn't invented by the Pilgrims. By the time the Mayflower pulled up at Plymouth Rock in 1620, Native Americans in that part of the country already had a rich tradition of marking the fall harvest with a major fiesta.

The day wasn't recognized nationally until 1863 when President Abraham Lincoln declared it a holiday. He had an entirely different motive than honoring the Pilgrims: Morale during the bloody Civil War. America needed a warm fuzzy holiday to make it feel good about itself again.

The Pilgrims were latecomers to the legend, not getting added to the mix until the 1890s.

Of course, some major revisions had to be done to make heroes of those guys. The truth is: When the Pilgrims arrived on the coast of Massachusetts, they found a deserted Native American settlement. Unburied human bodies were scattered everywhere. The survivors had vanished.

The villagers had been wiped out by a plague, brought to the "new world" years before by the Europeans. The immune system of the native peoples had no defense against those diseases. Many in Europe couldn't be happier.

Good Christian that he was, King James of England called the death of millions of Native Americans "this wonderful plague."

He thanked God for sending it. Other preachers of the day echoed this same sentiment.

They believed that God had aided the conquest of the new land by sending disease to ravage the native populations, so that the English could have it. How convenient for them that God was on their side.

The Pilgrims, who were ill-equipped to survive in the harsh environment they found themselves in, immediately took advantage of the situation.

They proceeded to rob food (including corn and squash) and pottery from the deserted Native village.

They also stole from Indian graves. Within about 50 years of arriving, they had slaughtered most of the native population in the area that wasn't already killed by the plague.

Not the touchy-feelie story you'll see on TV this week.

Tommi Avicolli Mecca is a radical, southern Italian, atheist, working-class, queer performer, activist and writer who bakes a mean tofu lasagna around this time of year.

Female prisoners seeking help

Dear Editor:

I have been incarcerated in the South Dakota women's prison for ten years.

We have worked with the staff to bring our traditional way of life and sacred ceremonies in this facility.

Through our efforts, we have achieved some success. We have had an annual wacipi, are able to listen to powwow music, and also watch Native videos.

We also practice singing, tie tobacco ties, take part in the inipi ceremony and the pipe ceremony. We are thankful for all that we have to assist with our spirituality and healing journey.

Unfortunately, the harder we try, each year it gets harder due to decreased knowledge and increased restrictions.

We are being discriminated against and our civil rights are being violated. We are being denied our traditions because they demand written proof that it is a religious activity.

I filed complaints after the kite system did not work. They make us submit project applications for all our activities and ceremonies then deny them.

Now, we have been informed that we have to contact our tribal liaisons and volunteers for our activities and donations. They denied our project applications for donations on our upcoming wacipi on April 14, 2007.

The staff found about my lawsuit with the U. S. District Court and they are being more difficult and are retaliating.

I do have factual evidence and went through protocol with my complaints. It is obvious that staff here has no comprehension, compassion or knowledge about our sacred ceremonies and traditions. We have been humble and patient for nine years. We have also compromised our sacred ceremonies and endured for too long.

We are standing firm for our traditional way of life. Our prayers come from our hearts.

I am writing to you with my concerns and issues. We need you to be our voice to let our oyate know we desperately need help.

Mary Flying Hawk
Pierre, S.D.

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Northern Perspectives

Is Veteran's Day simply a symbol?



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

The way we observe Veteran's Day is always such a symbolic event as I find that often such outward expression simply stops there.

We keep saying, as Sen. Tim Johnson said last week, that we need to do more for our military veterans and it simply is not happening to any great extent.

Locally, I suppose that there are other greater social concerns, especially during the cold winter months that officials must contend with.

Assistance such as low income heating programs, food stamps and medical travel have always been a much needed quantity as far as the Sicangu oyate are concerned and that is understandable.

My point is that instead of generating hundreds of thousands of dollars to create various monuments and plaques, we should use that money to ease the lives of veterans who may have more immediate needs.

Veterans are much like other segments of society in that they do not qualify for any kind of assistance or subsistence for that matter.

There isn't any central office assigned to sort out the needs of veterans and some need such attention.

One positive note is that Rosebud area veterans don't have to take the long journey by van to the Hot Springs VA as we can now go to the Mission Medical Clinic where they have a VA medical provider.

That effort is a Godsend for vets who don't have the desire or convenience of taking themselves to one of the major VA regional service units.

Many of us have faced employment discrimination and can point to other examples of being treated in a biased manner, but when we complain we are not taken very seriously. There exists clear statements that prohibit discrimination against veterans, but agencies do it through their employees and actually get away with it.

It's laughable when some actually have mission statements that address the hiring and retention of military veterans and if you look at the employee lists of many organizations, you can bet that veterans are noticeable by their absence.

The other issue is that many veterans note that it takes years to actually have a claim fulfilled, while others simply don't even apply as it is difficult to show that some symptoms are service-connected.

It must be maddening when veterans did their part to serve and then, their requests get held up by years of bureaucratic assessment, re-evaluation and certification.

Saw my friend, Larry DuBray at the I.H.S. the other day and he teased me about the "stuff you write each week."

I'm sure that being such a busy health professional that he doesn't have the time to reflect on the broad societal implications of what I try to reflect upon in my writings and for me, it is clear that I need to be a bit more creative and at the same time, nonsensical, so professionals like Larry, who is a physician's assistant, can get in and get out quickly, to rely on a convenience store metaphor.

My efforts to reflect on Lakota language and the resulting product of that has been fun and hopefully understandable to those who share a similar sentiment at wanting to share and appreciate the language.

"Watohanlsna Lakolake yawa wacin ca lecunse iblute."

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Notes From Indian Country

Why is Governor Rounds stifling economic growth on the Indian reservations?



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Something is rotten in South Dakota and the smell seems to be emanating from the office of Republican Governor Mike Rounds, the man just re-elected to serve as governor for the next four years.

It would be presumptuous of me to play the race card here so I will set down the facts and let my readers decide. But first a little history of Indian gaming.

When Congress signed into law the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act in 1987 it included certain specifications that many of the older and wiser traditional Indian leaders found unacceptable. However, younger and greedier heads prevailed. One specification gave state governments jurisdiction over Indian casinos within their boundaries. The law stated that Indian tribes could only have games that were legal within the state. In other words, if there were no legal slot machines in the state the tribes were prevented from having slot machines in their casinos.

The Act also said that the Indian tribes had to sign a compact that had to be approved by the state government. This gave the state government the power to tell a sovereign Indian nation how many slot machines they could have and what other gaming devices they would consider as legal. Without a gaming compact an Indian tribe could not operate a casino.

Some tribes, primarily the Apache, told the state government to "go to hell" and they put in the number of gaming devices they wanted in their casinos. Their obstinate stand proved to be a winner and the states involved failed to stop them.

In South Dakota the government wanted to revive gaming in Deadwood. The Deadwood Initiative went on the ballot and as publisher of the Lakota Times I waited until a couple of weeks before the election and then came out with an editorial urging all tribal members to vote yes on approving gaming for Deadwood. In this fashion any gaming device allowed in Deadwood would also be allowed on the Indian reservations. The Deadwood measure passed unanimously and thus opened the doors for gaming on the reservations.

The South Dakota tribes were restricted in the number of gaming devices they could have in their casinos by the state/tribal compacts. For instance, each tribe was allowed only 250 slot machines.

Since the first Indian casino opened more than 15 years ago that number has remained the same. It's as if growth is allowed in the gaming industry in South Dakota everywhere except on the Indian reservations, the poorest counties in the state.

As an example, in 1990 Deadwood had 863 slot machines. In 2005 it had 2,996 slot machines. South Dakota Video Lottery had 2,439 slot machines in 1990. In 2005 it had 8,564 slot machines. This means that from 1990 to 2005 the number of slot machines owned by white operators grew by 8,258 slot machines.

In 1990 Indian casinos had 1,667 slot machines. In 2005 Indian casinos still had only 1,667 slot machines. This means that the number of slot machines in casinos owned by the Indian people had a growth of ZERO. Scorecard: Additional slot machines to white operators since 1990 - 8,258. Additional slot machines to Indian operators since 1990 - 0.

Gov. Rounds would probably say that the growth in white owned casinos came about because more gaming establishments were built. Is that any reason to prevent economic growth in the most impoverished communities in South Dakota?

Four years ago I sat in the audience and listened to the several candidates running for the office of governor in South Dakota. I was most impressed with the comments of candidate Rounds when he said, "I will open my house to the Indian leaders in this state and invite them to have a meal with me so we can talk about the problems they face." In fact, I was so impressed that my newspaper at the time, The Lakota Journal, endorsed him for governor, only the second time we had ever endorsed a Republican.

As many of my readers know, I am not exactly pro-gaming, but I am most definitely pro-growth. Because gaming is legal in most of America, it has allowed the poorest people in this country, the Indian tribes, to gain a semblence of financial stability and independence. In South Dakota the opportunity to grow and to generate the finances to become economically viable is stifled by the inconsiderate (I almost said racist) attitude of Governor Rounds. He can applaud the growth of the economy in Deadwood and in the communities with video lottery, but he refuses to push for the growth of the economy on the Indian reservations.

The Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe in eastern South Dakota is situated in an area with a fairly large and growing population. As the surrounding communities grow the tribe has attempted to grow along with them but it cannot do so unless the governor allows it to increase the number of slot machines in its casino. It is a simple matter of arithmetic. On busy weekend nights people have to stand in line to play the 250 slot machines now available. The income of the tribe and hence its economic growth would increase ten-fold if its expansion was not blocked by a seemingly unfeeling governor.

It is high time Governor Rounds lived up to his campaign promises and stops standing in the way of economic growth on the Indian reservations.

What is he afraid of?

Economic growth and stability on the Indian reservations can only mean the same for the rest of the state.

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Guest Column

Should poor mothers be charged

For support of their children in foster care?

By Hazel Bonner
Guest Columnist

A woman by the name of Gwen Caldwell is being charged for the cost of keeping her son in foster care for several years. Is it right that this should happen? Caldwell was served by the Sheriff to appear at a hearing on Nov. 16 in Hot Springs, at the Fall River County Court House.

Lance Russell signed the affidavit in support of the Order to Show Cause why she should not be held in contempt of court for not paying the support of her child in the custody of Child Protection Services. Judge Trimble is the assigned judge for the hearing.

The contempt charge is because of an Administrative action of CPS signed by Judge Pete Fuller. Caldwell was denied the right to appear or to submit any evidence about her ability to pay to the judge prior to the Administrative order.

Collateral damages in this matter includes being unable to renew her driver's license, to get a hunting or business license or passport. Her wages were garnished along with her federal income tax returns all based on an Administrative action by the Court.

Caldwell has been an activist in activities protesting the taking of children by CPS. She is the executive director of an organization known as Voice of Women.

She has spoken widely about the illegal acts of taking of children, especially Indian children. She has actively participated in the activities of the Lakota Child Rescue Project, with offices in Hot Springs.

Permit me to look at the law regarding this matter. South Dakota Codified Law 26-7A-98 states:

"If it appears during the course of proceedings conducted under this chapter…that the parent, parents, guardian, conservator, custodian, or any party named in a petition who is legally obligated to support a child is able to contribute to the support of the child , the court shall enter an order requiring th3 parent, parents, guardian, conservator, custodian, or other responsible part to pay to the appointed guardian or conservator or to the institution to which the child may be committed or placed or to reimburse the county which has initially borne custodial care costs…a reasonable amount payable periodically for the support, maintenance, and education of the child and all statutory fees and costs related to expenses incurred on behalf of the child, or any portion of them." (Emphasis added.)

What happens though, if the parent is not able to contribute to the support of the child? Does she become a deadbeat mom? Should she be jailed for failure to pay anything for the care of her child?

Let me look at what the United States Supreme Court and the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals has said about this matter. Understand that failure to pay child support to the custodial parent is a civil action, not a criminal action as is failure to pay the state to reimburse care.

Should Caldwell be jailed for failure to pay the state? The obvious answer is, absolutely not!

On Aug., 24, 2000 11 persons were indicted by a federal Grand Jury for Conspiracy to commit Theft from an Indian Tribal Organization and theft from an Indian Tribal Organization.

On May 5, 2003 in the case of one of the 11 that were indicted, the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals said: "Our society closed its debtor's prisons long ago." Although Big Crow knowingly and substantially underpaid the rent on the unit he leased from the Housing Authority, his failure to pay the full amount of rent owed to the leasehold did not constitute criminal conduct."

The Court went on to say, "Statutes relieving from imprisonment for debt were not intended to take away the right to enforce criminal statutes and punish wrongful embezzlements or conversion of money. …Such laws are rather intended to prevent the commitment of debtors to prison for liabilities arising upon their contracts." The court ordered the dismissal of the indictments.

Did Caldwell enter into a contract with the state, without a right to appear in the matter?

Jailing an indigent for failure to make immediate payment while those who can pay remain free constitutes illegal imprisonment. The United States Supreme Court has said "In each Case, the Constitution prohibits the State from imposing a fine as a sentence and then automatically converting it into a jail term solely because the defendant is indigent and cannot pay the fine in full." Willliams v. Illinois, 399 U.S. 235 (1970).

If an individual is unable to pay, as Caldwell appears to be, jailing her would be both irresponsible and illegal.

"New cases expose old infirmities which apathy or absence of challenge has permitted to stand. But the Constitutional imperatives of the Equal Protection Clause must have priority over the comfortable conveniences of the status quo.

Any supposed administrative inconvenience would be minimal, since the unpaid portion of the judgment could be reached through the ordinary processes of garnishment in the event of default." Williams, and Rinaldi v. Yeager, 394 U.S. 305, 310 (1966).

Lance Russell ran against Judge Fuller for the Seventh Judicial Circuit Court. He ran on a platform that said that he would not violate the law in his decisions.

Yet a decision to jail Gwen Caldwell with him as their only witness as prosecutor for Fall River County would be such a decision,

Caldwell arrived about ten minutes late for her hearing and Judge Trimble had already issued a warrant for failure to appear at the show cause hearing. An attorney called by her attorney in Rapid City asked for a continuance.

After Caldwell's arrival she stepped to the podium and the states attorney then asked for a continuance for her to meet with her attorney and Trimble set a new hearing date.

Across this country thousands of deadbeat dads and more and more often moms are imprisoned for failure to pay child support.

But in this case Caldwell is not a deadbeat mom, she is a dead broke mom who lost her home to a fire near Hot Springs last year. Is this Order to Show Cause why she should not be in Contempt just another form of harassment by the people holding her son? It appears so.

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Listing of Oglala veterans for OLC's memorial wall

KYLE - Oglala Lakota College will complete its Veterans Monument in the spring of 2007 with dedication during graduation. The memorial will list Pine Ridge Re-servation Lakota veterans from World War I, World War II, Korean War, and the Viet Nam War.

The college has prepared a listing of the Pine Ridge Lakota Veterans, and is now asking the public to notify the college of Lakota veterans whose names do not appear on the prepared list. Only veterans with honorable discharges will appear on the Veterans Monument.

Oglala Lakota College will take changes to the veterans listing until Dec. 1, 2006. OLC must have the names of the Lakota Veterans by this deadline date so that the names can be sent to be placed on the bronze plaques.

The *Lakota Country Times* will print the list of names for the next weeks and will list the names on their online edition.

For additions call the college at 605-455-6022.

WORLD WAR I VETERANS

APPLE, FRANK
BAD COB, THOMAS
BAD HAIR, JOHN
BAD WOUND, VINCENT
BLACK CAT , JOHN
BROUGHT PLENTY, AUGUST
BROWN, CARL
BROWN, JAMES
BROWN, ORA
BROWN, WILLIAM
CARLOW, FRANK
CARLOW, ROBERT
CHARGING CROW, SAMUEL
CONROY, HARRY
CRAVEN, GEORGE
CROSS, LAWRENCE
CUMMINGS, PETER
DIXON,JOHN
DUBRAY, EUGENE
FIRE THUNDER, WILLIAM
FRAZIER, CHESTER
FRAZIER, ARTHUR
FROG, FELIX
GERRY, ELBRIDGE
GOOD SHIELD, PHILIP
GOOD VOICE FLUTE, FRANK
GRASS, JOHN
HAWK, JAMES
HERON, OLIVER
HICKS, WILLIAM
HOLY EAGLE, JAMES
IRON ELK, WILLIE
JACOBS, DONALD
JANIS,FRANCIS
KEITH,HOBERT
KILLER,THOMAS
KILLS WARRIOR,ALLEN
LADEAUX,ANTOINE
LAPOINTE,JAMES
MARSHALL,ELISHA
PRETTY BOY, BENJAMIN
PROVOST,GEORGE
PROVOST, JOHN
RED BEAR, BENJAMIN
RED BEAR, RALPH
RED BOY, GEORGE
RICHARDS, ALFRED
RICHARDS, LOUIS
RIENZOL, DILLION
ROOKS, EDWARD
ROUILLARD,PETER
RUSSELL, JOE
SALWAY,CHARLES
SALWAY, LEVI
SEARS,JOHN
SEARS,LEE
SPINDLER, C.A.
STANDING BEAR, RICHARD
STOVER, GEORGE
STOVER, JOHN
THREE STARS, PAUL
TROUBLE IN FRONT, ALBERT
TWISS, CHARLES
TWO EAGLE, JOE
TWO EAGLE, JOHN
WHIRLWINDHORSE, JOHN
WHITE BULL, GEORGE
WHITE WOLF, CHARLES

WORLD WAR II VETERANS

ADAMS, ACORN
ADAMS, ALOYSIOUS
ADAMS SR. RUSSELL C.
AFRAID OF BEAR, ERNEST
AFRAID OF BEAR, JOSEPH L.
AFRAID OF BEAR, LEO S.
AFRAID OF BEAR, ROBERT
AFRAID OF HAWK, MAURICE
ALLEN, CLAYTON V.
ALLEN, CLEVELAND
ALLMAN ,FRANCIS
ALLMAN , MARY
AMERICAN HORSE, EUGENE
AMERICAN HORSE, MARTHA
AMERICAN HORSE SR., ALBERT
AMIOTTE , WALTER
AMIOTTE-NELSON, IDA B.
ANGEL, JOE LEVI
APPLE, FRANCIS K.
APPLE, MARTIN RAY
APPLE ,PAUL
APPLE ,TONY
APPLE, JR. JOSEPH
BABBY, GILBERT
BAD COB, SYLVESTER
BAD WOUND, LOUIS
BALD EAGLE,GEORGE
BARTLE, JR., GEORGE
BEAR HEART, HERMIS
BEAR RUNNER, OSCAR
BEAR SAVES LIVES, FLOYD P.
BEAR SHIELD, KERMIT
BELT, VIENNA
BELT SR., AMBROSE
BENEDICKT, RAYMOND
BERGEN, BERT
BERGEN, JULES
BERGEN, RICHARD
BERGEN-LARSH, FLOREINE L.
BETTELYOUN, AARON
BETTELYOUN, CARL
BETTELYOUN, EVERETTE
BETTELYOUN, HENRY
BETTELYOUN, JOSEPH
BETTELYOUN, LEROY
BETTELYOUN, PERCY
BETTELYOUN, ROBY
BETTELYOUN, ROSS
BETTELYOUN,WALDREN J.
BETTELYOUN, HARRY
BETTELYOUN, NED
BETTELYOUN, ISAAC A.
BETWEEN LODGES, PAUL
BIG BOY, MARVIN
BIG CROW, FRANCIS X.
BIG CROW, JAMES
BIG HEAD, GEORGE
BIRD, SIDNEY H.
BIRD, GUY
BIRD HEAD, VINCENT
BISSONETT, ALDOLPH EMERY
BISSONETT, CLEMET
BISSONETT, EDDIE
BISSONETT,LOUIS
BISSONETT,MELVIN
BLACK , GEORGE M.
BLACK BEAR ANTOINE
BLACK BEAR EUGENE
BLACK BEAR HOBART
BLACK BEAR, LEO
BLACK BEAR WILLIAM
BLACK BIRD, JAKE
BLACK CROW ROYAL
BLACK ELK HENRY L.
BLACK ELK HENRY J.
BLACK ELK, SR. LUKE
BLACK EYES, HASTINGS
BLACK FEATHER,
BLACK SMITH, BERNARD
BLACK SMITH, CALVIN
BLACK SMITH, HENRY
BLACK SMITH, THOM
BLINDMAN, MOSES W.
BLUE BIRD, CASEY
BLUE LEGS, TAYLOR
BLUE LEGS, BERT
BLUE LEGS, EMIL
BLUE LEGS, ERNEST
BORDEAUX, HERMAN
BRAVE HEART ANDREW
BRAVE HEART JOSEPH
BREAST, WILLIAM
BREAST, JOE
BREWER, BENJAMIN
BREWER, FRANCIS
BREWER, JOSEPH C.
BREWER, VINCENT
BRINGS, OWEN
BRINGS HIM BACK, ELLIS
BROKEN LEG, ANNIE
BROKEN LEG, MOSES
BROKEN NOSE, RUSSELL
BROKEN ROPE, EVERETTE
BROKEN ROPE, THOMAS
BROKEN ROPE, VINCENT G.
BROWN, PAUL P.
BROWN, WILLIAM F.
BROWN, FLOYD
BROWN, GARFIELD
BROWN, HARRY A.
BROWN, LOUIE
BROWN BULL, JEROME
BROWN THUNDER, LEROY
BULL BEAR, AMOS
BULL BEAR, LAWERENCE
BULL BEAR , MORRIS
BULL BEAR , MOSES
BULL BEAR , STEVEN
BULL MAN, MOSES
BURDETTE, JACK
BUSH, VINCENT
BUTLER, ELBERT L.
CARLOW, ROBERT J.
CARLOW, ROBERT L.
CARPENTER, DELBERT
CATCHES, BERNARD
CATCHES, EUGENE
CATCHES, VINCENT
CEDAR FACE , PAUL
CENTER, FLOYD
CHARGING, RAMSEY G.
CHARGING CROW, ANDREW
CHASE IN SIGHT, GUS
CHIEF, ALBERT
CHIEF, ROY A.
CHIEF BEAR, JOSEPH
CHIEF EAGLE, ALBERT
CHIEF EAGLE, EUGENE
CHRISTENSON, FRANCIS
CHRISTENSON, ORLIN
CHRISTENSON, WAYNE
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CLIFFORD, COLLINS
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CLIFFORD, DEWEY
CLIFFORD, LAVERN
CLIFFORD, OWEN
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COATS, DARWIN DUBBS
COATS, GEORGE
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COLHOFF, MERVYN
COMES LAST, ROBERT
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CONDELARIO JOSEPH
CONDELARIO, PETER
CONDELARIO, RICHARD
CONDELARIO, V.R.
CONDELARIO, VINCENT E.
CONROY, DELBERT
CONROY, SR., THOMAS
COOK, EARNIE
COOK, LAMONT
COTTIER, BERT
COTTIER, LEO
COTTIER, LOUIS R.
COTTIER, RAYMOND
CRAZY THUNDER, CLEMENT
CRAZY THUNDER, DAVID
CRAZY THUNDER, HELEN
CRAZY THUNDER, NICHOLAS
CROOKED EYES, JAKE
CROSS, LAWRENCE F.
CROSS, LAWRENCE O.
CROSS, ROBERT
CUMMINGS, PETE
CUMMINGS-STOVER, EVELYN E.
CUNY, ALVIN
CUNY, ORVILLE
CUNY, PAT
CUNY, ROBERT
CUNY, THEODORE
CUNY, THOMAS
CUNY, VERNON
CUNY, WILLARD
CUNY, WOODROW
DAVIS SR., STANLEY
DEMARCHE, JOSEPH
DESERSA, AARON SKEE
DILLION, JOHN
DISMOUNTS THRICE, JR., EDWARD
DIXON, EVERETTE D.
DIXON, WILLIAM R.
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EAGLE BULL SR., WILLIAM J.
EAGLE HAWK, EUGENE
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ELK, EMERSON M.
FAST HORSE, VINCENT
FAST HORSE, FRANK
FAST HORSE, LEVI
FAST HORSE, PATRICK
FAST HORSE , NICHOLAS
FAST HORSE , VANDALL W.
FAST HORSE, WILBUR
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FAST WOLF, FRANK
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GAY, JOSHUA
GAY, WILSON
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GHOST, VANCE
GHOST BEAR, CHARLIE LOGAN
GHOST BEAR, GEORGE
GHOST BEAR, WILBUR
GHOST DOG, GEORGE
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GOINGS,LLOYD G.
GOINGS, LUKE S.
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GOOD CROW, STEVEN
GOOD PLUME, GARVARD
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GRAHAM, HOBART J.
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HARN, SYLVESTER
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HAWKINS, HENRY
HAWKINS, LAWERENCE
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HENRY, SAMUEL
HERMAN, PAUL P.
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HIGH HORSE ,ALFRED
HIGH HORSE, BRYANT
HIGH HORSE, LUTHER
HOLLOW HORN, MURDY
HOLLOW HORN, OSCAR
HOLY ELK, ROYAL
HOLY ROCK, JOHNSON
HORN, MARCUS
HORN CLOUD, JOSEPH W.
HOWE, ROSS
HUBNER,FLOYD
HUNTER, RICHARD
HUNTER, JR., STEPHEN
HUNTS HORSE, VINCENT
ICE SR., BERNARD
IMITATES DOG, JONAS
IRON CLOUD, DAVID
IRON CLOUD, EDWARD
IRON CLOUD, MARY
IRON CLOUD, SETH
IRON ELK, WILLIE E.
IRON HAWK, RUSSELL LAWSON,
IRON PLUME SR., PAUL
IRON ROPE, PETER
IRON TEETH, THEODORE
IRVING, SETH
JACK, ISADORE
JACOBS, JOSEPH L.
JANIS, BAPTISTE
JANIS, CHESTER
JANIS, CLARANCE
JANIS, CLEVELAND
JANIS,CURTIS E.
JANIS, EDWARD
JANIS, HARRY
JANIS, HERMIS TALL
JANIS, HOBERT
JANIS, JAMES
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JANIS, NORMAN
JANIS, RAY
JANIS, THEO BROWNIE
JANIS SR, BENJAMIN
JANIS SR, GUY E.
JANIS SR, IVAL
JANIS, SR., RICHARD
JEALOUS OF HIM, CLAYTON
JENSON, GEORGE
JUMPING BULL, CHRIS
JUMPING EAGLE, HENRY
JUMPING EAGLE, IRVING
JUMPING EAGLE JR,. OLIVER
KEEPS THE MOUNTAIN SAMUEL ,
KEESTER, ART
KEIT,CECIL H.
KILLE, FRANCIS L.
KILLER, ROBERT C.
KILLS IN WATER, JAMES
KILLS RIGHT, RUFUS
KILLS SMALL, LAWRENCE
KILLS SMALL, SAM
KILLS WARRIOR, LOUIS
KING, LEVI
KITTO, JOSEPH
KRUSE, STANLEY
LADEAUX, ANTOINE
LADEAUX, MOSES
LADEAUX, THOMAS
LAFFERT, ARTHUR
LAFFERT, CHARLES G.
LAME SR,LINSFORD
LAME, SR.,THEODORE
LAMON, EARL
LAMONT, EUGENE F.
LAMONT, GILBERT
LAMONT, HENRY
LAMONT, JOHN E.
LARVI, DONALD
LARVIE, DOUGLAS
LARVIE, WALLACE
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LIP, OWEN
LITTLE, EDSEL
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LITTLE KILLER, LEON
LITTLE SPOTTED BEAR, DAVID
LITTLE THUNDER, GILBERT
LITTLE WHITE MAN, BERNARD
LITTLE WHITE MAN, SR., AL
LIVERMONT, ALFRED
LIVERMONT, ALFRED FRANCIS
LIVERMONT, HENRY G.
LIVERMONT, CHAS WORTH
LOCK, JAMES
LONE HIL, AMOS
LONE HIL, LEWELLYN
LONE HIL, MALCOLM
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MEANS, THEODORE
MEANS, THOMAS
MEANS JR, JOHN H.
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MERRIVAL, FLOYD J.
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MILK, RUEBEN
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MORRISON, CHARLIE
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MOUSSEAU, RICHARD (BUSTER)
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PRETTY HIP, JACOB
PROTECTOR, ADAM
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PUG, JAMES E.
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RAMERO SR., JOHN
RANDALL, ARCHIE
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RED BEAR, ISAAC
RED BEAR, JOHN
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RED BOW, STEVEN
RED BOY, GEORGE C.
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RED DO, HURON R.
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RED EAGLE, LILY MAE
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RED EAR HORSE, JACOB T.
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SHORT BULL, NORMAN
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SHORT STEP, TONY
SHOT, CLEMENT
SHOT, GILBERT
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TIBBETTS, CHUBB
TIBBETTS, THEODORE (RED)
TOBBAC, IDA
TRIMBLE, ALBERT
TRIMBLE, JAMES S.
TRIMBLE, JOHN
TRUEBLOOD, EDWARD S.
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TRUEBLOOD, RICHARD V.
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TUTTLE, JOHN
TWISS, BESSIE
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USHER, ROBERT EARL
VOC, LEO W.
WARD, JERRY
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WARD, WOODROW M.
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WHEELER, JOHN
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WHIRLWIND HORSE, MAURICE
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WHISTLER, CHARLES
WHITE, EUGENE D.
WHITE BULL, LEONARD
WHITE BULL, GEORGE
WHITE BUTTERFLY, BENJAMIN
WHITE BUTTERFLY, ROY
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WHITE HAWK SR,. ERNEST
WHITE MAGPIE , GEORGE
WHITE MAGPIE, JACOB
WHITE PLUME, ROY R.
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WHITE WOLF, CHARLES
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WINTER, HERMAN
WINTERS, LEO
WITT, JOHN
WITT, NATHANIEL
WOLF GUTS, CLARENCE
WOMAN DRESS, PATRICK
WOMAN DRESS , PAUL
WOODAR, HIRAM
WOUNDED HEAD, ROBERT
WOUNDED HORSE, EUGENE
YANKTON, RAYMOND
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YELLOW HORSE, MORRIS
YELLOW HORSE, PHILLIP
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YOUNG, RAY
YOUNG, SAGE
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YOUNG, GLOVER C.
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Community Calendar
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Life after death class
Developing a better understanding of the journey of the soul, Fridays at 7 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Village College Center.

Weight watchers class
Large conference room at the Indian Health Service Hospital in Pine Ridge, weigh in at 5pm and meeting at 5:30 p.m.

12 Step meetings
Tuesday evenings, 7:30 p.m. at the East Wakpamni College Center in Batesland.

Weekly Flu Clinics
Tuesday and Thursdays starting Oct. 24 and running through Nov. 30 in Pine Ridge at the Public Health Nursing building for adults only from 1-5 p.m.., for information call 867-3297

High School basketball season
Monday, Nov. 20, first day of high school girl's basketball season and Monday, Nov. 27, first day of boy's high school basketball season in South Dakota

Sobriety Dance
Thanksgiving Day Sobriety Dance, Thursday, Nov. 23, with Country Charm at the Mother Butler Center in Rapid City from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., for information call Tim at 399-1999 or 512-636-8984.

Pow wow and Art Show
Lakota Red Nations 9th Annual Pow wow and Art Show, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 24 and 25 in Gordon, Neb. at the Gordon City Hall with grand entries set for 7pm on Friday and 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Riding Academy
Suncatcher TRA Pony-up Festival, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 25 and 26 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday at the High Country Guest Ranch, four miles west of Hill City on Deerfield Road, for info call 673-2935.

Blessing of Headstone/Memorial
Sunday, Nov. 26, Memorial, dinner and giveaway and blessing of headstone for Billy Joe Red Owl; blessing at 11:30 a.m. at Mediator Church south of Kyle and memorial, meal and giveaway in Batesland at the Bill C. Bear Memorial gym.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
School pow wow on Friday, Dec. 1 in Batesland sponsored by Shannon County Schools in Rockyford and Batesland with grand entries at 1 and 6:3 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m.

Basketball Jamboree
High school boys and girls basketball teams from Custer, White River and Little Wound at Pine Ridge school on Saturday, Dec. 2 for officials jamboree, with clinic open for local officials Friday night Dec. 1 in Pine Ridge and practice sessions with high school teams at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 2 , open to local officials and Big Foot Conference potential officials, for info call Bob Pourier at 455-6522.

Career Fair
Wednesday, Dec. 6 at Pine Ridge High School with post secondary institutions and regional employers setting up in the gym and individuals speaking to classes from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Christmas Pow wow
Friday, Saturday, Dec. 8 and 9 at the Hillside Community Center in Colorado Springs, Colo. with arts and crafts Friday 5-9 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m.-9 p.m. and grand entries Friday 5 p.m., Saturday 11a..m and 5 p.m. with supper at 5 p.m., for info call 719 488-1775.

Christmas Dinner/Traditional Wacipi
Saturday, Dec. 9 at the Mother Butler Center in Rapid City with dinner at 5 p.m. and wacipi from 7-10:30 p.m., bring a side dish to share with family and friends, main menu provided, everyone welcome, raffle and table rentals available, for info call 545-1399 or 454-1456.

Holistic Management Workshop
The Holistic Management Workshop has been rescheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 6 and 7 at Club 27 in Kadoka with speaker Wayne Berry, for information call 685-6629.

Concert, Arts and Crafts Fair
Lakota Holiday Concert and Arts and Crafts Fair, Tuesday, Dec. 19 at the Lower Brule Community Center starting at 5:30 p.m. with all musicians and singing groups welcome, for information call Earl Bull Head 605 473-9232.

Oceti Wakan receives ANA language preservation grant

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Oceti Wakan (Sacred Fireplace) is a small non-profit organization located in the community of Calico. The entity has been awarded a one-year language preservation grant from the Administration for Native Americans.

Peter S. Catches and his son, Peter V. Catches are the founders of Oceti Wakan and have as their goal the preservation of the Lakota language and culture. They are assisted in their work by Cindy Catches.

The first year grant award will fund two major purposes as outlined by Oceti Wakan.

The first activity that is being pursued is the surveying of each household in the nine districts on the Pine Ridge. Each household will be asked to list the number of people, their ages and whether or not they speak Lakota or simply understand it.

The information will be shared with the districts and will represent not only a baseline for establishing Lakota language understanding, but also provide an accurate census. A census count has not been taken on the reservation since 2000 and Oceti Wakan hopes to establish the fact that there may be more people than what is presently estimated. These up to date figures will serve as data that other tribal organizations may use to justify their services.

The second part of grant activity will be to collaborate with the community and elders of each nine districts and the Grey Eagle Society to get their input. They will be asked to establish their long range Lakota language goals.

Oceti Wakan recognizes that there have been some very good efforts at creating Lakota language curriculum, thus far, and their hope is to be able to work with those entities.

They believe that the more curriculum/materials that can be developed locally can only help in getting our young people the tools they need to speak the Lakota language. Oceti Wakan's materials have "speaking" the language as it emphasis but believes the other good programs they have seen are all important as most focus on reading and writing the language. Our children will benefit more if we can all work together and support one another. They will be meeting with Lakota language teachers at each school to secure their input, as well as Head Start teachers.

Ultimately, the goal for Oceti Wakan is to apply for subsequent grant funding in order develop Lakota language programs and target the very young. However, in order to do that they will need to get a sense of the present state of affairs and the health of the Lakota language.

They suspect that those forty and over speak Lakota quite well, however, the surveys they have taken so far show that less than one percent of the young speak Lakota.

Oceti Wakan has, thus far, produced a curriculum for the prevention of alcohol and drug abuse and it has been used in over 20 schools, according to Cindy Catches. In addition to language preservation, Oceti Wakan envisions the creation of a healing center one day. They have also developed three Lakota language books and CD's that some schools using. A CD describing the symbolism behind the seven sacred rites is also in use.

Oceti Wakan may be contacted at oceti@gwtc.net or visit their website at www.ocetiwakan.org.

Their website offers various books and language CDs they have developed and is a non profit organization site, which seeks donations for their activities.



Little Wound students take home Lakota language team trophy

KYLE - Little Wound School take home the team trophy from the Lakota Speech Contest hosted by Oglala Lakota College on Nov. 15. Students who placed were: back row: Vina Yankton, Shilo Rouilliard, Bradley Hunter, Brandon Iron Hawk, Ty Apple, Mariam Lays Bad, Sheralda Montileaux. Front row: Lauren Two Crow, Arlana Red Feather, Ellishiann Last Horse, Ta'maya Running Hawk, Roseann Anaya. Bradley Hunter took 2nd place; Shilo Roulliard, 3rd place; Brandon Iron Hawk, 1st place; Roseanna Anaya, 2nd place; Arianna Red FeatheR, 1st place and Lauren Two Crow , 2nd place.

Cook receives NIEA teacher of the year award

RAPID CITY - Robert Cook, Oglala Lakota, and a teacher at Rapid City Central High School, recently was named the National Indian Education Association's Teacher of the Year.

Cook, who taught for 17 years at various tribal schools, including Little Wound, now teaches in a 9th grade transition program for American Indian students at Central High School.

The Teacher of the Year award is given to a NIEA member and current classroom teacher who shows exceptional achievement in teaching American Indian students.

The winner also is chosen for his efforts to improve the quality of life for American Indian, Alaska Native or Native Hawaiian communities through education.

Christmas essay, yard, home decorating contest open to LWS families

KYLE - Little Wound School's Wayawa Onspe-'ic'iyapi Learaning To Read Program and Medicine Root District is sponsoring a essay, yard and home decorating class to their families.

The contest is open to all Little Wound pre-K-12th grade students, their family, Little Wound staff and school board members.

Entries for the contest will be open on Monday, Nov. 20 and deadline for entries will be closed on Dec.5, 2006.

It does not matter which district you reside in as long as your child is enrolled at Little Wound School in Pre-K-12th grades.

1. All entries must include: an essay contest, twp page minimum. The essay must be written by the family. Topics may include of the following titles:

Christmas is…
My best Christmas wish ever…
My Christmas wish for…

There will be two categories for the decorating contest.

1.Commercially purchased decorations/lights

2.Home Made decorations/lights

All entries must be verified by homeroom teacher or school secretary.

All entries must be accompanied by release to publish essay, photo of family and home/yard.

Prizes will be as follows for four categories:

LWS Pre-K-12th Families Commercial Decorations/lights.

1st place - $100 Gift Certificate, Propane, Fuel Oil, or Electricity

2nd place - $75 Gift Certificate, Propane, Fuel Oil, or Electricity

3rd place - $50 Gift Certificate, Propane, Fuel Oil, or Electricity

LWS PreK-12th Home made decorations/lights.(same as above prizes)

LWS staff has two categories, same prizes as above.

Judging will be on a point system. The essay contest will be the highest point.

Entry form and rules may be picked up from LWS secretaries or Reva High Horse. For more information see or call Reva High Horse at 455-6196.

Sponsored by Wayawa Onspe'ic'iyapi-Learning To Read Program and Medicine Root District.

Funding now available for tribes for safe paths to schools

WASHINGTON — U.S. Senator Tim Johnson (D-SD) recently announced that South Dakota tribes are now eligible for a new funding source.

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration has interpreted a rule regarding the Safe Routes to School Program that will clarify that Indian tribes are eligible to receive the program funds.

According to the Oct. 13 letter, Johnson and several Democratic members wrote to FHWA's Administrator expressing the intentions of the legislators who passed the SAFETEA-LU Transportation bill to include tribes, because the FHWA had not included the tribes in the groups eligible to receive program funds.

FHWA responded to the letter and agreed that federally recognized tribes should be eligible for the program.

"I am pleased to see the Federal Highway Administration reconsidered their policy, and interpreted the law to recognize Indian tribes as eligible recipients for Safe Routes to Schools program funding," Johnson said.

"While this kind of rule change is highly technical, its effects are clear – protecting our children, making travel to schools safer and potentially saving lives."

Representative Stephanie Herseth (D-SD) joined Johnson on the letter to the FHWA.

The purpose of the Safe Routes to School program is to enable and encourage children to walk or bike to school safely and to improve pedestrian safety in the vicinity of schools. The program grants funds to states, then the state divides the money among eligible groups.

As the rule was previously interpreted, the program would not have included Indian tribes.

Survey reveals gang activity on the Rosebud

By Vi Waln
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The Rosebud Sioux Tribe is currently dealing with both an established and evolving youth gang problem.

Adding to this problem is an active adult drug dealing influence.

The number of gangs identified as active within the Rosebud suggest that there are at least 168-350 total youth and adults involved in this activity.

This figure is based on the U.S. Department of Justice projections on the average size of a criminal street gang,

The initial phase of the assessment began with visits to several communities on the Rosebud Reservation. Community members were surveyed to identify their opinions on the main risk factors currently affecting the reservation.

There were 771 respondents to the survey, consisting of community members, young people and different program personnel.

Overall, the responses indicated that gangs, lack of parental supervision, lack of recreational opportunities for youth, truancy and drop-out rates were the highest risk factors for the reservation.

Other risk factors included substance abuse, a shortage of adult role models, a lack of cultural attachment, family rivalries, program rivalries, apathy and denial.

It is estimated that there are at least 15 gangs affecting the Rosebud reservation. These criminal street gangs are in various states of sophistication.

The majority of these gangs are hybrids, meaning they are developed on the characteristics of national recognized gangs and adapted locally.

Hybrid gangs often develop their own signature activities that reflect the local pressures or opportunities. This hybridization most often occurs when tribal youth live or visit outside communities and bring influences back to the tribe.

Hybridization also occurs when adults from outside communities, especially prisons, influence local youth.

Of great concern is the connection to local gangs and larger jurisdiction. This may mean a greater influence of "outsiders" as gang members who often look for smaller communities to infiltrate or to establish drug dealing outlets.

Local or homegrown gangs are also apparent on the reservation.

These gangs are often the result of long standing family rivalries. Youth will also band together due to ongoing threats from hybrid gangs.

As an example, during the interviews in Parmelee, it became apparent that members of two youth oriented gangs (as many as 30-40 youth) formed to protect themselves against Mission and Rosebud based gangs.

It is important to note that although there are segments of the community that do not recognize these behaviors as gang behaviors, many of the local youth are emulating "gang like" characteristics for self preservation.

Com-munity members were so bold as to call this behavior "normal" for today's kids.

Statements such as this suggest the ingrained denial that the communities must be prepared to address.

It should also be recognized that on the rather small Rosebud Reservation, na-tionally historic rival gangs are living near each other.

A primary characteristic of national gangs is the need to defend perceived territory, however, this in not as common on the reservation, especially since some extended families have representation in each of the rival gangs. This is another indication that the local gangs are hybrids.

According to the field interviews, there is a large contingent of adults influencing the community's youth and mentoring them in gang activity. This influence is often developed to shield the adults from the criminal consequences of drug sales.

There have also been assaults, thefts of prescriptions, extortion, threats and intimidation, weapons crimes and contributing to the delinquency of minors all associated with gangs.

Another startling concern is the amount of relocated Mexican nationals within the reservation. Several individuals who were currently residing with local families were interviewed.

Many of these individuals maintain their contacts with their Mexican communities such as Sino Loa, Guanajuato and Nuevo Leon.

These regions of Mexico are hot beds for criminal drug activity and the methamphetamines trade. These areas are the focus of current borderland security concerns.

The assessment methodology to gather information on gang activity on the Rosebud Reservation was four-fold.

It included site visits, the recording of physical characteristics of gang activity, interviews with community stakeholders, interviews with active gang members within the reservation, after-hours community surveillance and reviewing community level indicators.

In addition, field interviews with over 60 residents (both males and females between the ages of 10 and 78) revealed that the reservation perceives youth gang activity as a serious problem. Many of the youth interviewed fear for their personal safety both at their schools and in the evening hours in their communities.

Youth also cited limited access to recreational activities in the evenings and weekends with easy access to illegal substances.

They lacked respect for local law enforcement and requested more adult influence in their lives.

The majority of the elderly interviewed expressed a sense of anger over the situation and perceived lack of attention to culture and tradition.

Community members and program personnel cite the overall lack of adult influence and consequences for criminal activity.

The RST has established the Gang Reduction through Intervention, Prevention and Suppression (GRIPS) task force in response to this problem. GRIPS members meet once a month and their meetings are open to the public.

For more information please call the RST Education Department at (605) 747-2833 or toll free 877-691-8183.

30th Annual Lakota Nation Invitational

Wednesday-Saturday, Dec. 13 through 16 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City featuring a 16 team boy's and a 16 team girl's basketball tournament, hand games, knowledge bowl, language bowl and wrestling tourney.

Let's talk about reconciliation

RAPID CITY - The host of KEVN-TV's "Focus," Jack Caudill, got to thinking about the Year of Reconciliation that came about through the efforts of then Lakota Times publisher Tim Giago and South Dakota Governor George Mickelson who died in a tragic airplane crash before he and Giago could really get reconciliation efforts underway.

Caudill considered the fact that 16 years had passed since Mickelson proclaimed 1990 The Year of Reconciliation. That same year a powerful editorial by Giago challenging the South Dakota governor and the SD legislature to make South Dakota the only state in the union to replace Columbus Day with Native American Day also passed. A man named Lynn Hart, half Dakota and half African American, read Giago's editorial on Native American Day to the state assembly and they voted to pass it.

On Sunday night, December 3, following KEVN's nightly news, Caudill will host the show on reconciliation with Tim Giago, Rapid City Mayor Jim Shaw and Laurie Pourier, Director of the Society for the Advancement of Native Interests - Today.

Caudill said, "I think it's about time that Giago and other Native Americans that did so much to improve race relations in South Dakota are finally given credit where credit is due."

Bear Butte panel discussion to be aired on OLC's KOLC television

RAPID CITY - The Dahl Fine Arts Center in Rapid City and KOLC, the Oglala Lakota College TV Channel 87 and Channel 56 hosted a panel discussion regarding Bear Butte.

The event was Nov. 22 and will be aired on KOLC several times. Check the channels for time listing The moderator will Chris Eyre, native film maker and Cheyenne/Arapaho.

Invited guests are Dennis and Jesse Levin, Fred McPherson, Marv Kammerer, Wilmer Mesteth, Rufus Spear, Anne White Hat and Jay Red Hawk.

Members of Bear Butte International Alliance, both Native and non-native ranchers will discuss issues surrounding the Sacred Mountain with members of the Northern Cheyenne, Rosebud and Oglala Sioux Tribes.

This panel discussion is designed to enlighten and educate the public on the many complex issues surrounding the Sturgis Bike Rally and encroaching development on Bear Butte, as well as the Alliances and the progress that has been made within the past year.

The KOLC programing for this week is as follows:

8:50 a.m. Good Morning
9 a.m. Native Stories One with Michelle May
9:20 a.m. OLC Archives
10:10 am Plants of the Lakota
11:20 am Treaties Lesson 8 - Fall 2006
12:40 p.m. Steven Hendrick Interview
1:22 p.m. Lakota Culture and Music Chapter 8
1:40 p.m. Lakota Language
3:46 p.m. Educator of the Year & Jackie Bird
4:50 p.m. LNI Volleyball 2006 Championship
7:10 p.m. Treaties Lesson 8 - Fall 2006
8:30 p.m. Native Stories One with Michelle May
9:00 p.m. Steven Hendrick Interview
9:40 p.m. Vine Deloria Honoring
11:58 p.m. Day End Prayer- John Around Him

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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I enjoy reading your column all the time weekly. You put out the truth and let people know what they are doing wrong or right. Anyway, I was wondering if you could give me some sort of advice for my family.

My father is a married man and he is committing adultery because he goes back forth to this woman and my mom.

You see, my mom likes her beer and vodka and drinks herself to sleep every other day because of what wrong my father is doing.

We always let her know that we love her and that we hate to see her suffer when she has that bad hangover. My father has been physically and verbally abusing her when he happens to come back to her.

He has sex with her and ends up going back to this other woman.

He needs to know that we love him and that my mom loved him and that she won't put up with him anymore. We believe an aunt of ours hooked them up together because this woman visits her.

With alcohol around the house, nothing will get better. Someone needs to stop drinking. All our lives, our parents drank to fight and break up and end up together again. Of course with a lot of children they managed to support us with clothing and food. I just hate the fact that what I hear from other people about how this other woman in our dad's life is, it make me want to go over there and take our dad away from her.

We are planning to get our parents into treatment but find it hard to see them suffer in jail until they do go to treatment. Would our father disown us for doing so?

Because he is sick and needs medical help but refuses or just blows it off to drink and doesn't realize that a good body can make him have a longer life.

The other thing is, is this woman really a gold digger just using him for his money? All he does is sit in his car when he is at her house, is there someone there that doesn't like our father? Why can't he ever go inside her house sometimes?

Is our dad being used and selling his land for her? We love him so much that we think he's under a spell that continuously drives him back to her. Is someone praying bad on our family? Sometimes that's what we think, because our dad found some black tobacco ties in the tree and burned them. What do you think?

Wopi-tank!
Missing our dad around

Dear Missing our dad around:

Okay. First, your mom and dad's lives are theirs, not yours or your family members. I know that you love them, and want a good life for them; but - you have no control over their agreements, disagreements, lifestyle, choices, or how they use their time.

I am not saying that intervention isn't a valuable tool - it can sometimes rescue people from themselves - but I am saying, that even after intervention many people choose to return to the path of addiction, because they didn't make the commitment to be sober, their family members did.

Your mother, for instance, doesn't need an excuse to drink. Your father's behavior does not cause her to drink.

She uses that as a comfortable excuse. The Creator will offer to each and every one of us, everyday, an excuse to drink or do drugs, if that is what we do to handle stress.

Your father has not left your mother because he feels a strong commitment to family. He doesn't want to divide his assets, nor does he want to abandon his responsibility to you kids or your mother.

He has worked out an arrangement with this "other woman" that is comfortable and meets his emotional and physical needs without commitment. He doesn't want to stop seeing her, because she does not complain or nag him - she just lets him be himself. She has no expectation of support or monetary gain. He meets her need to feel a little bit more secure, knowing that someone cares for her, but she doesn't desire marriage with anybody.

Their may be someone that has "thrown medicine" at your family, but it is not a binding or elk medicine that takes your father to the other woman.

He sits outside only part of the time - I think it has to do with smoking.

It is good that you let your mother and father know how much that you love them. This does help them and gives them more opportunity to make better choices.

Your father enjoys his two women, doesn't want to let either go, and want everybody else to quit drinking, but doesn't feel the desire to make that contract for himself.

Your mother is caught in a cycle of depression, and suffers from addicted cyclic thinking. Her scope of life is exclusified to the chaos in her relationship. In an ideal world, your mother would find sobriety and kick an unfaithful man out of her home, and would still maintain a loving supporting friendship with him. Your mother's health will require sobriety - probably sometime in the next year.

Your father's health will also push him to sobriety, but even being ill will not stop him from drinking.

You can pray for your family, you can love them, and you can accept that they are responsible for their own lives, and that they make choices based on their own perceptions of what life is, and that they each have a contract with the Creator to walk a certain way, and learn and teach others according to their agreements for their own highest good (soul enrichment).

You have learned much from both of them - how to live, how not to live, and mostly how to love - unconditionally.

Bless your heart. Now you need to learn how to allow others to lives in their own way, and make their own choices.

Blessings to you. You are a special, wonderful, beautiful, talented, gifted young woman. You have a lot of talents, including compassion and will use that to help others to find sobriety - so keep on going girl - you're headed in the right direction.

Dear Anna,

How have you been? Me, I have been doing alright I just want to ask you a couple questions about my future.

If I apply for Red Cloud next year would I get accepted or no? Would I be able to get over my love when he said he is going to break up with me or is he going to break up with me would I be able to change his mind. Please tell me more about my future.

Sincerely wondering

Dear Sincerely wondering:

I am fine, thank you for asking. Yes, you can get into Red Cloud. It is a good school especially to prepare you for college. Don't even try to change your boyfriend's mind. You would constantly be worried that he didn't love you as much as you love him, and that is not an equal relationship - it just is a breeding ground for unhappiness. You can't make anybody love you - and by the way, neither can I.

When a boyfriend/girlfriend says it's over - please take their word for it and give away your unreasonable expectations for a dream relationship. You can recover just fine; even though he has hurt your feelings, remember he is taking care of both of your futures by not dragging you with him when he doesn't want a relationship with you. To keep you in his life, just to have you there, would be cruel and really feel like punishment.

He will be with another girl very soon. Let him go - you will find another boyfriend after you get over your embitterment. Remember, only one out of twenty or more relationships work.

The rest don't - because they are not meant to. Thank him for releasing you from the bonds of an imaginary romantic relationship so that you may meet real love first hand.

Good luck. You have a good chance of understanding relationships between men and women at a young age. Remember - water seeks its own level - or in other words, everything will always work towards balance; and relationships that are out of balance (one loving more than another) will end.

Dear Anna,

Your advice to me last time was more than common sense for myself, and I agree on a lot of the things you wrote me back about. I am trying to work things back out with my boyfriend, and sometimes it seems like things aren't ever going to work out, but I am trying my hardest and he is trying pretty modestly.

I am having a lot of insecurities about my relationship of him and I can't overcome it, no matter how hard I try. I feel happy at the moment, but there are times when I don't and I'm just really confused.

I thought the answers you gave me last time were MORE than enough for me to get out of it, but I guess it didn't.

I just don't know what to do right now, and I'm more confused than I've ever been!

I don't know if asking you questions between my life's confusing moments are messing up my future because I know the future is supposedly to live in the moment, learn from it but I guess I'm not learning anything about relationships.

I also put in for an house on the rez, do you think I'm going to get approved for it? I really do appreciate your advice, and I thought from the lesson you gave me last time was for sure "knocked" into my head but that's why I'm confused because I'm working things back out with this relationship and I don't know why?

But then I do? Okay, you see how lost I am? Also, there is a problem with my boyfriend, I guess he's getting threats that someone is going to kill him, do you think that's true? Thank you for your advice, I really do appreciate it but I'm just so lost.

Lost and confused

Dear Lost and confused:

For directions, look at a map. Living in the moment does not mean you do not affect your future. Everything you do, in each and every moment builds a wave of energy, emotion, action, and synergy that creates the future.

You do create your own reality and you will draw to yourself that which you need the most to become the best you that you can be. Your relationship will fail, eventually, because it doesn't feel right (inside you - you know that).

Your mate is not what you want in a mate, and if you stay with him you will torture him slowly because he doesn't meet what your minimum standards.

You also are not releasing him to be loved the most that any human can be loved in a relationship - and you are not loving him that way, nor is he loving you in that way. You both deserve different people.

What is holding you in your current relationship more than anything else is fear: fear that you will be alone, fear that you can't make it on your own, fear that you can't face him loving someone else, fear that his family won't like you, fear, fear, fear.

Although I don't believe in the scriptural context of the devil I do believe in this saying: Fear is the devil's wedge.

It destroys everything. Please don't confuse fear with common sense. Common sense says don't jump off of a bridge, but fear says: I am afraid nobody loves me, I am afraid that life won't get any better, I am afraid that I don't have any control in my life, therefore, I am afraid my life has no value...therefore, jumping off a bridge might be a good way to drive that point home to others.

Consider your life a journey for your own enrichment. If you are unhappy - quit looking at others to make you happy and start making decisions, taking action, and loving in a way that will bring you happiness.

No matter what you do, whether you do it swiftly or slowly, you will release yourself from this relationship because you are not happy inside of it.

Time is the healing element. It might take you a while to realize what I am saying is true, so give yourself that time; stay in the relationship until you are both so miserable that you have to leave it in order to survive and honor the gift of life from the Creator by realizing your potential to be happy. Blessings to you.

Yes, you will get a house. There is a delay, but you will be "on the list."

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551.

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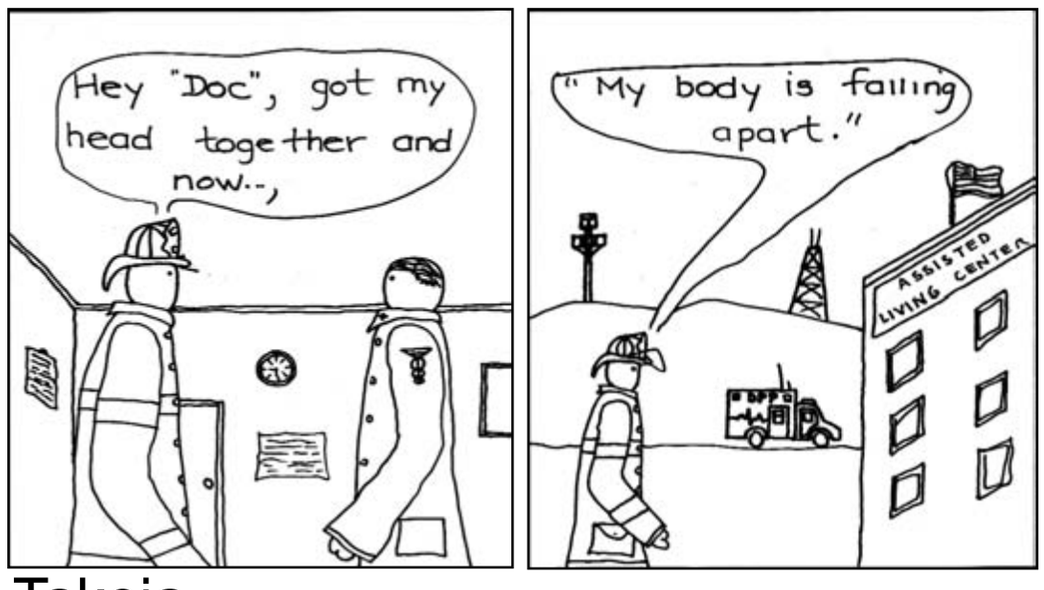
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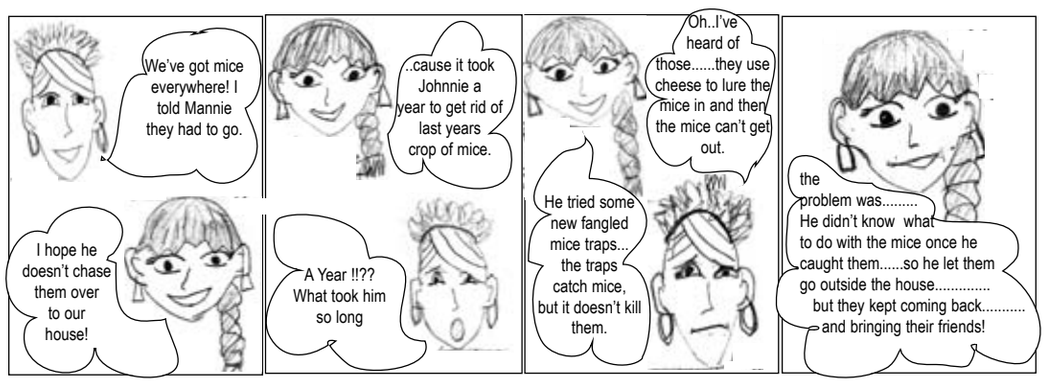
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Juanita L. White Eyes
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KYLE - The life of Juanita Louise White Eyes began on Jan. 14, 1926 at La Creek. She was born to Helena Elaine Brown and John Emerson White Eyes.

Juanita attended Holy Rosary Mission and graduated 8th grade in 1941. She left Holy Rosary before graduating from the 12th grade and worked stenciling munitions and operated a forklift at Igloo during WWII.

She also worked as a waitress in Rapid City and at the Sioux San Sanitarium for three years. She left South Dakota on relocation to Chicago in 1956. She and her family remained in Chicago until 1969. While in Chicago Juanita learned the comptometer from Burroughs School and went on to work in accounting for several major companies. Juanita also worked for the Indian Center in Chicago for several years. She volunteered her time as a swimming instructor for many urban Indian children at Chicago's YMCA. She was actively involved in the Indian community and organized many community activities such as a softball league, bowling league and was the youth group coordinator. Her home in Chicago was often home to many Lakota's coming from the reservation to begin a new life in the city. She took in many Indian foster children as well over the years.

Juanita moved to Los Angeles, Calif. in 1969. She went to work as an auditor for Mobil Oil. She then worked for General Motors in the accounting department. In 1970 she attended Bell Gardens Adult School where she received her long awaited high school diploma. She was the Director of the Indian Free Clinic for several years. She also worked as the Director of the Indian Women's Lodge, an alcohol/drug treatment center for urban Indian women in downtown Los Angeles. She was active in the Indian community and a fearless advocate for Indian self-determination. She was one of the first commissioners appointed to the Los Angeles County Indian Commission by the mayor of Los Angeles and helped to establish and Indian desk in the county of Los Angeles.

She attended East Los Angeles College where she was awarded her nursing degree in January of 1984.

Juanita then moved back to South Dakota in October 1984. In March of 1985 she went to work for the Pine Ridge IHS hospital as an RN. In 1986 she went to work for field health nursing and was appointed the manager for the Kyle Health Clinic as the clinical nurse. She then managed Allen clinic for three years and also Wanblee clinic for another three years. She was instrumental in getting an ambulance service established for the Kyle area and volunteered as an EMT for many years.

Juanita was also the school nurse for Allen Day School for the past seven years.

She worked most of her life stopping only at the age of 80 in June of this year. She was diagnosed with cancer in July and fought a valiant battle until her death Tuesday, Nov. 14 at 1 a.m. at her home in her beloved Yellow Bear Canyon. She loved to sing, dance, laugh, sew, drive her sporty car to visit her friends and relatives, and be with her family. She believed in her Lakota ways and loved her people.

She was preceded in death by a beloved daughter, her parents, four brothers and fiancé, Joseph "Skee" Jacobs.

Left to grieve for her are her son John R. White Eyes of Kyle, daughter Cheryl Blue-Fury of Morton, Minn., daughter Terryl Blue-White Eyes of Kyle, daughter Robin Blue of Rapid City, daughter Juanita Red Nest of Scottsbluff, Neb, 19 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

Wake services were Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Hall on Nov. 19. Funeral Mass was Monday, Nov. 20. Burial was at the White Eyes Family plot in the Edgemont Cemetery in Edgemont.

Arrangements were placed in the care of Sioux Funeral Home in Pine Ridge.

Lita L. Running Hawk

PINE RIDGE - Lita L. Running Hawk, 38, died Nov. 18 at Pine Ridge Hosptial of natural causes. She is survived by her husband Douglas Running Hawk, Pine Ridge

Daughters Aubree Running Hawk and Taryn Running Hawk both of Pine Ridge; step-daughters Stephanie Running Hawk, Lynelle Running Hawk and Grace Clifford all of Pine Ridge; brothers Ray Stands, Fallon, Nev.; Burnell Stands, Bluch Fire Thunder, Jr.,; A.V. Fire Thunder, Donovan Steele, Jr., and Ricky Josefzyk all of Manderson; Harlan Fire Thunder, Pierre; Ivis Long Visitor, Sr., Oglala; Preston Good Voice Flute, No. Four Community; sisters Ingrid One Feather and Mary Blue Legs both of Oglala; Leah Fire Thunder and Lucy Running Horse both of Manderson; Marilyn White, Pine Ridge;

Lori Mesteth, Wounded Knee with three grandchildren.

A one night wake was Wednesday, Nov.22 at St. Agnes Catholic Hall, Manderson, Funeral services were Thursday, Nov. 23 at St. Agnes Catholic Hall.

Officiating was Rev. Chris Collins with burial at St. Mary's Episcopal Cemetery, Grass Creek, Manderson.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Helen F. Black Bear

RAPID CITY - Helen F. Black Bear, 81, Rapid City, died Monday, Nov. 13, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Survivors include six children, Joyce Hayes, Sharon Black Bear, Garnett Black Bear Jr. and Menoda Flying By, all of Rapid City, and Vincent Black Bear and Debra Black Bear Bowker, both of Eagle Butte; one brother, Larry Hayes, Eagle Butte; two sisters, Betty Hayes Hanley, Farmingdale, and Marie Hayes, Little Eagle; 34 grandchildren; 78 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

Wake services were Nov. 16 at Mother Butler Center in Rapid City.

Funeral services were. Friday, Nov. 17, at Mother Butler Center. Burial was at Pine Lawn Memorial Park in Rapid City. Kirk Funeral Home of Rapid City is in charge of arrangements.

Harriet Blue Coat

EAGLE BUTTE - Harriet Blue Coat, 39, Eagle Butte, died Sunday, Nov. 12, at Rapid City Regional Hospital.

Wake services were Friday, Nov. 17, at St. John's Episcopal Church in Eagle Butte.

Funeral services Nov. 18, at the church, with Mother Marian Rectenwald, Sister Addie Morris and lay reader James Chasing Hawk officiating. Burial was at On The Tree Cemetery in Green Grass.

Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Kermit Bird Horse

WAKPALA - Kermit Bird Horse, 59, Wakpala, died Friday, Nov. 10 in Devils Lake, N.D. Wake services were Nov. 17, at Wakpala Community Center. Funeral services were Saturday, Nov. 18, at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church in Wakpala, with the Very Rev. Leslie Campbell and the Rev. Norman Blue Coat officiating. Burial was at Long Hill Cemetery in rural Wakpala. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Brady Paul Knife

THUNDER BUTTE - Brady Paul Knife, "Ohiya Gli," Come Back Winning, "Wanbli Gleska," Spotted Eagle, 20, Thunder Butte, died Friday, Nov. 10 in Eagle Butte.

Survivors include his mother, Codi High Elk.

Wake services were Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 18 and 19, at the Multi-Purpose Building in Dupree.

Funeral services were Monday, Nov. 20, at the Multi-Purpose Building, with Richard Charging Eagle, Charlie Larrabee and Sister Addie Morris officiating.

Burial was at AY Bar Ranch Cemetery in rural Dupree.

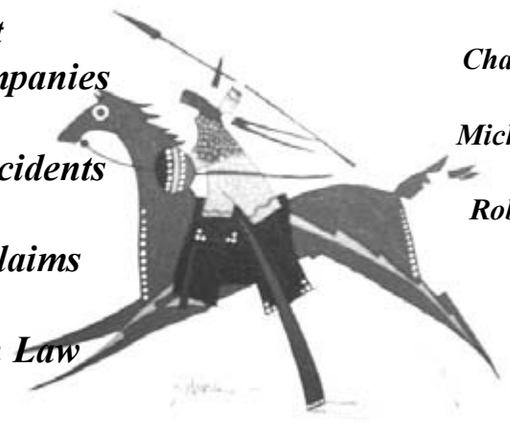
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The Rosebud Sioux Tribe is requesting proposals from any and all firms and individuals for the provision of lobbying services for the 2007 South Dakota Legislative Session.

Interested firms and individuals must have a background in or experience working with Federal and State agencies on issues, topics, and proposed legislation in State and/or Federal legislative governmental branches.

Statement of work

The firm or individuals selected by the Rosebud Sioux Tribe will perform services including but not limited to:

1. Report on and analyze proposed legislation affecting Native Americans, Indian Country generally, and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.
2. Organization and coordination of testimony on proposed legislation by community leaders, elected officials of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, and other qualified experts and advocates on issues affecting Indian Country.
3. Track and update the status of legislation affecting Native American and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.
4. Provide research and information to legislators.
5. Propose, draft, and contact media sources for press releases and other releases of information on behalf of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe.
6. Collect and disseminate information on voting by legislators, identify any legislation not favorable to the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, develop, coordinate, and pursue strategies for both types of legislation, record and report on voting results.
7. Prepare a final report on legislation enacted by the 2007 South Dakota Legislature.

Budget:

Respondents to this Request for proposal must bid an hourly rate with an estimate of the total project budget for the term of the 2007 South Dakota Legislative Session with a total budget in the range of $10,000 to $15,000. The total contract price will not exceed $15,000.

Deadline for submission of Proposals

Please submit your proposals to the address listed below by December 5th, 2006. If you have any questions regarding this request for proposals, please contact: Michael Lapoint, Chief of Staff, President's Office,Rosebud Sioux Tribe
PO Box 430
Rosebud, SD 57570
Phone: (605) 747-2381

Point of Contact

The primary point of contact for submitting proposals is:
Rodney M. Bordeaux, President
Rosebud Sioux Tribe
PO Box 430
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Phone: (605)747-2381.

Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing
Box 603
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OST HOUSING REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

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Firms/individuals wishing to submit proposals may request additional information from OSLH by calling (605) 867-5161, or by faxing to (605) 867-6355. Inquiries about the proposal process should be directed to Ken Lone elk, Executive Director.

All proposals must be received at Oglala Sioux (Lakota) Housing, Attn: Ken Lone Elk, Executive Director, P.O. Box 603, East Hwy. 18, Pine Ridge, South Dakota 57770, no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday, November 30, 2006.

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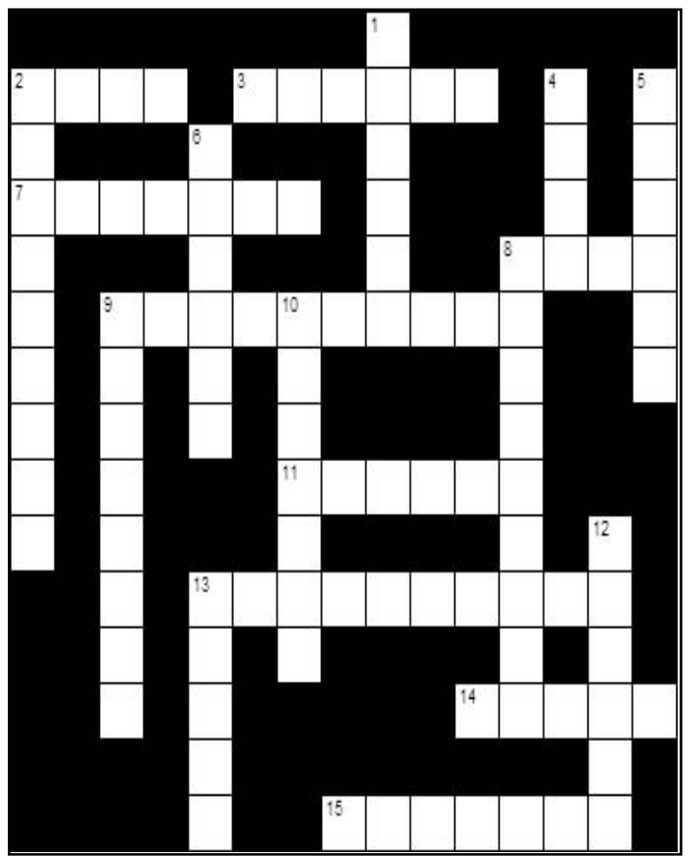
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(answers in next week's issue)



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3. wife
7. husband
8. walk
9. east
11. aunt
13. coffee
14. female friend
15. night

Down
1. at home
2. spouse
4. now
5. mother in law
6. grandchild
8. younger brother
9. west
10. sit
12. son
13. going home

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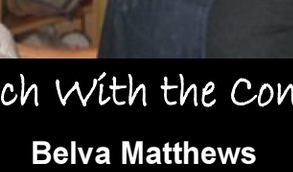
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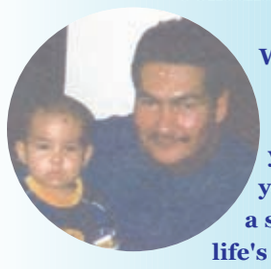
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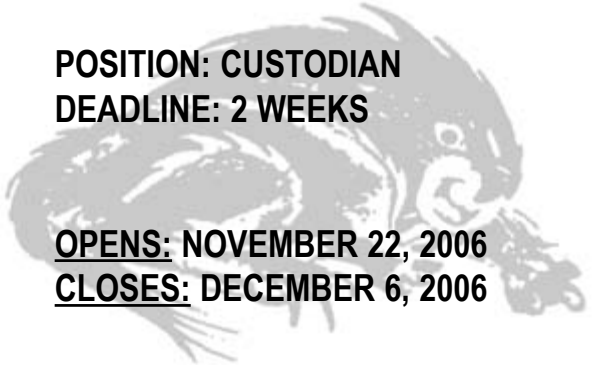
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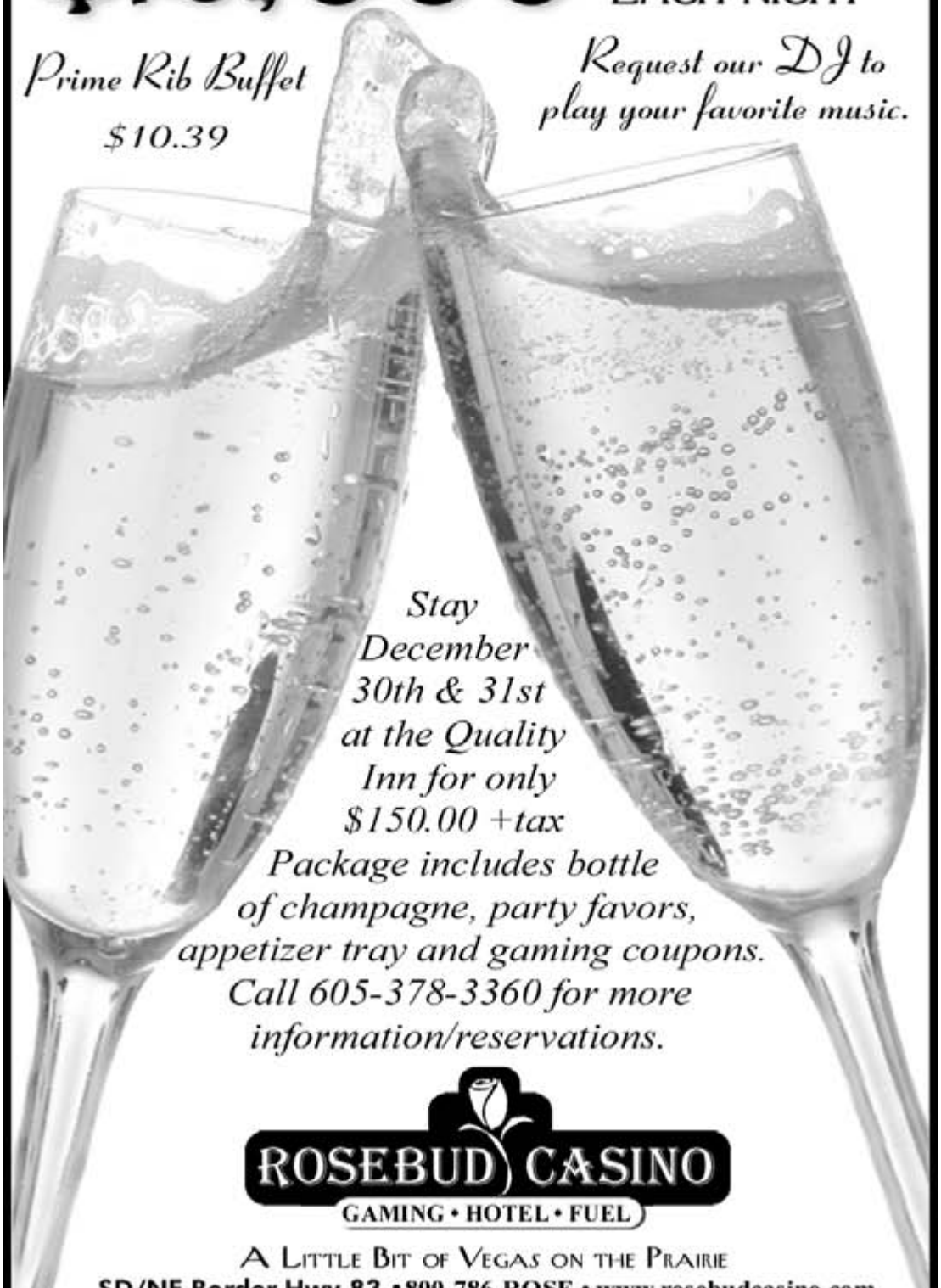
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It's cold outside! A wintery scene of ice formations were seen on Highway 44 on a recent trip to Rapid City. The icicles were formed from water which had spilled off of an irrigation system. This week, temperatures will range in the teens and will warm up this weekend. Photo by Amanda Take War Bonnett.

Mandaree National Guard soldier killed in Afghanistan

By Blake Nicholson
Associated Press Writer

BISMARCK, N.D. - The father of a North Dakota National Guard soldier killed in Afghanistan on Thanksgiving says his son was an easygoing man who quickly made friends and had a desire to serve his country.

"He died for his country," Paul Goodiron, of Mandaree, said Friday of his son, Nathan, 25, his words choked by tears. "It's going to be a quiet Christmas here."

Cpl. Nathan Goodiron, of the Fort Berthold Reservation in North Dakota, was killed when a rocket-propelled grenade hit his vehicle while he was on patrol about 5 p.m. on Thanksgiving day, the Guard said.

"They were in a firefight, and they were hit from behind with (a grenade)," Paul Goodiron said. "(Nathan) took the full impact, and he was killed instantly."

Two other soldiers were wounded: Sgt. Claude O'Berry, of Beulah, and Spc. Samuel Floberg, of Fargo. O'Berry, who Paul Goodiron said was Nathan's cousin, was treated and released. The Guard said Floberg was in stable condition and was in a hospital in Germany.

The soldiers were serving with the Guard's 188th Air Defense Artillery 1st Battalion. Guard spokesman Rob Keller said family members of all soldiers in the unit were contacted and told of the death Friday.

"It lets a family know that they can start to be concerned for that family (of the slain soldier), but it's not their loved one," he said.

The death is made even harder by the fact that it happened on a holiday, Keller said.

"It's extremely hard from every aspect," he said. "This affects all of North Dakota, especially around Thanksgiving."

Paul Goodiron, a Vietnam veteran, said he and Nathan's mother, Harriet Goodiron, were taken to a hospital after hearing the news of their son's death. "Our blood pressures were so high," he said.



Nathan Goodiron

He said the support of the community was "just overwhelming."

"It has nothing to do with me or Harriet," Goodiron said. "It's because of (Nathan). He was really friendly with just everybody. He just made friends with everybody."

Goodiron said his son left behind a wife, Eileen, of Minot, two stepchildren, toddler son Cooper, and a brother.

Goodiron enlisted in the National Guard in April 2001. Keller said his death is the 11th among North Dakota Army National Guard members in action

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Confusion continues in election process

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - On Tuesday, Nov. 28 Pastor Leon Matthews and Phyllis Hollow Horn were sworn in as new members of the OST election board. Lily Mae Red Eagle was to be sworn in today also, after OST president, Alex White Plume declared a new election during the council meeting on Nov. 21.

The council selected a new election board, including Matthews, Dr. Elgin Bad Wound, Richard Little Hawk with Phyllis Hollow Horn and Lily Mae Red Eagle as alternates. Both Bad Wound and Little Hawk declined to serve so Hollow Horn and Red Eagle moved into their slots.

According to the election board there is $42,000 left in the budget to cover the initial cost of a new primary election. The board has made contracts to cover the cost of a new general election. Also, according to tribal affairs, the OST is waiting for a letter from the BIA's area office that states their unwillingness to accept the results of the OST primary and general election.

In a press release from the OST administration, the tribe announced that the following districts have voted to support a new election; Oglala, White Clay, Wounded Knee, Medicine Root and Pass Creek. They have all passed resolutions in support of a new election.

Meanwhile, momentum is gearing up to swear in the new elected council, president and vice president.

Tribal members across the Pine Ridge reservation continue in confusion as each week brings new actions from current and future leadership. The 2006 OST primary election was held on Oct. 3 and the first board of election appeals recommended redoing that election in late October. The tribal council chose to ignore the directive of the appeals court and decided to move on with the general election. The second court of appeals directed the tribal government to start over with the election process the day before the general election.

The OST election board went ahead with a general election ignoring the second appeals court. Overcoming the involvement of the OST department of public safety and ballot boxes being confiscated, the election results were completed the second week in November. The tribal council has yet to certify those general election results.

Whitebird brothers step up
One shot in Iraq, other ready to do his part

By Terry Woster
Sioux Falls Argus Leader
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PIERRE - Colin Whitebird traded college for an infantry uniform and a tour of duty in Iraq, which he calls "the craziest place in the world."

His kid brother, Brendan, traded a chance at college for a set of Airborne jump wings and perhaps an assignment to the war zone where Colin was wounded three months ago.

The brothers, members of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe who grew up in Pierre, say their decisions to volunteer for the military during a time of combat are neither heroic nor remarkable.

The two soldiers say they believe they are doing their duty, serving their country and honoring their Lakota heritage.

A great-great-grandfather, High Bald Eagle, fought at Little Big Horn against the U.S. 7th Cavalry. Whitebirds have pretty much been soldiers in every armed conflict since then, on the side of the United States since World War I. The roster includes the brothers' dad, Francis, a combat medic in the infantry in Vietnam.

"It's just a thing I thought I should do," said Colin, 23, as he stood with Brendan and their father near the Flaming Fountain in Pierre recently.



At left, Brendan Whitebird, 18, just finished jump school. He is stationed in Germany. His brother, Colin Whitebird, 23, was injured Aug. 31 in Baghdad and is rehabilitating in Pierre. Photo courtesy of Sioux Falls Argus Leader.

Colin graduated from Riggs High School

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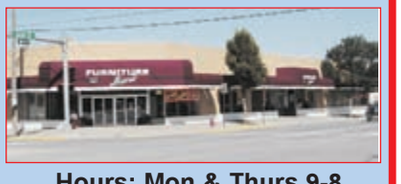


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Gov. John Hoeven and first lady Mikey Hoeven issued a statement Friday night extending their sympathy to the Goodiron, Floberg and O'Berry families.

Maj. Gen. David Sprynczynatyk, the Guard commander, said in a statement that Goodiron "fought for what he believed in, and we share this loss with his family and honor his bravery in defense of freedom."

Maj. Robert Fugere, 1st Battalion commander, said in a statement that Goodiron was given military honors in Afghanistan before his remains were loaded on an airplane for the flight back to the United States.

Two other members of the 188th, Sgt. Travis Van Zoest and Cpl. Curtis Mehrer, both of Bismarck, were killed in Afghanistan in June when a roadside bomb exploded near their vehicle.

Before Friday's announcement, 14 other U.S. service members from North Dakota or serving with North Dakota military units had been killed on duty in Iraq.

Goodiron is the sixth U.S. service member from North Dakota or serving with a state unit to be killed this year.

On Monday, 39 soldiers with the 188th Air Defense Artillery 1st Battalion who have been mobilized will be heading to Fort Hood, Texas, for training. They eventually will replace 39 other Air Defense Artillery soldiers in Afghanistan.

Keller said those soldiers will be leaving with heavy hearts.

"It definitely is tough," he said. "They are just starting out with their mission, and there are a lot of unknowns."

Whitebird brothers

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in Pierre and put in two years as a business-economics major at the University of Minnesota-Morris before enlisting. At the time, he said it was "a part of growing up." He said he'd listened to his father's stories about serving during the Vietnam era and decided, "This is just something we do."

Brendan graduated from Riggs last spring. Almost immediately, he headed for basic training. Late in October, he got a break after jump school at Fort Benning, Ga., and made a trip home to see his family and spend time with Colin.

"I wanted a chance to be a paratrooper," said Brendan, a member of the 173rd Airborne. "It just seemed like something worthwhile."

Jumping out of airplanes?

"I don't know, I just like it," he said with a shrug.

A warrior family

The elder Whitebird wears his graying hair long, and it flows over his shoulders. His soldier sons have nearly identical buzz cuts. There's no mistaking the family resemblance between the two young warriors as they stand together near the state's memorial to soldiers from World War II, Korea and Vietnam. They both wear dark hoodies over T-shirts, and they glance at each other as they listen to questions from a reporter. Colin is a bit taller and broader through the chest, and he smiles a bit more readily, even when he talks about Iraq and the patrol that left him sprawled in a city street with a hole in his chest.

A member of the 2nd Infantry Division, he took a bullet during what he says would have been a routine patrol, if there were such a thing as a routine patrol on the streets of Baghdad.

"Nothing is routine there," he said with a small smile and a sideways glance at his little brother. "It's the craziest place I've ever been, the craziest place in the world."

The bullet missed the body armor Whitebird was wearing. It also missed vital organs, but it tore up his shoulder and left him in need of rehabilitation to restore a full range of motion.

"I didn't really know I got hit for a minute," he said. "It's a strange sensation. You're walking, and then everybody is yelling for some help."

Colin says he expects to be able to return to full duty, and when he does, he intends to rejoin his unit in Iraq.

"There are a lot of people there I went over with, and I want to be back with them," he said. "I feel like I should be with (the unit)."

Brendan Whitebird says he also would be willing to serve in that war zone. He says he knew when he decided to try to become a paratrooper that he'd likely be involved in combat if the United States were at war.

"It's just something you know could happen," he said.

Francis Whitebird said he's proud of his sons but worried about their safety in combat situations he perhaps understands better than most parents. It isn't always possible to keep up with what is happening with soldiers, he said.

"News just reports some small clip from something, and troops coming home or going someplace," Francis Whitebird said. "Soldiers like Colin are the ones who do the fighting if they can find the enemy. They are also the ones who are in danger all the time."

New great generation

Colin Whitebird's war injury was the subject of a recent column by John Farrell, Washington bureau chief for the Denver Post. Farrell reprinted a letter that a soldier, Capt. Ted Kleisner, wrote home to his father. Kleisner, who told his dad the odds of winning or losing in Iraq were about 50-50, also said the country should understand and love its fighting soldiers.

"Let me describe one of these guys," Kleisner wrote. "His name is Colin Whitebird, a Native American from Pierre, South Dakota. Colin is a rifleman in my command who spent two months last summer in the Baghdad quarters of Ghazeliyah and Shulla in heat so sweltering that salt formed on his boot laces as his sweat evaporated off them. He walked the beat for six to eight hours at a time with three or four of his squad mates and a squad of Iraqi National Police, searching houses at a rate of five or six an hour. Sometimes the Iraqi security forces couldn't keep up, so he did most of their work for them."

Kleisner said Whitebird conducted the searches with "an acute sensitivity" for the local culture, allowing the families to move the women to a separate room, not touching the Quran and other such gestures.

"All these things Colin knew because he took time to understand the people he was protecting and fighting at the same time," Kleisner wrote.

"The last time I saw Colin, I was holding him by the boot while medics and a doctor treated a hole in his chest," the letter continued. "On 31 August, a sniper shot him through the armpit with an armor-piercing bullet intended to penetrate his bulletproof vest. He is convalescing at his home in South Dakota and, in a few months, will return to duty with us in Baghdad, to do it all over again."

Kleisner, a veteran of Kosovo and Iraq, said Whitebird "and his peers are part of the new 'greatest generation.' The best thing we can do for them is tell their story. This war will be decided by these guys in the coming weeks or months, and it will be decided in Baghdad."

If that's so, it's possible that one or both of the Whitebirds, a two-person band of brothers, will be there. It's what they do.

Newly elected OST officials vow to be sworn into office

RAPID CITY - Former OST president Cecilia Fire Thunder coordinated the efforts of a contingent of five newly elected OST officials in a press conference. They expect to be sworn into office by Dec. 5 and contend that the OST tribal constitution contains no provisions for extending the two year terms of present council members.

Last week, OST president Alex White Plume declared the October primary election void and the removal of his name from the general election ballot on Nov. 7.

William "Shorty" Brewer of Pine Ridge, Phillip Good Crow of Porcupine, and newly elected members, Cora Whiting of Kyle, Don Garnier and Carol O'Rourke expect to have an OST judge swear them into office come Dec. 5.

Fire Thunder replaced Alex White Plume on the OST ballot in October and was defeated by former OST president John Yellow Bird Steele. She said, "The people spoke, the people voted; the election was certified…the new council needs to be seated."

The group noted that the new council is always seated during the first council meeting on December and that the president's authority extended to only presiding over council meetings and carrying out the mandates of the council.

Parents of Native American soldiers feel anger and sadness

MANDAREE, ND - Corporal Nathan Goodiron, 25, is the latest Native American casualty in the war in Afghanistan. He was killed by a rocket propelled grenade while on patrol. Eight other North Dakota guard members have died in the Iraq war.

Native American parents are not much different than other parents whose children are wounded or killed in combat. Paul Goodiron and his wife Harriet were quoted by the Associated Press as having to go to the hospital after hearing about their son's death. Their blood pressure had gone up considerably. Goodiron, a Vietnam Veteran noted that the community of Mandaree on the Fort Berthold reservation came out in large numbers to show their support and it was due to the fact their son was so friendly with everyone.

To date, there has been a total of 31 Native Americans or Alaskan Natives killed in Iraq according to the icasualties.org statistics.

In South Dakota, Francis Whitebird, from the Rosebud Sioux reservation and a combat medic in Vietnam recalls how he felt when his son, Colin, called him and told him that he had been shot in the chest while on patrol with the 2d Infantry Division in Iraq. In Vietnam, Whitebird, said that the more time spent with fellow soldiers often leads to more anger and sadness when one of them gets killed or wounded. In Vietnam, one could call in an air strike on the enemy, but in the streets of Baghdad it is a very different kind of war.

Colin will return to Iraq after a period of convalescence and his brother, Brandon, who is a paratrooper, is also willing to go into combat.

Francis Whitebird said, "Colin called me after having emergency surgery. It is a policy now that the wounded call home. Colin was sedated, but he called me. He said, 'I was shot. I was hit in the chest and it came out the back. I'm okay and will be back in the U. S. in a week or two.'"

Whitebird then received an official call from a sergeant informing him that Colin had been wounded. He then asked the sergeant to call his wife, Alice, which he did. He said, "I felt rage and so helpless…After the rage and being angry and feeling helpless the last thing I did was thank wakan tanka for my son."



Avery Lee Stately, 2, and Tristan A. White, 4, disappeared a week ago Wednesday. A massive ground and air search by hundreds turned up no leads. The boys were went missing from their front lawn last Wednesday morning. Within an hour, the tribe organized a search for the boys.

MISSING CHILDREN: FBI: Red Lake boys were not abducted by relative

RED LAKE, Minn. - (AP) Authorities believe they have ruled out an abduction by a relative in the disappearance of two young brothers.

Tristan White, 4, and Avery Stately, 2, disappeared the day before Thanksgiving after going to play outside their house on the Red Lake Reservation.

Major ground searches failed to find the boys.

FBI spokesman Paul McCabe said more than 200 leads have been pursued since the boys disappeared and hundreds of interviews conducted.

"We feel fairly confident that no relatives have the children, as we've been able to track down all the immediate family and next-line relatives," McCabe said in an interview this Tuesday on WCCO-AM in Minneapolis.

The FBI last week offered a $20,000 reward for information that leads to the boys.

The boys, both American Indian, have short brown hair and brown eyes.

Tristan was described as 3-feet-6 and wearing a dark blue Spider-man jacket with yellow trim, Levis jeans and black and gray winter boots. Avery was described as 2-feet tall and wearing a gray pullover sweat shirt that says "Timberland" on the front, faded Levis jeans and Spider-Man tennis shoes.

Anyone with information-can call the FBI at (612) 376-3200 or the Red Lake Tribal Police Department at (218) 679-3313.



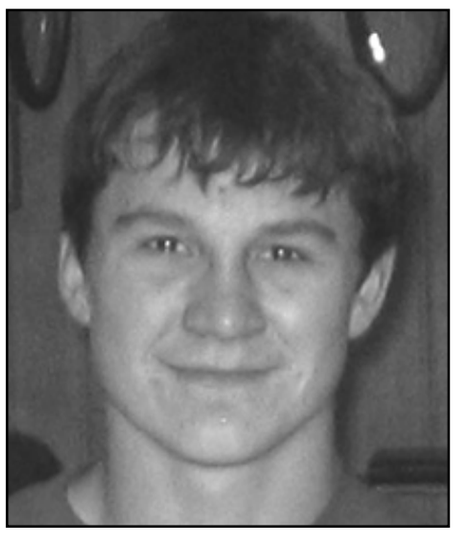
Michaud, Rahn earn All State honors

Cloud, Ramos, Two Bulls get honorable mention nod

By Tom Crash
Times Sports Correspondent

VERMILLION - Dave Michaud, a 5'9" 185 pound senior, anchored the Pine Ridge Thorpe defense this year and on Monday was named to the South Dakota Class 11A All State football team as a linebacker. Michaud opened the season at quarterback for the offense as well and later took over the running back duties for the Thorpes. Known as a hard nosed player, Michaud led his team in tackles every game and motivated his teammates to participate in a team oriented defense.

Chris Rahn, a 6'0" 255 pound senior lineman at Todd County, was also named to the Class A All State team on Monday. Rahn led the Falcon defensive line as they won the All Nations conference. Rahn is already getting ready for the wrestling season and will also participate in track in the spring.



Dave "Bulldawg" Michaud

Little Wound's Johnny Cloud and Pine Ridge's Louis Ramos and Jared Two Bulls earned honorable mentions on the All State team.

Cloud had an outstanding senior year at quarterback for the Mustangs leading Little Wound into the playoffs for the second year in a row and reaching the second round for the first time ever, Jared two Bulls was the second leading tackler for the Thorpes this year from his line position and Ramos played on both sides of the line for Pine Ridge as a running back, receiver and defensive back.

Michaud was also named to both the West River all conference and All Nations all conference teams as well as to the academic all state team. Michaud plans to pick up where he left off last year in wrestling where he was ranked all year in the top ten in his weight class; this year he is the number one ranked wrestler in the 189 pound category. "Bulldawg" is looking at either the University of Wyoming or South Dakota State University for football.

'Three Voices' at Woksape Tipi Library at the Piya Wiconi campus Dec. 1

By Michelle May
Special to the Times

KYLE - On Friday, Dec. 1 at 1 p.m., attired in period costumes, Geraldine Goes In Center, Joyce Jefferson and Lilah Pengra voice the hopes, fears, beliefs and values of their Lakota, Afro-American and Euro-American foremothers around the common themes of land, social change, family and community, depression, drought, and privation.

Through story and song they portray the emotional currents culminating in the massacre at Wounded Knee in 1890.

Rather than trying to tell "the real story" of the massacre at Wounded Knee in 1890, this presentation portrays three conflicting views of Wounded Knee. The characters begin to change during the performance as they interact with imaginary others, teaching children, reading books and newspapers, receiving letters from a loved one away in the army….just as women of the day would have.

The listener is invited to hear and feel the interplay of human actions, cycles of weather, changing technology, incompetence and competence, prejudice and acceptance, and the beliefs and values of several cultures coming into contact.

After the performance, the audience is invited to take part in discussion about the historical accounts of events surrounding the massacre and the impact of cultural differences on relationships today.

The Three Voices: Speaking from the Past will be a presentation at the Woksape Tipi Library at the Piya Wiconi campus, six miles west of Kyle.

Geraldine Goes In Center, is an enrolled member of the Oglala Lakota Tribe.

Goes In Center and her parents, Eva and Nathaniel Witt are from the Lip's (Pute) Camp Tiospaye of Wanblee. She prides herself on being Ina to four strong daughters and Unci of two beautiful Takojas, a granddaughter and grandson.

Geraldine served in the US Army from 1974-1982 (Vietnam Era Veteran). She earned a BS in Human Services and a minor in counseling from Oglala Lakota College.

She has published a number of articles and has self-published two booklets: Jokes Heard Around the Rez and Lakota Recipes. She has her own business making Buffalo Wasna and giving presentations on Lakota food.

Joyce Jefferson earned a BS in English at Black Hills State University. Through her performance business, Joyce Jefferson creates stories in song, she entertains and educates her audience by weaving narration, poetry and song.

She shares personal experiences and research about African Americans in Black Hills history. Joyce is a South Dakota Humanities Council independent scholar and Arts Council touring artist who shares her craft statewide in schools.

Lilah Pengra earned a doctorate in anthropology at the University of Wisconsin, Madision. She operates a one woman business, multicultural consulting services, gives workshops in Australia, Canada, and the United States teaching human service providers how to provide culturally appropriate, values based services.

Lilah published a book Your Values, My Values: Multicultural Services In Developmental Disabilities, Baltimore, Md.: Paul Brookes Publishing, 2000 and wrote the labels and study guide for "Corporals, Cooks and Cowboys: African American Pioneers in the Black Hills."

Pine Ridge hosts basketball jamboree with Custer, Little Wound, and White River

PINE RIDGE - On Saturday, Dec. 2 Pine Ridge high school will host a basketball jamboree for officials using actual team scrimmages to learn and practice on. Boy's and girl's teams from Pine Ridge, Little Wound, Custer and White River will provide teaching vehicles for local officials.

"Current high school officials and those interested in officiating at the junior high level are welcome to participate in all of the jamboree activities" said Wayne Carney, executive director of the South Dakota high schools Activities Association, "there is no cost and we will have several top officials to do workshops Friday night and to work with officials during scrimmages on Saturday; the jamboree is for officials who want to improve their skills and for individuals who want to get into officiating."

Registration for officials is set for Friday evening at 6:00-6:30pm. State officials planning to help with the jamboree include Kevin Bad Wound, Rapid City, Dave Dolan, Rapid City, Dave Tate, Pierre and Todd Palmer, Pierre. Bob Lowery from the state office in Pierre will be there with rulebooks, three person officiating mechanics outline and guidelines, basketball officials, pre-game conference materials and tests and answer sheets.

On Saturday, the White River girls will scrimmage Pine Ridge girls at 10am in gym one while Custer girls will scrimmage Little Wound girls in gym two. At 11:00 a.m. the White River boys will scrimmage the Pine Ridge boys in gym one and Custer will scrimmage the Little Wound boys in gym two.

In the afternoon, at 1 p.m. the White River girls will scrimmage Little Wound in gym one while the Custer girls will scrimmage the Pine Ridge girls in gym two.

At 2:00 p.m. The White Rive boys will scrimmage the Little Wound boys in gym one while the Custer boys will scrimmage the Pine Ridge boys in gym two.

For additional information call Bryan Brewer at 867-1173 or Wilbur Ferguson at 455-6226.

The first girl's high school game will be Red Cloud at Little Wound on Dec. 7 and the first boy's game is Bennett County at Red Cloud on Dec. 8.

Brave guilty in fatal beating

RAPID CITY - A 19-year-old man from Oglala has pleaded guilty to manslaughter in a fatal beating on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, a federal prosecutor says.

According to U.S. Attorney Marty Jackley, Jonathan Brave struck Delane Stands on the head and back with a metal bar after Brave was awakened by a woman's scream on Aug. 9.

The woman told Brave that someone tried to have sex with her as she was sleeping.

She gave Brave a description of a man who was at the home earlier that evening for a party in Oglala.

Brave said he wanted to injure Stands but didn't mean to kill him.

Sentencing is scheduled for Feb. 9. Stands could get up to 10 years in prison.

Homeless Connect Day

RAPID CITY - A Homeless Connect Day will be held Dec. 14 from 3 to 8 p.m. at the Cornerstone Thrift Store on 401 11th St. Free food and drinks. Local agencies will be available for more info.

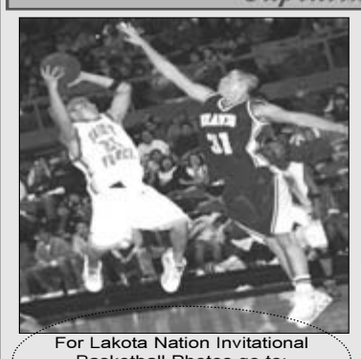
Old Horse to deploy to Iraq

RAPID CITY - The South Dakota National Guard will hold an activation ceremony for Spc. Jonathan Old Horse of Kyle at 3 p.m MT on Thursday, Nov. 30, at the Adjutant General Office Building Conference Room (Building 400) on Camp Rapid.

Old Horse, a member of the 155th Engineer Detachment in Rapid City, volunteered to deploy with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 185th Infantry Regiment (Mechanized), California Army National Guard, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The California National Guard unit is currently in the Middle East preparing to conduct a security force mission that focuses on providing route and site security.

Old Horse is scheduled to depart over the weekend to the mobilization station at Camp Shelby, Miss., for predeployment training and preparation before joining Headquarters and Headquarters Company in Iraq.

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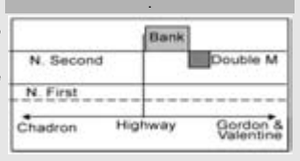


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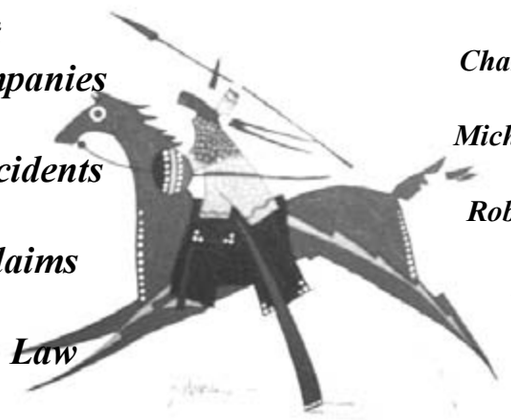
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Our Views

What this next Congress means to Indian country

The recent midterm elections nationwide are still fresh in our minds as the common man, or ikce wicasa, as it is said in Lakota, probably wants to know what impact it will have in Lakota country when the Democrats are said to take control of the agendas in both the Senate and the U. S. House of Representatives.

Someone once said that "All politics are local" and what that means is that whatever issues are confronting the nation, they usually filter down and affect local communities in one way or another.

Tribal communities are not much different in that we face many of the same challenges with respect to the war in Iraq, the need for low energy income, unemployment, and the need to be prepared for the next flu season to name but a few.

The final vote tallies in and around many Native communities will attest to the fact that Lakota people vote overwhelmingly for the Democratic Party. The Democratic philosophy historically is one that is considered a bit more liberal in the way it looks at the needs of society and not just the upper class and the rich.

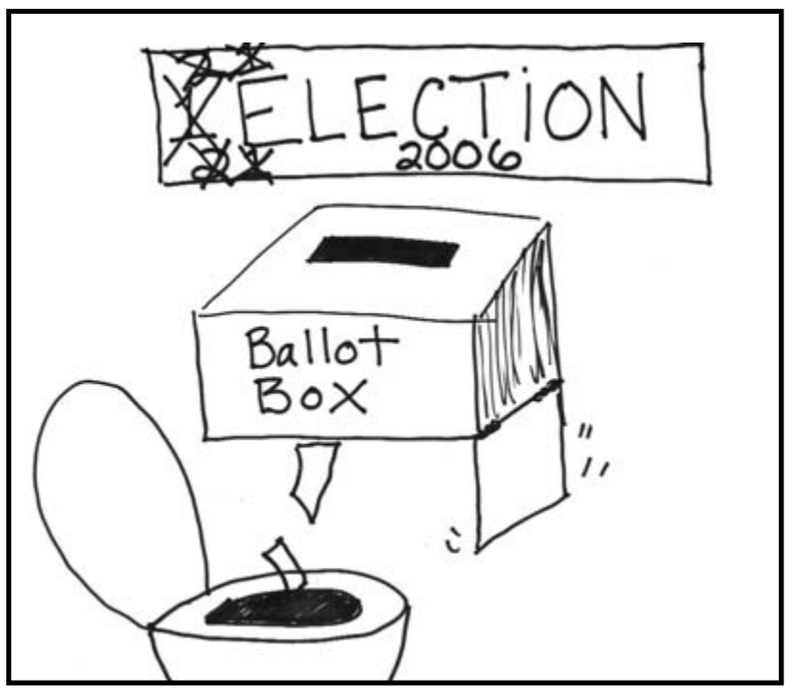
The next two to fours years will mean that there could be a phased withdrawal from Iraq as the public opinion nationwide seems to support that fact. Iraq will have work with all of its factions in order to work toward stability in their country. Ultimately, no more Native soldiers will lose their lives, at least in Iraq.

It is likely that the federal government may not be so bent on accountability when it comes to the No Child Left Behind legislation and this may ease some of the anxiety that tribal schools are feeling. There are concerns in Lakota country that the government is getting out of the 'Indian business' and a Democratically controlled Congress may steer clear of any tampering with the current structure that is the Interior Department and the Indian Health Service.

The new Congress is more likely to deal with tribal nations on a government to government basis and less likely to extinguish treaty rights which form the basis of certain services in health, education and established entitlement programs.

In general then, the atmosphere for Lakota people who work in tribal government administration, housing, hospitals, schools and economic development and veterans affairs will be a bit more positive as we go forward.

The attitude will be 'how do we work with tribal nations?' rather than threatening to extinguish our land base.



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Thoughts that come from the heart

Christmas without hassles



By Amanda Takes War Bonnett
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As the holiday season comes near, we tend to get that ole' feeling of stress and concern over whether we can provide our families with a good Christmas.

Sometimes we tend to forget the real reason of why Christmas was made and think of Santa Claus and gift giving and family celebrations.

If we don't believe in Christmas and the beliefs around it, then it's just another season. And there are Indian people who have those beliefs.

They don't celebrate Christmas in the fashion that most people do because their belief systems are different.

Lakota people invariably are also very creative in combining both the 'wasicu' way of celebrating Christmas and then, enjoying some of the same generosity and fellowship in their own way. The season then for some families ends up having some elements of both traditions.

Many Lakota families will hold an *inipi* sweat or other ceremony and then, proceed to exchange and open gifts. Regardless, it's a season where we learned to promote a 'jolly' time or to be generous. What is interesting is that we stress out in doing so because of how we believe Christmas should be.

It's that time of the year when we think of ways to get one up on the family finances.

It is that time when we scurry to get payroll deductions from Kmart from our employers, Hinns or wherever we can, or payroll advances, bank loans, cash in on early tax refunds from H & R block or head for the cash advances places just to get some extra money for Christmas time… then we have concerns on how to pay it back without hurting our finances too much.

The reality of it is we don't plan, we don't budget, and then we have stress. We know Christmas comes once a year but we wait until it creeps closer then we try to figure out how to manage it.

My mother used to plan for Christmas, she would mail order our gifts from the Montgomery Ward catalog, just like she did our clothes for school.

One Christmas when I was six years old, she bought my little sister Jackie and I two huge dolls. Of course at the age, that doll was huge to me. My present was so big, such a big box and I was so anxious to see what was in there. My little heart was thumping in total excitement.

I tore the wrapping off and all kinds of images danced through my mind what would be in there.

Nothing prepared me for what I saw and that first image I saw of my gift terrified me and affected me in a way that affected my friendships into my adulthood.

It was a life size doll; well to me it was life size as it was almost as tall as me. There it laid in a box, white skin, with big blue eyes with long lashes and long BLONDE hair.

For me at this time, this was a foreign image. I grew up in an Indian family and didn't start school yet, so my environment was my family and my grandma's house. No where in that environment yet did I encounter a full blonde with intense blue eyes.

It startled me, I cried out in fear and fell backwards in my attempt to scramble away from that box with which I thought lay the ultimate *ci ci*. In Lakota, that is the scariest of all scariest.

It wasn't *ci ci*, it was just a Montgomery Ward doll that my mom had saved her money so I could have a gift to celebrate the Christmas season. She wanted me to have a toy because that was her belief in celebrating the season.

She celebrated Christmas with generosity because of the way she grew up believing why there was a Christmas.

In about a month, my doll had no long hair. I cut off the long blond hair to the nubs because of the way it affected me.

Actually, I kept that doll for the longest time, until eventually I lost her arm somewhere. She was my pal and my friend until she faded in memory.

It took me awhile in my adult life to realize why I couldn't relate to blonde women or have close friends who had blonde hair and blue eyes. But I got over it.

In our family, Christmas is celebrated with care, lots of food and visiting and it is a time when all the relatives return to the family.

It's that way, because our mother taught us to create joy this time of the year.

She would make candy bags for her children and *takojas* until the numbers grew past her budget so she quit and decided to let the younger mothers take over.

Christmas is about understanding our beliefs and learning how to control emotions that can come with those beliefs and how they affect our lives and our families.

It's about teaching our children and our *takojas* to understand their own beliefs and respect others and share in the joy of celebration of what we believe in.

Other Views

Chronology 2006 OST election

Submitted Natalie Hand
Guest Column

Oct. 22: OST Court of Election Appeals issues a decision to have a new election based on misprinted ballots and other irregularities.

Oct. 30: OST Council meet and vote to remove the first Court of Election Appeals; defy Court's ruling and approve the Oct. 3 primary election; nominate and seat a second Court of Election Appeals; orders Election Board to conduct federal background checks on ALL candidates.

Oct. 30 to Nov. 3: Election Board conducts federal background checks on candidates.

Oct. 30: OST Tribal Attorney, George Patton, issues an opinion as requested by tribal council. He states that the first OST Court of Election Appeals does have the authority to declare the Oct. 3 primary election null and void due to gross misconduct of the Election Board and numerous irregularities and that there must be a new election.

Nov. 3: OST Council votes to remove two candidates from the OST Head Judge position without the necessary 3/4 votes. Action goes unchallenged due to the OST Tribal Secretary's absence during the timeline to submit challenges. At the end of business day, OST President Alex White Plume is verbally notified by the media, then the OST Election Board that he has been removed from the ballot as a candidate. His name is removed from sample ballots and he is disqualified as a candidate.

However, in many districts, two different sample ballots were posted side by side in public places. One ballot listed White Plume and John Steele as presidential candidates; another listed Steele and Cecilia Fire Thunder as presidential candidates.

OST Tribal Attorney Thomas Blanco renders a legal opinion, stating that White Plume's disqualification by the Election Board was "improper".

Nov. 5: Second Court of Election Appeals meet and declares that a new election be scheduled and found that the Election Board erred and ruled that White Plume be placed back on the ballot.

Nov. 6: Several concerned tribal members, as well as tribal council, presidential, and vice-presidential candidates attempt to present written complaints and challenges regarding the primary election and the Election Board. They attempt to officially submit these documents to the OST
Secretary Rhonda Two Eagle, who is the only person authorized to receive them. However, due to her unexcused absence from work, the time frame to submit complaints and challenges expires, thus depriving tribal members of their rights to seek a fair and impartial election.

President White Plume issues a memorandum to OST Secretary Rhonda Two Eagle concerning her failure to conduct her tour of duty responsibilities. The memorandum further states that if she refuses to take corrective measures, she will be suspended pending a tribal council hearing.

The night before the General Election, President White Plume and Vice-President Eileen Janis are notified by several concerned tribal employees that the tribal council representatives and candidates are at the Election Board office to clear up until midnight when ballot boxes and unsecured ballots are distributed.

Nov. 7: OST Court of Election Appeals issues an order to OST Public Safety to retrieve ballot boxes from polling places after the Election Board ignores their ruling (to conduct a new Primary Election) and proceeds with the General Election. Although OST Public Safety attempts to follow the Court's ruling, witnesses state that Election Board personnel and some candidates obstruct the police from confiscating the ballot boxes. Additionally, some polling place judges and tellers transport ballot boxes without the presence of a police officer. Some polling places close before the mandated closing time of 7:00 p.m. MST.

Nov. 14: President White Plume convenes a special session of the Tribal Council, with proper notification. However, only 11 Representatives attend, which does not constitute a legal quorum. White Plume fines Representatives that leave meeting to break the quorum. Many tribal members are present to submit testimony regarding their support of the OST Court of Election Appeals ruling to have a new election.

Nov. 15 to 20: President White Plume and Vice President Eileen Janis attempt to conduct several Executive Committee meetings to address the issue of election irregularities, a new election, and to take care of other pertinent tribal business to meet the needs of tribal members. However, they repeatedly cannot form a legal quorum due to the unexcused absences of OST Treasurer, Secretary and Fifth Member.

Nov. 21: President White Plume again convenes a special session of the tribal council. A legal quorum is formed. A lengthy debate insues on the issue of the Nov. 7 General Election that was held in direct defiance of both Court of Election Appeals rulings. The Tribal Council hears testimony of tribal members from all corners of the reservation. When it becomes apparent that the Tribal Council is at a stalemate, White Plume issues a declaration that a new Primary and General Election must be held in order to uphold the law of the two Court of Election Appeals rulings and that the Election Board be terminated for gross negligence. White Plume requests that the Tribal Council nominate new Election Board members. Several Council representatives offer nom-

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Notes From Indian Country

Oprah Winfrey and accuracy in the media



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Accuracy in the media has almost become a simile for inaccuracy. What is one editor's version of accuracy can easily be another's version of inaccuracy.

It usually comes down to whose ox is about to be gored.

One would think that with all of its vast resources, a television show such as The Oprah Winfrey Show would be steeped in accuracy. I was on Oprah's show in 1992 to talk about the use of Indians as mascots and I found her to be a very warm, understanding and compassionate person. So the inaccuracies I saw on her much publicized Oprah and Gayle's Big Adventure I will attribute to her overzealous and badly informed producers.

With much fanfare Oprah and Gayle showed up on the Navajo Nation. Some Navajo reported that her advance entourage urged the Navajo leadership to stage a "pow wow" for Oprah and Gayle.

Well, the Navajo people are not too keen on pow wows and holding them is not a part of their culture.

But, as a part of the footage of Oprah's visit, footage of a pow wow was also a part of her show. Never mind that the pow wow participants were attired in the clothing of the Plains Indians and were dancing the dance of the Plains.

In reconstructing the infamous Long Walk of the Navajo to their incarceration at Fort Sumner, Oprah's narrator told of how many Navajo died on that long march. But, of course, the narrative would not be as effective without actual photos.

The producers of the show dug up some pictures of Indians lying dead in a field. Unfortunately the photos were actually photos of the dead Lakota men, women and children at the Massacre at Wounded Knee. I suppose the producers figured that images of any dead Indian would suffice because after all, who would know the difference.

Many of us Lakota immediately knew the difference because those photos of the dead at Wounded Knee are burned into our minds. It is an event that we commemorate annually.

The History Channel can be infamous for its one-sided version of history. Let me give you two examples of how it applies one set of rules for all occasions. That set of rules is inevitably the one as seen through the eyes of the white producer.

A recent History Channel show covered how forensics was used to search out the true story of the Battle of the Little Big Horn, or as the Lakota call it, The Battle of the Greasy Grass. You see, we even have a different name for the same battle.

In studying the bones of the soldiers recovered at the battlefield, the forensic experts talked about the horrific way in which the soldiers died.

There was evidence of knife marks on the skulls leading to the conclusion that the soldiers were scalped.

Knife marks in the pubic area suggested the soldiers had been castrated. And on and on. Well, this evidence of how they died is probably accurate, but it is unfair in one respect: What would a similar forensic investigation of the Indian bones of the victims at Wounded Knee or Sand Creek show? How did those Indian men, women and children die? I believe it would show that they also died in a terrible fashion, victims of vicious disfigurement whose body parts were taken as ghastly souvenirs by the rabid soldiers.

But even a kind of happy show about how American cuisine developed can overlook a portion of history as regards the Indian people. The History Channel did a very good show on the history of hotdogs, hamburgers and pizza. When it talked about pizza it talked about the importance of tomatoes in preparing a proper American pizza.

They could have talked about the origin of tomatoes because, after all, tomatoes are a product of the American Indian, one that was unknown in Europe before it was discovered in early America. Perhaps if they do a show on the taco they will include the fact that the corn tortilla and jalapeno peppers were also indigenous to Native Americans.

So, as I said at the beginning, accuracy in the media is oftentimes calculated in degrees of perception. What is seen as accuracy by one race of people may not be seen in the same way by another race. For example, as an American of Indian heritage you might be alarmed to learn that your heroes are not necessarily my heroes.

In this day of mass communications I am often appalled at the use of inaccurate material in the media in general.

Too often press releases are pulled off the Internet and inserted into the newspapers, broadcast on the radio or viewed on television simply because it is about Indians.

I suggest the editor check the article for accuracy also. An Associated Press story of several years ago would lend credence to this observation.

The story goes that a boy from the Rosebud Reservation, a boy who was half Sioux and half Jew, was living in Israel where he was about to have his bar mitzvah and completing this plus additional training, he would return to South Dakota and become chief of all the Sioux.

Can you believe this story appeared in newspapers all over America?

Of course it was untrue and a simple phone call by any editor to Rosebud would have debunked it, but no one bothered to do that. The story was funny and an eye-catcher and that was enough for AP to pick it up and run it nationally and probably internationally.

Accuracy is a word with many interpretations, but when it is boiled down to its most common denominator, it is a word that should be incorporated into all aspects of the media.

As Rob Armstrong, my retired friend from CBS Radio was fond of saying, "If your mother says she loves you, check it out."

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Northern Perspectives

Enjoying 'commods' has to be a generational thing



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

Our fridge went on the blink and during its down time, I thought I would make my son commodity powdered milk for his cereal. He didn't really take to it even though I used very cold water. So, there went my attempt to add a good healthy habit to his morning diet.

I got to thinking that when I was a kid, I can recall eating powdered dry milk with a spoonful of sugar. I treated it as kind of snack item, because back then they didn't push fruits and vegetables as much as they do now for a healthy diet.

What I didn't know back then, was that drinking powdered milk probably was a good habit even though the thought of some child sitting along eating or drinking powdered milk sounds kind of sad.

I don't know if anyone can remember eating 'cracklings' but I did a lot of that too, and I think it represented a source of protein intake.

My mom worked at the old Checkerboard Café and many times 'cracklings' were the only snack we had. I remember that my mom also put them in hot biscuits also and that was quite tasty for kids who didn't have a lot to be picky about.

Today, we are encouraged to eat numerous servings of both as a way to control our diets. Apparently, fruits and vegetables also contain anti-oxidants which help to protect one from cancer.

When I grew up, we had such a large family and many times, we didn't have enough to eat as my mom and dad made minimum wage and we didn't qualify for commodities. That may have been a blessing in disguise, as there was a lot of talk about commodities containing high salt and fat content. Neither is good in controlling blood pressure, obesity and eventually diabetes.

I would hope that there are studies being conducted now about making commodities healthy for people, as they also are shipped the world over to developing nations. My sense is that many cultures do not require much more than the basic staples of beans, milk, flower and potatoes and perhaps that is what is being donated to them.

I remember visiting with one physician who told me that I might have been taller if I had better nutrition when growing up and I had to agree with that. When I went into military service, I quickly put on fifty pounds from the good fresh food in basic training. I know they weren't pushing fruits and veggies back then, but a lot of starch and carbs and meats were the main course.

Today, our children are probably much taller than we were and that is probably due to better nutrition and awareness that more fruits and vegetables are good for us.

Some of that commodity canned meat tastes awfully good when it is fried, but of course we know that anything that tastes good cannot be good for us.

Dr. Archie Beauvais (Sicangu) resides on the Rosebud with his son, Beaux. He earned a Doctor of Education (Ed.D) from Harvard University and is a 2006 Harvard AOCC Award recipient. A decorated Vietnam Veteran, he is functionally literate in Lakota and worked at Sinte Gleska University for 20 years as Dean/Chair of Tribal and Graduate Studies.

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inees, providing names for three members and two alternates.

Pass Creek Representative Lydia Bear Killer makes a motion to accept White Plume's declaration; to seat the new Election Board and have them meet immediately to set a timeline for new elections from the point of petitions onward. The motion is seconded and approved by Tribal Council.

Nov. 22: OST Secretary Two Eagle, Porcupine District Representative Phillip Good Crow, LaCreek District Representative Craig Dillon and others meet at the BIA conference room in Pine Ridge Village. The content of their meeting is unknown, as the OST Public Relations official is denied access to the meeting. He is informed that it is a private meeting.

November 27, 2006 A press conference is held in Rapid City. In attendance are Representative Phillip Good Crow, Vice Presidential candidate William "Shorty" Brewer, and impeached former OST President Cecilia Fire Thunder, OST Council candidates: Don Garnier, Carol O'Rourke, and Cora Whiting. By calling this press conference, it is noted that these individuals have defied two Court of Election Appeals rulings and legal opinions by two Tribal Attorneys. Further, it is noted that their actions are in direct violation of OST Criminal Code, Chapter 3 "Inchoate Crimes", Section 302, "Criminal Conspiracy"; Chapter 4 "Crimes Against Public Justice", Section 402 "Improper Influence in Official Matters"; and Section 405 "Unofficial Misconduct".

Nov. 28: A special session of the Tribal Council is scheduled to convene in Porcupine. However, no quorum is formed with only nine representatives present. Citing that some of the absent Council Representative were unexcused, and noting that pertinent tribal business needs to be conducted, President White Plume announces an afternoon Executive Committee meeting at the Tribal Offices. His attempts to conduct business fails as no quorum is attained,although the OST Treasurer Crystal Eagle Elk and Secretary Rhonda Two Eagle are present in the building and notified of the meeting, but refuse to attend the meeting.

In conclusion, by the actions of the some tribal council representatives and some executive committee members refusing to attend meetings, tribal programs are unable to draw down funds to provide services to tribal members. The BIA previously notified the tribal council and informed them that they needed to create separate accounts in order to access federal funding.

Although the Tribal Council has passed a resolution to carry out this requirement to access federal dollars, OST Treasurer Eagle Elk has not made the necessary changes. Therefore the BIA will not release the funding to the Tribe and Tribal programs and thus are unable to provide services to tribal members.

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Former OST election judge tells side of appeals court

By Tony Ten Fingers
Special to the Times

Editor's Note This is the first of a two part series on the former Oglala Sioux election court of appeals decision.***

Hau Mitakuyepi, please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Tony Ten Fingers from Oglala, SD. My father's name is the late Richard Ten Fingers Sr., the son of Walter Ten Fingers and Emma Long Jaw Gillespie. My mother's name is Florence Two Bulls-Ten Fingers, the daughter of the late John Two Bulls and Goldie Conquering Bear-Two Bulls.

I received my high school education here and received my undergraduate and graduate degrees at Oglala Lakota College and the University of Hawaii, respectively.

I completed three of five years attending a Doctor of Clinical Psychology studies at John F. Kennedy University in California. Additionally, I must say in my educational pursuits as a doctor and clinician, I have been well versed in law and ethics.

Sadly, after the back to back loss of two immediate family members several years ago, I have been on a personal extended leave of absence. Eventually, I will return and complete this program. I am currently a faculty member of Oglala Lakota College instructing Psychology, Life Span Development, along with a research course.

I must make this perfectly clear that I am writing this not as a member of the college faculty but as a duly enrolled member of the Oglala Lakota Nation. This is a response to the highly emotionally charged and controversial issue of our 2006 elections.

Recently, I was Chief Judge of three member panel of our deposed 2006 Election Appeals judges.

I will write from this perspective. Further, this perspective will not mention any names as it will be up to you as the reader to render your decision as to whether this election is valid or invalid based upon facts and findings as it pertains to our law and order code. Also, concerning the '06 Elections, our documents are open to the general public to examine.

First of all, after being sworn in to uphold our tribal Constitution, as Appeal Judges (AJ), we agreed from conversing with candidates concerning the '06 election. We found this to be very difficult as much to our surprise we weren't given a budget of our own to conduct challenges and appeal hearings. For the first several weeks, this placed us daily in the Red Cloud building utilizing any office available and to aggressively pursue financial validity for our nomination to serve the people.

Further, frustrating the matter, we were told by a patronizing White Clay council representative that we were illegal since it did not pass council vote for our nomination as AJ.

We countered that we did not need council vote and only Executive Board decision as required by ordinance 04-06. By this time, we completed our homework thoroughly studying the Election Code and examining case law scenarios. But again, just to appease this representative and to cover all bases, we returned to council and were placed unanimously as AJ but adding more days to an already fast approaching election deadlines. The first thing that crossed my mind at this point was welcome to tribal politics and the frustration that results from people not knowing or misinterpreting the law.

The first several weeks, we received a very limited budget as we were placed unethically under the budget of the Election Board (EB).

This provided the EB complete control of finances and we observed our budget dwindling from approximately $8,000 to a mere $2,000 and eventually in the "red". This concerned us as we were referred to as a line item under the EB's financial budget. Not to mention, this budget was unprofessionally put together rather quickly without any heading or signatures with white out over dollar amounts that were then, Xeroxed copied.

As AJ we brought this to Council and Executive Board's attention as it prevents checks and balances required of a highly important democratic process such as an election. This is highly unethical and biased, and in most locations illegal, to have Election AJ who oversee the validity of the whole election process to be under financial control of an EB.

Mainly, because you cannot bite the hand that feeds you or in another words, you remain under their mercy and bidding to follow the hand that feeds you or you don't get paid.

However, as Election AJ we decided to look after the "best interest" of the people during this 2006 Election and follow the "law of the land". This meant actively pursuing and locating the numerous Appeals and Challenges that were not provided to our panel. We were able to locate several as it was given to us from the tribal secretary's office as she was professional enough to make copies and forward them on to us.

At this point it would be important to mention my associate's backgrounds and experiences.

One is a decorated Vietnam veteran who completed two tours of duty with six years of legal research experience for a past OST legal attorney. He was also nominated to attend the very prestigious Harvard Law School.

The second associate is a young and active paralegal in our tribal court system. He is a practicing and fearless attorney with thorough knowledge of the tribal code especially when it comes to violations of civil rights.

He kept us on task when we waded through countless dealings with rumors, deceit, and outright lies thrown in our direction from those who felt our orders were unjust. As a team we relied on the election code and the law to lead us in our decision making process. At times, we disagreed but always referred ourselves back to the election code to render our orders. Often, we burnt the candle until the early morning hours drinking countless cups of Starbucks coffee.

However, we completed all challenges and appeals placed before us. For those challenges and appeals that were not heard by us, we apologize because the EB referred them on for council review. Further, placing these challenges and appeals for council review is not following protocol as per OST election code and sets precedence and policy. No challenges can be referred back to council because the AJ hear the cases and render their decisions which are final and binding according to the Election Code 04-06.

Our first order allowed two duly enrolled tribal members to run for Chief Judge who were disqualified as candidates by the OST EB due to several candidacy requirements.

One such discrepancy was not passing through OST Supreme Court's certification to run but the controversial of the two discrepancies, not meeting ABA certification. I must say at this point, this is highly irregular for any court of appeals to justify their decisions to the general public other than the parties involved, but in this case, is priority.

We ruled to overturn the EB's decision based on the fact the OST Supreme Court is an appeals court only. OST Supreme Court jurisdiction and responsibilities are to hear appeals from the lower courts only as clearly stated in the OST code.

Based upon this finding, we decided to research the ABA requirement. We found that the ordinance from the '04 OST administration which required ABA certification referred to chapter one, section 2.4, subsection (d), of the tribal code which in turn, referred us back to OST constitutional office requirements.

Further, since it is a constitutional office to be voted on by the people, such as tribal presidency and vice presidency, there was no ABA certification required for Chief Judge written into our constitution to date.

Requirements for Chief Judge included duly enrolled membership and established reservation residency. Now keep in mind, as AJ we had to weigh whether a '04 ordinance that has not been amended into the election code to date outweighs our OST constitution.

Clearly, we ruled our constitution is supreme. We further elaborated amongst ourselves that if non-members are allowed to run for OST constitutional offices that would set precedence for non-resident members to run for tribal president, vice-president, and chief judge positions.

For example, if a successful non-Lakota politician from one of our border towns decides to run for a constitutional office such as OST president, he would be allowed to run due to precedence has been set in this '06 OST election. Additionally, if tribal council requires consult from an ABA certified attorney or a successful border town politician they can employ them as special judges or special consultants rather than placing them as candidates for our constitutional offices.

Further, nothing prevents the OST council from employing non-Lakota professionals as specialized judges and consultants but I reiterate, and firmly stand by our legal binding order in this matter.

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Holistic Management Workshop
The Holistic Management Workshop has been rescheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 6 and 7 at Club 27 in Kadoka with speaker Wayne Berry, for information call 685-6629.

Life after death class
Developing a better understanding of the journey of the soul, Fridays at 7 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Village College Center.

Weight watchers class
Large conference room at the Indian Health Service Hospital in Pine Ridge, weigh in at 5 p.m. and meeting at 5:30 p.m.

12 Step meetings
Tuesday evenings, 7:30 p.m. at the East Wakpamni College Center in Batesland.

Weekly Flu Clinics
Tuesday and Thursdays starting Oct. 24 and running through Nov. 30 in Pine Ridge at the Public Health Nursing building for adults only from 1-5 p.m., for information call 867-3297

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
School pow wow on Friday, Dec. 1 in Batesland sponsored by Shannon County Schools in Rockyford and Batesland with grand entries at 1 and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m.

Basketball Jamboree
High school boys and girls basketball teams from Custer, White River and Little Wound at Pine Ridge school on Saturday, Dec. 2 for officials jamboree, with clinic open for local officials Friday night Dec. 1 in Pine Ridge and practice sessions with high school teams at 9 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 2 , open to local officials and Big Foot Conference potential officials, for info call Bob Pourier at 455-6522.

Career Fair
Wednesday, Dec. 6 at Pine Ridge High School with post secondary institutions and regional employers setting up in the gym and individuals speaking to classes from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Christmas Pow wow
Friday, Saturday, Dec. 8 and 9 at the Hillside Community Center in Colorado Springs, Colo. with arts and crafts Friday 5-9 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m.-9 p.m. and grand entries Friday 5 p.m., Saturday 11a..m and 5 p.m. with supper at 5 p.m., for info call 719 488-1775.

Christmas Dinner/Traditional Wacipi
Saturday, Dec. 9 at the Mother Butler Center in Rapid City with dinner at 5 p.m. and wacipi from 7-10:30 p.m., bring a side dish to share with family and friends, main menu provided, everyone welcome, raffle and table rentals available, for info call 545-1399 or 454-1456.

Concert, Arts and Crafts Fair
Lakota Holiday Concert and Arts and Crafts Fair, Tuesday, Dec. 19 at the Lower Brule Community Center starting at 5:30 p.m. with all musicians and singing groups welcome, for information call Earl Bull Head 605 473-9232.

Defenders of the Black Hills holds meeting on the Rosebud

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ST. FRANCIS - The Defenders of the Black Hills held their regular meeting at the community center on Nov. 18. It was an opportunity for the all volunteer organization to provide an update on their work in defending the sacred Bear Butte or Mato Paha and the other issues which they are confronting.

The purpose of the Defenders is the preservation, protection and restoration of the environment that lies in the area as defined by the boundaries of the 1851 and 1868 Fort Laramie treaties. Membership in the group numbers around 600 with international, national and local volunteers.

A Bear Butte Land Trust Fund has recently been started by the Defenders with the express purpose of buying up land around Bear Butte. Donations can be sent to Defenders at PO Box 2003, Rapid City, SD 57709 as a tax exempt donation as Defenders is a non-profit corporation.

The group recently was awarded $1,000 by RESIST, Inc., a national progressive foundation located in Somerville, Mass.

Land has increased in value, as expected, by the recent construction of a number of 'biker bars' who hope to cash in on the increased traffic flow into the area during the annual Sturgis Rally.
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The tranquility surrounding the sacred Bear Butte has been broken throughout the summer months as the construction so close to Bear Butte has been a disruption to the sacred site and to those who go there to pray and to hold ceremonies. It is especially sacred to the Lakota Oyate and the Northern Cheyenne to the north and west.

Charmaine White Face, coordinator for the Defenders, said that there a good mix of approximately 50-60 people in attendance. Lakota people from Cheyenne River, Yankton, Pine Ridge and the Rosebud were there as Sicangu elder, Alice Four Horns delivered the invocation.

White Face said, "It was a good meeting. It was a 'wopila' for the international work for the last twenty-two years. A lot of the meeting was in Lakota and there were quite a few elders." An honoring was held for Alice Four Horns of St. Francis community and Clifford Fast Horse of Spring Creek community. According to White Face, Clifford is a valued advisor to the Defenders and is also known for his research and advocacy for their work.

Ted Ten Fingers served as the eyapaha for the honoring, while James Big Crow and Silas Metcalf of Young Nation sang for the honoring.

White Face noted that the organization has a couple of small grants for operational purposes and one of them will fund a 'Uranium Summit' that will be held in Hot Springs on December 20 at the Mueller Civic Center from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

A couple of special guests who will speak at the very important summit will be; Kim Kearfott, Ph.D, who is a nuclear engineer from the University of Michigan and Johni Arends of the Concerned Citizens for Nuclear Safety of Sante Fe, NM.

White Face said that western South Dakota is a prime area of contamination because of above ground testing that was undertaken by the government in the 1950's when such nuclear tests were still being studied and perfected.

She said, "Those of us who ate food, picked berries, gathered food out of gardens. There is a high incidence of thyroid cancer. South Dakota is getting hit twice, from above ground testing and from the abandoned open-pit uranium mines."

A fact sheet provided by White Face is rather frightening in its warning to the people about pollution. It says, "For more than 40 years, the people of South Dakota and beyond have been subjected to radioactive polluted dust and water runoff from the hundreds of open pit uranium mines, processing sites, underground nuclear power stations, and waste dumps. Pollution does not stop at state boundaries."

In addition to the important presentations at the summit, the latest cancer information and statistics from the National Cancer Institute will be discussed and shared with the public.

KINI FM radio in St. Francis has carried a prior interview conducted by Richard Iyotte in which White Face has eloquently stated many of the issues which she says Lakota people need to familiarize themselves with. As a biologist, her work is a natural extension of her training as she explains that the leopard frog, the red bellied snake, an orchid, and the flying squirrel are endangered species in the Black Hills.

White Face said the Defenders of the Black Hills will be back on the Rosebud in January for another meeting. She said, "I like a solution or some kind of action to continue, not just talk. If we bring up an issue, how can we find a solution? I prefer local solutions and initiatives to increase an awareness of the treaties."

Shakopee gives $50,000 to Porcupine Health Clinic
$503,000 to Pine Ridge area plus $38 million loan

PORCUPINE - A $50,000 grant from the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community will help provide better health care for members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe on the Pine Ridge Reservation. The donation to the Porcupine Health Clinic will be used for general operating expenses for the health clinic which also provides dialysis services to tribal members. The Porcupine Clinic supplements the under-resourced Indian Health Service. The Pine Ridge Reservation has higher rates of diabetes than the American Indian population as a whole and all other races.

"The Porcupine Clinic offers services locally that previously were only available in Pine Ridge or Rapid City. Local accessibility means that more people in need will actually receive regular and consistent services. Truly the Center saves lives. The community members of the Porcupine District are grateful to the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community for assisting us in our health endeavors," wrote Floyd White Eyes, Board Chairman about a previous SMSC donation.

Donations to the Porcupine Clinic Health Board from the SMSC totaling $246,000 since 1997 helped fund construction of the Dialysis Center. The water system was improved, dialysis chairs and other medical equipment were bought, and the building was furnished. Through the assistance of the SMSC, the clinic was also able to gain certification as a Rural Health Clinic enabling it to receive third-party billing and become self-sustaining. The Porcupine Clinic on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota received $20,000 in fiscal year 2006 from the SMSC for transportation services for dialysis patients. The grant covered a van and fuel to transport patients from their homes on the vast reservation to the clinic for dialysis. The Clinic provides dialysis for up to 14 patients at the same time. The SMSC donated $25,000 in 2002 and $50,000 in 2003 to the Porcupine Clinic.

In July 2005 the SMSC awarded a $38 million loan to the Oglala Sioux Tribe for debt consolidation and an expansion of the Tribe's Prairie Wind Casino and Hotel.

In the past the SMSC has made grants totaling more than $453,700 for projects benefiting the Oglala Sioux Tribe, including $103,700 for trucks and road equipment, $250,000 for the Bennett County Activity Center, $75,000 for refinishing the gymnasium floor at Crazy Horse School, $15,000 to the Eagle Nest District for an ambulance building, and $10,000 for propane tanks for tribal members.

Former Rosebud Sioux Tribe public defender Whirlwind Soldier sentenced

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) _ A man who served as public defender for the Rosebud Sioux Tribe has been sentenced to more than 15 years in prison for crimes involving methamphetamine and cocaine.

Travis Whirlwind Soldier, 29, of Mission, was convicted in a June trial of conspiracy to distribute and possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance.

Whirlwind Soldier had abused a position of trust, said U.S. District Judge Richard Battey.

He also determined that Whirlwind Soldier obstructed justice because he testified falsely at his trial, claiming he was not selling drugs and accusing all the government's witnesses of lying.

The judge noted that Whirlwind Soldier had fought the charges against him to the end, taking the case to trial and refusing to cooperate with authorities.

A prosecutor, Assistant U.S. Attorney Jay Miller, asked that Whirlwind Soldier get a stiffer sentence. The sentencing range was from about 15 years to nearly 20 years in prison.

``The defendant was in a position of trust in the community,'' Miller said. ``He had a position of trust and he abused that.''

Terry Pechota, the defense attorney, pointed to Whirlwind Soldier's lack of criminal history and the ``remarkable'' way he had put himself through the University of South Dakota Law School, then returned to the reservation.

``One hundred eighty-eight months is draconian enough in this particular matter,'' he said. ``It's not required to get respect for the law.''

Pechota began to argue that Whirlwind Soldier had not gotten rich from dealing drugs.

``I've heard that argument until I'm sick of it,'' Battey said, cutting him off. ``I don't buy it.''

Whirlwind Soldier could have set a good example for reservation youths, the judge said. ``It grieves me to have to send a young talented Indian person to prison.''

Whirlwind Soldier asked for leniency, saying he accepted the jury's decision. He said he wanted to be a good father to his eight children, whom he called the ``true victims'' in the case.

``I'm sorry for my mistakes,'' he said. ``I truly believe I can help.''

Prairie Edge December author signings

RAPID CITY - The following book signings are scheduled for Prairie Edge for the month of December:

Thursday, Dec. 7, 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Paul LaRouche & Brule' with the book title'' Hidden Heritage'' and a new CD title "Silent Star Night''

LaRoche is best know as Brule', one of the top-selling Native American recording artists with more than a million CDs sold worldwide. Brule' and his award-winning band, AIRO (American Indian Rock Opera), tour the US with approximately 100 or more appearances each year. This compelling book addresses the tensions and triumphs of family life, and touches on the themes of identity, purpose, and reconciliation while following a dream.

Saturday, Dec.16, 1 to 3 p.m., Edward Valandra, "Not Without Our Consent." Valandra's book documents the tenacious and formidable Lakota opposition to attempts at applying the Public Law 83-280 in 1953.

Hawk Wing gets 14 years for drug conviction

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) - A 27-year-old Pine Ridge man has been sent to a federal prison for 141/2 years for a drug conviction.

Justin Hawk Wing was indicted in February and pleaded guilty in July to conspiring to distribute cocaine on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

U.S. District Judge Karen Schreier sentenced him on Monday.

Listing of Oglala veterans for OLC's memorial wall for Korean and Vietnam

KYLE - Oglala Lakota College will complete its Veterans Monument in the spring of 2007 with dedication during graduation. The memorial will list Pine Ridge Reservation Lakota veterans from World War I, World War II, Korean War, and the Viet Nam War.

The college has prepared a listing of the Pine Ridge Lakota Veterans, and is now asking the public to notify the college of Lakota veterans whose names do not appear on the prepared list. Only veterans with honorable discharges will appear on the Veterans Monument.

Oglala Lakota College will take changes to the veterans listing until Dec. 1, 2006. OLC must have the names of the Lakota Veterans by this deadline date so that the names can be sent to be placed on the bronze plaques.

The *Lakota Country Times* printed World War I and II last week (issue 8) and the following is the last of the names planned for the memorial. For additions call the college at 605-455-6022 for Diane Winters.

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Bald Eagle Max Jr.,
Bald Eagle Bear Fredrick,
Bartlett Rudolph,
Bear Eagle Oscar,
Bear Killer Sam,
Bear Nose Floyd,
Bear Robe Wallace,
Belt Milford C.,
Bennett Charles G.,
Bettelyoun Donald D.,
Bettelyoun Vance Emery,
Big Heart William Jr.,
Bissonette Rudolph L.,
Bissonette Adolph,
Black Cat Vernon J.,
Black Feather Francis S,
Black Feather Leo E.,
Black Feather Oliver,
Black Smith Bernard T.
Black Smith Tilmer H.,
Black Smith Melvin W.
Blue Bird Everett C.,
Blue Bird George,
Blue Bird Leonard T,
Blue Dog Allen S.,
Blue Legs Amil,
Blunthorn Levi F.,
Bordeaux Lester W.,
Brave Eagle Oscar,
Brave Heart Chris Sr.
Brave Heart Alphonso,
Brave Heart Joseph Peter,
Brave Heart Basil,
Brave Heart Steven C.,
Brave Heart Sr. Louis P.,
Brewer Leon,
Brewer Robert J.,
Brewer William P.,
Brings Yellow John C. Jr.,
Brings Yellow Pugh Gabriel,
Broken Rope Everett L.,
Brown William,
Brown Charles,
Brown Gerald,
Brown Edwin F.,
Brown Eyes Peter Joseph,
Brown Thunder Joseph Peter,
Buckman Wilber Clarence,
Bull Bear Adolph,
Bush Percy J.,
Bush Alonzo,
Bush Francis,
Bushy Top Pine Isaac,
Carlow Charles T,
Center Jr. William,
Charging Crow Isaac,
Charging Crow Roy,
Chase In Sight Gus,
Cheyenne Lott E.,
Chief Arthur Dwayne,
Chief William L.,
Clincher Benjamin,
Colhoff Herbert Russell,
Comes Killing Titus P.,
Conroy Melvin Benjamin,
Cottier John H. Jr.,
Cottier Robert Earl,
Cottier Darrell R.,
Crazy Thunder Frank Joseph,
Crazy Thunder David,
Crazy Thunder-Wilson Helen F. ,
Crooked Eyes Lincoln,
Cross Clement ,
Crow Russell,
Crow Peter O.,
Cuny Ray,
Cuny Willard ,
Davis Georgia,
Day Boy Aloysius W.,
Dillion Darrell I.,
Dixon Fred E.,
DuBray Cleveland G.,
DuBray Gordon,
Dubray Kenneth,
Dubray Car,l
Eagle Bear Seth,
Eagle Bull Marvin E,
Eagle Bull Lyle,
Eagle Bull Jr. William,
Eagle Elk Morris,
Eagle Hawk Lester W,
Eagle Heart William C,
Eagle Louse Charles Jr.,
Fast Wolf James V.,
Featherman Moses,
Ferguson Franklin J.,
Fire Thunder Rudy,
Frazier Harold, W,
Gates Robert L.,
Ghost Edison,
Ghost Vance,
Gibbons William,
Gibbons Leo,
Gibbons Jerome,
Goings James E.,
Good Lance Abel P.,
Good Plume Garvard A.,
Graham Joseph H.,
Hall Donald,
Harvey George,
Has No Horse Arthur,
Hawk Joe M.,
Hawk Wing Joseph,
He Crow Hermus,
He Crow Jefferson,
He Crow Lawrence,
Her Many Horses Louis J.,
Herman Rex Leo,
Hernandez Joseph R.,
Hernandez Louis L,
Hernandez Pedro Francis,
High Crane Frank,
High Wolf Raymond .,
Hollow Horn Murdy,
Hunter Ambrose,
Hunter Sidney,
Iron Cloud Robert C.,
Iron Plume,Frank L.,
Iron Rope Abel Sr.,
Iron Rope Jr. John,
Janis Leroy,
Janis Otto,
Janis Everette Elmer,
Janis Arthur P.,
Janis Kenneth Charles,
Jealous of Him Louis J.,
Jensen Antoine J.,
Kills Back Morris,
Kills Right Ivan S.,
Kills Straight Daniel Cain,
Ladeaux Winfred,
Lame Charles, Roger,
Lamont Robert ,
LaPointe Claude Jr.,
Last Horse Owen D.,
Lee John G.,
Lee Patrick A.,
Lee Walter E.,
Lee Delbert E.,
Left Hand Ivan, L.,
Left Hand Jacob E.,
Leggins Phillip P.,
Little Orville,
Little Hawk Richard B.,
Little Hawk Cecil Charles,
Little Hawk Stanley M.,
Little Moon Wilson,
Little Moon Francis W.,
Little Moon Francis H.,
Little White Man Stanley,
Livermont Leo ,
Living Outside Garfield,
Living Outside Theodore C.,
Loafer Asay,
Loafer Chauncey,
Lone Elk William J.,
Lone Hill Enoch Zell,
Long Soldier Eugene,
Long Visitor Rex G.,
Looking Elk Norwood P.,
Looking Elk Philip,
Looking Elk Stanley,
Looks Twice George,
Makes Good Daniel,
Marrow Bone Benedic B.,
Marrow Bone James D.,
Marshall Chester J.,
Marshall Thomas R.,
Marshall Darwin P.,
Martin Samuel J. Jr.,
Mclane Robert W.,
Means Wilbert D.,
Means Thomas D.,
Merrival Russell C.,
Merrival Barton Steven,
Mesteth Daniel J.,
Mesteth Robert E.,
Mesteth Frank James,
Mesteth Jay D.,
Mills Benjamin R.,
Mills Calvin Louis,
Moran Emmanuel,
Morgan Delmar W.,
Morgan Kenneth,
Morrison Orrie,
Morrison James,
Morrison Alphonso J.,
Mousseau Richard W.,
Nelson John,
New Holy Daniel,
Noisey Hawk Gilford
One Feather Isaac,
Patton Vincent J.,
Patton James H.,
Peck William K,
Pipe On Head Raymond,
Plenty Wolf Basil,
Plenty Wolf Bernard,
Pond Irving R.,
Poor Elk Russell,
Pourier Clarence P.,
Pourier Morton Joe,
Prairie Chicken Kenneth S.,
Pretty Voice Crane Francis,
Provost Adolph J.,
Quigley Garfield J.,
Quiver Charles,
Quiver Benard,
Quiver James ,
Red Cloud William, Thomas,
Weasel Bear John,
Weston Spencer,
Weston Cecil C.,
Whetsone Timothy,
Whipple Everett L,
Whirlwind Horse Elijah,
Whirlwind Horse Arveal J.,
Whirlwind Horse Anthony Sr.,
Whistler William E.,
White Martin A. Jr,
White Bird Melvyn J.
White Bull Melvin,
White Bull Leonard,
White Bull George,
White Calf Lindy C,
White Dress Francis A.
White Face, Jr. Benjamin A.,
White Horse Louis,
White Wolf Louis,
Williams Ward,
Wilson James John Jr.,
Winter Frederick,
Witt Charles,
Witt Wilbur,
Women Dress Patrick R.,
Wounded Foot Jonas Sr.,
Yankton Lloyd,
Yankton Samuel,
Yellow Elk Leonard,
Yellow Horse Morris,
Young Heart Bruce A.

Vietnam Era Veterans

Abold Edward F.,
Adams Pearl,
Adams Russel,
Afraid Of Bear George Jr.,
American Horse Albert,
American Horse Donald W.,
American Horse George,
Apple Frank F. ,
Apple Orville D.,
Bad Cob Seth P.,
Bad Milk Ronald B.,
Bagola Wayne,
Bear Runner Dennis, A.
Beard Raymond D.,
Bergen Stephen R.,
Between Lodges Wilber C.,
Big Crow Timothy,
Big Crow Wallace J.,
Bissonette Clement E.,
Bissonette Clement M.,
Black Feather David,
Blindman Charles W.,
Blue Bird Donroy T.,
Blue Bird William,
Bordeaux Opie S.,
Brave Martin J.,
Brave Heart Lorenz,
Brewer Dennis M.,
Brewer Edwin R.,
Brewer Ronald R.,
Brings White Philander,
Brown Bear Aaron J,
Burns Prairie Timothy C.,
Bush Dennis L.,
Campell Roger D.,
Champagne Maurice J.,
Charge (On Him) Harry J.,
Chase Alone Marion P.,
Christensen James H.,
Clifford Eli C. ,
Clifford Frederick R.,
Clifford George E.,
Clifford Gregory D.,
Clifford Herbert H.,
Clifford James B.,
Clifford Joseph L. Jr.,
Clifford Larry J.,
Clifford Ronald H.,
Clifford Terry W.,
Cottier Beverly A.,
Cottier Leo F., Jr.,
Crazy Thunder Clement J.,
Cross Cecil F.,
Cummings James M.,
Davis Gary M.,
Desersa Aaron G., Jr.,
Dillion Gene E.,
Dodge Daniel Jr.,
Eagle Bull Marvin E.,
Eagle Star Gailson J.,
Ecoffey Hobert K.,
Egge Sheridan L.,
Elbow Shield Benjamin O.,
Elbow Shield Charles D.,
Elk Boy Richard N.,
Featherman Delano D.,
Ferguson Irwin D.,
Ferguson Owen K.,
Few Tails Louis J.,
Fills The Pipe Edwin O.,
Fills The Pipe Peter V.,
Fire Thunder Lloyd J.,
Fire Thunder Marvin D.,
Fischer Jerome T.,
Flying Hawk Ray A.,
Garnier Richard, Will J.,
Gay Peter C.,
Ghost Burgess A.,
Ghost Bear Marvin M.,
Ghost Bear Wendell,
Goings Dennis L.,
Goings Mark U.,
Goings Marvin A.,
Good Crow Verdal D.,
Good Crow Verdal R.,
Good Voice Flute Harold L. Sr.,
Goode Virgil C.,
Graham Clayton D.,
Grinnell Eldridge D.,
Grinnell Vernon W.,
Halcomb Linda F.,
Hanneman Gerald A.,
Harjo Ronald J.,
Hawk Enoch E.,
Hawkins Vannald K.,
He Crow Floyd P.,
Helper Roy J.,
Hennies Daniel T.,
Her Many Horses Everett J.,
Hernandez Emile J.,
Hernandez Richard G.,
Hernandez Robert W.,
High Pipe Franklin D.,
Hill Franklin,
Hinek Roderick,
Hopkins James R.,
Iron Teeth Marvin B.,
Irving Francis J.,
Jackson William J.,
Janis Dennis D.
Janis Dennis W.
Janis Gilbert W.
Janis Henry C., Jr.
Janis Lawrence J.
Janis Richard L.
Jumping Eagle Irving D.
Killer Francis Kills Back Elmer F., Sr.
Kills Crow Whitney P.
Krauter Lonnie L.
Lacroix Jacque A.
Lamont Earl E.
Lamont Laurence A.
Lamont Lawrence D.
Larabee John E.
LeBeaux Pamela J.
Little David P.
Little Wallace G.,
Little Bear Lawrence E.,
Little Killer Phillip G.,
Little White Man Ernest J.,
Little White Man Stanley G. Jr.,
Lodge Francis R.,
Lone Elk Frank L.,
Lone Hill Mel V.,
Lone Hill Reynold,
Long Soldier Charles A.,
Long Soldier Edwin M.,
Long Wolf Earl T.,
Louden Garry D.,
Lynn Frank W.,
Lynn Harold W.,
Marshall Clifford A.,
Marshall Frank W.,
Marshall Hobart K.,
Mclane Richard W.,
Means Robert J.,
Mesteth Myrle P. ,
Monteleaux Francis W.,
Monteleaux Philbert,
Morrisette Joe,
Mueller Charles V.,
Nelson Bobbie L.,
Nelson James B.,
Nelson Thomas L.,
New Charles T.,
New Holy Emory D.,
New Kirk Barney W.
Nollsch Michael D.,
One Horn Luther C.,
O'Rouke Henry G.,
O'Rouke Michael D.,
O'Rouke Walter C.,
Patton Paul,
Penttila Robert R.,
Pourier Curtiss D.,
Pourier Donald G.,
Pourier Ernest F.,
Pourier Sidney L.,
Pumpkin Seed Mathew A.,
Pumpkin Seed Wayne S.,
Pumpkin Seed William A.,
Quick Bear Virgil C.,
Quijas William T.,
Ray Hill Gary L.,
Red Cloud Anthony O.,
Red Cloud Bernard A., Jr.,
Red Cloud Burgess S.,
Red Elk Moses W.,
Red Feather Lawrence D.,
Red Hair Leo L.,
Red Hawk John T,.
Red Hawk Melvin J.,
Red Owl Darrell L.,
Red Willow Conrad J.,
Reddest Windell J.,
Richard Marvin P.,
Richards Douglas J.,
Richards Ramsey A.
Rock Patrick J.
Rodriguez Andrez J.,
Rolfe Edward G. ,
Romero Ferdinand M.,
Romero Steven,
Ross Allen H.,
Rouillard Arthur S.,
Rowland Garry C.,
Roy Maurice B. Jr.,
Ruff William F.,
Running Hawk Aloysius D.,
Running Shield David,
Sanders Richard D.,
Sanovia Darrell E.,
Sasse Stephen H.,
Schrader Douglas J.
Shangreau Elroy P.,
Shell Track Charles J.,
Shoulder Lester D,
Shoulder Loren T.,
Simon Clayton J.,
Sitting Up Frederick P.,
Smith Geraldine L.,
Standing Crow Rudolph D.,
Steele Eldon L.,
Stolte Darrell H.,
Stover Donald D.,
Sun Bear Keith C.,
Swimmer Levi J.,
Tail Earl V.,
Tail Eli J.,
Testerman Marty A.,
Thomas Michael J.,
Thomas Paul E.,
Thomas Gayle,
Thompson Howard L.,
Thompson Terry L.,
Thunder Bull Cecil G.,
Thunder Bull Everett,
Thunder Bull Linda L.,
Thunder Bull Melcolm V.,
Thunder Bull Wanda,
Thunder Bull Wendell,
Thunder Hawk Joseph S.,
Thunder Horse Paul R.,
Tibbitts Alwin R.,
Titus Tilmer R.,
Toreson Theodore O.,
Tuttle Randolph J.,
Twiss Calvin N.,
Twiss Charles D.,
Tyon Michael J.,
Tyon Ramon S.,
Ward Charles T.,
Watters Francis R.,
Weston Verne D.,
Whalen Myron E. Jr.,
Wheeler John P.,
Whipple Everett L.,
Whipple John A.,
Whirlwind Horse Willie,
White, Michael N.,
White Bird Albon F.,
White Bull Leonard,
White Butterfly Orville L.,
White Face Benjamin A.,
White Face Benjamin J.,
White Face Joseph R.,
White Feather Gene K.,
White Magpie Lloyd D.,
Whiting Clifford W.,
Winters Charles D.,
Winters Willard L.,
Wolters Pauline A.,
Wooden Timothy F.,
Yankton Albert Jr.,
Yankton Creighton W.,
Yellow Boy Antoine K.,
Yellow Hair Elmer L.,
Yellow Hair Lyman L.,
Young Dean E.,
Young Donald F.,
Young Louis W.,
Young Melvin,
Young Terry L.,
Zimiga Herman,

Vietnam In Country Veterans

Adams Leon,
American Horse Eugene,
Amiotte George,
Apple Darwin,
Apple Tyrone,
Around Him John,
Bad Heart Bull Thomas,
Bad Heart Bull Timothy,
Bad Wound Eligin,
Bad Yellow Hair Lyman,
Bald Eagle Lyle,
Bartlett George,
Bear Robe Cecil P.,
Bear Runner Donald,
Bettelyoun Isaac,
Bettelyoun Percy,
Bettelyoun Robert W.
Big Boy Leroy,
Big Crow Francis J.,
Big Crow James D.,
Big Crow Theodore,
Black Elk Joseph,
Blindman Collin,
Boyer Delane,
Bradford Dennis,
Brand Robert,
Brand Verdell,
Brave Heart Dewey,
Brewer Bryan,
Brewer David,
Brewer Duane,
Brewer John,
Brings Him Back Lyle,
Broken Leg George,
Brown Elgin,
Brown Bear Harold,
Brown Bull Virgil,
Brown Eyes Erroll,
Brown Eyes Joseph,
Bull Bear Peter,
Bull Bear Raymond,
Bush Anthony ,
Bush Fred ,
Charging Crow Joseph,
Chase In Winter Willard,
Christensen Donald,
Clifford Allen,
Clifford Calvin,
Clifford Clifton,
Clifford Dorothy,
Clifford Janos,
Clifford Laddimer,
Coates Roland,
Coats James,
Condolerio Jefferson,
Condon Cyrus,
Conroy Clarence,
Conroy Cornell,
Conroy Eli,
Cornelius John,
Cottier Donald,
Cottier Lawrence,
Craven Theodore,
Crazy Thunder David,
Crazy Thunder Frank,
Crow Floyd,
Cummings John,
Cut Grass Edward,
Cutschall Dennis,
Decory Lee A. ,
Deon Raymond,
Desersa Byron,
Desersa Clifton,
Dixon Dennis ,
Dreamin Bear Delmar,
Dubray Joseph ,
Dull Knife, Jr. Guy E.,
Eagle Bull Lyle J,
Elk Boy Herman,
Fast Horse Vincent,
Fast Horse Wilbur,
Felicia Keith,
Fewtails John,
Fire Thunder Wayne,
Fire Thunder Floyd,
Flying Hawk David,
Folson Fred,
Folson Malcolm,
Fralick Kevin,
Frazier Francis,
Fresquez Dennis ,
Garnette Anthony J.,
Garnette Darrell F,
Garnette Donald A,
Garnette Joey,
Garreaux Joseph,
Gay Aaron D.,
Gay Robert J.,
Ghost Brian,
Giago Michael,
Gibbons Clement,
Gibbons Jerry,
Gibbons Leo A. ,
Gibbons Patrick ,
Gibbons Seth,
Goings Franklin,
Goings Lloyd W.,
Good Buffalo Benedict,
Grass Conrad,
Grass Duffy,
Grinnell Fred,
Handcock Larry,
Has No Horse Alvin,
Hawk Wing Chester,
Hayes Patrick,
He Crow Larry C.,
Heart Patrick ,
Heathershaw John W.,
Hernandez Ronald L.,
Hernandez Steven,
Hernandez Walter,
High Hawk Wayne,
High Pine Harlan,
Hiller Joseph,
Hopkins Archie,
Hopkins Clark,
Horse Hobert K.,
Hunter Arlen J.,
Ice Gerald E. ,
Iron Boy Eugene,
Iron Boy Wyolin E.,
Iron Cloud James L.,
Iron Crow Garfield,
Irving Chester,
Irving Wendell ,
Jack Leslie W.,
Jakeway Jerry L.,
Janis Benjamin,
Janis Charles Jr.,
Janis Edward Jr.,
Janis Filbert W.,
Janis Gansler,
Janis Godfrey,
Janis Guy E.,
Janis Jackson L.,
Janis Robert,
Jealous Of Him Everette,
Jumping Eagle Delmans Jr.,
Kills In Water Delbert,
Kills Right Albert,
Kills Small Myron,
Kindle Morris,
King Dennis,
LaBranch John,
Lakota Ivan K.,
Lame Theodore,
Lamonte George,
Lapointe Ernest,
Larabee James E.,
Last Horse Isaac,
Lays Bad Eddie M.,
Lessert Sam,
Little Wallace,
Little Dog Virgil,
Little Soldier Ephriam,
Little Spotted Horse David,
Livermont Alfred,
Livermont Charles,
Livermont Jay,
Livermont Joseph,
Lone Elk Elmer,
Lone Elk Luke E.,
Looking Elk Lloyd E.,
Loud Hawk Donald M.,
Martin Anthony,
Martin Chris,
Martin Francis,
Martin Raulin,
Matthews Gilbert,
Matthews Robert,
McGaa Edward,
Means John,
Means Walton,
Mesteth Marvin,
Mesteth Peter,
Miller James,
Mills Arthur,
Mills Robert,
Moore Henry,
Morgan Delmer,
Morgan Duane,
Morgan Everett,
Nelson Terry,
New Darrell,
O'Rouke Darrell W.,
Pablo Charles,
Patton George,
Poor Bear Webster,
Pourier Dean,
Pourier Terrence,
Pretty Bird Leroy,
Pretty Hip Verney ,
Pulliam Floyd ,
Pulliam Lamoine,
Pumpkinseed George,
Pumpkinseed Lloyd,
Pumpkinseed Michael,
Randall Thomas F.,
Randall Virgil,
Red Bear Moses,
Red Elk Marvin,
Red Elk Philip,
Red Hair Leonard,
Red Hawk Jesse,
Red Owl Calvin,
Red Owl Guy,
Red Owl Robert W.,
Richards Chuck,
Richards Dale,
Richards Gary,
Richardson Ace F. ,
Rock James M.,
Rock Waldron,
Rooks James,
Rowland Steven,
Ruleau Herbie W.,
Runnels Dean,
Running Horse Verdell,
Running Shield Orville,
Scout David,
Shangreaux Donavan,
Shaw Charles,
Shot With Arrow Charles,
Smith Troy Dean,
Snyder Louis,
Standing Bear Stanley,
Standing Elk Donald D.,
Standing Soldier Stanley ,
Stands Daniel,
Stands Vernon ,
Star Comes Out Edward,
Starr Ivan ,
Steele Duane,
Steele Franklin D.,
Steele John,
Steele Richard,
Steele Robert,
Stoldt Frank,
Tail Delbert ,
Ten Fingers Vincent,
Ten Fingers Walter E.,
Thomas Ivan,
Thompson Larry,
Thunder Hawk Martin,
Tibbitts John,
Titus Julius,
Tobacco Vincent,
Twiss Franklin,
Twiss Jonathan,
Twiss Terrance B.,
Twiss Theodore,
Two Bulls Norman,
Two Crow Blair,
Two Crow Duane,
Tyon Owen,
Vocu Thomas,
Walks Out Floyd,
Ward John,
West David,
Weston Robert,
White Bull George,
White Eyes Floyd,
White Face Clifford C.,
White Face Gerald B.,
White Face Tilden,
White Hawk, Darrell,
Williams, Calvin,
Yankton Ricky,
Yellow Boy Douglas,
Yellow Boy Thomas,
Yellow Elk Carlos,
Yellow Hair Darrel,
Yellow Hair Patrick,
Yellow Horse Alfred,
Young David,
Zephier Ronald.

ASK ANNA

Psychic - Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I have a couple of questions I would like some clarity on, if you wouldn't mind helping?

First of all I often awake in the early a.m. only to look at the clock and to no surprise it is either 4:44 or 4:47 a.m., this happens quite often. I am a firm believer in these numbers as in Lakota culture they are very significant. I wondered if you could tell me what they mean for me, or a reason.

My birthday is 3-13-62 and I was born at 6 p.m.

About a year ago I consulted you and you told me some things that were pretty accurate, to say the least.

My ex husband/companion of 14 years recently completed treatment and we have been spending time together. I often wonder if he is going to be a part of my life in any other capacity than just friends.

He seems to think that I need to be his friend in order to forgive him, which I feel I have already done. I guess I am doing some grieving because I always wanted to have him follow the red road beside me and to partake in the ceremonies together and in recovery.

Now that he is doing that it seems it will benefit someone else.

What do you see in our future?

I still love him, and wonder why I feel as though I am tied to him in some way?

Why is it so hard for me to just let go.

What do you see?

Pilamiya
4:44

Dear 4:44:

Fours are a number that by themselves mean the establishing of boundaries - or what I call no-mores.

The number four stands for a complete cycle, as in the four directions; and also indicates a person that is very giving; yet overgives into a state of resentment.

The typical pattern of four is to give until it hurts, and then resent the person they have given to; then setting up boundaries for themselves (the establishment of rules of not letting someone take advantage of you) then finding out that rules and boundaries only hem the person who makes them in.

The life path is to learn to be okay and go with a flow of giving when you can and not giving when you can't or when it feels uncomfortable. Three fours indicate a real difficult decision in whether to give clearly and cleanly without regrets or attachments, or to say no. Three fours also equal twelve.

A twelve added together; 1 plus 2 equals three. A three stands for total balance within the body, mind and spirit. There again, the numbers signify coming into balance through a decision about giving. In four forty seven, or 4 - 4 - 7, we see the four again, twice, and then the seven, which equals a person that anchors love and good will on the earth and through that - creates opportunities for others.

The 4 plus 4 plus 7 equals fifteen, which added together equals a six. Six is a number of accumulation; a preoccupation with the physical side of life is the hazard of six; while the beauty is in the accumulation of property, money, status, and other "things." Six also can be a warning sign of grudge holding.

People that are sixes tend to hold onto everything: love, hate, envy, things, grudges, etc. Their road is to find balance within the attachment to things.

Three - thirteen - sixty-two equals = 3 plus 1, plus 3, plus 1, plus 9, plus six, plus two, which is: 9. Nine's are old souls, and they are on a more spiritual path than any other path.

Nine's have a hard time getting everything done in a timely manner, and time is their challenge.

Another 6 added to that nine equals fifteen or six.

So, you are a nine that tends to hold onto things; therefore you would have difficulty in letting go of things that don't work for you, and of letting go of the past.

It looks as though you and your ex husband are headed on a path to spend more time with each other.

Since you do have the tendencies of a six, you have to be mindful of bringing up old baggage with him.

If the two of you can commit to a conscious relationship that is one that is in agreement of mutual success, both admitting and correcting your impatience and old thinking/reactionary patterns then the relationship can thrive.

Counseling helps, because some of yours and some of his reactions are programmed and viewed at as being self-righteous, when in fact they are views based on outrage or judgment.

You are not wasting your time and grooming him for someone else - you are gearing yourself and him to a relationship filled with more balance. Good Luck

Dear Anna,

How are you? Me, well I'm not doing too good right now. My dad is just messing with me, he won't let me talk to my sister and it is really hard.

What should I do? I mean I'm only 14 years old and going to be 15. It's hard is he going to be there for my birthday? Will my grades fall due to him? Will my boyfriend and I work things out?

Please just let me know something?

Another Dazed and Confused

Dear Dazed and Confused:

Don't let your grades fall because of your dad.

Let your grades be your personal decision; let your study habits reflect a single-minded focus of success, and when you are studying use your "studying" mind to block out all other confusion, fear and concerns around you.

I am sorry that your dad won't let you see your sister - he will reconsider within about three or four months.

Your dad is not going to be there for your birthday, unless he reads this and reconsiders his options.

You and your boyfriend will work things out for a while. He is not the last man in your life so therefore, things will change eventually and you two will break up.

In the meanwhile though, it feels like the arguments between the two of you are selfish, jealous, and juvenile (temper tantrums; each of you screaming in your own way about getting your own way).

Both of you need to mature a little bit and understand that disagreements are not necessarily grounds for a small war.

You are not him, and he is not you, and the two of you will disagree on some things; and that is not very important in the long run of life.

When the disagreements are centered around the concepts of philosophy, spirituality, and the basic fundamentals of agreement in direction (where you are going, how you want to live, and how you see yourself getting there) then the relationship will end, for the highest good of all.

Your father doesn't mean to upset you; he just has some control issues that are based towards his ex - and you are the pawn in that game.

Someday he will understand that his relationships with other adults should not impact your relationship with your sister. Until then, pray and understand that your father is just a man, and like any man, he can make mistakes.

Dear Anna:

What do you think about the tribal elections on the Pine Ridge?

Who do you think should qualify and win for President?

Wants to know what you think

Dear Wants to know what I think:

I think that each and every individual needs to have integrity enough to demonstrate honesty to his children and the next generations. I think that as adults we need to conduct ourselves with honor so that our children do that naturally.

I think the system is not in balance and therefore needs to be redesigned and separated from arbitrary over-throw by the council.

One thing for sure is that the Pine Ridge leadership sure knows how to change what they don't like, so why can't the people use that skill in a good way?

Who qualifies as President? What, are you trying to get me hate mail?

I feel anybody that wins has the ability to be honest, show integrity, and have the exceptional desire to listen to problems and discern that which is a real problem from that which is emotional hogwash.

I would tell you what I see, but that might influence the outcome; and besides; it would take out all the fun out of watching it happen. I pray you teach your children well, let go of personal agendas, and bless yourselves with well balanced leaders.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868 @gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551.

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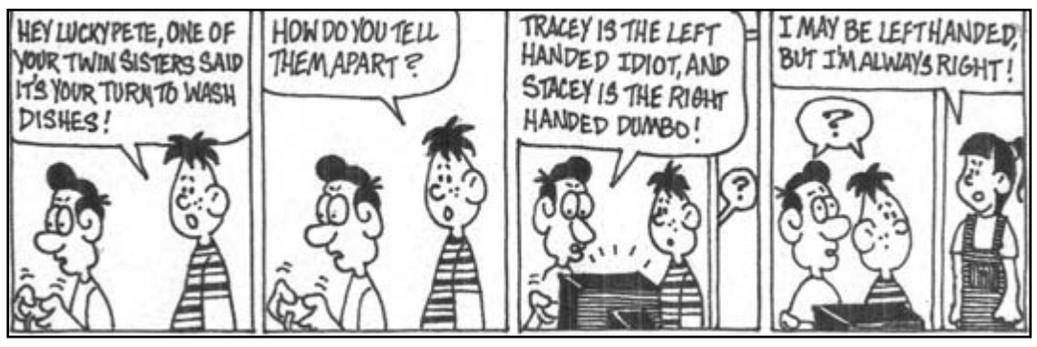
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The Rez Firefighter (Peta Usniyapi)

By Beaux Beauvais



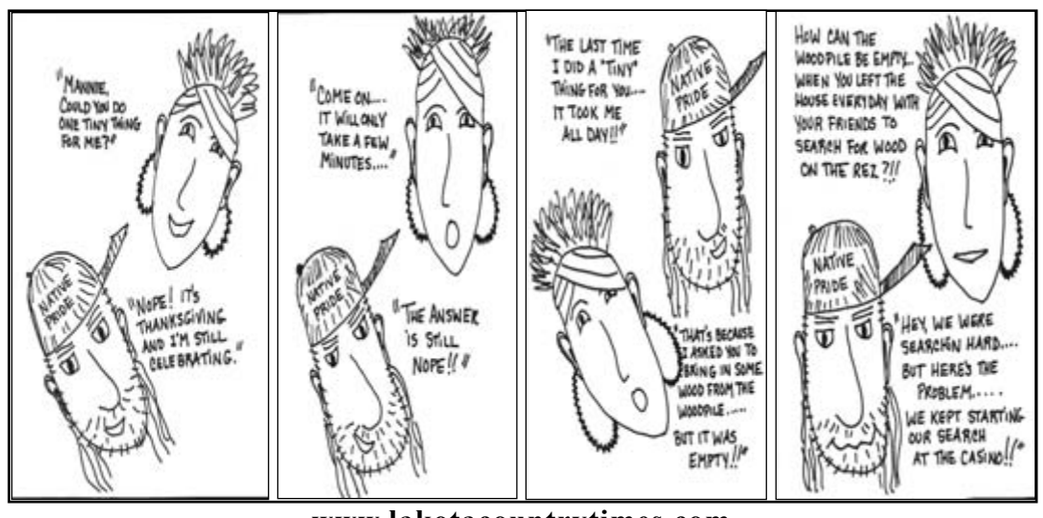
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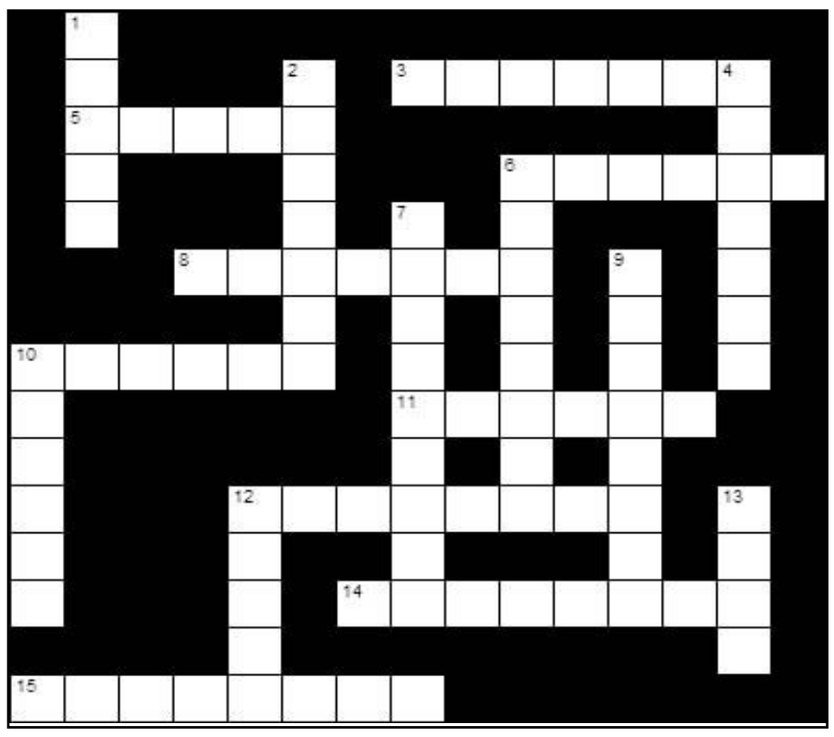
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Lakota Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)

Across
3. spring
5. half dollar
6. store
8. female cousin
10. penny
11. aunt
12. we eat
14. about then
15. orange

Down
1. law
2. frost
4. change
6. ocean
7. high wind
9. rest
10. rain
12. egg



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Answers from last week's puzzle



Baby Adams, infant.....Rapid City
Althea Meeter, 33,.....Wakpala
Robert Stands, 65.....Rosebud
Donna Adams,54.....Two Strike
Prudence Stead, infant.....Mission
Leslie Stone, Jr. 19 .....Rosebud
Wesley Iron Shell, Sr. 53..... Parmelee
Narvel L. Tobacco.....Calico

Baby Adams Hoksicala Nagi Mahpiyata Un

RAPID CITY - Baby Adams Hoksicala Nagi Mahpiyata Un was still born on Nov. 22 at Rapid City.

Survivors are parents Alton and Vanessa (Palmier) Adams of Rapid City; a brother Leon Adams of Rapid City; sisters Liane Adams and CaCee Adams both of Rapid City; paternal grandparents Leon Adams Sr. and Lilian Bear Runner both of Pine Ridge; maternal grandparents Cleo Two Lance and Rick Palmier Sr. both of Batesland.

Graveside services were Nov. 25 at the Two Lance Family Cemetery in Batesland with Rev. Cordilia Red Owl officiating.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Althea Meeter

WAKPALA - Althea Meeter, 33, Wakpala, died Friday, Nov. 24, at Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls. A one night wake service Tuesday at Wakpala Community Center.

Funeral services were Wednesday, Nov. 29, at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church in Wakpala, with the Rev. Todd Harder officiating. Burial was at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church Cemetery.

Robert Stands

ROSEBUD - Robert Louis Stands, 65, was born in Rosebud Oct. 26, 1941, to Joseph and Elizabeth (Menard) Stands and Looks Back.

He died in Valentine Nov. 7.

Wake services were held at the community hall in Wood on Nov. 9 and 10, followed by funeral services Saturday, Nov. 11 with burial at St. Mary's Garden in Wood.

Bob was preceded in death by his parents and brother Jerome Stands.

He is survived by his wife Deanna Stands of Wagner; 10 children: Phillip, Billy Jo, Lori, Tamara, Frank, Bobby, Stormy, Joseph, John and Andrews; and six siblings: Teresa, Adeline, Jim, Bill, Ken and Elvis.

Holmes Funeral Home of Valentine was entrusted with the funeral arrangements.

Donna Adams

TWO STRIKE - Donna Bone Shirt Adams, 54, was born to Alfred and Doreen (Little Sack) Bone Shirt, Sr. in Rosebud, SD on Sept. 26, 1952.

She died in Two Strike on Nov.16.

Donna is survived by her children: Larry (Ben), Angel, Marisol, Aleta and Theresa Rose; brothers Alfred Bone Shirt and Gerald Bone Shirt of St. Francis; sisters: Theda Jo Masqua of Mission, Pauline Bone Shirt of St. Francis and Almona Bone Shirt of Rosebud; half sister Anita Dreaming Bear of Pine Ridge; and half brothers: Gary Cheyenne of Wisconsin, Tom Cheyenne of Rapid City and Myron, Ron and Parker Bone Shirt of Spring Creek.

She was preceded in death by her husband Larry Adams; an infant daughter; her parents; sister Genevieve Bone Shirt and brother Nick Kills Enemy.

Holmes Funeral Home was entrusted with the arrangements.

Prudence Stead

MISSION - Prudence Joy Stead, infant daughter of Mark and Bernadette (Hairy Shirt) Stead of Mission was born and died in Rosebud on Nov. 14.

Wake services were held at the Antelope Community Building on Monday followed by a funeral service on Tuesday, Nov. 21, 2006. Burial was at St. Thomas Cemetery in Mission.

Survivors include her parents; siblings Lorraina, Corbin, Kyle, Lydia, Thomas and Shaundre Stead, Kimberly and Tracy Hairy Shirt and Yoncy Eagle Elk; and grandparents Francine White of Mission and Tim Stead of Sioux Falls. Preceding her in death were grandparents Florence Bernice Flying and John Hairy Shirt. Holmes Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Leslie Stone, Jr.

ROSEBUD - Leslie Neil Stone, Jr., 19, was born Oct. 4, 1987, in Rosebud to Leslie Neil and Colleen (Oliver) Stone, Sr. He died at his home in Rosebud on Nov. 18.

Wake services were held Monday at the Flora Oliver Residence and Tuesday at Clark Hall in Rosebud. Funeral services was held at Grace Chapel in Soldier Creek, on Nov. 22, with burial following at Grace Chapel Cemetery.

Leslie is survived by his mother Colleen Stone of Rosebud; five siblings: Tona Oliver, Marshall Knife, Tasha Remmers, Sheila Stone and Flora Emma Oliver; grandmother Flora Oliver of Rosebud; and many nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins.

Holmes Funeral Home was entrusted with the funeral arrangements.

Wesley Iron Shell, Sr.

PARMELEE - Wesley David Iron Shell, Sr., 53, was born in Scottsbluff, Neb. on Sept. 8, 1953 to Frank and Ellen (Comes Out Bear) Iron Shell, Sr. He died on Nov. 20 in Mobridge.

Wesley is survived by one son Wesley Iron Shell, Jr and six grandchildren of Montana; four brothers Ben Niess (Wendy) of Lame Deer, Mont, James Niess (Rosie) of Parmelee, Frank Iron Shell, Jr (Madeline) of Cheyenne, Wyom. and Mike Iron Shell (Veronica) of Barstow, Calif.; four sisters: Colleen Larvie of Valentine, Neb., Pearl G Iron Shell of Antelope, Mary Eagle (Ben) of McLaughlin, and Kathy Gonzales (Robert) of Denver, Colo..

Wesley was a very quiet humble and generous man. He enjoyed going to pow wows, writing poems and telling stories. He loved to travel all over the country and everywhere he went he was very generous and would spend a lot of time with his family.

He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Wake services were held at St. Agnes Hall in Parmelee on Thursday followed by funeral service Friday, Nov. 24 with burial at Holy Innocents Cemetery at Parmelee.

Holmes Funeral Home of Valentine was entrusted with the arrangements.

Narvel L. Tobacco

CALICO - Narvel L. Tobacco, 28, died Nov. 27 at Calico. He is survived by his fiancé Paula Bear Saves Life, Calico; daughter Nevaeh Tobacco, Calico; parents Nathaniel Tobacco, Sr., Calico; Janet Tobacco, Oglala; brothers Conway New Holy and Nathaniel Tobacco, Jr. both of Oglala; Austin Warrior and Lester Warrior both of Calico; sisters Ella Tobacco and Humbertu Stands both of Oglala;Holly Warrior, Denver, Colo.; Jennifer Warrior, Pine Ridge.

A two night wake begins Thursday, Nov. 30 at the Wakpamni CAP office in Pine Ridge. as well as Funeral services there at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 2. . Officiating will be Rev. Peter Klink, SJ and Rev. Abraham Tobacco with interment Tobacco Family Cemetery, Calico.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

In loving memory of our dad
Duane Conrad Two Bulls
January 15, 1964 - April 19, 2006

It's been seven months since you've been gone, he took you for some reason and we don't know what went wrong. I wonder if God can send us a sign on why he took such a Loving person? We try not to cry, but the pain is still inside. I imagine you telling me not to cry and stay strong, but for some reason it still hurts. I remember people telling me to be strong, but how can things go so wrong. You're in a better place now, with no more pain and no more hurt... Everyday and every night we pray for you, we miss you. We talked to you that day and you told us you were coming home, we got so happy.

We didn't get to say Goodbye, for some reason God took you and we wanna know why? If it wasn't for that night of Drinking and Driving, you would be alive Today...

You will always be in our hearts, we shall meet again. We Miss You and Love You Always and Forever...

Love You Always your Children,
Eilena and Daniel Two Bulls

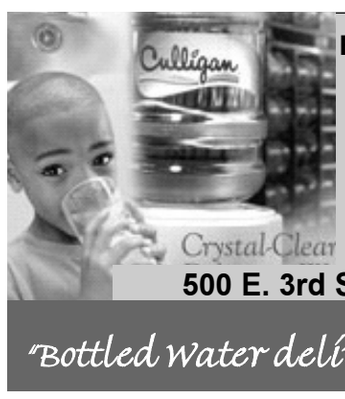
In memory of Derek A. Boerschig

Life isn't fair, That's a hard thing to find out.
You didn't cause it. You don't deserve it, but sometimes
Life is hard and even angels die;
Through a veil of tears we beg to know "why"
We cry out in our sorrow, in emptiness and pain,
What happened to you isn't fair but there's meaning in it
The lord takes only the best, gone but not forgotten.
Lance G. Black Hawk
Kyle, S.D.

In memory of Gilbert L. Thunder Horse Jr.
Dec. 1, 1988 to Sept. 26, 2005

Memorial Birthday wishes to Gilbert L. Thunder Horse Jr., on Dec. 1, 2006. Who would have been 19 years old. Thinking of you on your special day, missing you forever. Love you lots, your Uncle Sylvester, Celeste, your cousins CeCe Rose, D.J. Jayden, and Baby Sly T.B. and Dayon Jade Two Bulls.

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The proposal must state your understanding of the work to be done and must include the qualifications and experience of your firm and staff. A copy of your firm's latest quality review letter must be included in your proposal.

If applicable, minority and Indian preference must be requested in the proposal.

Cost will not be the only determining factor in awarding the proposal. Tlhe Prairie Wind Casino reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Proposals must be sealed and postmarked by December 8, 2006, at 5:00 PM.

Please address to ATTN: Human Resource Department, Prairie Wind Casino, HC 49 Box 10, Pine Ridge, SD 57770.

Call 605-867-6300 Extension 121 for more information.

Little Wound School
Kyle, South Dakota

JOB VACANCIES (11-21-06)

The Little Wound School Board is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2006-2007 school term:

High School Dept.
SPED Teacher

Middle School Dept.
Lakota Language Teacher

Elementary Dept.
P.E. Teacher
Early Intervention Teacher (SPED)

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OTHER DEPARTMENTS

Network Administrator
Extra-duty positions Open until filled (07)

High School: 1) Golf Asst.2) Yearbook Sponsor 3)Yearbook Sponsor
Middle School:
Elementary: (4) Wrestling Coach (AAU K-8) 5) K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 6) K-12 Drum Group Sponsor 7) K-12 Drum Group Sponsor

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit a completed LWS employment application to: Personnel Office, Little Wound School, Box 500, Kyle, SD 57752. To be considered the following documents must be attached to the application: Tribal enrollment to claim Indian preference, DD-214 to claim Veteran's preference, official college transcripts, teacher's certification, and other pertinent documentation/credentials.

For more information, call: (605) 455-6179 or 455-6178. www.lws.k12.sd.us



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The proud parents of Gregg Rowland Jr. on 11-12-06. wish a Happy Birthday. We love you baby son, love, Mom & Dad Greg and April

I would like to say thanks to my Fave Bus driver, Mary Kay, for everything you've done for me. Shiniya

Happy Birthday to my Honey, Doug Pourier From Tanya.

Happy Birthday to James Two Crow on 11-18 and Yolanda Anaya on 11-23. from the family in Kyle.

Happy Thanksgiving to everybody in Martin SD.
Howard Blue Bird
Happy B-day on 11-23-06.
From Alissa Apple and family.

Happy B-day to my aunt Sandra Blue Bird. I love you, have a good one,Jolenta

PORCUPINE SCHOOL
JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

POSITION: CUSTODIAN
DEADLINE: 2 WEEKS

OPENS: NOVEMBER 22, 2006
CLOSES: DECEMBER 6, 2006

For More Information Contact:

Tom Raymond
Principal 605-455-6450

Happy B-day Latasha Vasquez 11/18 from your cousins Annie, Abee, & Juje

We would like to wish our little Princess a Very Special 1st Belated birthday. To Grace Lynn Eagle Elk, love your mom & Dad, Keli & Darwin, sister & brothers Saige, Alexander, Mahpiya, Teryn, we love you.

Happy Birthday to James Two Crow on 11-18 and Yolanda Anaya on 11-23. from the family in Kyle.

Happy Thanksgiving to my daughter Thea DuBray. Love you a lot. I am thankful for you being here with Mommy Mommy Brooks

Thank You!
United Blood Services offers our heartfelt appreciation to the people of the Pine Ridge area who participated int he recent community blood drive, sponsored by the Pine Ridge High School JR ROTC. The blood donors who set time aside to give the ultimate gift of life receive our profound gratitude for making the drive a success, and the patients and families who benefit from their generosity will be forever grateful. We also thank the coordinator, Major Michael Iwen, and all the volunteers and organizations who assisted; your community has provided an invaluable service to those in need. Special thanks go out to all 76 JR ROTC Cadets for all of their cupport.
Sherry Stilley
United Blood Services

Happy B-day to our mom on Nov. 12th hope you had fun. Love, Mariya & Larissa.

Happy B-day 2 my bro Juice have fun on your 19th birthday from your brother Pat. G.

I want to say I love you to my grandma Pauline, you're the best. Shiniya/Sheenie

Happy Birthday Yolanda! Love, James M.

Happy B-day to my precious Lil Lita Garrett. Hope you had fun. From the Garett Gang.

I love you baby girl, Tanesha, love your best sister. I want to say I love you to Tianna & my mama,
by Shiniya

Crazy Horse School
TaSunke Witko Owayawa
School Board Election Timeline

The Crazy Horse School announces that there are Five (5) School Board Vacancies; the school board members shall be elected for four (4) and two (2) year terms. Upon picking up your petition please review the formula for these terms.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2006

PETITIONS AVAILABLE IN THE BUSINESS OFFICE
HOURS 8:00 AM TO 4:30 PM
MUST PICK UP PETITIONS IN PERSON AND
SIGN REQUEST FOR PETITION FOR CANADIDACY
Business Office is Located in a White Building behind the School
A $20.00 Fee (Money Order) will be required for each candidate a background check can be conducted by the Oglala Sioux Tribe Public Safety Office (do not fill out your money order, let the public safety representative fill it out for you). Also a $5.00 Fee (Money Order) for fingerprinting is needed. Info Call: 867-5141

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2006

PETITION DEADLINE: NO LATER THAN 4:30 PM IN THE CRAZY HORSE SCHOOL BUSINESS OFFICE, MUST BE TURNED IN BY THE PERSON SEEKING CANDIDACY AND SIGN A RECIEPT LOG.
YOUR PETITION MUST BE ACCOMPANIED WITH COPIES OF PAYMENT FOR A BACKGROUND CHECK/FINGERPRINTING.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2006

CERTIFYING OF PETITIONS
The Election Committee will take time to certify each individual petition and await results of fingerprinting and background checks.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2006

CERTIFICATION OF CANDIDATE PETITIONS
LAST DAY TO REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT
For more information on Absentee Ballots call Byron Wilcox at 455-6822.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2006

POST SAMPLE BALLOT IN ALL LOCAL/ PUBLIC AREAS OF WANBLEE.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2007

DEADLINE TO CHALLENGE SAMPLE BALLOT AND VOTERS LIST

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2007

POST OFFICIAL SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION BALLOT

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2007

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION
POLLING PLACE—THE CRAZY HORSE SCHOOL 7 A.M.-7 P.M.
01/17/07: POST UNOFFICIAL RESULTS
01/19/07: POST OFFICIAL RESULTS
01/24/07: DEADLINE TO CHALLENGE RESULTS
01/26/07: POST OFFICIAL RESULTS
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Happy Birthday to the November babies!! Tyrees Red Owl, Lukas Young, Josie Young, Gary Garnette II, Shalyn Janis, Raymond Roy Janis, Brendon Janis, Latina Shangreaux, and Hunter Janis. We hope you all had fun!!
From Trevor Iron Cloud & Family

Congrats. to Felicia Bull Bear and Sam Around Him to their little girl they had four months ago.
From Tesse O.H.

Happy 4th birthday to Keyshon Brave Heart on Dec.1 Hope you u enjoy your day you crazy boy don't have to much fun. From Antoinette,Talanna,and Tiara

I would like to say hi to my daughter and son with TESSE O.H. and DAKOTA O.H.
coming from your one and only Brian Garrett

Happy Belated Turkey Day to: Tiny DeCory & Family,Wilbert Janis & Family,Lenora Watters & Family,Jackie Gray & Family,Angie Eagle Bull & Family,Phinette Janis & Family,Larry Richards & Family,Charlene Janis & Family,Paul & Mary Iron Cloud & Family,Moon & Evelyn Weston & Family, Ervene & Rudy Palmier, Myreen Iron Cloud & Family, Monique Janis & Family, Dawn Iron Cloud & FAmily, Lynne Pourier & Family, Richard & Geraldine Red Owl & Family,and to whoever I forgot to mention but the list goes on and on and on. blah, blah, blah I hope y'all had a good Thanksgiving! Take care!
From: Trevor Lee Iron Cloud

Happy 32nd Birthday
to a loving son, husband, daddy, brother, uncle, etc.!!
GARY ANTHONY GARNETTE II on 11/29!! We (your family) hope you have a wonderful day! Don't eat to much cake and ice cream or you'll be sorry later...Just be sure to have a beautiful day. Love you 4 ever: your mama Aqualynne, Wife Mert Garnette, Kids Lukas, Josie, & Gary III, your sisters Dawn, Myreen, Monique, Jodi, your brothers: TD Garnette, & Friday Garnette, & the rest of the clan.

Happy 2nd birthday to Cinnamon BN on 11-27-06 Love you whole bunch my girl! Love Dad, Stan BN

Happy Belated Birthday to all our November Turkeys
Teal Brave Bird 11/1
Rebecca Bear Killer 11/3
Harly Brave Bird 11/7
Julion Respects Nothing 11/10
Noah spotted Eagle 11/13
Daniel Lone El k 11/24
Hope ya'll had fun! From your families in Allen.

Happy Holiday to all my children Jax, Stevie, Lisa, Ericka and Jacob. And to my grandchildren, Talon and Gracie, Love, Mom & grandma, Melinda

Happy Birthday to my dearest, sincerest, handsome, loveable Son,, Norman Afraid of Bear-Wanblihupahu on November 15th. I love you my Baby Boy ! Always, Mom

Happy 13th Birthday to my one and only daughter, Glennda Good Voice Elk-High Hawk on 11-17. Hey sister, enjoy your day. Don't chase the boys, let them chase you. From Mom Wilma.

Happy Belated Birthday on 11-10-07 to son Julion Jesse "Jeje Pie" R.N.Hope you enjoyed your day and we love you and wish you many more!
Love Mom & Sisters!

Happy belated birthday 11-10-06 to Julion Jesse Respects Nothing. We love you and wish you many more from your mom Chas and sisters Antonia & Abreana

Sending some love to my friend- Manuel Two Bulls- Hello Handsome! Got you on my mind these days. Hope the "Buds" keep you smiling and "Jim" keeps you warm. Much love always and forever, that friend.

Happy B-day to my Son Justin Garrett. Hope you had fun. Love & miss you, The Garrett Gang.

To my Neighbor Missy Davis & sister Shannon Long. Thank you so much for being there for me through this whole mess of lies & deceit. You're right-I don't need someone like him in my life. Please be there when my divorce is finalized-we will have to celebrate my freedom!! Thank God for family like you.
Sincerely -RAH

Happy 5th Birthday to our Grandson G.I. Rowland. We love you and are very proud of you. From, Grandma & Grandpa Bad Yellow Hair.

Happy 15th Birthday to our Misun Norman J. Afraid of Bear on 11-15. We love you baby big brother may Ate Wakan Tanks Bless you with many more blessed birthdays! Love you always & forever, your older brothers & sisters, The Afraid of Bear Tiospaye, Steph, Beth, Duran, Jr. Tasha, Robbie, Cherry Ivy, LaDanza Cranston & baby Callie & our older brother Chris who's watchin from Heaven up above.

I would like to tell my niece Shannon Whiting how proud she makes me of her. Hope my girls are just like you. Keep up the good work! Love, Auntie Woni

I'd like to say I love you to Filemon Parra-Munoz and I can't wait till our baby comes. Love Always, Nicole

Hi Grandma YiYi, MaKenzie, Marshall, Amaya, Jevon, Aunti Elaine, Uncle Glen, Janelle,Nailah, Alleyah, Peaches and my Mom Holly. Love, Tyra Lailah

I'd like to say hi to Tasha and Arrow Hacker in Sunnyvale, CA. I miss you and love you. Can't wait to see you soon. Love always, Tyra Quinn.

Happy Birthday to
Rex Herman 11/7,
Don Herman 11/18,
Miranda Herman 11/20,
Angel Reddest 11/27,
Tina Brewer 11/28,
Joe Herman 11/29,
from the Cru in Kyle at Lil Angels.

Happy belated birthday to our baby girl Dani, on November 15, 2006. We didn't forget, just getting too busy preparing a party for you. We love you-mom,Dad,brother and sisters, The Goodmans

Tasha
Have a great day

Happy Birthday on 11-26-97 to Veronica American Horse. Keep up the good work in school. We love you, Mom,Dad,Desirae, T.J.,Danell, Georgie

Happy Birthday to Tashanee Titus. Have a good one. Love ya, Cameron & Liz Red Star

We want to wish our best uncle the best 23rd birthday on 11-27-06. We hope you have fun but not too much, and stay out of trouble because we already give you too much trouble. We love you. Your best niece & nephew LaSetta Rose & Nathaniel Skye.

Want to wish our Big bro a happy big 23rd B-day on 11-27-06. Hope you have fun & don't get too rowdy because we will be watching you. Love your lil sis Jeanette,LaQuetta,Emmy,Arlean,Jody, Paco,Lloyd, Will, Lil DJ,Melissa, Poncho, Mom.

Happy Birthday
Robert J. Little (Pookie)
from your vish fam in OgAye.

Micinksi-Norman Afraid of Bear (Wanbli Hupahu) Happy 15th Birthday. I love you with all of my heart and I'm proud of you for helping your mom and being the great son that you are! You make me laugh and keep me entertained by your laughter & jokes. I love you Son! Your Ate-Fontanelle "Pancho" Afraid of Bear

My Love for You
A rose will blossom than wither it's petals fall away, Unlike the love I have for you that thrives and grows everyday .A dream only lasts seconds and then its gone and over, Unlike the love I have for you, that will last evermore. Like the waves that wash upon a shore unlike the love I have for you. Most steadfast day by day The seasons come, the seasons go as they are bound to do, unlike the love within my heart that makes our love Brand new To: Darren From: Your Baby Dani, I appreciate everything you do for me your kindness, wisdom, gentleness and love.

Happy Birthday Stella Dawn on November 19th. From Roberta

Shout out to my Grams, my mom, Bros Jr.,Cody, Larry & Dalen and sisters B.J. and Lana. And the rest of the crew in Og.
Liz Red Star

I'd like to wish Winnie Sitting Bear a Happy Holiday. Coming from yours truly, Filbert Janis. P.S. baby too.

Happy Birthday to Jesse Peniska on 11-21-06 and Mary Short Horn on 11/2/06. Love you, I wish you many more B-days.
Mother Donna Peniska

To Lynn Brown Bear from Oliver Brown Bear. You made me a proud father of my pretty baby girl! Sevaya Brown Bear. Lynn, I love you baby, love your Daddy.

To Lisa Dillon, From her loving family. Thanks for everything you do! We love you!

For my dear Grandmother Adele Brown Bull, thank you for everything you have done for me and for always being there, I love you with all my heart. Thanksgiving is the best day, which is why I'm trying to say, have a happy Thanksgiving day for my little Bro Mike!
Love Always, Shelle

Happy Birthday & Happy Thanksgiving (11-23) to our little turkey Yolanda! 2 years old already.
From Mommy , James, your Big sisters.

My dear Momma Melissa Two Bulls, I thank God you're my mother for many reasons, and #1 is because I love you very much! And for always being there when I need you! Have a Happy Thanksgiving! Love Always, Shelle.

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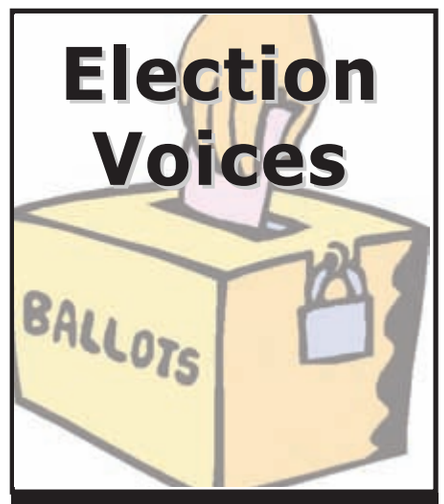


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Steele takes office, elected council meets

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PIYA WICONI - On Tuesday, Dec. 5 the tribal officials elected in the Oglala Sioux Tribe general election held on Nov. 7th made a statement to the tribal membership, everyone showed for the swearing in ceremony at Piya Wiconi, Oglala Lakota College's main administrative offices located southwest of Kyle.

All 16 tribal council representatives, John Steele, tribal president, William Shorty Brewer, vice president, chief judge, Lisa Adams, plus executive board members Crystal Eagle Elk, Rhonda Two Eagle and Dave Pourier. Sidney Witt, associate tribal judge, presided over the swearing in ceremony.

"We need to move on and get business done as soon as possible," said John Steele as he addressed the gathered crowd in the conference room of Piya Wiconi, "Phil Hogen, chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, called and said that if we do not get a stable tribal government in place by today, we will be forced to close down the casino; we need to move past this chaos and get back to doing the work needed for the Oglala Lakota Nation instead of fighting among ourselves."





On Tuesday, at the Piya Wiconi campus of Oglala Lakota College, Judge Sidney Witt swore in the tribal administration that was elected in the November General Election. Left: (L-R)Cora Whiting, Kathy Janis, Kim Claussen and John Steele took oath of office. Above: all the elected council members of the November election are sworn in and proceeded immediately with a council meeting.

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Council representatives sworn in included Jake Little and Floyd Brings Plenty of Oglala, Ella John Carlow, Don Garnier and Carol Crazy Thunder O'Rourke of Pine Ridge, Ron Duke/Pass Creek, Craig Dillon and Kim Claussen/LaCreek, Jim Meeks and Tom Poor Bear/Eagle Nest, Austin Watkins and Cora Whiting/Medicine Root, Philip Good Crow and Chuck Jacobs of Porcupine and Kathy Janis and Garfield Little Dog/Wounded Knee District. There were no representatives from Wakpamni District because the general election for Wakpamni was being conducted on Tuesday.

Following the swearing in ceremony, an honoring song by Abe Tobacco and hand shaking from all

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Meth message paints ugly picture

By Archie Beauvais
Times Correspondent

MISSION - In conjunction with "National Methamphetamine Awareness Day" throughout the nation, Assistant U. S. attorney, Randy Sieler from the Pierre office spent the day on the Rosebud doing methamphetamine awareness presentations to three different audiences.

One audience was the Todd County Middle, and the other two were the Boys and Girls Club of Rosebud and the Todd County High School.

Getting the message out to students and young children requires repetitive attempts as there is so much accurate information that students and parents, alike, need to comprehend about the danger signs of methamphetamine use. This latest effort by Sieler is one of those which will further the cause.

Concurrently, on the national scene Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne announced on Thursday that three governmental agencies will pay $300,000 to fund an awareness campaign on Indian reservations.

The money will be used for the media; both print and radio, as they get the word out on the terrible affects of using methamphetamine.

Kempthorne shared his commitment to fighting methamphetamine use in Indian Country, while both Sen. John Thune and Senator Tim Johnson were very much in support of the campaign.



The addiction of meth can be permanent damage or death. Image from anti-meth.org.

It was good news, too, for local MAPPS-SD prevention coordinator, Tammy Scott, of Mission. She said, "News of the government agencies anti-meth campaign is welcomed and a long time coming. We need all of our agencies to work together, tribal, national, state and county as meth knows no boundaries and holds no prejudice. Creating awareness and educating the people is very important.

However, in efficiency to 'get the biggest bang for the buck' those agencies need to be aware of each reservation's specific needs and not generalize 'Indian Country' as some reservations have bigger problems than others."

Scott continued, "In that process discovering what prevention programs are already in place (whether national, state, tribal, county, city or privately operated) to see what is working and what is not. Enhance what is working and not 're-invent the wheel' creating collaboration.

Not only set aside funding for awareness and education, which identified the problem, but set aside funding for law enforcement to be properly trained, staff and equipped to deal with the specific issues; for specific meth treatment programs for adults and youth in order to rehabilitate our people and address the problem. We can't just put all this information out there to our people and not have a venue for them to seek help and healing. In an effort to 'capture the imagination' we must

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KILI Radio to broadcast LNI games on 88.7 FM in Rapid City area

PORCUPINE - After operating on low power since April of this year, KILI Radio 90.1 FM hoped to get back on the air with brand new equipment by Dec. 15.

Even more so to broadcast the 30th Annual Lakota Nation Invitational, according to Melanie Janis, station manager, but that wasn't possible.

After working through all of the paperwork and requests with the committed money, the bid didn't go out until early October.

Harris Broadcast Corporation received the bid and started working on close to $300,000 of broadcasting equipment in mid October.

"They finally announced the shipping date of Dec. 21, which would mean sometime in the new year, hopefully in January, KILI Radio will be back on air at a 100 percent," said Janis.

Because of the extraordinary interest of the 30th Annual Lakota Nation in Rapid City, KILI Radio will broadcast live on 90.1 FM, only 260 watts at the present time, on the Internet at kiliradio.org and starting on Dec. 13, on 88.7 FM in Rapid City.

The 88.7 FM translator reaches all the Rapid City area. If you are in Rapid City, you can listen to the games and within reach of 90.1 FM watts, or on the Internet, she said.

"We realize that so many people have missed KILI Radio, in fact many people have felt that the chaos swirling around the tribal election was amplified by the absence of KILI radio, said Janis.

"All of us at KILI radio, hope the community now realizes the value of this very important community radio in all of our communities across the Pine Ridge Reservation.

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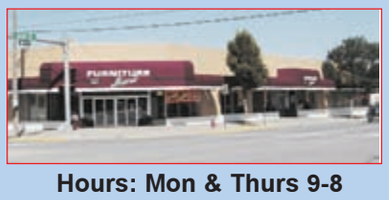

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of those gathered, the council went right into session to take care of some pressing business.

The council voted 14-2 to retain the current executive board until Jan. 5 when a new election timetable for the executive board would culminate, petitions would open on Dec. 8, close on Dec. 15, allow two weeks for a background check and be voted on at a council meeting on the 5th of January.

The council assured those candidates who already put in for an executive board position and had paid for a background check, that their intentions would be honored and that the executive board election would be open to all interested candidates, those who already had a background check done for the primary would also be honored.

The general election results were certified by a vote of 16-0, council representatives were allowed to sit on however many committees they chose, passed 13-3 and committee selections were also approved 13-3.

Committee selections included: Economic and Business Development-Jake Little, Philip Good Crow, Austin Watkins, Cora Whiting, Don Garnier, Jim Meeks, Chuck Jacobs, Craig Dillon and Tom Poor Bear; Finance-Kim Claussen, Good Crow, Ron Duke, Whiting, Carol O'Rourke, Garfield Little Dog, Jacobs, Floyd Brings Plenty and Dillon; Judiciary-Little, Claussen, Duke, Watkins, Whiting, O'Rourke and Little Dog; Education-Duke, Whiting, O'Rourke, Garnier, Brings Plenty and Little Dog; Land-Duke, Kathy Janis, Watkins, O'Rourke, Carlow, Meeks, Little, Jacobs, Dillon and Poor Bear; Health and Human Services-Janis, Claussen, Good Crow, Watkins, O'Rourke, Garnier, Carlow, Brings Plenty and Poor Bear. The committees were encouraged to meet as soon as possible and elect officers.

The council voted 15-1 to re-affirm the original election board with Charlene Black Horse, Maretta Champaign and Sandra Bettelyoun and to have them finish the general election for Wakpamni and conduct the executive board election.

Past council representative Paul Little and Bernard White Face addressed the new council, Walt Big Crow was in attendance to provide support for the new administration.

"We absolutely have to move on for the sake of the people and the future of the tribe," said Paul Iron Cloud, past tribal chairman and director of the Porcupine Clinic.

A press release distributed on Wednesday announced that a group of traditional leaders including Chief Oliver Red Cloud, Floyd Hand, Russell Means and Duane Martin would hold a press conference in Rapid City at Senator John Thune's office at 1:15 p.m. to request a formal congressional investigation into the recent tribal election.

On Tuesday evening, Eileen Janis, OST vice president turned over the keys to her office at the Red Cloud building to William Shorty Brewer. On Wednesday, Brewer moved into his office and announced that past tribal vice president, Mel Lone Hill would be his assistant. Although John Steele came to the Red cloud building on Wednesday, Alex White Plume remained in his office.

"We want to do the right thing, we want to follow the law," said Will Peters, council representative from Pine Ridge Village said on KILI Radio on Wednesday, "speaking for the White Plume administration, we believe that the swearing in was illegal, that two different election court of appeals have decreed the need for a new election and for the benefit of the tribal membership, we need to do a fair and legal election, free of political interference."

Responding to a request from John Steele, associate tribal judge, Steven Emery, on Tuesday, granted a temporary restraining order that restricts Alex White Plume from interfering in any post election activities, such as the swearing in ceremony, and attempting to conduct a new election.

Wakpamni District general election chooses Weston, Conroy

WAKPAMNI CAP - Surrounded in controversy and blanketed by press releases declaring the election illegal, the Wakpamni District general election was held on Tuesday with Sonia Little Hawk Weston 222 and Tom Conroy 142 earning seats on the tribal council.

Maxine Lakota finished with 123 and Rick Grey Grass 106. The election was conducted by the original OST election board, Charlene Black Horse, Maretta Champaign and Sandra Bettelyoun and was conducted out of the Wakpamni District CAP office because the election board office in the old hospital had been closed down following the selection of a different election board.

"We just need to move on," said Grey Grass, "we have had two primaries and a general election, we had problems and yes the original primary should have been re-done across the reservation but we need to move on now.

"I do feel we have a tribal council now but I really think they should run a special presidential election with Alex White Plume and John Steele," he said.

Meth could be death

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remember that 'scare' tactics do not work. There must be follow-up."

Tammy (Lunderman) Scott is an enrolled member of the Rosebud Sioux tribe employed as a Meth Prevention Coordinator with MAPP-SD Mission Office, a project of Prairie View Prevention Services, Sioux Falls, since May 2003.

The Department of Health and Human Services, the Interior Department and the Office of National Drug Control Policy will coordinate their efforts in consulting with local tribal communities as they create campaign messages.

At the Todd County Middle School after students filed in and got seated, counselor Bob Crichlow introduced the presenters and stated the purpose of the morning. MAPPS-SD prevention coordinator, Tammy Scott introduced Sieler, while noting, "He will tell you things your friends won't tell you." Sieler began his presentation by noting that when federal crimes occur on the Rosebud, his office will investigate and prosecute them.

Sieler was accompanied in his presentation by Scott, Marlys Big Eagle, a victim witness specialist with the U. S. Attorneys office. Also, Dave Mackey, the director of the Northern Plains 'Safe Trails" Task Force and Calvin "Hawkeye" Waln of Rosebud Law Enforcement Services made presentations.

Waln was accompanied by his canine "Jensen." Mackey explained his role as director of "Safe Trails" and described his working relationship with the Rosebud law enforcement officers.

Students, teachers, and visitors were shown a 25 minute DVD movie entitled, "Meth 101" in which former methamphetamine users spoke of their difficult journey in having used "meth" and then, trying to recover. "Meth" is a highly addictive powder or crystal that can be ingested in many different ways and is manufactured in labs, some are very crude and others very large operations.

Many are run by the "Mexican mafia" which has seen fit to target Indian reservations, according to the video.

Many small, toxic "meth" labs are commonly set up in trailer parks, hotel rooms, basements and other places that easy to abandon.

A gram of "meth" can sell for $100 or more and its primary ingredient, pseudoephedrine, can be purchased as an over the counter medicine.

Many other common household toxic chemicals are combined with it, such as paint thinner, drain cleaner iodine crystals, and lithium from batteries and others which make it a deadly combination.

An one of the toxic ingredients are chemicals that most people would not ingest individually. What makes the illegal drug so frightening is that it can cause death the first time one.

It also induces such a "high" and causes the brain to release excess amounts of "dopamine" on first try that it essentially impairs the brain's ability to properly regulate dopamine afterward.

Dopamine is the chemical which is released by the brain whenever the body experiences pleasure.

For sure, 'meth" wreaks havoc with the brain and causes severe structural and functional damage over time.

It can cause a high temperature in the body and possible convulsions. It is a stimulant and one can go for days without having to sleep and this causes fatigue and confusion.

Over time, a "meth" user begins to use higher doses and may have violent rages, be depressed, and become psychotic. In the movie, "Meth 101" a male said that when he would drive down the street and feel paranoid. He thought the trees were talking to him.

Another user, "Cassie" was a beautiful 18-year old female who was headed to Montana State University to study journalism. She died on Nov. 4, 2000 while in a coma from using "meth."

The other characteristics of meth make it a rather insidious drug as it causes teeth decay, sometimes called "meth mouth" and also many users experience what are known as "crank bugs" or "meth mites."

They are imaginary insects that can become infected.

Some users cannot sleep and are sensitive to noise. Or, they may experience dizziness, tremors, and an increased heart rate.

The paraphernalia they may possess are such things as mirrors, spoons and syringes. Many may have tubing and propane canisters lying around their 'labs.'

Treatment and recovery from meth use is slow and it may take 1-2 years for the brain to start making dopamine again.

Officer Waln conducted a demonstration using his drug dog, "Jensen" while using four TCMS students to place several backpacks with drugs in them on the west wall of the gymnasium. As Officer Waln led "Jensen" before each backpack, if he detected the odor of illegal drugs he would simply sit down and wait for instruction before proceeding.

He appeared to be amazingly accurate and the students chuckled as he did his work by sitting down on cue when he detected drugs.

It was a very worthwhile hour long presentation whose message needs to be repeated in every school and community on the Rosebud reservation as community members need to know the signs of meth use and its devastating effects.

Big Crow, Casey, Glade lead the way for reservation college student athletes

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

MAYVILLE/BROOKINGS/BISMARCK - Laura Big Crow, a 2004 Pine Ridge graduate, moved on from Williston State College to Mayville State University this year and hasn't missed a beat; Big Crow scored 25 points in her first game for the Lady Comets, added 33 in the second game, was named MVP of the Northwestern College Coca Cola Classic at the end of November scoring 53 points and grabbing 16 rebounds and led the Lady Comets to their fourth win in a row with 24 points and nine rebounds against University of Minnesota at Morris. Mayville is at Dakota State on Thursday, sat Dr. Martin Luther College on Monday and at Bemidji State on Dec. 16th.

Mackenzie Casey, a 2004 Red Cloud graduate, returned this fall to South Dakota State University for his junior year. After a summer of training in Denver, Casey returned to Brookings to compete for a starting position on the Jackrabbit men's basketball team. After getting off to a slow start with limited time in SDSU's first three games at the BCA Clasic in Columbus, Ohio, Casey came off the bench during the Jack's first home game against Idaho to lead the team in scoring with 21 points and assists with four.

He has started at point guard for the last five games in which SDSU has won two out of the last three games. On Sunday in Denver against Denver University, Casey scored five points and grabbed six rebounds to help the team to a 67-56 win over the Pioneers. SDSU plays at University of Minnesota in Minneapolis on Thursday, at University of Montana on Sunday in Missoula, Mont and at University of Wisconsin-Green Bay on Dec. 16th.

Cole Glade, a 2000 graduate of Pine Ridge, returned to United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck this year for his sophomore year. This past weekend, the Thunderbirds evened their season record at 6-6 by winning both of their games during the John Thunderhawk Memorial tournament with 91-76 win over Little Big Horn College and a 66-62 win over Jamestown, Glade scored 17 points in each game. United Tribes travels to9 Miles Community College on Dec. 15 and to Dawson Community College on Dec. 16.

Sunni Busch, a 2006 graduate of Todd County, has set the tone for the most recent graduating class by starting each game for the Chadron State Lady Eagles as a true freshman. Busch has averaged 19 minutes a game,. Almost eight points a game and has led the team in rebounds each game averaging just under eight a game. Chadron travels to New Mexico Highlands on Thursday and plays at Western New Mexico on Dec. 9 before hosting Mesa State on Dec. 14 and Ft. Lewis on Dec. 16.

Marissa O'Bryan, a 2006 Red Cloud graduate, is a freshman at the University of South Dakota and is running track for the Lady Coyotes; the indoor season gets underway in early December.

Sadie In The Woods, a 2006 graduate of Little Wound, attends Duke University, played on their club basketball team, currently is the team manager for the women's basketball team and is working for a tryout on the women's team, a team that lost to Maryland in the NCAA championship game this past spring.

Ray Taken Alive, a 2004 graduate of McLaughlin, spent his freshman year at Augustana College in Sioux Falls and after suffering a hairline fracture during the seventh game of his freshman year was granted a medical red shirt year. Ray now goes by Ray Graham and is a freshman playing for the University of Mary in Bismarck. Don Giago, a 2004 Red Cloud graduate and Daelan High Wolf, a 2006 Cheyenne Eagle Butte graduate are at Haskell Indian Nations University in Lawrence, Kan.; Giago will be eligible to play for the men's basketball team in January while High Wolf is taking this year to acclimate himself to college academics before playing basketball next year. Johnny Cloud, Red Cloud 2006, received a basketball scholarship from McCook Community College in McCook, Neb. and after playing in five of their first seven games, scoring 17 points in his third game, withdrew from school the day before Thanksgiving.

Todd County continues to be a pipeline for football players going to Dakota Wesleyan in Mitchell. Andrew Schmaltz finished up his senior year in football this year while Brad Folkers transferred from Black Hills State this year as a red shirt freshman at quarterback.

John McDaniel, a 6'0" 295 pound junior and his brother Dennis, a 5'10" 240 pound sophomore play on the offensive line while Jon Young, a 6'1" 180 pound wide receiver just finished up his sophomore year. Also from Todd County, Caleb Lanz finished up his senior year on the offensive line.

Darrel Tuttle, a freshman from Rapid City Central is red shirting in men's basketball his first year at Black Hills State University in Spearfish. Christy Webber, a 2005 graduate of Pine Ridge, ran cross country her freshman year at Dakota Wesleyan and has now transferred to Chadron State and is red shirting this year in women's basketball.

Dylan Wince, a 2006 graduate of St. Thomas More, played football this fall at Dakota Wesleyan as a defensive back and will red shirt in men's basketball. Tyrone White ran cross country for DWU after graduating from Cheyenne Eagle Butte this past spring. Rosdebud Haukaas, a freshman from Todd County, played volleyball for DWU.

Thorpes opens girls basketball season with 89-34 win over SFIS

Pine Ridge's full court press and inside passing game helped the Lady Thorpes and new head coach, Bill Mendoza, to a strong home 89-34 win over the Lady Warriors Tuesday night.

A strong rebounding edge, 47-26, and balanced scoring, five girls in double figures told the rest of the story as the Lady Thorpes went up 20-9 at the quarter break and were up 46-18 at the half. Nicherlle Red Owl, a transfer from Little Wound, Robin Webber and Lacey Weston all tossed in 14 points, Christian Janis added 13 and Keisha Brewer helped with 12 points. Weston grabbed nine rebounds. Steph Metcalf led St. Francis with 11 points while Marcia Rodgrguez helped with nine rebounds.

Pine Ridge opened the game with Aimee Pond, Sophia Janis, Red Owl, Brewer and Weston and with good ball movement and control of the boards, opened up an 11 point lead.

Webber and Christian Janis came in and played super defense to help open a 28 point halftime lead, Janis finished with nine steals, Webber added six steals and eight assists. Sophia finished with nine points, Pond four, Lays Bad six and Tasso four.

Shaina Lays Bad and Saudia Tasso both came off the bench to grab seven rebounds each for the Lady Thorpes, for St. Francis Roseann had seven points and four rebounds, Jessica Rouillard added five points and three rebounds.

Pine Ridge hosts Douglas on Monday night while St. Francis is at Bennett County on Thursday.

Little Wound girls are at Red Cloud on Thursday.

Lakota studies curriculum conference Dec. 15

RAPID CITY - The Shannon County School district will host the Lakota Studies Curriculum and Standards conference on Dec. 15 at the Ramkota Inn.

The conference will be in the Pactola Room from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

The purpose of the meeting is to promote discussion among K-12 schools that teach the Lakota language and integrate cultural content into daily lesson plans and teaching units. These ideas and strategies are worth sharing with other schools that, perhaps, maybe interested in what other schools are doing or are simply just getting started and are looking for appropriate materials, resources, textbooks, etc.

The idea is to share 'what works' regarding classroom instruction and implementation strategies utilized to guide and develop educational standards and curriculum for Lakota studies programs.

For more information contact Robert Two Crow at the Lakota Studies Department at Shannon County School District at 605-288-1921 or email r2crow@shannon.ws.

VA Hosts Veterans information fair in Rapid City on Dec. 14

RAPID CITY - The Department of Veterans Affairs (Black Hills Health Care System and the Black Hills National Cemetery are holding a Veterans Information Fair December 14-15, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. in Room 205 of the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City.

The Veterans Fair will provide an opportunity for veterans to learn more about the VA Black Hills Health Care System and the Black Hills National Cemetery and the services they offer. Eligible veterans will also be able to enroll to receive VA medical care.

Veterans interested in enrolling are asked to bring along a copy of their military discharge papers (Form DD 214).

Refreshments will be served.

For more information about this event, please contact Connie Moffitt, VA Black Hills Veterans Outreach Committee member at 800-764-5370, Ext. 9-2333 or via email at connie.moffitt @med.va.gov.



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Velma A. Shangreaux

MARTIN - Velma A. Shangreaux Wheeler, 69, died Dec. 4 at Martin of natural causes.

Survivors include Daniel Wheeler of Minneapolis, Minn., Oliver Wheeler of Box Elder, David Wheeler, Justin Wheeler and Richard Shangreaux all of Martin;

Debra Wheeler, Amanda Wheeler, Thelma Shangreaux all of Martin, Cindy Wheeler of Pine Ridge, Angeline Wheeler, Sandra Wheeler both of Denver, Colo., Rebecca Wheeler of Sioux Falls, Ladonna Shangreaux of Ft. Thompson, Joyce Wheeler of Rapid City, Santee Shangreaux of Pierre; Orville Shangreaux of Denver, Colo.;

Sisters Marlene Shangreaux, Arlene Shangreaux and Daverine Shangreaux all of Martin.

A two night wake begins 3 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 7 at the LaCreek CAP office in Martin.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9 at the LaCreek CAP office Martin.

Officiating will be Rev. Jeff Siscoe with burial at Lakota Chapel Cemetery, Martin.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Watch next week for our Special LNI Edition

Federal judge essentially reaffirms Native religious rights with eagle case

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

CHEYENNE, WYO. - Last week U. S. District Court Judge William Downes essentially ruled in favor of Native religious rights when he dismissed a case against a Northern Arapaho.

Winslow Friday, 23, of Ethete killed a bald eagle in March of 2005 and could have been charged a fine of $100,000 and one year in prison if he was convicted.

The case apparently highlights the need for the federal government to respect the religious rights of Native people.

Judge Downes wrote in his opinion, "Although the government professes respect and accommodation of the religious practices of Native Americans, its actions show callous indifference to such practices…,It is clear to this court that the government has no intention of accommodating the religious beliefs of Native Americans except on its own terms and in its own good time."

Lawyers in the case also noted that the federal government should engage in dialogue with tribal people in order to allow the killing of some eagle for use in ceremony.

There is also concern that those Native people who are engaged in spiritual practices and who use eagle feathers often have to wait years in order to obtain one from the Federal Repository in Colorado.

Attorney, Chris Schnieder, noted that there are 5,000 Native people on the waiting list to receive eagle feathers and that it could take as long as three and half years to receive an eagle.

He also noted that permits to kill an eagle are not issued, but should be because of the wait time.

Despite the fact the case will be appealed by officials, it nevertheless, underscores the need for the federal government to respect Native religious beliefs and this is one step in that direction.

The National Eagle Repository in Denver collects dead eagles nationwide and they clean them up and make them available to Native Americans who often use them for everything from naming giving ceremonies, sacred ceremonies and to mark certain achievements.

Generally, when Native people make a request in writing it might take three years to get an eagle.

The repository which employs five people who work out of the former Rocky Mountain Arsenal get about 3,000 requests for eagles, but take in about half that number each year.

The U. S. Fish and Wildlife often finds dead birds and ships them to the repository packed in dry ice where they will be cleaned and stored in a freezer until they are ready to be shipped out to Native people who make a legitimate requests.

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OPINION PAGE

Our Views

Basketball season is here

High School basketball among area Lakota schools always seems to be energized by the early Lakota Nation Invitational tournament in Rapid City.

It is a sizable event that brings many Lakota families, students and schools to the hills as they anticipate a wonderful social and sporting experience.

It is a good time for coaches to assess their team's strengths and weaknesses as they pit their teams against other schools who are rebuilding or who may have all of their starters back and are looking to make it a clean sweep of LNI.

We have seen giant killers like the Lower Brule Sioux a couple of years ago when they beat an undefeated team and yet were barely recognized by the sportswriters and other mainstream media who pay attention to such things. We at the *Lakota Country Times* are proud of all of our teams in the LNI.

For the casual observer, many would not have imagined an event started many years ago and whose history is tied to the original desire to have a tournament for Lakota schools that otherwise would not be invited to post-season play in South Dakota.

We need to applaud the early efforts of those visionaries who simply loved basketball and recognized the tremendous athletic talent of many Lakota student athletes whose skills needed to be 'showcased' in the state.

Today, Bryan Brewer, his staff and many of the individual volunteers have worked tirelessly to create an exciting sporting event for the seven council fires of the Lakota Nation.

The history of its development and evolution has been carefully chronicled by writers.

Many Lakota people obviously find it an opportune time to do their Christmas shopping while attending various meetings and other continuing education functions.

LNI has its own unique brand of culture and experience for those who are willing to brave the crowds.

The presence of so many Lakota people converging on the city has amounted to millions of dollars going into area businesses and that kind of contribution to the local economy is certainly good for reconciliation, breaking down cultural boundaries and simply sharing the city.

Above, the Lakota Nation Invitational 'experience' provides a wonderful opportunity for everyone to be at their best behavior and to 'represent' their schools, their tiospaye, and their family. Good sportsmanship and the obligations that accompany it are worth the experience and education that LNI is about.

We don't feel we can do justice in describing the evolution of this very successful sporting event, but we are certainly in a position to add our congratulations and wishes for an exciting and fun 2006 LNI.

KILI Radio 90.1 has always been there through many seasons of basketball, airing the games and bringing that excitement right into our living rooms and into our cars.

There has been many sports announcers over the years that have contributed to that event of hearing the games as they happen, Tom 'Crash' Casey, Beaux LeBeaux, Buzzy Two Lance, Tally Plume and many, many others.

So, *Wopila* to the many who work hard so we in Lakota country can have an outstanding event to rember.



Lakota Nation Invitational Tournament coming next week!! Stay Tuned for Sports coverage!

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Other Views

Medicine Root District didn't pass resolution supporting new election, tribe has no money for new election

Dear Editor:

Here I am again, telling you happened at our Medicine Root District Meeting that was held on Nov. 28.

We had 25 members signed up at the meeting but some of the members left and some did particpate in the voting.

Brandon Ferguson was at the meeting and he told the people that all the other districts were in support of a new tribal election.

Shelly Iron Crow Middletent made a motion to have a new tribal election and it was seconded by Brandon Ferguson, the vote was nine for and six against and 10 members NOT voting. I don't think that was two thirds vote of the members of the district.

There was at least 400 members that voted in the general election so I don't think nine members can make that kind of dissension.

On Nov. 29, I started at 8:40 a.m., calling all the district service center offices and I was told by the secretaries that answered the phones that their districts did not have a district meeting since the general election took place.

So Ferguson came to the district meeting and didn't tell the truth tothe members of the district.

We did not pass a resolution supporting a new election.

In fact, a resolution wasn't even talked about at the meeting. So I don't know who they got that information from and *Lakota Country Times* can print this or not, I just had to write and let people know that our district does not support a new election.

For one reason, our tribe does not have the money to have another election.

Our tribe has a debt of $92 million so how can our president spend money on a new election when there is no money to spend.

The new council needs to get sworn in so the tribe can get on with the day to day operation.

Connie Whirlwind Horse
Kyle, S.D.

Empowering Yourself

Remembering Father Pauly



By Patty Pourier

We lost a real hero last week. Father Bill Pauly died of a heart attack last Wednesday.

I am not a Catholic, however, when I was around Father Pauly. I wanted to be a Catholic. I wanted to have what he had.

Bat and I have put together our wills and wanted Father Pauly to do our services.

Who would have ever known that his Lord would have called him home before us? We simply assumed he would be here longer than us. I guess most of us live as if we are never going to die.

When I think back to what made him special. One was his ability to laugh. I think of his wholehearted belly laugh when he got amused and the full-face smile that went along with it.

We used to have a dentist in Kyle, Dr. Leonard, who was bald, as was Father Pauly. It was always a pleasure to see Father Pauly.

One day my sister and I were having a rummage sale and Father Pauly stopped by. I was busy with customers and introduced him as my dentist.

From then on, every time I saw him, I asked him about his dental practice and we enjoyed one of those good laughs together. At that same rummage sale, my other sister wanted to know who he was 'cause she thought he was hot! Priest cannot be hot can they?

Father Pauly had a dedication to this reservation and the people that live here. With all the problems it is easy to get discouraged.

But as I recall, talking to Father about me being discourage at times, he always had a way of letting me know that the burdens we bear are not to heavy for us and they will pass with time.

He preached at many family funerals. The compassion and empathy he had for others during the time of their losses were conveyed in sincere and very comforting ways.

There was something about him that made you feel better once you had heard him preach or talk to you.

He was a person whose cup was half full, never half empty. He had a bounce in his walk and an expression on his face that could convey without a word, concern or joy.

I do not know much about how Father Pauly grew up.

I know it was in Wisconsin. I am grateful that his family gave him up to the ministry so he could bless so many here at Pine Ridge. His family must have a good sense of humor and lots of love.

I would imagine Father Pauly could have went many places in the hierarchy of the Catholic Church. I appreciate that he stayed here.

Father Pauly was courageous when he talked about God and the Church. He would come out and talk to Bat for hours about religion and spirituality. He knew it was important for young men to have sober men to role model after and always encouraged him to keep sober and trying to work at the stores to set a good example.

God must have needed a good man up there, because that is exactly what we have lost here. If I sound a bit glum - it is because I am.

I wish he were still here.

Remember the less fortunate this Christmas season

Dear Editor:

Another Thanksgiving Day has come and gone, Christmas is just a few short weeks away when giving gifts to loved ones is a must. As citizens of the United States, even those of us who reside on Indian Reservations, we are fortunate to have three square meals daily, a roof over our heads and family member's around us. But there are many who are less fortunate in third world countries who cry (literally) for food and clean drinking water on a daily basis.

It is our duty both as Christians, and non-Christians to give a gift of love to the unfortunate ones.

We Christians, we give as a natural response to our love for Jesus Christ. We should give according to our abilities, voluntarily and generously.

God gives to us so that we can share with others.

Our tithes and offerings are God's by right, for the firstfruits belong to him. Tithing is God's key to our successful personal finances.

Christians live under grace and, therefore, their tithing is not a legal requirement but a response of Grace to God. Jesus himself fulfilled the old testament law including tithing.

But he never revised the law downward.

God owns everything.

When billionaire Howard Hughes died, naked and terrified of flies, some asked how much he left.. the answer, of course was , "all of it!".

The ultimate measure of a man's wealth is much he is worth when he has lost everything. Naked, we came into this world and naked we depart.

Our wealth consists not in the abundance of our possessions, but in who we are as children of god. How must we remember "The Earth is the Lord's and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it" (Psalm 24:1).

We may possess things, but God owns them. Do you plan on giving so that you can give regularly?

Is it spontaneous enough so you can respond to needs right away or generous enough to show something of God's self-sacrifice.

This Christmas please give a gift of love from your heart to some individual who is less fortunate than you.

Please pray that the orphan's in all the orphanages throughout the whole world will have something great to eat, drink and be merry for the up-coming Christmas holidays.

Your compassion and generosity will be a reflection of God's abundant love, for not only yourself, but your children as well and the children of the whole world.

Jon Bissonette
Vale, S.D.

Guest Letter

The oyate need help!

Dear Editor:

Today, I am writing this letter out of sheer frustration. This is a WAKE UP call to the all tribal administrators, tribal council people and tribal employees who sit at a desk everyday, also to the people driving tribal vehicles around daily. You should be ashamed of yourself! One only needs to look around our community to see that no one is doing anything! Public Safety should also be included, people's cars and homes are being vandalized, gang graffiti is everywhere and what is Public Safety is doing? We have hit rock bottom in Pine Ridge because people are not doing their job and yet their getting paid.

I am sick and tired of going to a program for assistance and being told there is no money. What are you program directors doing? There is funding out there you just have to look for it. Also are your employees doing what their job description ask of them?

Each program should have a set of goals and objectives along with this

Please turn to Oyate: A5

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Notes From Indian Country

Why is the use of the "R" word not considered racist?



By Tim Giago

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Oftentimes we are reminded by the racial slurs of comedians, actors/producers, sports announcers, esteemed members of the cast of 60 Minutes and by politicians, that racism has not vanished from the landscape of this country we call America.

As Nurse Nellie said in the Broadway play South Pacific in order to justify her own prejudice toward the half-Tonkonese children of the French plantation owner she loved "We are born with it." Lt. Cable debunked this comment singing that we are not born with it but "It has to be drummed in your dear little ear."

And so last week there was added to the growing list of celebrities exposed for their use of the "N" word the name of Michael Richards, late of the Seinfeld Show. He joined Mel Gibson who in a drunken stupor accused the Jews for all of the troubles of the world, Jimmy "The Greek" Snyder for saying that blacks were bred to be strong and athletic in the days of the plantations, Trent Lott for overlooking the racial foibles of Strom Thurmond when he acknowledged that Thurmond would have made a great president and the recent comments of George Allen when in his senate race in Virginia he castigated a young man of East Indian descent by calling him a "macaca" a monkey often used as a racial slur.

But aside from Gibson's racial hemorrhage against Jews, all of the other celebrity troglodytes' comments were aimed at African Americans. Gibson's racial comments drew a lot of publicity because the media has a strong cadre of Jewish television producers and editors and the Black Community has the power of a Jesse Jackson and an Al Sharpton. Mexicans (Hispanics), Indians and Asians do not have a powerful lobby to defend them against racist comments.

And it seems that the mainstream media is extremely timid in defending the rights of the minorities. The media immediately chastises any public figure stupid enough to use the "N" word. But the "R" word, a word that is an insult to Native Americans, is used openly and regularly without comment from the media (except from the Indian owned media). Look up the word "redskin" in your personal dictionary and you will see that it is taken by all Indians to be an insult. Then why does the "R" word grace the lips of sports announcers and their fans and why is it printed without fear of reprisal in nearly every newspaper and magazine in America?

Why was the public allowed to watch a pig painted red and wearing an Indian ceremonial bonnet run around at the halftime of a Washington Redskin's football game without comment from the fans or press?

If the pig had been painted black in order to honor the many black fans of the Washington football team, and an Afro wig had been attached to its head, would there have been a reaction by the media and the fans?

The "R" word is as insulting to Native Americans as the "N" word is to African Americans and yet most Americans never question its repeated use. And if some badly misguided Native Americans think it alright to be used as mascots for America's fun and games do not for one second believe that if it alright with them then it is alright for all Indians because it certainly is not. Most Indians, including the powerful National Congress of American Indians and the equally powerful National Indian Education Association abhor the use of Indians as mascots and have spoken out loudly and clearly against it.

If the Spokane Indian people choose to assist a local team named the Spokane Indians by designing their logo and if they do not mind that their high school uses a mascot called the "Redskins" most Native Americans can only cringe at their ignorance. But keep in mind that the struggle to end this covert form of racism against Native Americans started about 25 years ago and battles have been won and battles have been lost, but if Indians have to fight their own people in order to bring some sanity to these racist insults, then the battle will be ongoing.

It is not an honor to be mimicked by fans with painted faces and turkey feathers at sporting events nor is it an honor to have our race; our self-esteem and our dignity trampled every week for America's fun and games. If a small number of Indians believe this is all right then the problem is theirs.

The student body of Pekin High School in Illinois used to parade in costume and make-up to honor their mascot, The Pekin High School "Chinks."

Fortunately some Pekin residents of intelligence decided this practice was racist and brought it to an end. Now why would they believe that using "Chinks" as a mascot was different than using a phony Indian named Chief Illiniwek at their university is not racist?

Finally, the esteemed member of the CBS Show 60 Minutes was Andy Rooney. For the most part I love Andy but I deplored the comments he made about American Indians. He said that Indians had no culture, no music and no art.

None of this was true, and yet Andy was allowed to skate by with these racist comments as if no one at CBS knew better.

Well, considering all of the ignorance about Indians that I have encountered in my more than 30 years of working in the media, perhaps no one at CBS did know differently.

Rooney's remarks, unlike those of Richards, Gibson, Snyder, Lott and Allen were allowed to stand without repercussion. I guess, to the media, Indians, Mexicans and Asians don't count as much as Blacks or Jews.

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Northern Perspectives

Where are all my students?



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

I visited a former graduate student of mine, Earlene Zimiga, at Ampride the other day. She is a veteran teacher who was one of my early advisees and graduates from the master's program that was literally the first in the nation among tribal colleges.

We didn't get much credit out of that effort, but we did manage to win an award from the Harvard JFK School of Government for being one of the foremost 75 innovative programs one year.

We also produced a modest number of Lakota graduates at the master teacher level and who eventually went on and earned other degrees or certification to prepare them for leadership in and around the Rosebud. Earlene will read this because she said that she reads the *Lakota Country Times* all the time.

From time to time, I see other students who I advised at the undergraduate and graduate level and it makes me feel good that many are out there in the trenches and others are on the front line of defense against illiteracy and poverty.

Most represent a homegrown product that serves to illustrate to young Lakota children that they can be teachers, educators and administrators, too.

Sometimes it is good when they have someone who looks like them, looking back at them.

I was disappointed when Earlene told me that she has been applying for work as an elementary teacher in area schools and she has not been successful.

I know there are many of our own who are out of work and it is one irony that we have to put up with as we seek ways to generate more jobs. The teaching profession is just like any other in that there will always be a need to teach our children the academic skills that they will need to further their academic careers and ultimately find work themselves.

Being out of work isn't a phenomenon that is limited to a few people, as I know other educated Lakota people who are looking for work. As a proponent of tribal sovereignty and tribal self-determination, we need to continue to look inward and promote our own. The times are changing and the No Child Left Behind legislation is a rather conservative piece of legislation that is too stringent at times. I hope that with a new Democratic controlled Congress that it will be successfully challenged one day in the next few years and perhaps modified to fit the needs of locally controlled education.

I hope that in the next several years as older educators begin to retire that some of the more energetic and creative young Lakota educators begin to step forward and take the lead. When I earned my post-graduate degree, I thought that surely many others would follow, but that is not necessarily the case.

Anyway, I often wonder what happened to the rest of my former students. I find myself writing letters of reference for very young adults who are contemplating college and that is rather satisfying also.

Take heart, Earlene, as there are many of us who have just a bit more productivity in us before we retire to our winter homes and hit the rock chair.

As a veteran teacher you are one of them and I predict you will return to the classroom before too long.

I sound like a psychic and I don't mean to, but I do have some legitimate insight into such things.

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Guest Column

Greed and power within Oglala Nation

By Natalie Hand

Guest Editorial

There was a time when leaders were chosen because they had the peoples' best interests in their hearts. These select few possessed courage, great insight, and above all, compassion for their entire tribe.

Where are these great leaders now? So much has been said about this disastrous election over the last few weeks. In a succession of Tuesdays, we have been on an emotional rollercoaster ride with our CHOSEN leaders. I stress the word "chosen" because it was the people that put these rogue politicians in power. Only a few have proven to think about the people during their term.

Once again, it is has been a Tuesday full of unspeakable betrayals, rumors, posturing and other political tactics. But who benefits from these actions? The "people" whom you refer to in your campaign speeches? Definitely not. Or maybe just a "few large families" in any given district? Possibly.

I have always tried to attend meetings with an open heart and mind, to really listen with an unbiased ear. But in the last month, I have lost all sense of hope in this IRA system. Howard Wheeler must be smiling in his grave. He truly succeeded in dividing the people and teaching the fundamentals of greed and power. And when we finally have a leader that is concerned for the grass roots oyate, the traditional Lakota beliefs, customs and language…he is immediately ostracized and a plan is hatched to eliminate him.

Concerned Lakota have discovered that the OST secretary has been omitting pertinent details in her meeting minutes, purposely leaving out key motions, etc. to benefit who? You have to wonder how long that practice has been going on. And yet, she is not reprimanded, she is not terminated. The OST treasurer refuses to create separate accounts for 638 programs, even though the tribal council made a resolution and ordered it to be done. And yet, she is not reprimanded, she is not terminated for her dereliction of duties. In the "real" world of business, these two would have been fired after the first month. Both refused to attend Executive Committee meetings during the last month, choosing to meet with rogue politicians instead. Do you think they were talking about what would be best for the "oyate" in those closed door meetings? These "politically appointed" officers do not work for you, the people. They are bought and sold by the Tribal Council that selected them. The oyate must demand that these positions be elected positions.

The term "oyate" is an ancient Lakota word. It took on a special meaning when a group of concerned Lakota took a stand in 2000. Today, ambitious, power-hungry politicians use this term and others such as "treaty rights" as a novelty. Just sound bites for their campaigns.

Last week, a group of politicians and a few select others made a plan to take a trip to Shakopee, Minn. to present a star quilt and tribal flag to the Shakopee Business Council. For what purpose? To thank them for the debt that will be left to our great grandchildren? It could have been mailed with a nice letter. I'm certain that the Shakopee Council would have been more impressed by this gesture to save money. This unauthorized trip, on the peoples' dime, cost well over $10,000! That money could have heated over 100 homes. That money could have helped scores of families put food in the mouths of the children that these politicians campaign on.

Now some guilty parties reading this might get angry, but I know what I speak of. We receive calls every day from needy elders and families that need assistance. But 10% of the population is controlling everything, while the remaining 90 % suffer.

In a recent report to the BIA, the terminated Election Board placed blame on "elderly precinct workers" for all the problems with their tainted ballots. Blaming old people? That is just a sad commentary on this mismanaged election.

Today, a suspended judge swore in a group of political candidates that won a tainted, illegal election. Furthermore, the terminated Election Board members were put back into place. Does anyone remember how corrupt things were in 1999-2000? Well, if this group defies their own laws and proceeds to take control, the grass roots oyate will never see their money or see how it is spent. Have you ever attempted to go to the treasurer's office and obtain a copy of a financial report? That is YOUR money they are spending.

The bottom line is that there is a core group of grass roots oyate that are willing to take a stand and demand accountability. But we will only get the politicians attention when we ALL take a stand and say no more!

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should be a timeline and a time frame to accomplish these goals. It's not happening and you people who run for office have your nerve to list accountability as one of your priorities.. hogwash. This attitude of I DON'T CARE has got to stop and it's up to our newly elected officials and program to see this happen.

I will cite a couple of incidents where the I DON'T CARE attitude is occurring. I have been trying to get my son in treatment since September everywhere I turn there's not money. Anpetu Luta did an alcohol and drug evaluation and wants him to go to their treatment facility, why? I found a treatment center that lasts 90 days and has a year of aftercare in Billings, Mont that would better meet his needs than the 25 days at Wanblee. Again no money. On Sundays, Collins Gaye and myself go to the jail to do AA/NA with the people in jail time after time, we hear the same thing, people want help to go to treatment but no once comes to help them.

When it was called Project Recovery at least people were going to treatment and getting help. Also in our meetings people say well, there is no AA/NA in Wanblee and Kyle, why? These services should be available in every district. I think our number one problem on the reservation is addiction, we have to get our people well first before they can become productive.

Next on Dec. 1, our sewer system backed up, my mother has congestive heart failure and is on oxygen, she takes medication daily which means she needs to use the bathroom frequently. I have recently been diagnosed with cancer and am sickly because of the chemotherapy. We do not live in a housing unit so the housing people are reluctant to help us. Eileen Janis is the only person who stepped up to help us. My mother pays her water bill faithfully every month and yet everywhere we call they will send someone who never happens to show up.

This breaks my heart because I know there are people out there who can help us but won't. Today is Dec. 6 and no one has come, we still cannot use the bathroom, wash clothes or shower but who cares obviously no one. Everytime I see a housing vehicle or a water and sewer vehicle go by I wonder what they are doing today while people's homes are filled with black mold, sewers are backing up, windows are broken out, they have no fuel, what are they doing?

If your program has no money by god, find money, there is resources for your program, find them. All you politicians say you're here for the OYATE, but just take a look around and you will see your oyate have hit rock bottom and there is no where to turn! We are desperately crying out for help.

Robin Tapio
Pine Ridge District
Pine Ridge, S.D.

Part II: Former OST election judge tells side of appeals court

By Tony Ten Fingers
Special to the Times

Editor's NoteThis is part two of a two part series by Tony Ten Fingers, who served on the former Oglala Sioux Tribe Appeal Judges.***

From this point on, you have to follow closely the events that ensued because it has to do with our order of a reservation wide re-election.

At the Chief Judge hearings, we placed a member of the Election Board "under oath" and asked this individual on tape recording if there were any challenges or appeals to be heard by our panel of judges.

Under oath, this individual stated there was no more to be heard.

Several days later, we received more challenges predating the EB member's denial of existing challenges and appeals. This lead us to believe there were more to be heard that were never forwarded to our panel of Appeal Judges.

These challenges pertained to the EB membership themselves written by Wakpamni residents. Under oath, these residents swore they gave the EB copies of their challenges. After serving the EB to appear to address challenges against them, they failed to appear to answer the challenges placed on their EB nomination.

Our following order disqualified them as EB members because the Election Code clearly states no individuals are to preside as EB members if immediate family members are candidates or if there are clear interests in the election results.

Not only is that unethical, it is illegal according to the OST Election and Federal Election Codes. It is clearly written for anyone to read and understand. How is that unethical and against the law to have immediate family members nominated as EB members where family members are candidates? At this point, it is up to you as voters to render whether we followed the law or not. This was only the beginning of the tip of the iceberg and voter rights violations.

Due to their failure to follow our legal and binding order disqualifying them as EB members, we were shocked that they went "above and beyond the law" with the first step in the election process. As a result, there were many challenges and appeals that flooded our office creating reservation-wide chaos. We learned from these challenges that no federal background checks were conducted on the candidates running for office.

An EB member stated to the tribal council they took it upon themselves to do their own federal background checks utilizing the computers at the Federal Building in Rapid City.

As AJ(s) overseeing the entire election process, we questioned ourselves what happened to the money candidates paid to have their Federal, State, and Tribal background checks appropriately completed prior to the election as per the election code?

Additionally, how is it a civilian can accomplish background checks without Federal government clearance? This background checks are highly confidential case sensitive files. Of course, we took it upon ourselves as overseers of the election process to answer these questions.

Unfortunately, we had only one question answered concerning the Federal background checks.

This was answered by a federal employee, who stated it is impossible for a civilian to do access these records, so therefore we concluded no federal background checks were completed.

The question left unanswered to date was what happened to the money the candidates paid to have this done as stated in the Election Code?

Secondly, if the EB done their research would have concluded that Pass Creek District had only one representative seat and all the other districts had two representative seats, with the exception of Pine Ridge which has three seats.

This led to the issue of reservation-wide spoiled ballots in all the districts with the exception of Pine Ridge. The ballots read that the voter vote for three of the listed candidates when only one (Pass Creek) or two (other districts) was required with the exception of Pine Ridge (3). As AJ, we learned ballots had the number three scratched off and a number two or one was placed on the ballot in some cases. We found this would constitute a spoiled ballot if any markings exist prior to the voter selection. This is highly illegal not only at the tribal level, but in state as well as federal elections, also stated in the federal election code. Additionally, signs were posted to vote for two rather than three candidates at the polling places. We found this highly irregular and illegal as any posted signs telling voters "how" to vote is creating policy and policies cannot be made during an election unless it is written in the EB operating manual. As AJ, we concluded this was a gross oversight that led to election violations, and eventually a necessary component to our order of a reservation-wide re-election.

Another major concern was the election process in LaCreek District where only four representatives fulfilled their candidacy.

According to the Election Code, these four were to proceed to the general election. Unfortunately, these four were placed on the ballot and a primary election was held in their district.

According to the Election code, these four are to continue to the next phase of the general election process.

Of course, we as AJ and overseers of the election process for the people ordered in favor of a reservation wide re-election due to these numerous discrepancies.

Unfortunately, and within days, our panel of Election AJ was disqualified as "gross negligent" in our duties by council vote. This constituted another breaking of the law where elected officials overstepped their boundaries again adding further flame to an already growing wildfire. They allowed council influence in the election process whereby spoiling the entire election.

The council was cautioned by their special attorneys to proceed with caution as they were overstepping their authority in not following our orders because they are final and binding. Would it be important to find out exactly who made the motion to disqualify the Appeal Judges? In a sense, they killed the messenger (AJ). These are moot points as we are exactly in a deservedly chaotic position placing ourselves as incompetents, again. I feel sad for those candidates who were misled and are feeling good about winning in an Election where our duties as AJ failed to uphold the law. I pose a question to our tribal council what would exactly happen if we decide to follow our laws? Would it lead us to become even more dysfunctional?

As stated in a previous article submitted by the EB that the AJ are nominated to "review" appeals and challenges only. This statement is highly inaccurate. The AJ are to oversee the entire election process and render decisions placed before them through challenges and appeals. They are the Election Court of Appeals seated and in this instance, by the Executive Board supported unanimous by council vote. This is clearly stated in the election ordinance 04-06; it takes very little effort and you don't have to be a "rocket scientist" to read and understand this ordinance.

For example, in one instance that may concern a lot of people of this Nation. How many of you have children to feed (more then one)? How many of you could have used $500.00?

Well I'm sure that many of you can. Well an EB member hired an immediate family member to count ballots for this amount, and mind you this individual's father was a candidate.

This behavior is ethically wrong and illegal.

This is what is keeping our Nation in the oppressed world that we have become accustomed. We need to change our behaviors; we must attack the behaviors and not the persons in order for change to take place. We now need accountability and ethics.

I have no personal investment or gain but for the people to no longer remain dormant on issues concerning tribal ethics and enforcing an upholding the laws of our nation.

With that in mind, who invests in the lawless? We should never have to settle for anything less anymore and eventually, we get what we deserve.

I personally challenge you the people to go to your tribal building, district office, or election office and request a copy of the OST Ordinance 04-06.

You as the people have the right to do this, and you will see who is twisting the truth to fit their pockets. I was honored to do this for the people.

Our future generations need to think this one through and hopefully, reconsider following our lead on "how not to do things".









SECTION B

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Two Sections

Community Calendar
Rez Happenings

High School basketball season
Tuesday, Dec. 5 St. Francis Lady Warriors at Pine Ridge; Thursday, Dec. 7, Little Wound Lady Mustangs ast Red Cloud; Friday, Dec. 8, Bennett County Warriors at Red Cloud; Todd County Falcons at Pine Ridge, Saturday, Dec. 9, Crow Creek Chieftains vs. Little Wound at Crazy Horse, Monday, Dec. 11, Douglas Lady Patriots at Pine Ridge.

Big Foot Conference Tourney A Girls
Monday, Dec. 4 through Friday, Dec. 8 at Wolf Creek School outside of Pine Ridge with play starting at 3 p.m. on Monday and championship game set for Friday at 6:30 p.m. includes Loneman, Pine Ridge, Red Cloud, Our Lady of Lourdes, Porcupine, Rockyford, Wolf Creek, Batesland, American Horse, Little Wound and Wounded Knee District School.

OST Executive Board Election
Petitions available on Friday, Dec. 8, due back, Friday, Dec. 15 with selection by tribal council on Jan. 5, for information call 867-2769.

Loneman 40 and Over Tourney
Friday, Saturday, Dec. 8 and 9 at Loneman School gym in Oglala with the Loneman 40 plus Basketball Challenge for men 40 and over and who are in good health, a Christmas fundraiser for Loneman's Exceptional Education students, for information call Bill at 455-6891.

Christmas Pow wow
Friday, Saturday, Dec. 8 and 9 at the Hillside Community Center in Colorado Springs, Colo. with arts and crafts Friday 5-9 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m.-9 p.m. and grand entries Friday 5 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. with supper at 5 p.m., for info call 719- 488-1775.

Christmas Dinner/Traditional Wacipi
Saturday, Dec. 9 at the Mother Butler Center in Rapid City with dinner at 5 p.m. and wacipi from 7-10:30 p.m., bring a side dish to share with family and friends, main menu provided, everyone welcome, raffle and table rentals available, for info call 545-1399 or 454-1456.

Commodity Issue
Monday, Dec. 11 in Martin at Sunrise Housing; Wednesday, Dec. 13 in Porcupine at Evergreen Housing and Porcupine CAP office; Friday, Dec. 15 in Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni; Monday, Dec. 18 in Oglala at the old store.

30th Annual Lakota Nation Invitational
Wednesday-Saturday, Dec. 13 through 16 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City featuring a 16 team boy's and a 16 team girl's basketball tournament, hand games, knowledge bowl, language bowl and wrestling tourney.

Well Nations Conference
Fifth annual Well Nations Conference in Rapid City at the Alex Johnson Hotel, Dec 13-17, for information call 348-9283.

Pow wow Comedy Jam
Saturday, Dec. 16, 8 p.m. at the Alex Johnson Hotel in Rapid City with Jr. Redwater, Jim Ruel, Chance Rush and Mylo Smith, for information call 800-285-8044.

Concert, Arts and Crafts Fair
Lakota Holiday Concert and Arts and Crafts Fair, Tuesday, Dec. 19 at the Lower Brule Community Center starting at 5:30 p.m. with all musicians and singing groups welcome, for information call Earl Bull Head 605 473-9232.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
School pow wow on Friday Jan. 12 at American Horse School in Allen and on Friday, Jan. 19 in Chadron at the Chadron Native American Center with grand entries at 1 and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m.

Holistic Management Workshop
The Holistic Management Workshop has been rescheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 6 and 7 at Club 27 in Kadoka with speaker Wayne Berry, for information call 685-6629.

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Weight watchers class
Large conference room at the Indian Health Service Hospital in Pine Ridge, weigh in at 5 p.m. and meeting at 5:30 p.m.

12 Step meetings
Tuesday evenings, 7:30 p.m. at the East Wakpamni College Center in Batesland.

Junior Lady Mustangs win 'B' championship



KYLE - The Little Wound School Junior Lady Mustangs took home the 'B' team Big Foot conference championship home which was held Nov. 27 to Dec. 1. Coaches are Denise Pourier and Norma Brown Bull.

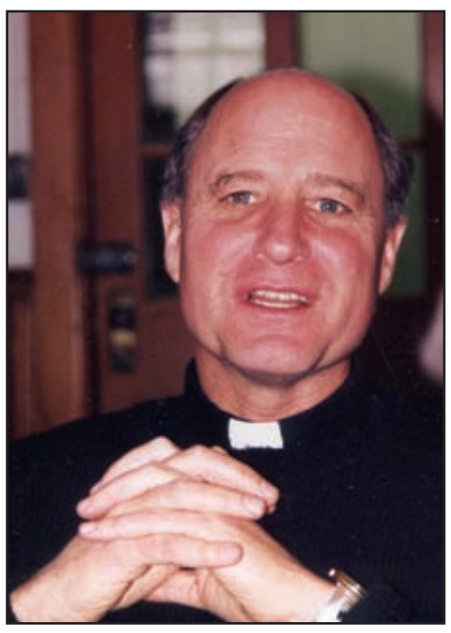
Back row: Courtney LaMont, Lexie Amiotte, Alanna Brown Bull, Marissa Round Him, Sara Shangreaux. Middle row Martina Old Horse, Katherine Janis, Frances Around Him, Brittny Has Ho Horse. Front row Danielle Mesteth.

Red Cloud School remembers Father 'Bill' Pauly

PINE RIDGE - On Nov. 29, well known Rev. William "Bill" Pauly, S.J. died due to a massive heart attack while studying in Chicago on a sabbatical.

Affectionately known as Father Bill", he was a friend to many people in South Dakota but primarily to those living on the Pine Ridge Reservation. Fr. Bill first arrived at Red Cloud Indian School in 1989 and served as an associate pastor in a number of the Lakota Catholic parishes associated with the ministries of Red Cloud Indian School. During his time at Red Cloud he served in a number of capacities, including Superior of the Jesuit Community and Pastoral Coordinator. Fr. Bill was dearly loved by the people he served, those who served with him and all who had the opportunity to know him. His Lakota name Wacin Yanpi - "Depends on him", is truly fitting for such a man who gave of himself for others.

Born in Sheboygan, Wis. on May 1, 1947, Fr. Bill Pauly was baptized at Holy Name Church. He attended St. Mary's Grade School in Port Washington, Wis. and graduated high school from St. Lawrence Seminary, Mount Calvary, Wis. In 1965, he entered the Society of Jesus at the Jesuit College in St. Bonifacius, Minnesota. He pronounced his vows as a Jesuit on September 8, 1967. After completing his collegiate studies at Saint Louis University, he received his master of arts degree in 1972.



Father Bill Pauly, S.J.

Following graduation he went to Creighton Preparatory School in Omaha, where he taught theology for three years.

He then spent one year serving as a Chaplain at Mendota State Hospital in Madison, Wis. In 1976, Fr. Pauly entered the theological studies program at Regis College in Toronto, Ontario where, in 1979, he received a master's in divinity degree. On June 15, 1979 he was ordained a priest at Gesu Church in Milwaukee, Wis. and continued ministry at Marquette University, teaching theology, serving as a campus minister, and as the Director of the Upward Bound Program until 1982.

At that time, he began serving the community at St. Patrick's Parish in Milwaukee as their Pastor for the next six years. In 1988, he served at the Jesuit Novitiate in St. Paul, Minnesota and in 1989 Fr. Pauly came to serve in the parish ministries associated with Red Cloud Indian School on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Fr. Bill pronounced his final vows as a Jesuit at Sacred Heart Church in Pine Ridge on Sept. 12, 1993. From 1996 until 2002, he served as Superior of Jesuit Community and Pastoral Coordinator at Red Cloud Indian School. After 2002, he continued to serve at Pine Ridge in parish ministry until his departure to do additional theological studies during a sabbatical at the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, Illinois.

A wake service will be held in the Paul "Dizzy" Trout Memorial Fieldhouse at the Holy Rosary Mission campus of Red Cloud Indian School on Wednesday evening, Dec. 6, with a Mass of Christian Burial scheduled for Thursday, Dec.7.

Waiting for an angel

By Marita Noisy Hawk
Cheyenne Eagle Butte School Sophomore

EAGLE BUTTE - No child ever chose to live in poverty. These are the "innocents."

They are not responsible for their family's reduced circumstances, yet they must live each day of their young lives in ways that most of us would find appalling and unbearable.

But the Angel Tree Program attempts to bring some sunshine into their dreary lives at Christmas time - a time when every other "good little boy or girl" they know receives a visit from Santa Claus.

The Angel Tree Program provides much needed clothing items, special needs gifts and other wished-for toys to children in the community.

For 15 years, the Angel Tree Program has been long since established first by the Natural Helpers Project but is currently worked by the Cheyenne Eagle Butte counselors Eileen Peacock, and Glenda Nedved.

The children's names are provided by the social services of which the tree is decorated with a numbered paper angel tag with the first name, age and gender of the child who will receive the gift.

The age ranges of these children are that they have to be at least less than 18 years old.

The angel who provides the gifts is mostly the C-EB staff, student council, and any high school student who wants to volunteer.

The Angel Tree has been successful with all of its presents to the little ones since it started.



Robert Simon, Memoree Ducheneaux, Scottie Laundreaux, and Counselor Eileen Peacock work to complete the Angel Tree. Gifts will be given for 51 boys and 43 girls ages six months to 18 years old. The Angel Tree has been a Cheyenne Eagle Butte tradition for more than ten years.

Mikah S. Fast Horse, infant.....Kyle
Ryan T. Janis, 21.....Wakpala
Lyle N. Brings Him Back, 60.....Oglala
Lyle Thomas Clifford, 83.....Hot Springs
Troy Pumpkin Seed, 20 .....Wanblee
Leonard Yellow Horse Jr., infant.....Oglala
Sara K. Pawnee Leggins, 46...Manderson
Merrieta Janis, 67.....New England, N.D.
Gertie Larvie, 85.....Rapid City

Mikah S. Fast Horse

KYLE - Mikah S. Fast Horse, two month infant, died Dec. 1 at Kyle of natural causes.

She is survived by parents Shawn and Tiffany Janis, Kyle; a brother Kyan Fast Horse, Kyle; maternal grandparents Jeffrey Janis and Mary Under Baggage of Kyle; paternal grandmother Shirley Marshall, Kyle.

Wake services were Tuesday, Dec. 5 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Hall, Kyle.

Funeral services are 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 7 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Hall.

Officiating was All Ecumenical Christian Ministers with burial at Red Star Family Cemetery, Three mile Creek Road.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Ryan T. Janis

KYLE - Ryan T. Janis, 21, died Dec. 2 at Kyle. Survivors are parents Ron and Josephine Janis, Kyle; brothers Robin Janis, Dennis White Thunder and Cyrus Gonzalez all Kyle and a sister Gina Sitting Bear, Kyle.

A two-night wake begins 1 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 7 at Little Wound School, Kyle.

Funeral services are 10 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 9 at Little Wound School with Rev. Rob Kroll officiating.

Burial will be at St. Stephen's Catholic Cemetery, Kyle.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Troy Pumpkin Seed

WANBLEE - Troy Pumpkin Seed, 20, Wanblee, died Thursday, Nov. 30, in Wanblee as a result of an automobile accident.

Survivors include his parents, George Pumpkin Seed Sr. and Shirley Pumpkin Seed, Wanblee; four brothers, George Pumpkin Seed Jr., Paul Pumpkin Seed, Terence Pumpkin Seed and Konrad Pumpkin Seed Sr., all of Wanblee; and one sister, Annette Red Owl, Wanblee.

Wake services were Dec. 3, at the George Pumpkin Seed Sr. home in Georgetown east of Wanblee.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Dec. 5, at Wanblee CAP Office, with the Rev. Francis Cutt officiating. Burial was at Gethsemane Episcopal Cemetery in Wanblee. Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Lyle N. Brings Him Back

OGLALA - Lyle N. Brings Him Back, 60, died Dec. 2 at Minneapolis, Minn., of natural causes. He was a veteran of the United States Army.

Survivors includes his Olive Brings Him Back, Oglala; a son Lott Brings Him Back, Omaha, Neb.; daughters Leah Brings Him Back, Rochelle Brings Him Back, Bernice Brings Him Back, Lynette Brings Him Back, all of Omaha, Neb., Karen John of Steamburg, N.Y. step sons Marty Cuny of Rio Rico, Ariz., Vern Cuny, Wade Cuny both of Oglala, and Lonny Cuny of San Antonio, Texas; step daughters Cindy Williams of Butte, Mont., Connie Johnson-DeMasters and Lisa Fast Wolf of Oglala, Holly Provost of Sharps Corner; brothers Ellis Brings Him Back, Gerald Brings Him Back and Edward Brings Him Back all of Pine Ridgel sisters Ila Brings Him Back of Pine Ridge, Ruby Schlueter of Hay Springs, Neb.

A two night wake service started Wednesday, Dec. 6 at the Loneman School, Oglala. Funeral services will be 9 a.m. Friday, Dec.8 at the Loneman School in Oglala.

Officiating will be Sr. Connie Schmitt and Rev. Cecil Weston.

Burial will be at 2:30 p.m. at Black Hills National Cemetery, Sturgis.

Funeral srrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Lyle Thomas Clifford

HOT SPRINGS - Lyle Thomas Clifford, 83, Hot Springs, died Friday, Dec. 1, at his home.

Survivors include seven children, Cheryl Ann Menacher, Joette Marie Clifford and James Wayne Clifford, all of Hot Springs, Cornell Michael Clifford, Black Canyon City, Ariz., L.T. Clifford Jr., Tuba City, Ariz., Terri Ellen Preston, Long Beach, Calif., and Elston Francis Clifford, Deadwood; one sister, Grace Elliot, Hot Springs; 11 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 4, at McColley's Chapels of the Hills in Hot Springs.

Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 5, at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church in Hot Springs, with the Rev. Peter Kovarik officiating.

Burial will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, at Evergreen Cemetery in Hot Springs.

Gertie Larvie

RAPID CITY - Gertie Larvie, 85, Rapid City, died Thursday, Nov. 30, , at her home.

Survivors include three sons, Sonny Richards, Box Elder, and Gerald Larvie and Lester Larvie, both of Rapid City; one daughter, Shirley Larvie, Rapid City; eight grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

A rosary was Saturday, Dec. 2, at Campbell, Paula and Quinn Funeral Home in Rapid City. Wake services were Sunday, Dec. 3, at Norris Community Hall.

Mass of Christian Burial was. Monday, Dec. 4, at Sacred Heart Church in Norris. Burial was at Norris Cemetery.

Leonard Yellow Horse Jr.

OGLALA - Leonard Yellow Horse Jr., infant, Oglala, was stillborn Nov. 28, at Rapid City Regional Hospital. Survivors include his parents, Leonard Yellow Horse Sr. and Lisa Yellow Horse, Oglala; two brothers, Teagle Yellow Horse, Oglala, and Trevor Brown, Rapid City; four sisters, SaTerra Yellow Horse, Oglala, Tawny Brown, Rapid City, and Precious Yellow Horse and Jade Yellow Horse, both of Winslow, Ariz.; and his paternal grandmother, Linda Yellow Horse, Oglala.

Wake services were Dec. 1 at Oglala Recreation Center. Funeral services were Saturday, Dec. 2, at Oglala Recreation Center, with the Rev. Agnes Tyon officiating. Burial was at Christ Church Episcopal Cemetery in Red Shirt.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Sara K. Pawnee Leggins

MANDERSON - Sara K. Pawnee Leggins, 46, Manderson, died Nov. 28, in Pine Ridge. Survivors include three daughters, Amanda Ghost, Erica Ghost and Vanessa Ghost, all of Manderson; four sons, Cheston Ghost, Henry Ghost, Davis Ghost and Joseph Pawnee Leggins, all of Manderson; and two brothers, Paul Pawnee Leggins and Johnny Pawnee Leggins, both of Mandersos.

Wake services were Nov. 30 at St. Agnes Catholic Hall in Manderson.

Funeral services were Saturday, Dec. 2, at St. Agnes Catholic Hall, with the Rev. Tom O'Neil officiating and traditional Lakota services by William Good Voice Elk Jr. Burial was at St. Agnes Catholic Cemetery in Manderson.

Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge was in charge of arrangements.

Merrietta Joan Janis

NEW ENGLAND, N.D. - Service of Remembrance for Merrietta Joan Janis, 67, of New England, N.D., were held on Thursday, Nov. 30, at the Assembly of God Church with Pastor James Murphy officiating.

A prayer and wake service were held on Thursday evening at the New Beginnings Baptist Church in Rapid City with the Reverend Harvey Sylvester officiating.

Funeral services were Dec. 1, at the New Beginnings Baptist Church with interment with traditional graveside services at the New Underwood Cemetery, in New Underwood.

Following the burial, a luncheon was held at the New Underwood Com-munity Center. Merrietta Joan Thompson was born Dec. 26, 1938, to Cora (Traversie) and Merril Thompson at Promise. She attended school in Whitehorse, Cheyenne Agency and St. Francis Indian Schools in South Dakota.

She married James H. Janis in 1953 at Rapid City. They lived in several states before settling at Pine Ridge in the 1960s.

They dissolved their union and Merrietta loved and raised her children in New Underwood and Rapid City. In her youth, Merrietta loved fishing, picnics, playing cards, drive-in-theaters and gardening. As time allowed in later years she enjoyed knitting, quilting, crocheting, traveling to see family and friends and baking. Merrietta, who was best known as Joan, raised not only her children, but some grandchildren as well.

She provided a home to many throughout her life and shared what she had with everyone, a true servant and model of Christ. Merrietta blessed many with home-made pies and breads. In 1999 Merrietta moved to New England, N.D., and faithfully attended New England Assembly of God Church, where she was caretaker of the Women's Ministries. In 2000 Merrietta battled and overcame breast cancer.

In 2006, she battled lung cancer with her faith in Jesus Christ still unshaken. Merrietta Joan Janis went home to be with her Savior surrounded by her family on Nov. 26 at the St. Joseph's Hospital in Dickinson, ND. Blessed and grateful for having shared her life are her children, James Janis, of New Underwood, Esther (Mark) Erickson, of New England, N.D., Arthur (Delores) Janis, of Rapid City, Keith (Jennifer) Janis, of New England, N.D., Darwin Janis of Rapid City, Jeff (Janice) Janis, of Potato Creek, Stanley (Michelle) Janis, of Kyle, Lamont Janis, of Orlando, Fla., Cora (Mike) Chapman, of Rapid City, Arlene Brokenrope and Maxine Brokenrope, both of Rapid City.

Merrietta was blessed with 46 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews, two sisters, Esther (Ronald) Trullinger and Margaret Prince (J.R.) Austin, all of New Underwood.

Funeral arrangements were under the guidance of the Evanson-Jensen Funeral Home of Mott, N.D., and condolences to the family can be sent through www.evanson-jensenfuneralhome.com.

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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I have had a mother's ring for two years and I feel bad about losing it.

Do you have an idea if so where it may be, maybe in my house?

Looking for ring

Dear Looking:

I think, it went bink, and down the sink. That sure does stink, what do ya think?

I see you replacing it yourself; with the understanding that it still originates in intent and love from the original givers.

Dear Anna,

You are truly a genuine psychic-clairvoyant. I'm impressed upon reading your responses to those who seek your advice in the *Lakota Country Times*.

You respond to people's problems by having them touch base with the Creator, a much needed reminder. You advocate education so that people can improve their lives, and you give sound health advice. You truly understand the importance of healing body, mind and soul. Thank you.

My problem is small but I'm curious. I live a sound life, generally no immediate problems at age 73. However, recently I've been burglarized and am wondering if this is a karmic thing or is it something/or somebody that's watching our movements?

Do I need to worry? It happened day after Thanksgiving while everyone in the apartment building was home. Of concern, is that someone knew that my next door neighbor would be out for lunch at a specific time and that I wasn't home. I'm not concerned about the material stuff they took; however, since my grandchildren will be visiting I would like to know if I'm safe.

One other thing, I want to go to India this next year. Do you think I will be doing this? Basically my health seems to be okay.

Keep up the good work.

Seeking answer for burglary

Dear Seeking:

First, thank you. Secondly; You are not in karmic jeopardy. Nothing that you have done/are doing equals the violation of your protected space (home).

The theft is an "inside" job, from the apartment on the other side of your neighbors (kitty cornered?). A young man. There will be other "burglaries" inside your complex, and the culprit will be caught within the next two to three weeks (possibly right around Christmas). He is a young, stubborn, angry male.

He suffers from skin-eruptions, and does not officially live in the complex but stays there frequently. You are not under his formal observance; but in his pursuit of saleable items or pawn-able items, he has observed the comings and goings of many tenants.

You are a good communicator and have alerted people within the apartment of this happening. You are the reason he will eventually find a better path. You are the one that takes the loss with the least amount of grief or attachment; therefore on some level you have decided to impact the world through a sacrifice and to help violence from occurring. Obviously, a change in locks (bolt-lock installation, blocks in the windows) is prudent and will keep the trespasser at bay. Please leave your television on when you leave your house and alert your neighbors to shift parking spots from time-to-time - even trade them so that the little thief has more trouble keeping track of who is home.

India it is. Ashram visiting (www.ammachi.org/) is one connection that I see you making. You are blessed with insight and this trip is part of self-realization for you. God Bless.

Dear Anna,

I have a daughter who drinks too much. She works, has her goals down what she wants in her life but she drinks too much and is in denial about how bad her addiction is. How do I help her see that her drinking is bad for her future?

At loss mother

Dear Mom:

If we could make others well, if we could really influence the paths they choose, if we could only make their decisions...

Your daughter knows she is in danger; but the influences of friends and social interactions combined with a perspective that she is having fun and not hurting anybody else are going to be her undoing.

She has to travel down the path of substance abuse until she really feels the impact. This month will hand her one negative impact that will lead her to a decision to be more careful, yet it will not influence her enough to become a sober human.

She has a while yet to go before she accepts the genetics of alcoholism/drug addiction and realizes the impact and loss she alone will create for herself.

She will survive this mom. She does have a plan - and alcohol can quite easily take that plan and smash it as hard and as fast as a single night of partying will allow. She will find motivation to become who she is and leave the chaotic and sick energy of addiction behind her. Within the next year she will decide which road to travel - the sober successful one or the party hardy and lose route. I see her choosing who she is - a winner and a leader, wiser for the experience.

What can you do? You can get counseling for co-dependency and disengage from her behavior - including picking up the pieces of her chaos for her. You can make rules about your home and what is allowed within its walls. You can tell her you love her but will not actively support her addiction with approval or money.

You can tell her that when she is ready, you will help her find the right road and the right path to living a good life. Do not allow her to drink or drug in your home, or to return their in anything but a sober state.

Do not give her a car, pay for her car or her insurance as long as she has her mouth on a glass or her lips around a pipe that is not a Canupa. Be strong, let go of her behavior, and use tough love.

Good Luck!

Dear Anna:

My mother is having an affair with my uncle, and my dad doesn't know. I want to tell him and make my mother act better. Should I?

Feels Like Blabbing

Dear Feels Like Blabbing:

No. Do not speak to your father of what you think your mother is doing. Speak instead to your mother. Tell her that you want her to behave better, and that you don't like to live with this in your life.

Tell her to please make a good decision; that your dad is a good man, and that you love her but it is not helping you to like her when she is behaving in a way that is not good.

She will give up seeing your uncle in that way and she will tell you thank you. It will all work out - if you can keep a secret.

Blessings and thank you for behaving like a responsible adult with consideration for everyone. Good Luck in your life.

Dear Anna,

So I was just pondering through Lakota Times and noticed your column on line.

I want to inquire about the relationship with my husband. Not everyone thought we would make it this far. We had a rocky past and are very compatible now.

We have two children, which we love so much and adore. I am very happy and only sad at times I perceive he is not happy. Since the beginning I have always been the one to please him and apologize. Once we got married I told him,

I would not tolerate him cheating or abusing alcohol. Basically I no longer "needed" him but I do "want" to be with him.

Today I want to know:

Is he happy?

Has he been faithful since we got married?

How will our relationship be in the future?

A relationship issue

Dear relationship issue:

Well, number one, you are not responsible for his happiness - he is. It's just like when someone says, "you make me so mad."

That is never the truth. We respond with anger, but we are not powerful enough to make someone mad - because if we could make someone any way at all, it would be happy. People respond with mad, happy, sad, etc. based on their own perception.

Please, once again, I request that everyone that follows this co-dependent thinking to read "The Four Agreements, by Don Miguel Ruiz, available at Borders.

Is he happy? Most of the time he is okay. He is frustrated with different aspects of his life (his money, his job, and some boredom).

Faithful? I hate that question.

Husbands and wives tend to want to kill me, and so I don't answer it. I will tell you that he is faithful in his heart and has made a decision not to be unfaithful.

Don't haunt him with your insecurity - for it can be the driving force behind crazy behavior that results in emotional chaos and ends relationships. He is in his heart, has made a decision to see this relationship through and is doing what he says.

How is your relationship in the future? That is based on the now. How you treat each other every day determines the strength of the future.

Complaining, whining, arguing and nagging lead to what you think they would lead to.

Support, mood evenness, and a decision to treat each other well everyday (living in a conscious way) lead to success.

You cannot control how he responds everyday, but you can set the mood, so that you don't aggravate a negative response from him. If you feel crabby avoid the pitfalls of emotional upset by considering everything you say before you say it.

Women generally set the tone for an entire family. If he is crabby, avoid confrontation until it passes.

If it doesn't seem to pass, then you pass on the relationship and move on. I see you relatively happy with each other for now, and now is all that any of us really has.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551.

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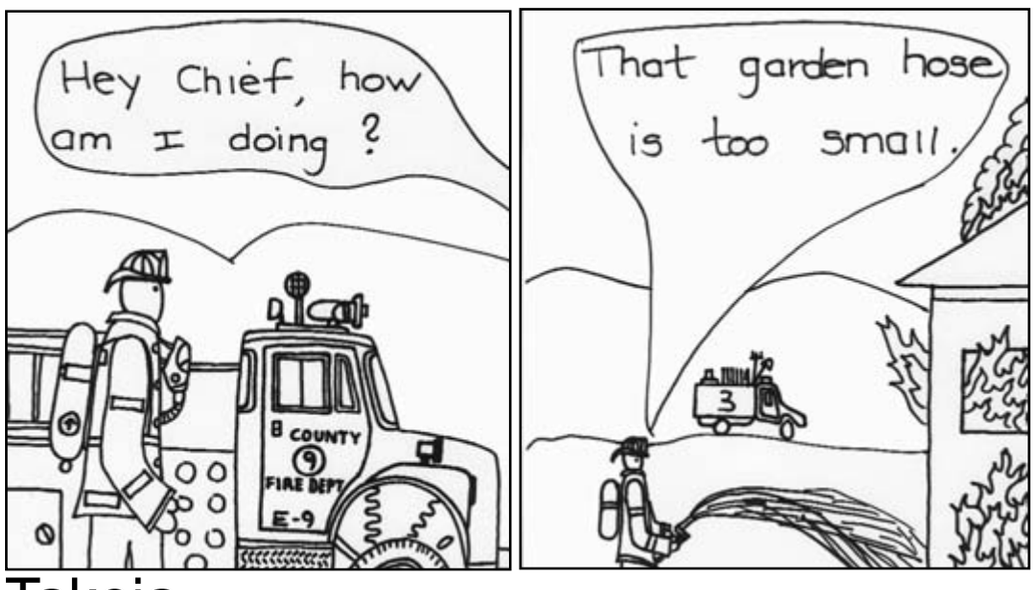
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MINUTES

-Unapproved-
Shannon County Board Meeting
Batesland, S.D.
November. 27, 2006
MINUTES

The Shannon County School Board held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, November 27, 2006 at Batesland, South Dakota. President Eagle Bull called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m.

Board members present: Angie Eagle Bull, Ruth Cummings, Todd O'Bryan, Melvin Cummings, Chuck Conroy.

Others present: Dr. Margo Heinert, Superintendent, MaDonna Peterson, Business Manager, Vickie Grant, Assessment Coordinator, Dana Christensen, Technology Director, Robert Two Crow, Lakota Studies Director,

Myron Pourier, Director of Facilities & Maintenance, Ted Hanson, Special Education Director, Marlene Stout, Red Shirt Principal, Bob Hall, Rockyford Principal, Monica Whirlwind Horse, Rockyford Asst. Principal,

Wayne Goff, Batesland Principal, Loretta Giago, Wolf Creek Principal, Karen Bowen-Raymond, Curriculum Director, Darrell Eagle Bull, Wolf Creek Dean of Students, Patti Nelson, Administrative Secretary, Jodi Richards, Norma Cummings, Devona Pourier, Greg Steele, Mary Steele, Susan Schrader, Wendi Buckman, Loren Waters.

All actions recorded in these minutes were by unanimous vote unless otherwise noted.

7115 Approval of Agenda: Motion by Conroy, seconded by M. Cummings, to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

7116 Approval of Minutes: Motion by R. Cummings, seconded by Conroy to approve minutes of the 10/23/06 regular meeting. Motion carried.

7117 Meeting Motions: Motion by Conroy, seconded by Cummings to begin requiring a second to each meeting motion prior to calling for a vote, beginning with the 11/27/06 board meeting. Motion carried.

7118 Executive Session: Motion by Conroy, seconded by M. Cummings to go into executive session at 5:25 p.m. to discuss personnel. President Eagle Bull declared executive session ended at 7:48 p.m. and reconvened into regular session.

7119 Personnel: Motion by Conroy to approve all personnel recommendations,
with the exception of the Rockyford Mechanic, granting him a return to duty effective Monday, December 4, 2006, pending acceptance of the Work Improvement Plan developed by administration. Motion carried, four votes yes. R. Cummings not voting.

7120 Applications for High School Tuition: Motion by R. Cummings, seconded by Conroy to approve applications for high school tuition for 2006-07, as listed on file. Motion carried.

7121 Cooperative Tuition Agreements: Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Conroy to approve cooperative tuition agreements for the 2006-07 school year between Porcupine, Loneman, Little Wound, Pine Ridge and Wounded Knee District Schools. Motion carried.

7122 Dress Code Policy: Motion by O'Bryan to proceed with adoption of the revised dress code policy which was presented for the third reading at the October meeting. Motion died due to lack of a second.

Motion by R. Cummings, seconded by Conroy to reconsider the original draft of the dress code policy, and proceed with the three readings prior to adoption, in accordance with board policy. Motion carried, three voted yes, O'Bryan and Eagle Bull voted no.

7123 Amended Drug Policy: Administration presented a proposed amendment to the current Drug Policy. Motion by M. Cummings, seconded by Conroy to adopt the amended drug policy. Motion carried, four voted yes, O'Bryan opposed.

7124 Financials: Motion by M. Cummings, seconded by R. Cummings to approve the financial & payroll reports, receipts and disbursements, as listed. Motion carried.

7125 ASBSD Election: Motion by R. Cummings, seconded by Conroy to vote, as a school board, for Jan Jungemann to serve on the ASBSD Board of Directors representing the western region. Motion carried.

7126 December Board Meeting: The December school board meeting will be held on Thursday, December 21, 2006 beginning at 5:00 p.m. in Batesland.

7127 Principals & Director Reports: Principal and Program Directors gave verbal reports to the board.

7128 School Board Work Session: The board and administrators will meet for work session on January 11, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. in the LaCreek meeting room.

7129 Adjournment: Motion by O'Bryan, seconded by Conroy to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Motion carried.

Signed by Madonna Peterson, Business Manager.

Resignation: James White Face-Wolf Creek Special Education Aide effective 10-31-06, Lorelei Red Shirt-Rockyford Receptionist-effective 11-21-06, Delmar Richards-Batesland Cook effective 10-30-06.

Classified Terminations: Wolf Creek One on One Special Education Aide effective 10-31-06, Wolf Creek Special Education Aide effective 10-31-06.

Request for In-House Transfer: Jeanette Emerson-From Rockyford Preschool Aide to Red Shirt Aide effective 21-1-06.

Amendment Contract for Approval: Melody Bohlender-Batesland Social Worker/Counselor $39,000.

Contracts for Approval: Jennifer Hooper Preschool Aide, 11-8-06 to 5-23-07, $8,370.00.

Wolf Creek School Recommendations: Melanie Ghost Dog part time cook, Amber Hawk Librarian Aide, Sissetowan Merdanian Preschool/ERF Aide, Casey Morton Special Education Aide, Trina Andrews Special Education Aide, Emma Janis Preschool One on One Aide.

Batesland School Recommendations: Terri Rosane cook, Shawn Crook, Cook, Stanley Whipple CDL busdriver, Barbara Marks CDL busdriver.

Extra Curricular Assignments: Katy Whirlwind Horse-Rockyford School Hand game sponsor from 11/06 to 5/07, Katy Whirlwind Horse-Rockyford School Asst. Basketbal coach from 11/06 to 12/06.

45 Day Probationary Completions: Leah Brown Bear-Batesland School custodian, Clarinda Moran-Batesland School Aide, Lloyd Yankton-Batesland
School custodian, Wilmer Youngman Jr.-Wolf Creek School busdriver, Daryl Waters-Wolf Creek school cook, Patricia Standing Soldier-Wolf Creek School Preschool Aide, Michael Patton-Wolf Creek School One on One Special Education Aide, Tanya Clifford-Wolf Creek School ERF Preschool Aide, Tyson Bradford-Wolf Creek School Special Education Aide, Alice Big Crow-Wolf Creek School ERF Preschool Aide, Gale Brewer-Red shirt School Maintenance, Amaris Swallow-Red Shirt Busdriver, Jonathan Long Soldier-Rockyford School Special Education Aide, Brian Waala-Rockyford School Technology Techinician, Roberta Whiting-Rockyford School Social Worker.

Description of Goods or Service

Handi Stop $9.74, Maryann Witt $50.00, SD Municipal League $15.00, Babette Thin Elk $292.44, Dollar General $29.55, Jackie Bird $50.00, SPED Parent $313.84, Madonna Peterson $305.20, Samaya Blacksmith $250.00, Child and Nutrition Serv $15.00, SPED Parent $376.32, SPED Parent $140.80, SPED Parent $376.32, Postmaster $7.65, Laticia Decory $2,800.00, Golden West $41.55, Phil Weisz $2,500.00, Abourezk Law Firm $360.53, SD Woman Work $15.00, Ann Red Owl $52.00, Rena Conroy $47.00, AUL $15.42, SD Creativity Assn $40.00, SPED Parent $107.52, SPED Parent $111.36, SPED Parent $140.80, Postmaster $6.37, Total $8,569.41

General Fund
A&B Welding Supply $73.80, cyclinder deposit $26.00, supplies $21.60, Vendor total $121.40; ASBSD registration $130.00; ASCD membership $79.00; AT&T $1,162.12; Action Mechanical repairs $1.029.75; Advanced Business & Computing $4,290.00; All Season Sports supplies $130.00; Alltel $1,223.21; American Library Review $75.80; American Lodge & Suites travel $45.00; Apple Computer Inc supplies $132.00, $33.95, $176.00, $85.50, vendor total $427.45; Badlands Septic pumper $745.00; Batesland School $200.00; Bennett County Booster II adv $59.40; BHSSC/TIE services $35,000.00; Big Foot Conference fees $1,650.00; Black Hills Electric $2,616.47; Black Hills Special services $200.00; Bohlender, Melody reimb. $48.27; Bowen-Raymond, Karen travel $26.00; BP transportation $327.60; Business Office System $7.96; CDW Government Inc supplies $480.00; Childcraft Education Corp supplies $224.00; Chris Supply Co Inc supplies $169.00, $49.81, $23.46, $39.08, $37.54, vendor total $318.89; Classroom Direct Com $277.99; Cobra Administrator $250.00; Cole Pest Control $200.00, $289.00, $75.00, $138.00, $303.00, vendor total $1,005.00; Companion Corporator $1,486.72; Computer Village $1,650.00; Corporate Card $11,665.69; Cresent Eletrical Co supplies $267.84; Culligan Water Conditioning $944.25, $1.078.15, vendor total $2.022.40; Cummings Candy travel $70.40; Cummings Melvin travel $131.20; Cummings Ruth travel $113.04; Datacomputer Products supplies $491.27, $421.97, $491.27, Vendor total $1,404.51; Debbie's Cakes & Floral $27.00, $44.00, vendor total $71.00; Donovan Mark travel $38.00; Eagle Bull Andrea travel $51.64; Eagle Bull Darrell travel $267.60; Education & Employment Law $284.95; Educational Materials Center $516.02; Educators Outlet Inc supplies $342.52; ETS Educational Testing $40.00, $40.00, $40.-00, vendor total $120.00; Evergreen Office supplies $3,744.36, $31.95, $134.68, $9.00, $5.47, $4.99, $43.88, $51.03, $1.99, $1,072.68, $85.70, $94.95, $23.67, $43.14, $87.73, $221.50, vendor total $5,656.72; Family Thrift Center supplies $22.09, $317.53, Vendor total $339.62; Fedex $31.77; Foreman Sales & Service $492.04, $805.04, $62.18, vendor total $1,359.26; French Flowers supplies $20.00, $25.00 vendor total $45.00; Godfrey Brake Service $59.04; Goff Wayne mileage $357.56; Golden Coral Family Steakhouse $468.17; Golden West Technologies $467.50, $485.10, $485.10, $485.10, $375.89, vendor total $2,783.79; Golden West Telephone $3,955.60, $251.08, vendor total $4,206.68; Gopher Sport $1,742.88, $171.35, vendor total $1,914.23; Gordon Senior Center $1,218.00; Gordon Vision Center $73.00; Graphics Plus $10.00; Great Plains Communication $832.92; Great Western Tire Company $845.48; Grocery Mart $38.12; Hanson Ted travel $64.00; Harlow's Bus sales $127.94, $74.84 vendor total $202.78; Harlow's School Bus service $650.00; Hauff Mid-America Sports $76.10, $159.05, $402.05, Vendor total $637.20; Heartland Paper Company $678.78, $146.28, $168.62, $67.74, vendor total $1,061.42; Heinert Margo travel $629.36; Hillyard supplies $655.87, $636.31, $1,730.16, $2,374.62 $209.60 Vendor total $5,606.56; Homestead Building $530.20; Husker Auto Parts $382.87, $1,368.18, Vendor total $1,751.05; Mid America $4,576.94; Ideal Super Market $64.57, $98.00, vendor total $162.57; Indian Country Today $417.50; Industrial Electric & supply $425.92, $453.00, Vendor total $878.92; International Laser Group $1,545.32, $267.00, $250.00, $722.20, $20.55, $165.30, $143.21, Vendor total $3,113.58; Johnson Machine $276.32; Junior Library Guild $418.20; Kaplan Early Learning Co $379.58, $195.44, Vendor total $575.02; Kotagraphics $184.99, $75.00, Vendor total $259.99; Kustom Rock Crushing $68.16; Lacreek Electric Assn $12,160.07; Lakeshore Learning materials $545.05, $31.58, vendor total $576.63; Lakota Country Times $120.00, $302.00, $250.00, vendor total $672.00; Lawson Products $327.75, $100.45, Vendor total $428.20; LeBeau Connie travel $88.51; Learning Resources $175.25; Lithia Automotive $39.86, $52.38, Vendor total $92.24; McDonalds trip $365.00; Menards $434.70, $141.64, $116.47, Vendor total $692.81; Mikes Heating & air conditioning $773.00, $2026.80, $1,940.00, Vendor total $4,739.80; Mt Rushmore Telephone $429.22, $46.28, $450.94, $46.28, Vendor total $972.72; Muddy Creek Oil & gas $15,164.74; Muscle Mustangs & Fast Fords $39.97; NJL Associates Inc $249.87, $179.84, $48.97, $32.17, $23.54, Vendor total $534.49; Native American Review $385.00; Nelson Patti travel $38.00; Norm's Carquest Auto parts $203.52; OST Water & Sewer $105.00, $494.66, $494.66, $422.66, $152.39, $994.35, $2,099.82, Vendor total $4,763.54; O'Bryan Carolyn $101.15, $88.60, Vendor total $189.75; O'Bryan Todd mileage $16.00; Office Max Credit Plan $30.97, $65.96, Vendor total $96.93; Ofstedal Kathleen services $3,897.09; One Feather Delmar travel $202.88; One Feather Linda travel $64.00; Oriental Trading Company $668.77; Palos Sports Inc $524.15; Paper Direct Inc $28.94; Pearson Digital NCS $5,800.00; Pearson Education Inc $142.16; Penworthy Company$116.70; Peterson Madonna travel $272.80; Petty cash Admin. $83.94; Petty Cash Batesland $261.80; Petty Cash Rockyford $500.00; Pitney Bowes supplies $193.45; Pitney Bowes Reserve Acct $5,000.00; Positive Promotions $321.71, $781.12, Vendor total $1,102.83; Pourier Rona mileage $312.00; Power House $8.89; Ramkota RC travel $10,037.66, $237.00, $120.00, $140.00, $120.00, $126.00, $59.00, $74.00, $74.00, $89,00, Vendor total $11,076.66; Ramkota Watertown $134.00; Rapid Chevrolet parts $21.53, $51.74, $58.65, $831.24, $1,062.80, Vendor total $2,025.96; Red Cloud Indian School fees $100.00, $420.00, Vendor total $520.00; Renaissance Learning Co $338.40; Rockhurst University $548.94; Rockyford School $1,008.00; SDABBE Regis. $4,900.00; SD Magazine $49.00; SD Teacher Replacement $360.00; Salomon Sanitation $300.00; Sam's Club supplies $70.74, $472.35, $154.38, $828.68, $89.75, $43.44, $95.36, $872.00, Vendor total $2,626.70; Sasse Joni $21.50; School Health Corporation $27.95, $71.90, Vendor total $99.85; School Mart $152.01; School Speciality $7.64, $111.76, $28.04, Vendor total $147.44; SDN Communications $1,870.22; Sears Commercial One $899.96, $209.99, Vendor total $1,109.95; Servall Towl & linen $6,956.60 $61.70, $2,141.56, Vendor total $9,159.86; Shannon County School imprest $6,540.45;Shedeed Nancy travel $38.00; Sign/Trophy/Westex $104.50; Singing Horse Trading Post $46.00; Sioux Nation Shopping Center $326.75; State Publishing Co $701.57; Stern Oil Co $1908.53, $12,465.00, 12,603.50, Vendor total $26,977.03; Stout Marlene travel $64.00; Sunburst Visual Media $145.55, $456.06, Vendor total $601.61; Swallow Lorraine $43.87; TIE $25.000.00; Tatonka Capital Corporation $564.00, $275.20, Vendor total $839.20; Technology for Education Inc $4,640.00; Temperature Technology $29.55, $171.36, Vendor total $200.91; Town of Batesland $500.00; True Value $885.76; Twiss Maurice $637.84; Vanway Trophy & awards $160, $1,515.95, Vendor Total $1,675.95; Weekly Reader Corp $520.20; Weisz Phillip repairs $1,250.00; West River International $70.50, $2,605.80, $29.14, Vendor total $2,705.44; WESTCO $16,538.49; Western Communications $1,033.94, $150.00, Vendor total $1,183.94; Whiting Joyce $47.00; William MacGill Co $46.58; Winners Circle $397.39;Wohlenberg Ritzman Co $3,500.00; Fund Total $308,809.55.

Capital Outlay Fund
Best Business Products $506.69, $176.66, Vendor total $683.35; CDW Government $2,000.00; Decker Equipment $8,596.84; Florida Dept of Education $289.70; Harcourt Education $1,055.63; Pearson Education Inc textbooks $588.14, $1,319.80, $18.80, Vendor total $1,926.74; Tatonka Capital Corporation $4,186.00; Vendor total $18,738.26.

Special Education Fund
ASHA membership $200.00; Alco Store #204 $13.10; Black Hills Special Services $3,298.40; Childrens Care Rehab & development cntr $8,686.00; Childrens Care Hospital School $5,091.30; Childrens Home Society $1,314.54, $1,533.63, $1,095.45, Vendor total $3,943.62; Corporate Card $329.11; Hanson Ted travel $51.20, $112.00, Vendor total $163.20; Hawthorne Educational Service $115.50; Houghton Mifflin Co $364.59; Just for Kids Speech Therapy $9,646.00; McDonalds $12.78, $5.00, $25.00, $50.00, vendor total $92.78; Moon Jim trvel $69.12; Oaks Motel & convention $160.00; Phonocomp Software $115.00; Ramkota watertown $134.00; Ross Dona Ruth $1,462.50; Shannon County School imprest $1,613.96; Sky Ranch For Boys $3,670.00; Super Duper Inc $567.00; $61.40; $147.20; USD School of Medicine $5,437.40, $1,097.20 Vendor total $6,534.60; Wellsprings Inc $18.96, $293.88, $208.56, Vendor total $521.40; $276.48; Fund Total $47,276.26.

Food Service Fund
Blue Ribbon Maint. Supply $1,042.71; Food Service of America $2,577.67, $3,604.58, $5,821.95, Vendor total $12,004.20; Harkers food service $908.53, $390.94, $3,008.04, $3,988.32, Vendor total $8,295.83; Hillyard food service $151.26, $119.00, $419.99, Vendor total $690.25; Kemps Gillette Diary food service $939.68, $2183.20, $2,499.86, Vendor total $5,622.74; Mcleod's Printing $56.00; Reinhart Institutional foods $5,252.52, $139.18, $9,978.84, $12,178.06, Vendor total $27,548.60; Shannon County School Imprest $15.00; True Value $20.97, Fund Total $55,296.30.

Federal Programs Special Serv
Alco Store #204 supplies $29.32; Corporate Card $1,050.60; Hauff Mid-America Sports $270.50, $559.64, $90.40, Vendor total $920.54; Heathershaw Designs $1,904.00, $360.00, $80.00, Vendor total $2,344.00; Ideal Super Market $34.93; Isna Wica Owaywa $10.00; Occupational Health network $280.00; Shannon County School imprest $300.00; Fund total $4,969.39.

BS Trust/Agency Account
August Ann supplies $17.28; Barnett Robert $52.52; Ideal Super Market supplies $13.99, Fund Total $83.79. Checking Account total $435,173.55.

Shannon County School District
Disbursment Report
October 30, 2006

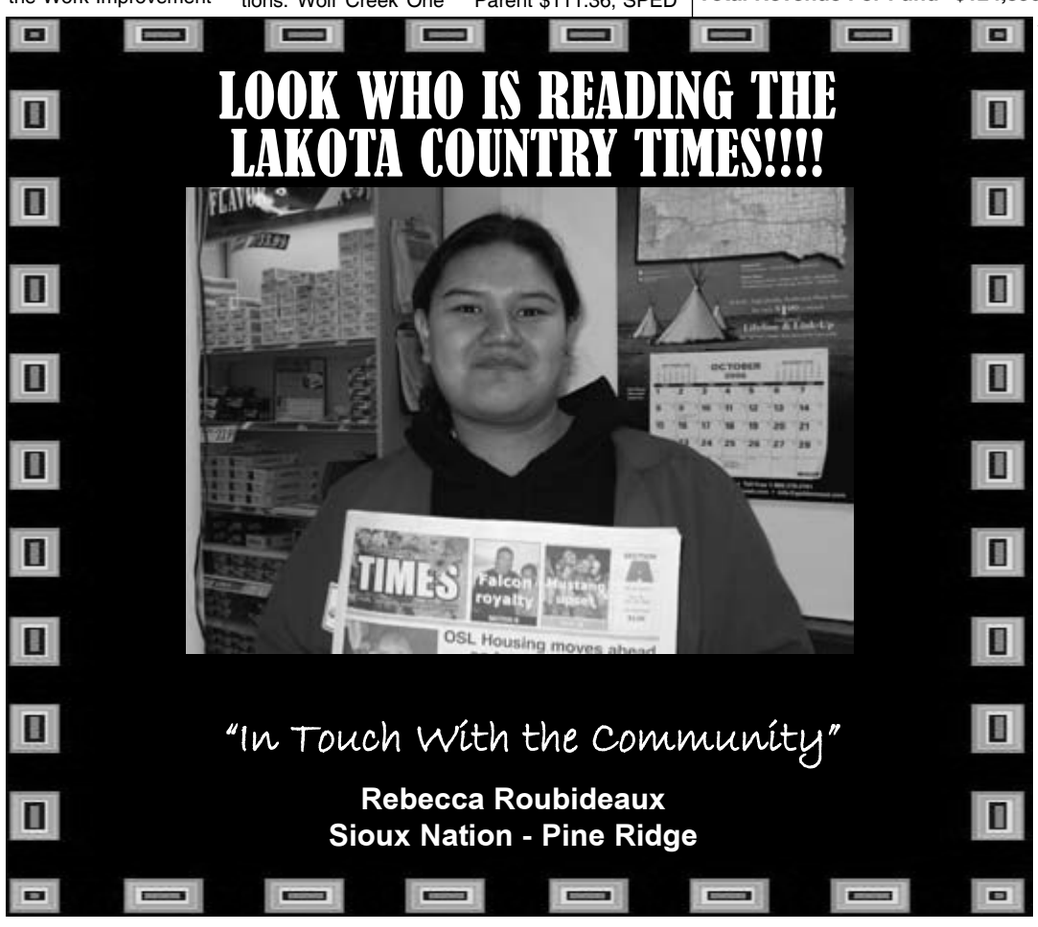
Fund/ Account	Amount
General Fund	$296,785.57
Capital Outlay Fund	$179,416.96
Special Education Fund	$41,386.45
Food Service Fund	$65,340.60
T/A Support Service	$13,408.88
T/A Wolf Creek	$0.00
T/A Batesland School	$0.00
T/A Rockyford School	$0.00
Total of All Funds	**$596,338.46**

Shannon County School District
Payroll Report
October 30, 2006

Types of Services	Salaries	Benefits	Total
1000 Instruction service	$397,867.65	$102,910.43	$500,778.08
2000 Support Service	$196,421.50	$51,630.51	$248,052.01
3000 Other Community serv	$6,037.40	$775.51	$6,812.96
6000 Co curricular	$9,637.40	$838.40	$10,475.80
General Fund Total	$609,964.00	$156,154.85	$766,118.85
Special Education	$150,964.70	$39,508.62	$190,473.32
Food Service	$22,697.21	$6,971.35	$29,668.56
Total All Services	**$783,625.91**	**$202,634.82**	**$986,260.73**

Shannon County School Distric 65-1
REVENUE REPORT
October 30, 2006

Revenue Sources	General Fund	Capital Outlay	Special Education Fund	Pension Fund	Food Service	T/A Service	Impact Aid
Local sources							
Taxes	$4,042.05	$2,262.83	$1,056.02	$226.29	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Other	$32,876.34	$10.66	$0.0	$0.00	$2,228.35	$0.0	$0.0
County Sources							
County Apportionment	$280.00	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
State Sources							
State Aide	$357,611.00	$0.0	$119,326.00	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
Other	$53,492.00	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0	$0.0
						$0.0	$0.0
Federal Sources							
Other	$124,055.52	$0.0	$54,859.04		$95,418.08	$0.0	$0.0
Operating Transfer In		$0.0			$0.0		
Total Revenue For Fund	**$124,356.91**	**$2,273.49**	**$175,241.06**	**$226.29**	**$97,646.43**	**$0.0**	**$0.0**





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06-152	OST Executive Director	Oglala Sioux Tribe Administration	Pine Ridge, SD

Opening Date: December 4, 2006 Closing Date: December 15, 2006

06-153	Otitis Media Program Direc. ENT Dept.	Otitis Media Program-ENT Dept. IHS	Pine Ridge, SD
06-154	O&M Systems Coordinator/Compliance Officer/WTP Opertor Class I or 11	OSRWSS Mni W iconi Water Treat Plant/Coreline	Ft. Pierre SD *(must relocate)*
06-155	Warehouseman	OST Food Distribution	Pine Ridge, SD
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06-054	Prevention Coordinator	Anpetu Luta Otipi(Living in a Red Day)	Kyle, SD 7 mi. SE
06-059	Female Night Supervisor(P-T,1600 hrs.)	Anpetu Luta Otipi(Living in a Red Day)	Kyle, SD 7 mi. SE
06-061	Female Weekend Night Superv.(P-T,960 hrs.)	Anpetu Luta Otipi(Living in a Red Day)	Kyle, SD 7 mi. SE
06-096	Fitness Trainer	Health Education	Pine Ridge, SD
06-110	Natural Resource Specialist	Natural Resources Regulatory Agency	Pine Ridge, SD
06-134	Criminal Clerk	OST Court	Kyle, SD

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Submit a complete OST Application for Employment to the OST Personnel Office no later than 4:30 pm of the closing date. Mail in applications postmarked on the closing date will be accepted. Attach all pertinent documentation, I.E. Copy of High School Diploma or GED Certificate, copy of Official College Transcripts and/or College Degree, Certificate of Indian Blood if claiming Indian Preference and DD214 if claiming Veteran's Preference.

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OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE) ss. IN TRIBAL COURT
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Plaintiff

vs

MANUAL BAD MILK,
Defendant

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(Second Issuance)

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Lakota Oyate Wakanyeja Owicakiyapi is accepting resumes for the following positions in Pine Ridge:

● **Executive Director Closing Date: Open until filled**

The Executive Director of the Lakota Oyate Wakanyeja Owicakiyapi (LOWO) oversees and manages the full range of operational functions of LOWO. The Executive Director is responsible, ultimately, for the quality of care provided to American Indian families served by LOWO; will leadin building community and tribal/state/federal program networks and and influencing the provision of Indian child welfare services in the local community; will ensure that all LOWO activities are consistent with the mission and values of LOWO, will assume responsibility and leadership in overall management of the organization; and will assume leadership in influencing Indian Child Welfare practice, policies and laws on the tribal, state, and national levels. The Executive Director will be responsible for securing the financial resources of LOWO so that children/families receive quality culturally appropriate services. The Executive Director will report to the Board of Directors for LOWO.

Qualifications:
A minimum of a Bachelors Degree in Human Services or Social Work, with at least 5 years of progressively responsible child welfare experience that includes management, administration and supervision. A Masters of Social Work is preferred with the above related experience. Knowledge of Lakota culture and understanding of the Lakota language preferred. Applicants must be alcohol/drug/violence free and be able to pass a drug test. A clear criminal background check and child abuse and neglect screening will be required prior to hire. Salary is competitive to field.

● **Administrative Assistant - Closing Date: December 15, 2006**

The administrative assistant for the LOWO agency performs the following duties for the program: administrative, accounting,clerical support to all staff, answers phones and greets the public, provides support to LOWO Board of Directors in setting up meetings taking the minutes and other duties as assigned by the Executive Director.

Qualifications:
High School Diploma and at least 3 years of experience in an administrative support position are required, along with excellent communications, interpersonal, writing, grammar, and word processing skills. Course work in office management, basic business skills, computing and software applications and/or accounting, is a plus. A clear criminal background check and child abuse and neglect screening will be required prior to hire. Salary is competitive to field. Also required are experience in and a sold working knowledge of various software applications to create text documents, presentations,spreadsheets, and simple graphics (i.e. MS Office-Word, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint, Publisher, etc.) This position requires strong organizational skills, creative problem-solving skills, and the ability to work well in an environment of change,pressure, and deadlines. Understanding of and the ability to speak the Lakota language is preferred.

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Please send resumes to:
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to my son



Timothy
Douglas Fast Wolf
on Dec. 9th, 2006
I'm so lucky to have a son like you. You're so bright, funny and caring. Everyday I thank God for having you in my life. Happy Birthday Son, I love you! We'll be seeing you Saturday! love from your mom: Venita & little brother Reign.

Happy Birthday to
Lynette One Horn
on Decembe 2.
Hope U enjoy yourself on your special day.
From: Richard

Happy 1st Birthday to our baby Girls
Marie Rosa & Mariah Rayne on Nov. 27th. From Mom,Dad, Clay & Yvonne We love you!

Happy Birthday
to my inlaw Roy Helper, Jr.
I hope you have a good time.
From:
Kimmy Apple

Happy Birthday to the
Christmas Babies,
my 2 nephews
Tim Jr. & Terry Fast Wolf
I hope you have fun!
Love,
Auntie Bird

Good Luck to
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Little Wound/Kyle Boxing
Team at the
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a very
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& God Bless to
Auntie Lita,
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Joaquis.

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White Man-Dec. 24
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Happy 13th Birthday
to my first born
nephew
Timothy Douglas Fast Wolf
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I love you & wish you many more to come.
Love always,
your auntie:
Clover No Horse

Happy Birthday to my love
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Walk away and leave them there.
You say there's no need to worry or no need to care
Like you have all things under control
You help me in my struggles and you want me to reach a goal
All I have to do is put my trust in you.
You will never let me down, you are my strength and wisdom everytime I need you
You are always around
From: your baby

Happy Birthday to
my neice
Anna Respects Nothing
I hope you have a wonderful day, you deserve it!!!
Luv, Aunt Sis

Happy 11th Birthday
to our cousin
Anna Banana
from: T.J, Tristen, Laqael, Chante and Leslie

Happy Birthday
Chelsea Hunter
From:
The Ferguson's

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Pops
Leon Takes War Bonnett Sr.
Hope you have a good one.
We love you and
miss you much!!!
Lon, Jen, Vanessa, Jeremy
and Vanessa
and your takojas
Brits, Wakinya, Kaye Kaye,
Jaden, Kevin.

Happy Belated 1st birthday to
Adriono Justin Vasquez
on 11-28-06
Hope you enjoyed your cake & ice-cream.
From:
Grandpa Cardo, Lynnette

Happy Birthday to our daughter, Sister
Lynette One Horn
on December 2.
We love you,
many more to come.
From Mom, Dad,
Santanna
Maranna.

Manuel,
Thank you for being patient while we build this newspaper. Our response from readers tells us that this paper is a good thing. for the people.
I love you. Connie

Happy 14th Birthday
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Cartoonist
Beaux Beauvais
December 3
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From Amanda, Connie, Patty, Wendy, Brooke, Crash, Jen, Thom, Dad and your cartoon fan club members!.

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Happy 14th Birthday
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and
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on December 27, 2006

and
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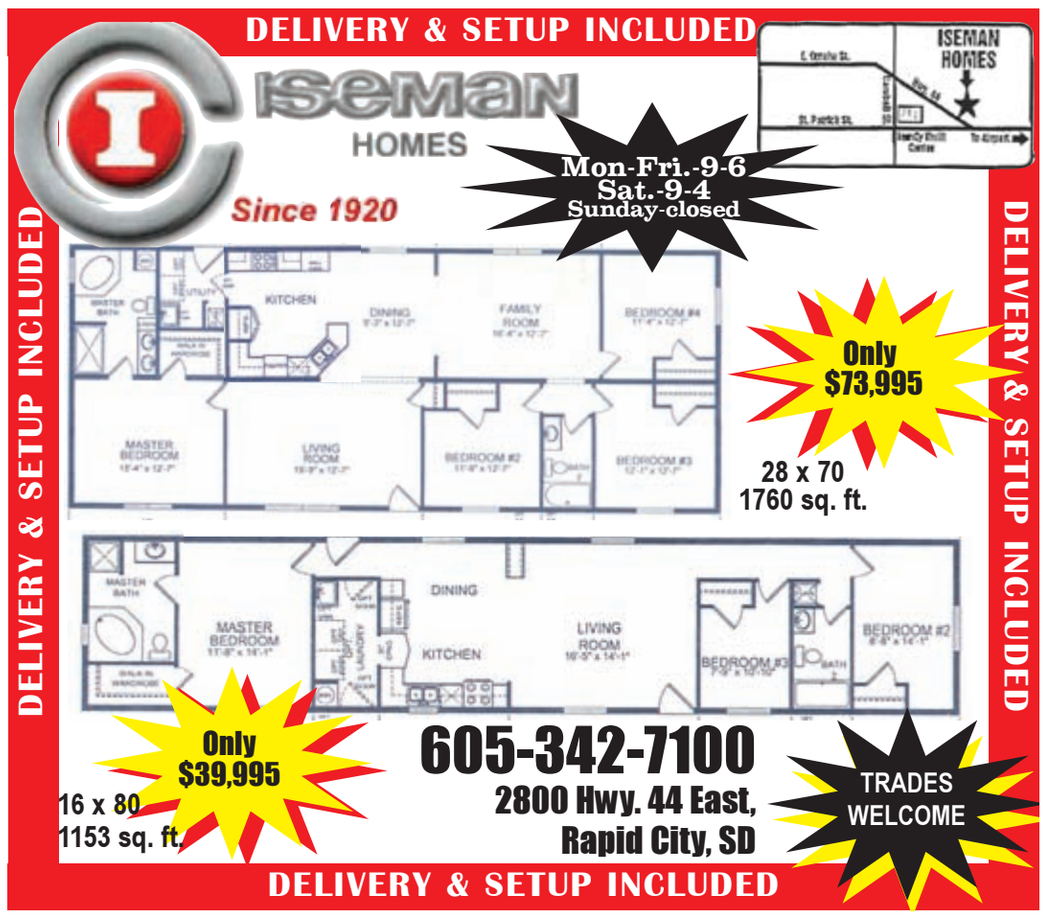


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RST gets $4 million for store

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - The Rosebud Sioux Tribe is the recipient of a grant and loan package from the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community in the amount of $3 million loan and a $1 million grant. The funds will be used for the construction of a tribal grocery store west of Mission to be open for business by July of 2007. The 2007 fiscal award will be used to expand tribal economic development and create some 80 jobs, while construction of the water and sewer lines and parking lot will begin this month.

While in Mississippi on Tuesday to participate in a "roll-off" ceremony for the U. S. Army's new LUH 72A helicopter which will now carry the name of "The Lakota", RST president Rodney M. Bordeaux commented on the new and exciting tribal grocery store venture.

In March, RST was able to gain an audience with the Shakopee business council, as the process evolved slowly with RST Chief of Staff Michael LaPointe pushing the project. By July, RST came up with a business plan, according to Bordeaux. He said, "I want to stress that the area in Mission has a high traffic area on highway 18 that is easier to capture. The key has been working with the RST tribal council and administration and getting their support." No tribal land was collateralized as a consideration for the loan and grant package, according to President Bordeaux.

Bordeaux also noted that much of prime area that had been set aside for economic development in Rosebud has been taken up by residential housing and other offices. He said that it was important to get the support of the tribal council otherwise Shakopee may not have approved the economic package. REDCO has been put in charge of the project and Bordeaux said it is important to keep politics out

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Future site of RST tribal grocery store which is scheduled to open in July 2007. Work on the water, sewer and parking lot will commence this month and is expected to employ 80 employees when opened.



Freezing frost!

On the north edge of Mission, dense fog from the night before created an illusion of frozen beauty among the trees this past Monday. Colder temperatures moved into the area on Monday with an outlook of temperatures in the 40s and 50s for the rest of the week with wind on Friday. On Sunday, there will be a few snow showers with temperatures in the 20s. (Photo by Archie Beauvais)

OST settles in, moves ahead

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - After waiting for the required challenge period, Sonia Little Hawk, Howard Weston and Tom Conroy were sworn in as new council representatives during at the Wakpamni District CAP office on Wednesday, Dec. 13. Although the rest of the council was formally sworn in on Tuesday, Dec. 5 at Piya Wiconi, movement ahead was stalled until the entire council was together.

On Dec. 5, council representatives formed committees, but chose to wait until Wakpamni District representatives could be sworn in. Although, working committees have met informally, the committees themselves have been waiting for the Wakpamni District representatives' involvement before doing any real business or electing committee officers.

Following a brief filed by tribal attorney, Tom Blanco, requested a special three judge panel from the OST chief judge, Lisa Adams. The Blanco brief requested the special judge panel to be put together to review the 2006 election activities.

As per policy, Chief Judge Adams agreed to form a special judge panel to review the election. "In 2005 the Executive Board and the Judiciary Committee passed a resolution establishing a special judge for determined needs" said Adams; "The resolution approves of Sherman Marshall, B.J. Jones and Diane Zephier to be used when necessary for special cases as determined by the Chief Judge, executive board and the Judiciary Committee."

The need for a special judge panel and availability of resources is being evaluated by court personnel and the Judiciary Committee at the present time. In the meantime, newly elected OST president John Steele has hired a staff and started focusing the issues most important to OST.

At the present time, President Steele's staff includes, Jeanette Eagle Hawk, communications coordinator, Donna Solomon, executive secretary, Ciss Big Crow, assistant, and Eileen Janis, administrative assistant.

Following instructions of the OST council that was sworn in on Dec. 5, the Election Board is conducting the Executive Board election.

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TWO SECTIONS

Congress passes bill to protect native languages

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

WASHINGTON, DC - HR 4766, The Esther Martinez Native American Languages Preservation Act of 2006 was unanimously passed by the U. S. Senate. The legislation will authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to make three year grant programs available for language nests, restoration and survival schools. It amends the Native American Programs Act of 1974. The bill now goes to President Bush for signature.

The namesake of the exciting news for Indian Country, Esther Martinez, had received the National Heritage Fellowship award in Washington, DC and was traveling back to New Mexico when she died in an accident on Sept. 16. The 94 year old Tewa from the Okhay Owingeh pueblo in northern New Mexico was cited for greatly influencing the teaching of Tewa to countless numbers of students.

Myrna Leader Charge of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe reacted to the good news by noting, "All efforts towards preserving any aspect of tribal culture is significant and important to those of us who are working in the area of cultural preservation, protection and management. It is gratifying to see H.R. 4766 Esther Martinez Native American Languages Act of 2006 reach the President's desk. The real significance and importance now is how much will Congress fund this act? Legislation is only as good as its funding support. I hope to see this Act wholeheartedly funded by Congress."

Funds for the grant funding program will be administered by the Administration for Native Americans as in the past and will extend until the year 2012. However, there is no specific funding level set, yet, for the program.

The National Indian Education Association apparently worked very hard in arranging testimony from the

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Parade of Lights in Kyle Dec. 21

KYLE - The "Parade of Lights" will be held in Kyle on Thursday, Dec. 21 at 5 p.m. The parade is open to all Little Wound School classes pre-K to grade 12 and the OLC college centers, the community and businesses.

There will be prizes awarded for the Christmas Essay and Home/Yard Decorating contest in two categories; Pre-K - 12th grade - First Place: $125.00, Second Place: $100.00 and Third Place: $75.00. Community: First Place: $175.00, Second Place: $150.00 and Third Place: $125.00.

Best Santa Claus - Prize, Best Mrs. Santa Claus - Prize and Best Sounding Santa Claus - Prize.

The contest opens on Dec. 13 and closes on Dec. 20. Pick up entry forms from Ellen Martinez, MRD secretary at 455-2448 or 441-3680. Or, contact LWS secretaries or Reva High Horse at 455-6196.

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Grocery store

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of the venture and the proceeds will go to paying off the loan. He continued, "Working with the tribal council, the public and other people has been the key. It is economic development for the benefit of the tribe and not for myself. I am just the tool."

The economic development project comes at a time when many tribal members, especially the unemployed, are searching for answers to the tremendous unemployment on the Rosebud. Some estimates indicate that the rate for those without jobs may fluctuate anywhere from 80 to 85 percent of the population which is staggering. Many times such job creation is set forth as the benchmark of a successful administration and this project will contribute to that end.

Construction of the tribal grocery store will require the $1,000.000 grant award and $2,400,000 of the loan package, while the remaining $600,000 will be used to fund a wireless broadband project.

RST Chief of Staff, Michael LaPointe, pointed out that some 84 percent of the personal income derived from living and working on the Rosebud leaves the area, while 3,300 workers have no place to spend their paychecks. The store apparently will sell foods that represent a healthier alternative so that the concern about diabetes and other diseases will be alleviated somewhat. It will also have a deli, a bakery and more importantly a pharmacy, which will be a novel alternative for the Rosebud area.

Many local jobs are filled by non-tribal members on the Rosebud and this accounts for a significant portion of the disposable income which is not "turned over" and re-invested on the Rosebud. Many outside workers live in off-reservation communities and this accounts for the drain in personal income.

Many Rosebud tribal members, in order to purchase more of a variety of foods and household products, routinely travel to Valentine, NE or Winner to shop and a tribal grocery store would eliminate some of those trips as the money is reinvested locally.

The broad band project loan funding will enable the Rosebud Economic Development Corporation's internet server, to offer wireless internet access to tribal members anywhere on the reservation within 3-15 miles of the tiny transmitters which will be located on top of water towers belonging to the Mni Wiconi Rural Water System.

The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community generously donated $40,000 for low energy assistance to RST in 2002. In 2004, it also received $50,000 and $150,000 in fiscal year 2005.

Language bill

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Navajo code talkers, in addition to many tribe and organizations. Their efforts gave credence to the vital importance of revitalizing Native languages.

Sen. Tim Johnson (D-SD) said, "Native languages continue to diminish with each generation and the programs authorized by this bill will go along way to restore this important piece of Native culture and bridge the gap between the old and young generations."

The bill was introduced by Rep. Heather Wilson (R-NM) on Feb. 15 and included six co-sponsors with the latest action occurring on Dec.11 when it was presented to President Bush.

The program provides for three types of language programs. The first requires that language nests provide instruction and care for at least ten children for 500 hours per year per student. It must also provide instruction for parents and the next must use language as a dominant medium of instruction.

For Native American survival schools, it requires that at least 15 students must be given at least 500 hours of instruction per year per student through at least one Native language. The school must develop course materials with the goal of making students fluent in the Native language and proficient in science, math, and reading. The program should provide teacher training and be located in an area where there is a high number of Native students. Applicants for funding must have at least three years of experience in administering such a school.



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The original election board of Charlene Black Horse, Maretta Champagne and Sanda Bettleyoun was reaffirmed by the tribal council. The election board was mandated to accept the original candidates for the election board and open the election to anyone interested in the election board. The deadline for completed petitions for the

Executive Board is Dec. 15 at 4:30 p.m.

At press time candidates who have taken out petitions of the Executive Board includes Secretary Rhonda Two Eagle, Elizabeth Waters and Lydia Bear Killer. Those who filed for Fifth Member include, Dennis King, Alvin Slow Bear, Doug Bissonette, Bernard White Face, Dave Pourier, the incumbent, Gerald "Jump" Big Crow and Paul Little; for treasurer included, Crystal Eagle Elk, incumbent, Elizabeth Morrison, Dave Rabbit, Juanita Scherich, and Walt Big Crow.

Selection for the OST Executive Board is scheduled to be made by the new tribal council on Jan. 5. Nominations for critic/sergeant-at-arms will be taken from the floor at a future date.

Northern Arapahoe, 20, dies in Iraq in blast

GILA RIVER, ARIZ. - A 20-year-old soldier from the Gila River Indian Reservation was killed while conducting escort operations in Iraq, according to the Department of Defense.

Cpl. Billy B. Farris, of Bapchule, died Dec. 3 in the city of Taji from injuries sustained when an improvised explosive device went off near his Stryker Reconnaissance Vehicle.

He was assigned to the 5th Battalion, 20th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, Wash.

Farris enlisted in the Army in 2004, completing basic training at Fort Benning, Ga. before going to Fort Lewis. This was his first deployment to Iraq.

He was an enrolled member of the Northern Arapaho Tribe and often visited his extended family on the Wind River Indian Reservation in Wyoming, his mother, Liz Antone said.

Farris is among 2,925 U.S. soldiers who has died in the Iraqi war as of last Friday.

Flags throughout the Gila River Indian Community are flying at half-mast in his honor.

Farris was killed after an improvised explosive devise detonated while he was conducting escort operations.

Farris' parents, Liz and Larry Anton, still live behind the mission in Farris' childhood home. His younger brother, Thomas Anton, attends the school where Farris also went.

Farris, who enlisted in the Army in July 2004 after graduating from high school, was a corporal in a battalion that was sent to Iraq in June. He called home every week to update his family on his whereabouts and the war.

Although Farris was born in Wyoming as a Cheyenne-Arapaho Indian, he moved the Gila River Indian Reservation in Arizona when he was 2.

City of Martin ordered by judge to redraw voting lines

By Chet Brokaw
Associated Press Writer

MARTIN - A federal judge has ordered the city of Martin to redraw the boundaries of its city-council districts because the existing districts violate the voting rights of American Indians.

In a decision issued last Tuesday, U.S. District Judge Karen Schreier of Rapid City said Martin must submit a proposal for redrawing the council-district boundaries by Jan. 5. The American Civil Liberties Union, which sued the city on behalf of two Indian voters, will have until Jan. 25 to file its response to the city's plan.

The judge will then make the determination of whether the city's plan is a legally acceptable remedy.

Martin is in Bennett County, which is adjacent to Rosebud Sioux and Pine Ridge reservations in southern South Dakota.

The judge said evidence shows that about 36 percent of the city's voting-age population is Indian, and those Indian voters are spread evenly among the existing three council wards. However, candidates preferred by Indians rarely win city council elections in Martin, Schreier said.

Because voters are fragmented among the three wards, Indian voters have less chance than white voters to elect the candidates of their choice, Schreier ruled. That means that the district boundaries violate federal law by diluting Indian voting strength, the judge said.

Bryan Sells, an ACLU attorney, said Schreier's ruling will strengthen democracy in the area.

"We think the decision really underscores the long struggle for Native American voting rights that's been ongoing in the city of Martin and Bennett County," Sells said. "It'll result in a fairer, more democratic system for everyone in that part of the state."

The city's attorney, Sara Frankenstein of Rapid City, said the city will have to follow the judge's order and submit a new districting plan. After Schreier decides what redistricting plan should be used, the city can then appeal through the federal court system, she said.

Frankenstein said she hopes that the U.S. Supreme Court will eventually agree to hear the case and consider key issues in the legal battle, which already has lasted more than four years.

"Hopefully, we can get the United States Supreme Court's attention, and they will take a look at our case," Frankenstein said.

The lawsuit alleged that in 2002, the city approved a redistricting plan that violated the federal Voting Rights Act and the U.S. Constitution's equal-protection clause. City officials contended that they had not discriminated against Indian voters.

Schreier ruled last year in favor of the city. She ruled that the Indian population was large enough and geographically compact enough that it could be a majority in a city-council district. The judge also found that Indian voters are politically cohesive because they usually vote in a similar fashion.

However, the judge found that the white majority does not usually vote in a way to defeat candidates favored by Indian voters.

The 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in May reinstated the lawsuit after finding that evidence shows that the white majority votes as a bloc to defeat candidates preferred by Indians. The appeals court then ordered Schreier to hold further proceedings to determine whether the city-council districts should be redrawn.

In the ruling issued this week, Schreier analyzed the Martin districting plan using factors established by the U.S. Supreme Court in a previous case.

Schreier found a history of discrimination against Indian voters in Martin, Bennett County and the state; a persistent level of racially polarized voting in Martin; disparities between Indians and non-Indians in education and income levels and a low rate of success by Indians who have run for the city council in Martin.

The judge also found that city officials in some cases have not been responsive to the needs of Indian people. For example, when Indian voters sought to refer the districting plan to a public vote, city finance officer Janet Speidel determined that the petition did not contain enough signatures but waited until the filing deadline had passed before telling petition supporters that they needed more signatures, Schreier said.

In addition, the districting plan would be more proportional if Indians constituted the majority in one of the three city council districts, the judge said.

Schreier said the current districting plan violates federal law because it fragments Indian voters among three wards and gives them less chance than white voters have to elect candidates that they prefer.

Sells, the ACLU lawyer, said he believes that Schreier's goal is to have a new districting plan in place before the next city election.

Meade County renews liquor licenses near Bear Butte

STURGIS - The Meade County Commission has voted to renew liquor licenses for 18 establishments in the county, including those located near Bear Butte.

American Indians, members of environmental groups and others opposed renewal of the licenses for the businesses near Bear Butte, which is a sacred site to many Indians.

Annie Whitehat of the Bear Butte International Alliance told commissioners that the licenses should not be allowed because the establishments are in a bad location. But others at the commission meeting said the majority of Meade County residents support renewal of the licenses.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye

School pow Civic Center in Rapid City sponsored by Batesland/Rockyford, Shannon County Schools with grand entry at 11 a.m., for info call 345-2438; Friday Jan. 12 at American Horse School in Allen and on Friday, Jan. 19th in Chadron at the Chadron Native American Center with grand entries at 1 and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m

U. S. Army names new light utility helicopter 'Lakota'

Lakota attend "roll-off" ceremony

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent



COLUMBUS, MISS. - RST President Rodney M. Bordeaux, along with his Chief of Staff, Michael LaPointe, and Sicangu chief, John Spotted Tail and Sicangu medicine man, Roy Stone, Sr. took part in a "roll-off" ceremony in which the U. S. Army unveiled its newest light utility helicopter, the UH-72 Lakota.

The "roll-off" ceremony is documented on military.com today. Other dignitaries included Oglala Lakota, Joe Red Cloud who also accepted the helicopter. Red Cloud said, "We're pleased that you honor our tribe by naming this helicopter Lakota. You are not only honoring our past, you are recognizing that we are still here. Joint partners in the heritage in the promise of America."

General Rich A. Cody, the Vice Chief of Staff of the U. S. Army presided over the "roll-off" ceremony, while Roy Stone, Sr. blessed the aircraft. Bordeaux said, "The U. S. Army contacted seven Lakota tribes on the Great Plains and the Rosebud Sioux Tribe approved the request. General Cody was really impressed with the blessing conducted by Roy Stone, Sr."

The military.com news release writes, "The Army has a long standing tradition of American Indian names, such as terms, tribes and chiefs for its helicopters. In the case, of the Lakota aircraft, the linkage is between the Lakota legacy as stalwart defenders of their homeland and the nature of the aircraft's intended missions."

The U. S. Army initiated the LUH program in 2004 and set a requirement that 322 new helicopters would assist in homeland security efforts, logistics, medical evacuations and work in support of the U. S. Army Test and Training Centers missions. The very first "Lakota" helicopter was delivered at Columbus, MS in time for the unveiling ceremony.

The UH-72 Lakota will replace the UH-60 Blackhawk which will be shipped to the National Guard for their missions.

Separate accidents kill five Oglala tribal members

PORCUPINE - A vehicle that was driven by Clint Mitchell on BIA highway 27 north of the community of Sharps Corner on the Pine Ridge reservation collided with an automobile that had stopped after hitting a deer.

Lisa Young Bear was driving a car in which her father Lawrence Young Bear, 61, Janet Young Bear, 27 and Leslie Young Bear, 25 were riding.

After another car had stopped, the vehicle driven by Mitchell proceeded to drive between the two and hit all three killing Lawrence and Leslie at the scene.

Janet Young Bear later died at the Pine Ridge hospital. Mitchell had not been charged in the accident as of Monday.

In a separate automobile accident, two other tribal members from Porcupine died when the driver, Jason Featherman, 21, lost control of his vehicle and rolled into a ditch south of Evergreen. Ethel American Horse-Means, age 42 also died in the accident.

Bureau of Indian Affairs agent, John Long, said that both accidents remain under investigation and that alcohol was not suspected in either accident.

Canadian lawyer who got residential schools deal was paid $2.5 million

Former students to be paid for abuse suffered

TORONTO, CANADA - This week, Canada Broadcasting Corporation released information they obtained through documents that Frank Iacobucci, the lawyer who negotiated a settlement for aboriginal residential school students was paid more than $2.5 million for the work.

Iacobucci, a retired Supreme Court justice, was appointed in June 2005 to negotiate with the government, the Assembly of First Nations and the various churches involved to reach possible settlement packages.

Iacobucci negotiated a settlement between the government and former students at Indian residential schools. According to documents obtained through access to information requests, Iacobucci was paid up to $200,000 per month, plus expenses, for his work. The money was for his expertise and the assistance of two junior lawyers in his office.

The rate is more than the "standard" range Ottawa pays, according to the documents. A lawyer with more than 20 years experience is normally paid between $150 and $200 an hour.

Regina lawyer Tony Merchant, who represents many former students, called the amount surprising.

"But certainly nobody knew about this - or nobody within the First Nations community knew about this. These are just significant amounts."

Merchant's law firm has been promised between $25 million and $40 million under the terms of the settlement for its work. Merchant said his firm spent 10 years on cases and had more than 100 lawyers working on them.

An estimated 100,000 aboriginal children lived in the once-mandatory system of residential schools from 1930 to 1996. Many were forced to leave their families and attend the schools, and many suffered physical and sexual abuse while there.

For more than a decade, former students of Indian residential schools were pursuing lawsuits against Ottawa and churches for damages relating to their experiences. However, litigation was slow and only a few cases were settled.

The former federal Liberal government appointed Iacobucci in 2005 to help reach a compensation package. Part of his job was also to study the creation of a national truth-and-reconciliation forum to give survivors a chance to tell their stories.

A deal announced in May offers any former student a lump sum of $10,000 each, plus $3,000 for each year spent in the schools. Statistics Canada estimates there are 80,000 people alive today who attended residential schools.

Plans under way for Sitting Bull burial site

STANDING ROCK INDIAN RESERVATION (AP) -- Two South Dakotans who cleaned up the gravesite of the famous Sioux Indian leader Sitting Bull are making progress toward turning the property into an attraction.

Rhett Albers of Mobridge and Bryan Defender of McLaughlin bought the site west of Mobridge more than a year ago.

They formed the nonprofit Sitting Bull Monument Foundation and plan to develop short trails and build a visitors' center at the site, with educational displays on Sitting Bull's life.

"It will be a positive improvement for our community, our state and our nation," Defender said. "People will be able to learn something and take it back home."

Final architectural drawings are almost ready for the visitors' center, to be built someday on the 40 acres surrounding the monument. A temporary visitors' center could be ready by summer, Defender said.

The site resembled a dump when Albers and Defender bought it in April 2005. Heaps of strewn garbage marred the grassy river bluffs around the monument, Albers said.

Sitting Bull, who was assassinated in 1890, was originally buried near Fort Yates, N.D., in the northern part of Standing Rock Reservation.

Sitting Bull's ancestors moved his remains to South Dakota in the 1950s, but some contend that the bones were not his. Part of the site's attraction is the mystery and controversy.

Banishment for drug dealers on Paiute Shoshone tribal ballot

FALLON, NEV. - Five constitutional amendment questions are on the ballot for the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe's Dec. 16 general election, including a proposed measure to banish tribal members for certain drug offenses, according the newspaper the Neveda Appeal.

The tribe proposes that any tribal member convicted in any court of crimes involving manufacturing, selling and distributing of illegal drugs or substances would lose privileges and be banished from the tribe.

A first offense conviction will involve banishment with a loss of privileges and rights for five years. A second conviction of a drug-related crime would result in permanent banishment and loss of privileges and disenrollment from the tribe.

Currently, there is no provision in the law for rehabilitation or treatment in lieu of banishment and loss of privileges.

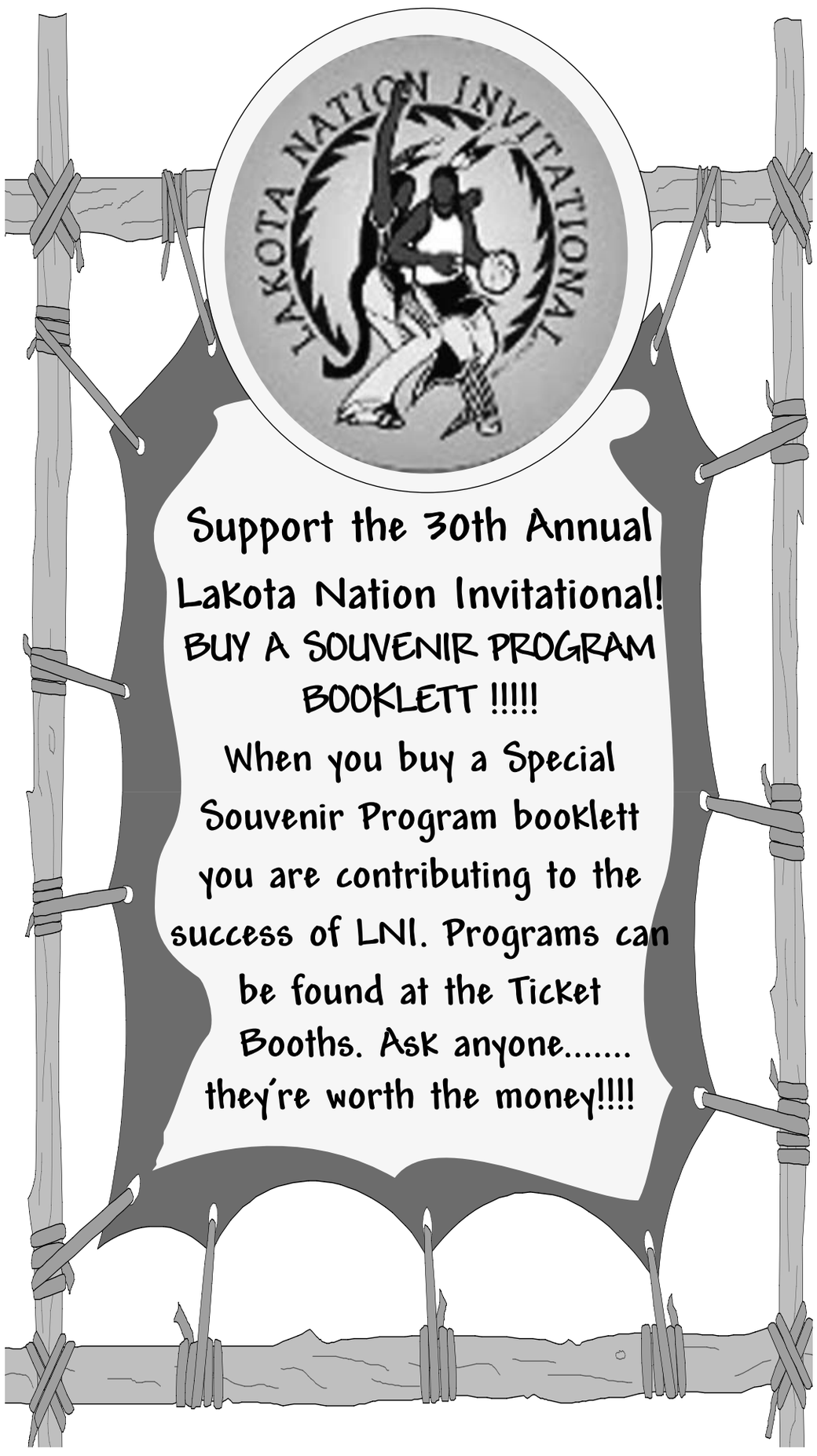
"Our drug problem out here is pretty bad," said Len George, vice chairman for the tribal council to the newspaper. "We were looking for something harsh to effect change in our community."

Banishment was meant as a means to get the attention of drug users and those involved in making and selling drugs on the reservation, he said.

The law can be reviewed by the council and amended in the future to include provisions for treatment or rehabilitation when drug issues decrease, said George.

Other ballot issues include terms of elected officials and election time frames and the inclusion of the Indian Civil Rights Act of 1968 to be included in the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe's constitution.





OPINION PAGE

Our Views

There is no time like the present

Christmas isn't too far away, we have the 30th Annual Lakota Nation Invitational this week, vacation days from school and classes and the political scene is a little calmer.

This week's issue we have a rez-cipe mix of a preview of LNI, local business news, some humor here and there, students telling stories inlakota, and other exciting news such as Rosebud getting their own grocery store, the U.S. Army named a helicopter in recognition of Lakota people and a Native American language bill passes through Congress.

Something new added to all the festivities is the Pow Wow Comedy jam at 8 p.m. at the Alex Johnson Ballroom on Saturday, Dec. 16.

KILI Radio 90.1 is inthe process of getting back on air with brand new equipment and in the meantime the staff has worked to still be able to broadcast the games through their Internet site and on their Rapid City tower on 88.7 FM.

Our condolensenses go out to families in the car accidents this past weekend.

The Pine Ridge reservation has open range policies that need to be reviewed as lives have been lost and families suffered from cattle or horses roaming the highways. In the past this has been an issue that has never fully be dealt with by the BIA or the governing body of the tribe. This is the type of legislation that our tribal governing body should be looking at, and studying legislation to provide safe environments, laws to protect our families and youth who are messengers tinto the future.

What we do know is that there needs to be a significant change in the ordinances and livestock codes which govern the disposition of cattle and horses on the reservation.

There is arecommended square acreage per animal unit and it would not be much of a stretch to discuss and enact legislation wh ich will also protect their lives.

It may be an added burden to farmers and ranchers already stressed by high cost of feed and innoculation, but to lose another Lakota life on our open highways would create additional sadness that we can feel at the core of our existance.

This week the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone tribe will be voting on adding teeth to their drug laws by enacting constitutional amendments to banish tribal members for certain drug offenses.

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Outsiders canot save us from ourselves, so we need to recognize that legislating laws that protect lives is something that can be accomplished in "real time." We can employ those who are able to enforce ordinances which may sound stringent, but which are much needed in order to protect innocent lives which are being lost.

In Lakota we would say, *Wana iyehantu*" which could translate to 'there is no time like the present."

Guest Editorial

Alex White Plume:

election process is a part of our lives that people take for granted as a process of integrity

By Alex White Plume
Special to the Times

Mitakuyepi:



Today I greet all of you in a good way. There are many words that have been said, and actions that have been taken, both by people who are in tribal government as politicians and employees, and by those who want to be in tribal government as politicians and employees.

These words and actions weigh heavily on the hearts of our people and on the hearts of many of us, inside and outside tribal government, who have made a stand to uphold what law there is regarding how our politicians are chosen: the election process.

The election process is a part of our lives that many people take for granted as a process of integrity. Yet, when we look at past tribal elections, there are many elections that have been challenged, and some of them have had to be re-done, due to many practices that our people have questioned as irregular and even outright illegal. Elections serve as the voice of each voter, one vote, one voice. When the integrity of this process is not protected, then the vote of tribal members becomes an object that can be manipulated.

Why would the voice of the people have to be subjected to manipulation? Who would benefit from this manipulation? Who would suffer from it?

The Indian Reorganization Act (IRA) tribal government has haunted our people since it was illegally forced on our ancestors of not-that-long-ago, from 1934 to today. The IRA has been corrupted by the decision makers in power inside of it who control the living conditions of everyone on Pine Ridge.

The resources of the IRA are limited, from federal sources, tax sources, land lease income, casino income, etc. Since the resources do not amount to a big enough pile of money to provide the services and jobs that every tribal member needs, and has a right to, then there is a fight over the resources.

There are always comments about how only a certain amount of people get jobs, houses, financial assistance, etc. This means there are many, many more people who do not get jobs, houses, financial assistance, etc.

When the needs outnumber the resources, there are those who have and those who have-not. The "haves" then are forced to protect their status, because no one wants do without. Everyone wants to be able to feed their children, and give them a warm, safe home, clothing, etc, and deserves that opportunity equally. So who controls IRA?

Who controls the resources of the IRA? Does someone have to suffer so others can "have"? No leader, no people, in their right spirit, heart, and mind would want a system of government that limits our choices to being a have or a have-not. Yet, to change this system of government is such a major challenge, and is made even worse because the effort can't be focused on changing the form of government, because the effort is manipulated to the point where you also have to fight the protectors of the status quo.

No one President or Council can change in two years what it took 130 years to grow. But, I believe the voice of our people can begin to make those changes, even in the short term of a Constitutional Convention, while the long term work of Treaty rights continues-but the sitting government has to support what the people want, not ask the people to support what the sitting government wants, or force it on the people through secret meetings, hidden spending, tailored minutes, and other tools of corruption.

A Constitutional Convention that is developed by the people to be our voice could limit the damages IRA government can do to our decreasing land-base and

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T'was the night before LNI



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Other Views

It's easy to say you're Lakota or traditional, but its hard to live that way

Dear Editor:

I am writing in regards to a meeting that was held at the Rosebud Casino on Oct. 21. At this meeting, according to the article I read, our sacred Cannupa and sacred Pipe Keeper was attacked (both verbally and written), that made me very angry with these individuals who were responsible.

I had to ask, "who would be fool enough to do such a thing?" "Where is the respect?" It reminded me of the story of how Pte San Sin (White Buffalo Calf Woman) brought the sacred Cannupa to the Lakota people. There were two warriors who came upon her. One warrior was afraid and knew of the sacredness of this woman, the other, he had, evil thoughts and intentions towards her. He wanted her and approached her, when he did, he was turned into a pile of bones for thinking the way that he did.

This group of people who are attacking our sacred Pipe keeper and our sacred Cannupa remind me of that warrior who had the evil negative thoughts and intentions. They obviously have no knowledge of the traditional teachings and way of life of the Lakota people, they so strongly say they are protecting. If they truly understood the traditional ways and values or even the sacredness of the Cannupa, (brought by Pte San Win, that way of thinking would not even enter their minds. But, obviously, they do not possess these understandings.

Do these individuals even understand what being traditional is all about? Do they speak Lakota? Do they understand Lakota? Do they know about the sacred ceremonies? Do they know the songs connected with these ceremonies?

Do they know the protocol on how to speak with our sacred Pipe Keeper? I know that one way that is not done, is, you do not demand he come to you. Proper protocol is for the individual wanting to meet with him-is to offer him an "opagi." You fill your "Cannupa" and present it to him and explain why you are there. You go to him, he does not come to you.

That is known as respecting Pte San Win and the sacred Cannupa. And you would also take him an offering of food, tobacco or whatever else you could think of, that he might need. We, as a people, should be taking care of, and protecting "our sacred Pipe Keeper" in this manner.

We were told that if "our sacred Pipe Keeper" is ever harmed or taken from us, then "our sacred Pte San Win Cannupa" will be taken away also. That will mean that all the healing powers that the true (few) Medicine Men have will be gone also. All that will be left, will be the FAKE medicine people who are lying to the Lakota Oyate. They are the ones who are hurting the people, the ones who are performing ENGLISH speaking ceremonies! We need to protect "our sacred Keep of Pte San W ins' Cannupa.

I am a Sicangu Lakota and was very upset that NO (so called) spiritual leader, headsman or whoever else carries a Cannupa, did not stand up and defend "our sacred Pipe Keeper!" And-of all places, the R osebud Casino. A Casino! I say, to the men of the Dakota, Lakota and Nakota bands of the Great Teton Nation, it's time to stand up and protect "our sacred Keeper of Pte San Wins' Cannupa, so that people with small minds are not allowed to harm "our sacred Cannupa, its keeper and our Lakota way of life." People who do not understand the sacredness of Cannupa.

When they took on the responsibility of hosting this meeting, they also took on the responsibility of any harm coming to our sacred Cannupa and also our sacred pipe keeper. That is a huge, huge responsibility to burden. And if they're harmed, that also brings harm to the people, you so strongly claim to protect. We offer prayers for you, because obviously you have no knowledge of the sacredness and respect that is given to our sacred Cannupa.

I also heard of talk of wanting to moved the sacred Cannupa to another location and appoint a different Pipe Keeper.

Doesn't anyone understand that Pte San Win and Tunkasila were the ones who selected Arvel Looking Horse to be the sacred Pipe Keeper? It was not a mortal human being who done that. It doesn't work that way. Thee is no human alive who can change that. If there's anyone who thinks they can, how did they become more powerful and sacred than Pte San w in and Tunkasila?

All of our sacred ceremonies were given to us by Pte Win and Tunkasila, to be performed in a specific manner. That's what made them so powerful and unique. All healing was performed in this manner.

Today, there are so man "man-made" rules connected with these ceremonies, that it's like "wojapi." The Lakota people understand what this means. Not only are there only lots of rules (or lack of), there are also a lot of

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Northern Perspectives

Wanikiya tunpi ta anpetu!



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

The Lakota language is not totally devoid of any reference to the Christian notion of Christmas as that phrase tells us.

We often hear of Santa Claus referred to as 'waziya' and it obviously refers to the northerthly direction of where he may have come, according to legend. With the whole holiday spirit and accompanying gift giving frenzy taking hold, Lakota people also clamor to use descriptive language to depict the trappings of the holiday spirit.

I was visiting the RST Veteran's Affairs office last Wednesday and the staff of Orlando, Billie and Troylynn were talking with Hattie Dunham who comes from the Norris area.

Her mother, Christine Dunham, is a superb Lakota speaker and her older brothers and sisters are quite versed in Lakota.

She said, "I saw you somewhere and you started talking Lakota and I couldn't believe that was coming out of your mouth. How did you learn Lakota." I explained to Hattie that I have always been a student of Lakota and that the way I learned much of the nuance, meaning, and translation of Lakota was simply to watch and listen. I have had a lot of years to observe some of the best Lakota speakers and while they are too numerous to mention I might mention a few.

First of all, to admit that one can navigate around Lakota is to acknowledge that it involves a very complex linguistic ability that one has to possess in order to understand, write and generally be literate in Lakota. You can imagine how attentive I am when I would listen to people like John Around Him, Calvin Jumping Bull, Joe Eagle Elk, Stanley Red Bird, Sr., Bill Schweigmann and other elders who have passed on into the spirit world.

I consider myself to be functionally literate in Lakota and that simply means that I am not afraid to speak Lakota no matter how elementary I may sound or how many mistakes I make.

Many times when I write Lakota, I do it phonetically so it may not resemble the English way to write the sounds that I hear. Sometimes, we may hear some people say, "You have to write it this way" or they may say that one didn't grow up Lakota just because we make a mistake or two.

Many times when Lakota teachers and students get together, they sometimes will establish ground rules and say that, "No matter how someone uses Lakota we don't make fun of them" and that is a great philosophy to follow.

Can you imagine having had the honor of exchanging Lakota words with John Around Him and Calvin Jumping Bull all during the same year prior to their passing; now that is something to be proud of.

Knowing that Lakota carries such power and honor lends greater appreciation to the possibility that it will be perpetuated and will never die. I know that I don't do enough to teach my son Lakota and I am so ashamed of that.

Elsewhere in the Lakota Country Times you will read of some good news about language preservation.

The 2006 Esther Martinez Native American Preservation Act was passed and it will provide three year grants for language restoration and survival. That is such wonderful news and it bodes well for Lakota as we still have many excellent speakers and such funding will help us to perpetuate and guard our sacred language.

Increasingly, when I see friends in passing like Kerwin Eagleman, Roy Spotted War Bonnett, Syvan White Hat, Pat Bad Hand, Francis Whitebird, or Francis Morrison they invariably will talk Lakota to me and they aren't worried that I might be mixed blood or my politics may be just a bit off.

I appreciate the honor and as I listen and offer Lakota of my own, I in turn am increasing my sense of Lakota and how its world view is all connected.

I always wanted to publish some sort of documentation of what the wasicu calls "metaphors" and since I may not get around to doing it, I need to demonstrate a couple that I learned from the late Stanley Red Bird, Sr.

He explained that "pte paka he he pse oyakiye" is a metaphor that one might hear when first entering into a room of people casually sitting around. The one who is new to the group is encouraged to tell the latest stories or gossip and not to leave anything out.

When you hear the words you envision the instructions as "Like the stringy fur on the coat of a cow that catches everything, tell it like it is and don't leave anything out" is kind of the essence of that phrase.

There is one more that I learned from Stanley and it goes, "Makasica si ublakapse oyakiye." When you hear that descriptive phrase, it means, "Like the duck whose feet is spread (when landing) tell us everything that you heard."

Once again, the phrase contains the essence of the metaphor and it captures quite succinctly what one is supposed to do when joining up with their friends.

I join with others at the *Lakota Country Times* staff including Amanda Takes War Bonnett and Connie Blanco in wishing you, *"Wanikiya Tunpi Ta Anpetu nahan iyuha cante ni waste"* – Merry Christmas and we wish you to be happy of heart.

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Lakota: it's easy to say

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modern, new songs, for sundancing. ("Wi Wang Waci"). There are only seven original songs that are used in the Sundance ceremony.

That's what made the ceremony sacred. These were to be the only songs to be used with this ceremony. Hardly anyone follows this way anymore, and that is sad.

Now, I do not profess to know all the knowledge there is to know about our sacred way of life, but I am continuing to learn and educate myself.

I learn through the sacred sweat ceremony and also by asking a true medicine man. There are proper ways to do everything and I am learning as much as I can.

First and foremost, the very basic and most important thing I have learned, from my uncles and my mother is, the very sacredness of our own personal Cannupa, the sacredness of Pte San W ins' Cannupa and the sacred Pipe Keeper. (that's why, when I heard of this latest attack on him, I was very disappointed that NO MAN stood up and protected him.) I had to ask, "What is our people coming to?"

To attack the very being of our existence as a people, as a nation. I am still learning, and will continue to learn, about our sacred way of life, because, someday, I'll have to teach or pass the teachings on to my children and they in turn, will pass it on to their children, (my grand children). To learn the proper way to conduct ourselves around these ceremonies.

There was a time when my mother would prepare for a ceremony and she would make tobacco ties, we, as a children, had to come inside, close the door, turn off the radio (or anything else making noise), and be real quiet while she prayed and made her ties. When she completed, then we could go play or continue doing whatever we wee doing. This was the respect and sacredness that was given to these ceremonies and was taught to us.

I had to wonder by our sacred Pipe Keeper had to go through the type of behavior. These individuals need to get out of the "white man's way of thinking" and start looking into their hearts.

A true Lakota man would not have done what these individuals have done, (at that meeting) Our elders tell us that being Lakota is hard.

How true that is. It's easy to say you're Lakota or traditional, but its hard to live that way. Think about it.

Corey Hairy Shirt
Pine Ridge, S.D.

Notes From Indian Country

Wounded Knee and the Moon of Popping Trees



By Tim Giago
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While Americans agonize over the contents of the Iraq Study Group and weigh the options of extricating its soldiers from the middle of a civil war, the people of the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota will gather on a lonely hill overlooking the demolished village of Wounded Knee (Wounded Knee was destroyed during the occupation of the American Indian Movement in 1973 and was never rebuilt) to commemorate and grieve the massacre of their ancestors.

It was after a night so cold that the Lakota called it "The Moon of the Popping Trees" because as the winter winds whistled through the hills and gullies at Wounded Knee Creek on that morning of December 29, 1890, one could hear the twigs snapping in the frigid air.

When a soldier of George Armstrong Custer's former troop the 7th Cavalry tried to wrest a hidden rifle from a deaf Lakota warrior after all of the other weapons had already been confiscated from Sitanka's (Big Foot) band of Lakota people, the deafening report of that single shot caused pandemonium amongst the soldiers and they opened up with their Hotchkiss machine guns upon the unarmed men, women and children.

Thus began an action the government called a "battle" and the Lakota people called a "massacre." The Lakota people say that only 50 people of the original 350 followers of Sitanka survived that morning of slaughter.

One of the survivors, a Lakota woman, was treated by the Indian physician Dr. Charles Eastman at a make-shift hospital set up in a church in the village of Pine Ridge. Before she died of her wounds she told about how she had concealed herself in a clump of bushes. As she hid there she saw two terrified little girls running past. She grabbed them and pulled them into the bushes. She put her hands over their mouths to keep them quiet but a mounted soldier spotted them. He fired a bullet into the head of one girl and them calmly reloaded his rifle and fired into the head of the other girl. He then fired into the body of the Lakota woman. She feigned death and although badly wounded, lived long enough to relate her terrible ordeal to Dr. Eastman. She said that as she lay there pretending to be dead, the soldier leaned down from his horse, used his rifle to lift up her dress in order to see her private parts, and then he snickered and rode off.

As the shooting subsided, units of the 7th Cavalry rode off toward White Clay Creek near Pine Ridge Village on a search and destroy mission. When they rode onto the grounds of Holy Rosary Indian Mission, my grandmother Sophie, a student at the mission school, and the other Lakota children, were forced by the Jesuit priests to feed and water their horses. My grandmother never forgot that terrible day and she often talked about how the soldiers were laughing and bragging about their great victory. She recalled one soldier saying, "Remember the Little Big Horn."

The Massacre at Wounded Knee was called the last great battle between the United States and the Indians. The true version of the events of that day were polished and sanitized for the consumption of most Americans. Twenty-three soldiers of the 7th Cavalry were awarded this Nation's highest honor, The Medal of Honor, for the murder of nearly 300 innocent and unarmed men, women and children. Although 25 soldiers died that day, historians believe that most of them died from friendly fire when they were caught in the crossfire of the Hotchkiss guns. Many Lakota have tried in vain to have those medals revoked without success.

Before they died, the Lakota warriors fought the soldiers with their bare hands as they shouted to the women and children, "Inyanka po, inyanka po! (Run, run)." The elderly men, unable to fight back, fell on their knees and sang their death songs. The screams and the cries of the women and children hung in the air like a heavy fog.

When I was a young boy I lived at Wounded Knee. Of course by then the name of the village had been changed to Brennan to honor a Bureau of Indian Affairs superintendent, but all of the Lakota knew why the name was changed. Because although the government tried various ways to conceal the truth, the Lakota people never forgot and they always referred to the hallowed grounds as Wounded Knee and they continued to come to the mass grave to pray even though it was roundly discouraged by the government.

As a child I walked along the banks of Wounded Knee Creek and I often had an uneasy feeling, it was as if I could hear the cries of little children. Whenever I visited the trading post where my father worked I would listen to the elders as they sat on the benches in front of the store and spoke in whispered voices as the pointed at the hills and gullies. Never did I read about that horrible day in the history books used at the mission school I attended.

Two ironies still haunt me. Six days after the bloody massacre the editor of the Aberdeen (S.D.) Saturday Pioneer wrote in his editorial, "The Pioneer has before declared that our only safety depends upon the total extermination of the Indians. Having wronged them for centuries, we had better, in order to protect our civilizations, follow it up by one more wrong and wipe these untamed and untamable creatures from the face of the earth."

The author of that editorial was L. Frank Baum, who later went on to write that famous children's book, "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz." In calling for genocide against my grandmother and the rest of the Lakota people, he placed the final punctuation upon a day that will forever live in infamy amongst the Lakota.

And finally, as the dead and dying lay in the makeshift hospital in the Episcopal Church in Pine Ridge Village, Dr. Eastman paused to read the sign above the entrance that read, "Peace on Earth, Goodwill to Men."

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Viewing the tribal politics from afar

Dear Editor:

I read Tim Giago's opinions in Indianz.com as I try to keep abreast on happenings in Indian Country.

In observing the situation at Oglala Sioux Tribe with competing tribal chairman, it would be a real Indian Country comedy, if it wasn't real life.

By chance, I happen to know all two principle characters involved in the conflict and I know them as good men, for whom I have a lot of respect.

However, I would like to be in a group or situation to be able to ask the following question like the TV game show host, "will the real Oglala Tribal Chairman, please stand up."

At least we can see who is the quickest, and hope the sudden shift in blood from the head does not cause them to pass out.

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other problems our tribe is facing, like the loss of our beautiful Lakota language, high suicide rates, high child abuse rates, poverty, unemployment, housing shortages, crime, all manner of oppression and discrimination.

When I began to make noises about having a Constitutional Convention, the IRA machine went into full gear to stop any work in that direction. The people on the inside know what I am talking about.

The corruption began to grind its gears and strengthen up its resources to stop this discussion about the people having a voice in our own Constitution, which must include a separation of powers. A separation of powers will not solve all of the problems of government, but it can be a starting point to build in some protection around some very important and life-impacting functions of IRA government, such as the election process, and creating the integrity of an election process.

There are some good people in tribal government, from the council level to the district level and the community level, and there are some good workers in all of these levels also, who really try their best everyday and keep their involvement in IRA corruption to the lowest level possible, so they can keep their jobs to feed their families. Not everyone is corrupt, but when there are corrupt decision makers, there will be corrupt government and entities of government.

With this vehicle of government so easily manipulated by corruption, it is in the constant circumstance of teetering over the edge in the area of finances. With its' almost 100 percent dependence on federal funding for its existence, the time right now is a bad time for tribal government, more so than in the past. Tribal Council and Executive Committee depends on Indirect Cost for one-half of its' salaries, this is an unstable source of funding so it is continuously manipulated by tribal government so they can continue receiving pay checks drawn from Indirect Cost. If the finances of the OST were to be managed in separate accounts, this robbing Peter to Paul would have to end, and OST would have to create another source of income for their salaries.

This is what a sovereign government would do. The Tribal Court receive its' funding through Tribal government through PL-638 contracts, versus directly from the source of federal justice monies and other funding sources.

This arrangement of direct funding could contribute to a true separation of powers, as the Tribal Court would not be dependent on Tribal government for its funding, and direct funding may contribute to the decrease of what many people describe in the chokehold that Tribal government has on the Courts.

These items are of great importance in Rebuilding a Nation to become stronger against corruption and more transparent in its functions and operations, there would be nothing to hide-all fiscal and appropriate judicial operations could be visible to and accessible by any tribal member.

The Courts would be strengthened if the OST Attorney General and Prosecutors were elected by a vote of the people and not subject to being fired by the Tribal Council. These opinions of mine are based on the recent experience as Vice-President, being placed in position as President by Tribal Council, and from participating in the IRA government system.

I had to take some valuable time during this past election to gather documents, and paper work, to show what all had took place. During this time, the corruption used this time to get themselves together to carry on with an illegal election, that was so illegal in so many ways, it may take a long time and outsiders to unravel all of it. During this time, the corruption put the spot light on my candidacy for Tribal President, to discredit me, and to create a doubt in the people's minds. Instead, the scope of vision of Tribal Council could have been on the irregularities and illegalities committed by the OST Election Board. Vice-President Eileen Janis and I worked, with the support of several tribal council men and women, to put together the documents that prove the illegalities of the tribal election because many of our people, elders, traditional people, treaty people, and people from all walks of life wanted us to fight this corruption.

We have taken this packet of documentation to every possible level, to seek a new election for our people to have a voice. Funds were located that were available for use in having a whole new election process without taking funds from sources used to meet the peoples' needs, so funding was not an obstacle to holding a whole new election. After listening to Chief Red Cloud, many Lakota people, elders, treaty people, Itancan, Naca, many Unci, Tuwin, and young Lakota people, Tribal Council voted in the Billy Malls Hall to have a new election board and new election process begin right away. The many tribal members there and across the reservation were very joyful. Then, a few days later, many of the Tribal Council members began to behave as though this tribal council action never took place. Closed meetings were held, press conferences were conducted, jobs were offered to tribal members by the incoming government. A judge inside the OST courts took their side, and issued restraining orders, and ordered police to patrol inside and outside the tribal building, and this intimidated a lot of people and workers. The council again removed an Election Board, re-affirming the Election Board that held this whole past election as "their" Election Board.

We, Vice-President Eileen Janis and I, along with those council men and women of conscience, and tribal employees, have done every legal act that can be done to honor the many requests and demands from our people that there must be a new election according to the first and second Election Appeals Courts final and binding ruling. Past Tribal Presidents, Vice-Presidents, and many Tribal Council men and women took it upon themselves to give us their advice and words of encouragement based on their experience in tribal government.

Short of "taking over" the Red Cloud Building and having a standoff, there is not much more we can do to stop the "incoming" tribal government from taking "office", they would just set up "office" somewhere else, as they have promised to do. Without the support of two-thirds of the Tribal Council that was voted into office in 2004, without the involvement of an Executive Committee, the efforts of Vice-President Eileen Janis and I have reached that brick wall of corruption. The efforts of the newly seated OST Election Board Leon Matthews, Phyllis Hollow Horn, and Lily Mae Red Eagle, and both OST Court of Elections Appeals, of some of the tribal council men and women, and many tribal employees to seek an honest, clean election are real, sincere, true efforts to do what is right. This effort took a lot of courage, and patience, and working together for what is right. We have experienced as a group, how hard it is to make social change for our people.

From talking with all of these folks, no one regrets that decision to try to do what is right.

When an OST Judge swore in the "incoming" government, this added so much more confusion, it contributed to the breakdown of the whole new election process that had been in progress.

With the individual current and "incoming" IRA government visibly and vocally supporting this court action, the level of oppression against our own people and process increased to the point where they achieved a politically unstable tribal government environment-they needed this to happen, to alienate tribal members, to create apathy where there was hope, and to trigger a paper avalanche from the "incoming" government to and through the casino, courts, and services.

I believe there must be an investigation into the 2006 OST Election by an outside, objective force, to determine illegalities that were made to happen by corrupt decision makers, at whatever level-all levels! The Bureau of Indian Affairs wants no part of this, the BIA as an entity, is part of the process.

Can the BIA work with another entity to have an investigate? Maybe the Department of Justice will be interested? Maybe there will be a Congressional Hearing to look into this? Maybe the OST Court will hire an independent Judge from elsewhere to hear this entire matter? Illegal elections happen all over Indian Country, not just here, and in many other places, also. People still talk about the United States Election, how separation of powers didn't help in that election!

All over, people are faced with governments that are not doing right by them. It is just that much harder to face when we are all of the same blood, of common ancestors, and have had such a beautiful, spiritual, collective way of life in our past, and that so many of us want to have again.

I will not give up on reintroducing the Resolution I promoted to Tribal Council that acknowledged the Lakota language as precious, as it was tabled by Tribal Council but I will pursue this endeavor to preserve our language and require Tribal government to speak our language, in a timeline that is realistic, possible, and doable, as it cannot happen overnight.

I will not give up trying to have a Constitutional Convention, as voiced by the people. I believe this has to happen, I want it to happen in my lifetime, for my grandchildren and their grandchildren's grandchildren. Wopila epe' to all worked so hard to try to make this happen. Maybe we can all meet up again sometime, in an honest election, somewhere down the road. *Ho, hecetu yelo.*

Guest Editorial

Political mind reading



By Dr. Jim Wilson

I have received many positive comments on my pre-election article, "If Democrats in Washington, better balance in Pierre and new blood in Pine Ridge don't show a marked improvement, try again." Several people commented on my political sagacity, forgetting what I have focused on in recent writings; searching for patterns of behavior. I discussed the apparent opposite of patterns; chaos.

We use the word 'chaos' to describe unpredictable behavior of both creatures and objects, but it is more accurate in saying erratic, dissimilar or skewed behavior.

In my earliest boarding school days we played a clever gambling game called 'Marbles.'

Later I learned to play pool in the Big Boys' Dorm. Still later in life I learned to play Billiards.

I group these games as incidences of humans trying to control inanimate objects. Some people develop great skills while others never get beyond the minimum skill levels.

The people (players) were operating on emotional and psychological rules of behavior and the inanimate objects were acting (responding) on rules of nature (physics). That is where I learned that careful observation and understanding of the rules of any game leads to skill in playing the game and that frequently intelligence trumps when skills are similar.

Thus, I became a people watcher.

One can extrapolate people observations to numerous other situations and appear to be a skillful mind reader to the less observant bystander.

When dealing with large numbers of politicians it is useful to understand the 'theory of central tendencies.' This theory is quite well developed and accepted, but is a long way from absolute in reliability. A simplistic explanation of the theory is that when there are a large number of occurrences of any kind such occurrences tend to develop a predictable pattern with a tendency to occur most frequently near the center. The result is a pattern of occurrences which resembles a bell and is often called the bell-shaped curve. If you have been in a class where grading was 'on the curve' you know what I'm talking about.

Once you understand the 'theory of central tendencies' you can easily discern aberrations and when such aberrations accumulate you have a 'trend' which serves as a clear indication that the future holds a probable reaction leading back toward the established central tendency.

So, that explains my political wizardry and I hope all of my friends will put this knowledge to work. But, first, let me add a caveat! Too few samples can be very misleading.

So, we social scientists have developed some simple tests of the reliability of our samples. We are all familiar with our national 'exit poll' reports and the so-called levels of confidence. One simple test is to divide the numeral 1 by the square root of the number (n) in our sample. Example: 100 in a sample gives us a square root of 10. 1 divided by 10 gives us .10 or 10% reliability. Not good. But increasing our sample to, say 900, gives us a square root of 30. 1 divided by 30 gives us .03 or 3% reliability. Much better. Thus, we learn that larger samples are more reliable.

Assuming that 300 million Americans represent an adequate sample, it is easy to see that public polling can be very informative, reliable and, therefore, useful.

When our President says he does not pay attention to the polls he is telling us he is ignoring us.

When any administration, the Congress and the Supreme Court are all of the same party we are in great danger of roaring off on the wrong road. Especially when the driver (President) doesn't read (the road signs) or listen (to the passengers)!

Now that the citizens have jerked the steering wheel from the stubborn, stay-the-course 'Decider' and expelled a few bad apples from the Congress we can breathe a sigh of relief.

For the next two years we will see a dramatically different Congress with a lame duck President focusing on finding our way out of the darkened, smoke-filled fire-box of the Fertile Crescent where nearly 2,000 years of dissonance has prevailed.

And the good news is that we will get some good legislation!

There are two reasons for this prediction; the only legislation that can get through now is that on which both parties can agree, and, every Congressperson and every Senator will (should) be on their best behavior!

And back at the Statehouse we should also see some dramatic changes.

The number of issues on the state ballot clearly (and loudly) reflected a broad public dissatisfaction with both the Legislature and our Governor. Rebalancing the Legislature should reduce bad legislation, increase good legislation while defeat of the numerous 'reactionary proposals' and delay further such efforts. The greatest need in our state is for a complete review and revision of our tax system.

The state Republicans can't get it through their heads that the property tax burdens that they both complain about and defend have the people locked in to limits for people investments.

Paying property taxes means you first pay taxes on the money spent for the property and then paying taxes on the property every year, so you we limit such taxes, thereby limiting available resources. There are better ways, but first we must put all ideas on the table for discussion.

Meanwhile, back at the Rez! The struggles of Tribal Government really emphasize the tribal aspect of governance.

Tribal governments suffer from numerous natural consequences.

Foremost is the tribal belief that any leadership role makes one a Chief. Chiefs tend to act like Chiefs. How do Chiefs act? Look at George W. Bush!

Another problem is that many tribes think themselves poor victims and do not hold their elected leaders to high standards. Ask any Pine Ridge politician what is the highest priority of the Tribe and 99.44% will say, "Education." Then ask them how many 'degree holders' they elect or hire and the response is, "Next question."

Now that we have 'new blood' (we really should say recycled blood) in a new Tribal Council most observers will point to an urgent need for resolving the problems encountered in recent months, but I beg to disagree.

Here are some thoughts to consider: until a person decides where they will go on vacation they will not know what to pack, how to get there or what it will cost. On the other hand if that person bought only shorts, teeshirts and sunglasses, there are limitations on where they can go.

We do not need to ignore the necessities of internal management systems but we do not need to be pouring cement (like Rapid City on the Civic Center expansion) before we know a lot more about our goals and costs. The single greatest need for my tribe (Oglalas) is to define some goals and intelligently pursue them.

Management systems that are too rigid are as bad, or worse, than none. A few simple fixes and we will be 'good to go.'

With little or no separation of powers it is very much like being your own Grandpa!

The solutions are clear and simple, but we need the willingness to make a few changes. We must prohibit Tribal Council members from sitting on Boards of tribally Chartered Organizations, more clearly define the authorities and responsibilities of Boards serving the Tribe, and step back from interfering with the operation of the Tribal Courts.

The central question for my Tribe should be, "What do we want to do?" There should be numerous things we want to do and that will require some prioritizing until we can also learn multi-tasking. After we decide what we want and how to get it we can start talking about money.

One early thing should be to arrange a sit-down with the Governor and key state legislators to begin setting up a formal process of Diplomatic Relations between each tribe and the state to exchange Ambassadors.

Our nine Sioux Tribes with over 70,000 members, millions of acres and nearly a $1 billion economy are now important social, economic and government partners.

There is a steady Indian population growth rate that is greater than the state's non-Indian growth rate, increasing migration of tribal members to the cities, increasing intermarriage, growth of Tribal Colleges with many non-Indians discovering benefits of attending them, increasing Indian enrollments in all of the state colleges and many other patterns of social, economic and political interactions which the Governor and Legislators surely must see.

Three indicators of our stuck-in-the-mud situation are: almost no Indians employed by the state, almost no Indians serving on state Boards and almost 40 percent of the state penitentiary inmates are Indians (about 50 percent in Rapid City). As the saying goes, "What is wrong with this picture?"

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LWHS students write Iktomi stories with morals

KYLE - Twila Hopkin's Lakota Language II students at Little Wound High School wrote the following stories ending with a moral.

Their first draft was written in English and after vocubulary review, they translated their stories into Lakota language.

"The whole reason for the Iktomi stories is to have a moral and lesson learned, as there is always a lesson in his stories," Hopkins said.

The students write their stories and come up with a moral.

"I call it the Iktomi season and how it is better to give than not to give," she said.

She said alot stories that were turned in revolved around politics because that is what is in the news on the reservation.

Hopkins encourages students to take home their translations as they all have someone at home or in the community they can go to help with the language.

"They are really neat stories. I like to read the Lakota version," she said.

She said she encouraged by student's interest in the work they do, for example Devon Lebeau, he works to learn to the language and finds the resources to learn.

Iktomi eca tribal president Oic'icuwa

By Devon Lebeau
Little Wound High School

Wanna rez el caje oihpe kiyapi iyehantu. Iktomi President cin ca caje oihpe kiye. Wotanin ya omani. Oyate tona caje k'u pi hena tona okiya pi hena toksa maza ska ota icu pi kta keye, ohiye hantan nas.

Icin oyate kin hunh Iktomi es'e opic'iya pi ca wancagna okiya pi. Mni sica na canli sica oyate wica k'u pi. Iktomi caje k'u pi hantan nas.

Wana caje yawapi na Iktomi ohiya ca, tona Iktomi okiyapi hena ena Iktomi la iyokipi pi, icin mazaska ota icupi kta ca heun.

Eyas, Iktomi taku wicak'u kte keye hena ektunje na kiyekiyanpi un sna kiya iyaye. Isom nata huhu aye.

Oyate tona Iktomi okiyapi hena lila canzeka pi.

Wana wi wanji ihunni, ca Iktomi taoyate ki Tribal building el kiwitaya hipi na woglakapi. Wana Iktomi yuhpapi kta ca.

Wahehani Limousine wan hinajin yunkan Iktomi hayapi wasteste un na winyan owang waste wan kici kiglicupi. Taoyate ki wiyungapi, eyas takunni owicakiyaka okini sni.

Taoyate ki President hetan yuhpapi ca Lakota oyate yanke ekta gi na ake un wacin eyas wana wahtelapi sni na hehanyan wacinyanpi sni.

Pine Ridge oyanke ki lel politics he lecel inyanke!

Wounspe ki he:

Tohanni tuweni isam wankatuya ic'ela sni yo,lila ohankoya ni hinhpa oyakihi yelo!

Iktomi runs for tribal president

It was election time on the rez. Iktomi decided he would run for tribal president. He began to campaign. He promised all who voted for him and who would work for him a large sum of money when he became President.

Many people began to work for him and began to buy votes for him. They gave out alcohol an drugs to people so they would vote for Iktomi.

Because many people are just like Iktomi, they voted for him. Iktomi got in as President. All who voted and worked for him were very happy. They remembered that they would get a large sum of money now.

But Iktomi already forgot the promise he made and became even more stupid. He was always flying off to somewhere and he was never around.

Finally all of Iktomi's people were very angry. They could never find him or reach him. But Iktomi didn't care, he was having so much fun.

After a month since the election, Iktomi's people gathered at the Tribal Office and decided it was time to remove him from office.

About then a Limo pulls up and Iktomi gets out wearing fancy clothes and a beautiful woman by his side. He thought the people were happy to see him. His people began to ask him about his promises. Iktomi could not answer them.

His people removed him immediately and Iktomi had to come back and live among the Lakota again, but the people never liked him again and never trusted him again.

This is how politics is on the rez!

My Moral: Never think of yourself better or higher than anyone, because you will be humbled quickly.

Iktomi eca Sunka Hakte Wicayuwita

By Eryc Lone Hill
Little Wound High School

Anpetu wan el Iktomi eca mani hiya he wahehanl sunka hakte eya wawicayanka. He wana sunka hakte ospaye zaptan wawicayanke.

Wowiyukcan wan el hiyu. "Ito sunka hakte tona rez lel umpi ki iyuha iyewicawayin na wicabluha kte",eye.

Wi yamni Iktomi sunka hakte wicayuha skan. Lila otehike watohanl sna. Hunh yahtaka pi na ins anpetu wanji sna el Iktomi oiyang owicakuwa omani. Lila sna yugo.

Anpetu wan el wana Iktomi wowasi tawa ki glustan. Sunka hakte opawinge yamnisam wikcemna sakpe sam numpa owicayuspe.

Ho wan! Toka wicaunkta he?

Otonwahe tanka Mni Luzahan Wakpa Otonwahe ekta Humane Society el awicai na wiyope wicaye. Wanjica napcinyunka la k'u pi, eyas Iktomi lila iyokipi.

Sunka hakte hena eca unsiwicalakin na hecun ca iyokipi Iktomi wicasa wacante ognake heca,… watohanl sna.

Wounspe iwacu ki he le e:

Taku keyas na ins tuwe keyas cante wicakiyuza po, ki niseya watohanl taku waste wanlakin kte yelo.

Iktomi rounds up rez mutts

One day Iktomi was walking when he noticed a pack of stray dogs. Iktomi thought, "geez, that's the fifth pack of dogs I seen today".

A thought came to Iktomi. "I'll round up every stray dog on the rez and keep them to sell."

And so Iktomi's work began. It took him three months to round up all the stray dogs on the rez. His work was long and costly. He was bitten by the dogs and had to run all day long chasing them around trying to catch them.

Finally the day came when he caught and gathered all the stray dogs. He had 362 dogs.

Feeling relieved because his work was finally done. Now what was he going to do with is dogs?

He thought about it and went to the Humane Society and sold all his dogs to them. All he received was $9.00, but he was happy with what he got, because he had such pity for the stray dogs and wanted to find them a good home, so he did.

This time, Iktomi was a good guy who has compassion for animals.

Moral:

It doesn't matter who it is, have compassion for everyone and you will also be rewarded.

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Iktomi Masopiye Tanka Ekta i

By Bianca Jealous of Him
Little Wound High School

Anpetu wan el Iktomi tiyata takunni ecun sni yanka he. Hayapi tawa ki wakinglake na hecin, "hayapi teca etan wacin", eye. Hayapi teca etan opetun kta cin tka mazaska takunni yuha sni. Iktomi wayawa ye hehan hunku na atkuku kin mazaska opawinge numpa eyas sna k'upi. Ho tka wayawa inakiye hehan mazaska takunni k'upi sni ca mazaska takunni yuha sni.

Iktomi hecin, "ito masopiye tanka heciya mni na hayapi etan mawanu kte", ecin.

Iktomi masopiye tanka ekta I na hayapi eya manu. Wana glinape wahehanl canska yuha kin Iktomi oyuspapi na maza tiopa okaske tima iyeyapi.

Ho yunkan, Iktomi hunka na atkuku kin mazaska ota kajujupi na Iktomi yutankal icu pi. Hotka Iktomi ake hektakiya wayawa yin na heciya wounspe I'cicuwa. Hunku na Atkuku kin ake mazaska k'u pi.

Wounspe ki he:

Wayawa pe, glustan pi na wankatuya wayawa ya pe, hecil wowasi waste luhapi na hecel mazaska luhapi kte, na taku yacin pi hena iyacu pi oyakihi pi kte ksto!

Iktomi goes to the mall

One day Iktomi was bored sitting at home with nothing to do. Iktomi had dropped out from school so he was home everyday.

He was going through his clothes and shoes to see what all he had to wear. Iktomi wanted some new gear so he decided to go to the mall. He didn't have any money because he quit school. When he was in school he got a couple hundred dollars every two weeks from his mom and dad. Iktomi sold his clothes he didn't want and borrowed money to buy some new clothes.

He didn't have enough to buy everything he wanted so he thought about stealing the clothes he couldn't get. Everything he wanted but couldn't buy he put in his jacket. Iktomi didn't know that there were security stickers on the clothes he tried to steal.

When he walked through the door the alarm in the store went off. Iktomi panicked and took off running. Security caught him and searched him.

They found all the clothes that he stole. He was arrested and thrown in jail. Iktomi's mom and dad had to bail him out. After that he agreed to go back to school and earn money to buy the things he wants instead of trying to steal them.

Moral:

Get your education , get a good paying job and you can buy anything you want.

Iktomi Hokuwa Yinkte

By Megan Provost
Little Wound High School

Anpetu waste wan el Iktomi eca Wakpamni Lake ekta hokuwa yinkta keye. Igluwinyah na hoicuwa ikikcu na eyaye.

Wakpamni Lake ekta ihunni na takolaku, Keya wanyanke. Keya ins'eya hokuwe. Anpetu ata hokuwa pi. Watohanl sna Iktomi nihinciye, icin keya lila Hogan ota owicayuspa ca.

Hankeya Iktomi canzeke, "taku we miseya Hogan hunh owicabluspe sni", eye.

He hanhepi ki wyukcan hpa he na istime. Woihanble wan yuha. Wanagiwan hi na okiyake, "tuwe ca wacintanke hantan nas, he eca taku waste yuha ktelo" eye.

Iktomi kikta na ta woihanble ki lila iyukcan, na okahnige.

Ca ake Iktomi hokuwa i. Anpetu ata hokuwa, na wacintanka ki lila otehike, eyas hecina yanke. Watohanl Hogan yamni owicayuspe, eyas lila iyokipi.

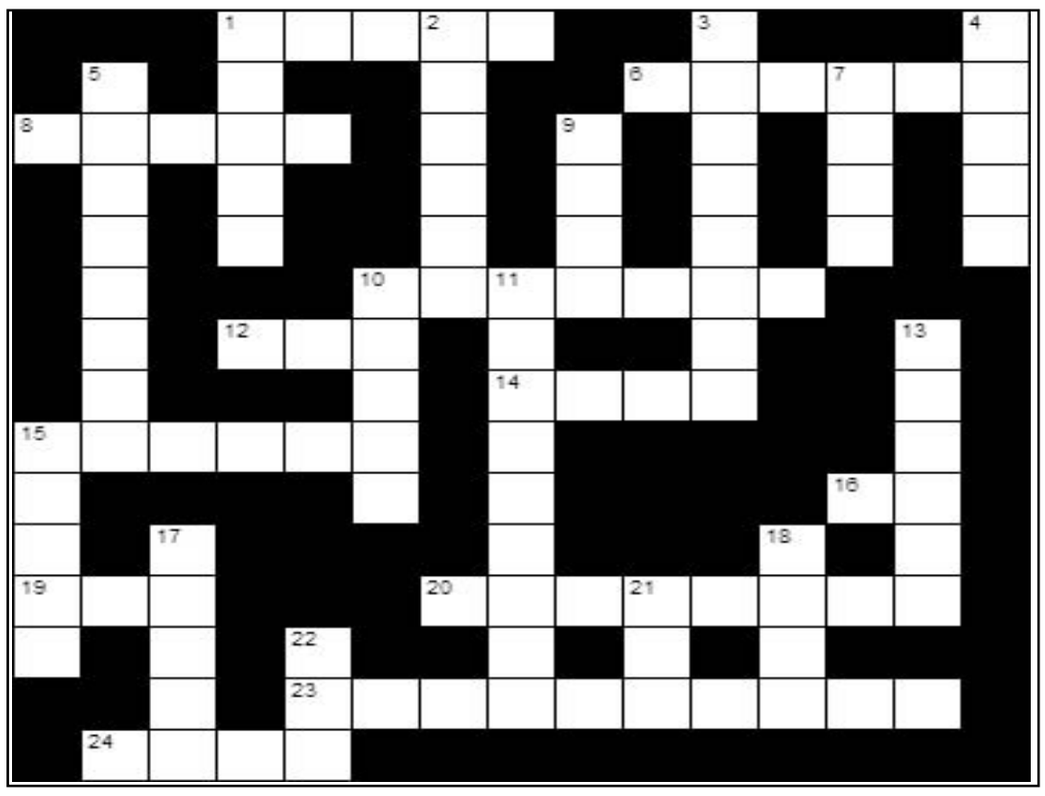
Hogan yamni la owicayuspe eyas lila itan na iyokipi, icin wana wacintang kicun na okihica slolye.

HO, hecetu we!

Taku owakahnige ki he:

Wacintanka pe, tohanl takunl wancagna yacin, eyas ayape hantan nas, iyacu kte. Wacintanka pe!

Holiday Lakota Crossword Puzzle (answers in next week's issue)



Down

1. holy
2. what's wrong?
3. pray
4. to make clean with the mouth
5. I am tired
7. to find interesting
9. no
10. sing
11. coffee
13. pudding
15. pumpkin
17. eggs
18. to chew
21. come! used by women
22. plenty

Across

1. good
6. tripe
8. path
10. I'm hungry
12. potatoes
14. a baby's word for grandfather
15. Santa Claus
16. snow
19. water
20. nuts
23. Where are you going?
24. goose

Answers from last week's puzzle



Iktomi goes fishing

By Megan Provost
Little Wound High School

One bright sunny day, Iktomi decides to go fishing at Wakpamni Lake.

He gathers all of his fishing stuff and boat and goes to the lake. He sees his friend Turtle at the lake. Iktomi and turtle began to fish. They fish all day. Every five minutes Iktomi checks to see if he caught any fish.

He looks over at Turtle. Turtle has caught many fish. Iktomi wonders why he didn't catch any fish.

That night Iktomi thought about why he didn't catch any fish. When he fell asleep, a dream came to him. In his dream a great spirit told him. "Good things come to those who wait." When Iktomi woke up, he thought about his dream and understood right away.

The next day Iktomi woke up and decided to go fishing again. He fished all day and was patient.

It was very hard for him to have patience, but he survived. To his surprise, he caught three fishes. Even though he wanted to catch more that what he had, he was happy and satisfied. He was proud of himself for having patience even when it was hard.

Moral:

Have patience. When you want something right now, sometimes you can't have it right now. Take your time and appreciate what you have right now.

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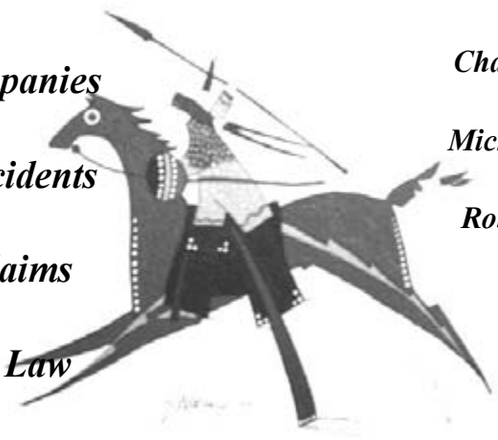
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Students honor Chief Red Cloud

PINE RIDGE - As part of Chief Red Cloud Honoring Day on Dec. 11, Red Cloud Indian School's 5th and 7th grade students wrote short poems to honor his many accomplishments.

School wide, students took time to remember and honor Red Cloud with prayers. During the day, the curriculum included lessons on the life and history of Chief Red Cloud.

The students learned that during the mid 1800s, a series of battles broke out between the Lakota eager to protect their homeland and the United States government, intent on domination over all land within its exterior borders.

Several treaties, including the famous Fort Laramie Treaty of 1851, were made and quickly broken during this slowly rising conflict.

Chief Red Cloud became a great leader of the Oglala, Lakota and led the most successful military campaign ever waged against the United States by an indigenous group.

The result of Chief Red Cloud's great military success was the signing of the Fort Laramie Treaty of 1868, which established the western half of South Dakota as Lakota land, and provided a short period of peace in the area.

In 1874, Custer's calvery expedition into the Black Hills breached the treaty and war was renewed in the Black Hills area. Finally, in 1878 Chief Red Cloud's followers were given a "permanent place" on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Over time, Chief Red Cloud had many dealings with men he knew as the Sina Sapa, the "black robes." Sina Sapa referred to the black cassocks worn by men of the Society of Jesus, better known as the Jesuits. The Jesuits were and continue to be renowned for their emphasis on education. Chief Red Cloud saw education as the only true route to freedom for indigenous peoples.

Red Cloud sent a petition to Washington, D.C. to allow the Jesuits to come to the Reservation and set up a school "so that our children may be as wise as the white man's children." Red Cloud saw his way of life ending.

For Lakota people to prosper, the children must be given the tools to walk in both the Lakota world and the white man's world.

Federal policy at that time designated the Pine Ridge Reservation as an Episcopal reservation - that is, the only religious sect allowed to proselytize to the Oglala was the Episcopal Church.

This policy complicated the granting of Red Cloud's request; but his desire was realized in 1888 shortly before he died.

In 1969, Holy Rosary Mission School officially changed its name to Red Cloud Indian School, both as a sign of respect for the man who had the vision to found the school, and to demonstrate that Red Cloud Indian School's mission is to help form the next generations of Lakota leaders;.

This included the development of a lasting bond between two separate cultures working to enhance the best parts of both to better serve the people of the Pine Ridge Reservation.

Today, Red Cloud Indian School, Inc. strives to provide a brighter future for the children of Pine Ridge Reservation and to realize Chief Red Cloud's dream of a quality education of the mind and heart which will allow Lakota youth to be able to walk equally in both worlds.

NYC court reserves decision on documents in Peltier's case

By Pat Milton
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) _ Attorneys for an Leonard Peltier, convicted of killing two FBI agents in a shootout in 1975 took their fight to free the imprisoned man to a New York courtroom on last Thursday.

The attorneys for Peltier argued for the release of all FBI files stemming from the three-decade-old case. Appearing before a three-judge panel of the U.S. Appeals Court in Manhattan, they contended that the documents should have been turned over to them at the time of trial in 1977.

They are now seeking the release of the documents under the Freedom of Information Act, hoping the withheld information will lead to Peltier's exoneration.

``The FBI cannot use exemptions under FOIA to shield unauthorized, illegal tactics in this case,'' Peltier's attorney, Michael Kuzma, told the panel. Kuzma claimed investigators coerced witnesses and withheld evidence in building a case against Peltier.

Justice Department attorney H. Thomas Byron III told the court that unfettered release of the documents would compromise the confidentiality of the witnesses. He said the witnesses were guaranteed confidentiality, either expressed or implied.

``The circumstances of this case make it clear that anyone who provided information would have reason to have concern for their well-being,'' Byron argued.

The FBI in Buffalo released 797 pages of material in 2004. But it withheld some 15 pages and redacted large portions of the released pages, citing exemptions allowed under FOIA for national security concerns and to protect the identity of agents, witnesses, and informants.

The judges reserved a decision on whether to overturn a Buffalo federal court's ruling last February and order the release of the 15 withheld documents and grant unfettered access to the others with redactions. The federal court in Buffalo found that the FBI could keep secret the handful of documents.

Peltier, 60, is serving two life sentences at the federal penitentiary in Lewisburg, Pa.

Peltier's supporters have been trying to get his conviction overturned for years, saying he was wrongfully targeted because of his activism.

Presents for sale - cheap!

By Anna Bee
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Two weeks before Christmas, and the 47 year old professional woman returned home to her small place in Pine Ridge after a long day at work.

The front door was kicked in; and the woman, not thinking that peril may still be lurking inside her home burst into her living room to see what had happened.

Gone was a box of Christmas ornaments that her children, now grown, had made.

Gone were the already wrapped Christmas presents. Gone were her television and her DVDs and the DVD player. Gone were several small appliances.

What was curious was what was not gone. There was still new girl's clothing, folded on the bed. Still there were little girl books, little girl toys, and other small little girl items.

Gone was her new heater, still in the box, and her old heater.

A neighbor told her that he had seen a young man standing on the corner selling her DVDs. He also had seen the young man hang around her house and had called the police three times to report it.

The woman also had called the police before the burglary, because she saw a young man two times stalking her house.

The police handed her paperwork to complete and hand in. She will deliver the report to their office tomorrow.

There was never a response from the Pine Ridge Police department on the four or five calls made prior to the burglary.

The woman feels violated. Someone was in her home, went through her things, and stole memories from her.

When I asked her what I could do to help her, besides giving her the identity of the teenager that violated her home and stole her things she said, "Anna, you can tell the people of the Pine Ridge reservation to quit buying stolen property. I worked really hard all of my life to get the things I have, and somebody is buying my things for five or six dollars. They are supporting the drug use of the youth and giving them more reason to steal - because they have a market. Help me shut down the market."

We ask all of you to consider what she says. Please don't encourage the youth to do and buy more drugs and alcohol with the hard work and money they have stolen from others.

Stop thieves by erasing their market place. Don't buy stolen property.

I hope my friend gets back her Christmas ornaments. Has anybody seen glittered paper snow flakes for sale?

Bullman man gets 30 months for involuntary manslaughter of Two Bulls

RAPID CITY - A Pine Ridge man who killed a man while driving drunk has been sentenced to 30 months in prison, prosecutors said.

Floyd Bullman, 34, was indicted for involuntary manslaughter in June and pleaded guilty in September in federal court in Rapid City. His vehicle struck and killed Duane Two Bulls on April 19 near Pine Ridge.

U.S. District Judge Andrew Bogue also ordered Bullman to pay $1,940 restitution and serve three years of supervised release.

Bagola pleads not guilty in deadly crash

RAPID CITY (AP) - A Pine Ridge man pleaded not guilty to involuntary manslaughter for a fatal accident. Wade Bagola faces a maximum sentence of six years in prison if he is convicted.

Federal prosecutors said he drove drunk July 1 near Oglala and caused an accident that killed a passenger, Margaret "Renee" Brave Heart.Bagola's trial in U.S. District Court is scheduled to start Feb. 7 in Rapid City.

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SGU Heritage Center holds open house

Sabors performs one person play *Uncicila*

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

MISSION - For the fourth consecutive year the Sinte Gleska University Sicangu Heritage Center held an 'open house' for the public to access the log structure on the Antelope Lake campus.

The event allows the researchers, community members and scholars the opportunity outside normal operating hours to view museum exhibits, meet the staff, and learn about the Heritage Center programs.

The museum was decorated for the holidays, creating a festive mood.

The mission of the Sicangu Heritage Center "is to collect and preserve for current and future generations, the papers, objects and sites which document the history and culture of the Sicangu (Brule) people and to use these materials to educate tribal members and other interested about our culture."

The Lakota Archives and Historical Research Center component of the Heritage Center was created in 1984 and is dedicated to preserving original resource material for study by researchers and donors. It is also the official archival repository of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and as such it also collects oral histories and makes maps of the Rosebud available for study.

The museum is on the first floor and exhibits are presented in a very professional designed floor plan. The majority of the items on display were made by or used by Sicangu individuals. There are also exceptional pieces from originating from Cheyenne River and Pine Ridge collected in the 1920s and 1930s.

The Center also offers a Historic Preservation Office which seeks to document through GIS imagery the location of sites which hold historical and cultural significance to the Sicangu people.

At the 'Open House' Don Moccasin, cultural documentarian, explained that his work involved interviewing Sicangu elders through the use of video camera.

One of his projects was being played in which Bill Little Thunder was explaining how the horse was originally named in Lakota.



St. Francis elder, Claudette Sabors, has performed in "Uncicila" many times in South Dakota and on the Rosebud. The running monologue is from the perspective of a Lakota grandmother as she reflects on a diverse number of issues from the 'giveaway' to her 'tiospaye' to the Vietnam War. The play occasionally integrates some Lakota words that Sabors learned growing up.

Taken out of context, he quoted someone who said, "Hena sunka eyas wakanpelo" which means that the horse resembles a dog yet it is viewed as sacred.

The featured presentation was Sicangu elder, Claudette Sabors of St. Francis community did a one person play entitled "Uncicila" while at least 20 people gathered to hear the monologue which was sometimes spontaneous and at times humorous.

The play is an ongoing recollection of life events that 'Unci' experiences throughout her life, from the giveaway to the depression era to the Korean and Vietnam War. Sabors is quite energetic in her portrayal of grandma as she is convincing in sharing insights gained over a lifetime. "Unci" may be booked for performances by contacting Sabors at 605-856-4515.

Terry Gray is also on the staff and is in charge of maintaining the archival repository located in the basement of the center.

Want some gravy?

By Candice Estes
Special the Times

RAPID CITY - No, you're not being offered something to put on top of your mashed potatoes.

And no, it is not a dog food.

It is the newest innovative group to come out of Rapid City..

"Gravey Train", a rock and alternative music band, is comprised of members Waylon Zimmer, Conan Lammers, Eric Zimmer and Jimmy McLellan.

"It's a state of mind, or a feeling you get when you listen to music," said Conan Lammers, who convinced the group to assume the name.

"We started jammin' about two years ago when Eric and Conan and I got together," said Waylon Zimmer, lead guitar and vocals, who has written most of the songs and has taken leadership of the band. "We wrote most of the music that we perform," said Zimmer. "Our first songs were "Stuttering" and "Beating the Sloth."

Waylon, 23, grew up in Rapid City, attending Robbinsdale Elementary, South Middle School and Central High School, which is where he became life long friends with Conan Lammers.

Zimmer was a music major in college for a couple years before becoming making the band a priority. "Music is my release, a powerful rush," said Waylon. "Playing in front of local audiences is sweet nectar; that cemented me for life."

Eric Zimmer, 19, is the drummer for the band. Eric and Waylon's parents, Steve and Sherri Zimmer of Rapid City (who also have another younger son Chris), encourage the boys to keep playing and writing. Both boys began playing instruments in elementary school. Waylon's day job is at Honda of Rapid City and Eric is in college at Black Hills State University.

Conan "Chief" Lammers, 23, an SDSMT engineering student "on hiatus," found that music became a priority again a few years ago. Conan, a Lower Brule Sioux tribal member, began playing the trumpet in middle school, and now plays bass and acoustic guitar.

Lammers, bass player for the band, is also a lifelong resident of Rapid City. His parents, Michael Lammers, Oglala Sioux Tribe and Candice Estes. Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, of Rapid City, encouraged all their boys to play instruments in either band or orchestra at school. "Conan is a sophomore SDSMT and OLC engineering student "on hiatus," said Lammers' mother. Lammers works at Honda of Rapid City also, and at Pretzel Maker in the Mall.

Jimmy McLellan, 19, is lead vocals and plays guitar and vocals; he began playing and singing about five years ago. Jimmy's parents, Mary Beth and Doug McLellan, support their son but also want him to get a college education. Jimmy attends college at University of Wyoming in Laramie.

The "Gravey Train" began by playing together two years ago and have been perfecting their songs in front of crowds at local coffee houses, benefits, private parties, private events, and band festivals. "Anything that comes out of the 'Train will all be gravey," according to Waylon.

The group is in the middle of cutting their first album. To find out more about Gravey Train, go to their website for scheduled events, forums, picture albums, and contact and pricing information for gigs at www.graveytrainlive. com/home.php .

Community Calendar

Rez Happenings

OST Executive Board Election
Petitions available on Friday, Dec. 8, due back, Friday, Dec. 15 with selection by tribal council on Jan. 5, for information call 867-2769.

Commodity Issue
Friday, Dec. 15 in Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni; Monday, Dec. 18 in Oglala at the old store.

30th Annual Lakota Nation Invitational
Wednesday-Saturday, Dec. 13 through 16 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City featuring a 16 team boy's and a 16 team girl's basketball tournament, hand games, knowledge bowl, language bowl and wrestling tourney.

Well Nations Conference
Fifth annual Well Nations Conference in Rapid City at the Alex Johnson Hotel, Dec 13-17, for information call 348-9283.

Live Concert
Saturday, Dec. 16 at Venue Eight featuring Tone Loc with K.O.D. and Verbal Trixx as opening acts with doors opening at 8 p.m. at 504 Mt. Rushmore Road in Rapid City, for information call 721-4319.

Pow wow Comedy Jam
Saturday, Dec. 16, 8 p.m. at the Alex Johnson Hotel in Rapid City with Jr. Redwater, Jim Ruel, Chance Rush and Mylo Smith, for information call 800 285-8044.

High School basketball season
Tuesday, Dec. 19 Todd County at Valentine (girls), Valentine at Todd County (boys). Pine Ridge at Hot Springs (boys), Thursday, Dec. 21, Cheyenne Eagle Butte at Pine Ridge (girls and boys), Little Wound at Bennett County (girls).

Concert, Arts and Crafts Fair
Lakota Holiday Concert and Arts and Crafts Fair, Tuesday, Dec. 19 at the Lower Brule Community Center starting at 5:30 p.m. with all musicians and singing groups welcome, for information call Earl Bull Head 605 473-9232.

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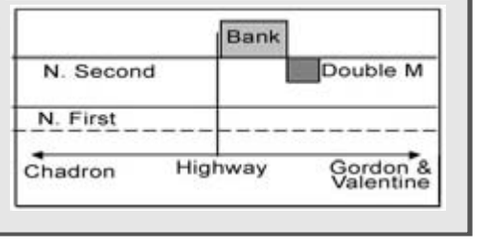


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'Tribal members venture into business world'

By Steve Tripoli

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KYLE - More and more Native Americans are choosing entrepreneurship as a path out of poverty - and casinos aren't part of the mix, Steve Tripoli reported on American Public Media radio recently.

American Public Media is one of the nation's premier public radio producers, with 14.7 million listeners each week.

Native American communities have some of the highest rates of unemployment in the country. Persistent poverty has meant no real economic development on reservations for decades. But a burst of new business creation is changing that.

Steve Tripoli reported much of the economy of South Dakota's Pine Ridge Reservation just doesn't make sense. One particular statistic irritates chamber of commerce head Ivan Sorbel.

"It's estimated that $80 million come onto the reservation in any given year and approximately about 80 percent of that leaves the reservation within 24 hours.

That's because there aren't many businesses on the reservation to capture those dollars. People head straight to border towns to shop," said Sorbel, executive director of the Pine Ridge Chamber of Commerce.

Sorbel says it's bad enough that money doesn't circulate inside a reservation where unemployment's a staggering 60 percent. But it's especially aggravating for such an isolated place. Pine Ridge is the size of Connecticut and has just 25,000 residents in a few towns. Most all are members of the Oglala Lakota Sioux tribe. Yet people often travel a hundred miles for services as basic as a haircut.

Elsie Meeks, board member of Lakota Funds said, "You know, the tribe as a whole, it's been a bit of a stretch for them to understand that private entrepreneurship is important."

She says small business is missing here because tribal culture emphasizes group advancement, so many still frown on individual profit. But there's a growing number of tribal small-business initiatives and they're paying off. U.S. Census figures show the number of Native-American entrepreneurs nearly doubling in recent years. And here's a surprise: Native-owned small businesses collectively generate more revenue than tribal casinos now.

In Pine Ridge, one business success story sits high on a hilltop overlooking the town of Kyle. Lakota Express is a modern call center and marketing shop with clients around the country. There's even a client in China. CEO Karlene Hunter is another person who's bothered by how quickly tribe members' dollars leave Pine Ridge. But now she says the flight of cash from here is slowing.





Left: Lakota Express CEO Karlene Hunter, outside her company's hilltop office in Kyle, gestures toward new Cangleska construction below.
Above: Lil' Angels owner Mona Patton in her office, which looks down into the store.

That's why first-generation entrepreneurs are taking the steps of, OK, we need stores, we need restaurants. We've got our first motel. I mean, if they stay on the reservation they're gonna buy gas down at the local convenience store. Dollar turns over again," says Hunter.

Hunter's fellow tribe member Elsie Meeks has a hand in all this. Twenty years ago she co-founded the Lakota Fund. It offers startup loans and all kinds of training to entrepreneurs and tribal businesses on Pine Ridge.

But Meeks didn't stop there. She quickly helped expand the concept into a bigger organization called First Nations Oweesta Corporation. Oweesta, a Mohawk word for money, now has a startup fund and entrepreneurship training progrram that's used by tribes around the country.

But the startup game on reservations is by no means easy yet.

Mona Patton owns the bustling Lil' Angels convenience store in Kyle. Her start-up funds came from two family tragedies. Now she wants to build a full-service grocery store and movie theater. But doing that on Pine Ridge means overcoming obstacles most entrepreneurs never face.

Patton said, "Water mains, sewer mains. We had to develop the water, the sewer and the road. And it costs you a lot of money."

Funding her own infrastructure isn't the only problem. Tribal laws cloud land rights. That alone can extend the startup process for months or even years. In Pine Ridge there's an effort to change those laws.

So, reservation economies still have a long way to go. But Elsie Meeks says the nationwide numbers show Indians stirring from the nightmare that started with confinement to reservations.

"Being taken out of a lifestyle of self-sufficiency and - I mean, it really took away every role people had. So, planting this seed that people can become self-sufficient is . . . you know, been our whole challenge. One of the biggest challenges we have," said Meeks.

But now she says more Indians see how they might control their futures. Business ownership is one way. And she says it doesn't matter if it brings its share of the reverses all businesspeople face.

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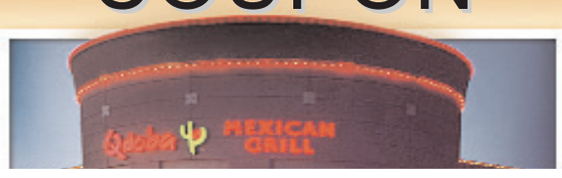
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Cavaliers return as LNI defending champs, bring undefeated season and state championship

McCauley returns to LNI as Little Wound earns number one seed

Lady Braves picked as top seed, defending champs, Custer number two

By Tom Crash
Times Sports Correspondent

RAPID CITY - The last time TJ McCauley played in the Lakota Nation, he led Lower Brule to an upset win over St. Thomas More in the 2004 championship game, earning the tourney MVP along the way. Last year, TJ played point guard for the Pierre Governors, helping them reach the South Dakota State AA championship game with Sioux Falls O'Gorman, earning first team all tourney honors. In addition to the talented traveler McCauley, Little Wound returns everyone but Willis Zephier to a team that peaked late last season, beating St. Francis by 30 on the road to open district tournament play, knocking off Pine Ridge by 30 in the District 14A championship game after losing three times to the Thorpes in the regular season and clobbering Platte in the regions, earning a state tournament berth; Brice Hornbeck, Rich Big Boy, Devon LeBeau and Shilo Pierce are all back, while Ty Lunderman and Michael Apple will be eligible for second semester.

"We struggled early last year, while we figured out how to best use each of our talents and how to play together," said Jamie Feather Earring, Mustang head coach, "hopefully we have some of that learning process already done and we'll be ready sooner this year to use our talents in the best possible way; we have set some team goals which include the LNI championship and returning to state to win it all this year."

The St. Thomas More Cavaliers' last loss, in the Lakota Nation Invitational was to the McCauley led Lower Brule Sioux in December of 2004; More went on that year to take third in the State A tourney. Last year the Cavaliers defeated St. Francis for the LNI championship and used the tourney as a springboard for an undefeated season that culminated with a hard fought win over Clark for the 2006 State A championship. More lost five seniors off that undefeated team but has enough respect around the state to be named number one in the preseason Class A poll with voting done by coaches from around the state. Zack Finley took his game to NCAA Division I, Princeton while Colby McGinley and Dylan Wince are playing football for Dakota Wesleyan in Mitchell.

"It has been an incredible honor to play in the Lakota Nation each year, to return as the defending champion is both very special and carries with it some major responsibility," said Dave Hollenback, Cavalier head coach, "we will take each game one match at a time as we prepare for another run through the Black Hills Conference and another possible run to the state tournament."

Kyle Doerr, a 6'7" senior, returns for the Cavaliers to anchor the middle, Nate Jacobson, a 5'11" junior will direct the team on the floor, Dusty Nowotny, a 6'4" senior will be a very athletic swingman while Tanner Wince, Johnny Gonzalez, Stevie Statz and Winner transfer, Zeke Parvin will fill any holes left by the graduating seniors. More won their 27th straight game on Saturday with a convincing 85-45 win over Hill City to open the new season.

The Cavaliers will open the tourney with Crazy Horse and will most likely play Standing Rock and Todd County on the way to the championship game. Little Wound will open against Takini and will probably take on Red Cloud and Custer to get to Saturday night and the 30th LNI championship game.

Custer returns four of their five starters from a 15-7 team that took second to More in the BHC and lost to Red Cloud in the District 15A championship game. The Wildcats have Isaac Parsons, a 6'6" junior, Trevor Cook, a 6'5" senior, Kaleb Woods, a 6'1" senior and Rich Knuppe, a 5'10" senior returning with Steven Hafner, a 6'7" senior and Darin Smith, a 6'2" sophomore and freshman coming off the bench. Starters include Lester Gotheridge, 6'3", Billy Scott, 6'2", David Giago, 6'1", Art Vitalis, 5'9" and point guard and captain, Christian McGhee, 5'6". Mike Twiss, a 6'3" sophomore and Bryer Iron Cloud, a 6'1" freshman will be first off the bench. Red Cloud opened the season Friday night at home scoring 38 points in the first quarter on their way to a 101-34 win over Bennett County. A potential quarterfinal match-up will put Little Wound and Red Cloud together on Thursday at the Civic Center at 4:00 p.m.

Oh Day Aki (Heart of the Earth) and St. Stephens will make their first appearance in the tourney replacing McLaughlin and Dakota Oyate. St. Stephens won the Wyoming State 1A championship in 2004 and 2005 and lost in the championship game in 2006 after leading at the half 33-15. The Eagles have started the year at 4-0, have 11 of the 12 players from last year back and are currently ranked number one in the state of Wyoming in 1A. After a successful 2005/06 season, Oh Day Aki has four of their five starters back from last year and have won all of their games this year by 20 points or more, most recently defeating Marty on Saturday 77-54.

Although seeded 14 in the 30 th edition of the Lakota Nation, the Todd County Falcons opened the season with a 62-56 road win over Pine Ridge, a team seeded sixth. Mike Hammer's Falcons feature a very athletic team led by Gunner Krogman and Steve Antoine and includes Vern Menard, Aaron Stoddard and Alex Prue.

The boy's 30th annual LNI opens Wednesday at St. Thomas More with Little Wound taking on Takini at 10 a.m., St. Thomas More against Crazy Horse at 11:30 a.m., Custer vs. Lower Brule at 1 p.m., Pine Ridge and Hill City at 2:30 p.m., Standing Rock challenging St. Stephens at 4 p.m., St. Francis and Crow Creek at 5:30 p.m. and Red Cloud vs. Oh Day Aki at 7 p.m. at Douglas and Cheyenne Eagle Butte closes it out at Douglas at 8:30 p.m. against Todd County. All of the second round boy's games will be at the Civic Center on Thursday with the boys

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Little Wound Mustangs

The Little Wound Mustangs are coached by Head Coach Jamie Feather Earring. The assistant coaches are Travis Brave Bird and Jon Derby. The Superintendent is Linda Hunter and the Principal is Dana Brave Eagle. The Atheletic Director is Wilbur Ferguson and the Students Managers are Arlin Cuny and Tony Mesteth. The Cheerleading coach is Sharon Running Hawk and the School Colors are Blue/Gold/White.

Player	Pos.	Height	Grade
Casey Montileaux	G	5'9	10
Harold Top Bear	G	5'9"	12
Ace Amiotte	F	5'11"	11
Devon LeBeaux	G	6'0"	12
Brice Hornbeck	G	5'10"	11
TJ McCauley	G	6'2"	12
Rich Big Boy	F	6'2"	12
Denny Spotted Eagle	G	5'8"	12
Trin In The Woods	F	5'9"	10
Shilo Pierce	G	5'8"	12
Napolean Lays Bad	G	5'11"	12
Jeremy White Face	F	6'1"	12
Derek Puckett	F	5'9	12
Vern Marshall	F	6'1"	12



Pine Ridge Thorpes

The Pine Ridge Thorpes boys basketball team is coached by Bill Pourier who is a graduate of the University of South Dakota. The assistant coaches are Willy Pond, Jake Ecoffey and Duane Big Crow, Sr. The Superintendent is Melvin Sierra and the Principal is Darius Rowland. The Athletic Director is Bob Pourier and the trainer is Dave Morrill. Student Manager is Michelle Waters and the Cheerleading coach is Helen Richards. The Cheerleaders are Kim Hill, Emily Lopez, Marissa Little Hawk Joanie Goggle Eye.

Player Dark	Pos.	Ht.	Gr.
Mike Jack	G	5'10"	12
Jeff Pourier	G	5'10"	12
D.J. Big Crow	F	6'2"	12
Kenny Apple	G	5'10"	12
Tyrell Bull Bear	F	6'1"	10
Shawn Keith	F	6'1"	11
Jon Provost	G	5'11"	12
Orris Morrison	C	6'5"	12
Mike Janis	G	6'1"	12
Issac Weston	F	6'2"	12
Austin Red Shirt	C	6'6"	12
Richie Palmier	F	6'1"	12



Crazy Horse Chiefs

The Crazy Horse Chiefs boys basketball team's Head Coach is Luke MacLean, who is a graduate of the University of Minnesota-Minneapolis. The superintendent is Donald Standing Elk, the Principal is Pat Mullen and the Athletic Director is Chuck Brewer. The cheerleading coach is Bonnie Hopperdietzel and the schools colors are Maroon/White/Gold and the School Song is the Notre Dame Fight Song.

Player Name	Pos.	Hht.	Grade
Roger Red Elk	G	5'9"	12
Tunka Moves Camp	G	5'9	9
Carl Dull Knife	F	5'9"	9
Mario Quiver	G	5'9"	12
Daniel Loafer	G	5'8"	9
Lawrence Cross	C	6/0"	12

LNI: team previews of this year's tournament

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championship game set for 9 p.m. Saturday night at the civic center.

The Custer Lady Wildcats are the defending LNI champs and without their MVP, Lennea Mueller earned the number two seed this year. Mueller plays for Northern State this year. Cheyenne Eagle Butte earned the number one seed with Arlyn Wohlleber back as coach again and featuring Brittany Azure, a 5'10" senior, Nadia Watt, a 5'8" freshman, Scottie Laundreaux, 5'7" sophomore and Brittany Red Dog a 5'9" senior. The Lady Braves opened their 2006-07 season with a 62-37 win over McLaughlin at home and a 75-52 road win over Miller Area. Eagle Butte opens against Heart of the Earth (Oh Day Aki) on Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the civic center and will probably play Standing Rock and St. Thomas More on the way to the championship game on Saturday night.

The winner of the Pine Ridge-Red Cloud quarterfinal game on Thursday could very well play Cheyenne Eagle Butte in the championship game. The Lady Thorpes opened the season with a new head coach, Bill Mendoza and with big wins over St. Francis, 84-39 and Douglas 80-59. Pine Ridge features a strong inside-outside game. Keisha Brewer, a 5'11" junior and Lacey Weston, a 5'11" sophomore anchor the middle while an abundance of guards create problems for opposing teams on defense and offense. Robin Webber, a 5'6" senior is quick on defense and shoots the three well, Nichelle Red Owl, a 5'4" junior is a pure shooter, Sophia Janis is a 5'7" sophomore and Christian Janis is a 5'4" freshman, while both play super defense and Christian is tenacious on both sides of the floor earning LNI all tourney honors as an 8th grader coming off the bench. Aimee Pond, Saudia Tasso, Cassie Salway, Shania Lays Bad, Alyssa Cottier and Devon Red Cloud all add good depth.

Red Cloud is a young team with a new coach, Ted Standing Soldier, Jr.; they gave a preview of a new game in town with a 71-50 win over Little Wound in their first game with Marque Lunderman, a 5'7" sophomore knocking down 25 points in an up-tempo game that featured a game long full court press. Pine Ridge opens on Wednesday against Lower Brule at 1:00 p.m. while Red Cloud closes out the first day against Crow Creek at 8:30 p.m. If both win, their quarterfinal game will be at 5:30 p.m. at Rapid City Central on Thursday; the winner should face Custer, the defending champ and a win will put them into the championship game.

"We started the way we wanted to, a good high pressure defense and an up-tempo offense, we'll play a

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ALEX PRUE	G	5'8	9
STEVEN ANTOINE	G	5'9	12
MIKE NEISS	G	5'7	11
GUNNER KROGMAN	G/F	6'1	11
CANKU ONE STAR	G	5'9	9
VERNIE MENARD	F	5'10	12
JARED EAGLE BULL	F	6'0	11
CLAY WILSON	G/F	5'9	10
JADEN ALLEN	F	5'11	11
AARON STODDARD	F	6'1	11
MARK DUBRAY	C	6'4	11
ED BAD HAND	C	6'4	12
AUSTIN KING	C	6'3	12

The Todd County Falcons Boys basketball team is coached by Mike Hammer who is a graduate of the University of South Dakota. Assistant Coaches are Boy Boyd, Patrick Johner and Chuck Wilson. The Superintendent is Dr. Richard Bordeaux and the Principal is Victoria Sherman. The Athletic Director is Charles Wilson and the students managers are Austin Hammer, Alan-Mychal Boyd, and Bryce Hammer. The Cheerleading coach is Alexa Miller and the school colors are Royal Blue/Gold.



Warriors



Front Row (L-R):
Gary Whipple
JJ Arcoren
Richard Spotted Tail
Henry Brave Hawk
Taylor Brush Breaker

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Duran Kelly
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Khristie Clairmont

Middle Row (L-R):
Norma Fast Horse
Alyssa Valandra
DJ Amiotte
Steph Metcalf
Marcie Rodriquez
Jenna Bad Hand

Back Row (L- R):
Brittany Iron Shell
Starla Walking Eagle
Jessica Rouillard
Tara Greaves
Dani Kills In Water
Roseanne Eagle Road
Terra Murray





The Pine Ridge Lady Thorpes are coached by Head Coach Bill Mendoza a graduate of Fort Lewis College. Assistant coaches are Nellie Long and Paul Swanson. The Superintendent is Melvin Sierra and the Principal is Darius Rowland. The Athetic Director is Bob Pourier and the trainer is Dave Morrill. Students managers are Justina Brown Eyes and Annie Cedar Face. The Cheerleading coach is Helen Richards and the School Colors are Red/White/Black and the school song is "To Our School."

Player	Pos.	Ht	Grade
Christian Janis	GF	5'4"	9
Cassie Salway	F	5'5"	11
Robin Webber	G	5'6"	12
Aimee Pond	FG	5'4"	11
Nichelle Red Owl	F	5'5"	11
Sophia Janis	F	5'7"	10
Keisha Brewer	C	5'11"	11
Devon Red Cloud	F	5'6"	12
Delia Big Boy	F	5'5"	9
Alyssa Cottier	F	5'7"	9
Shaina Lays Bad	C	6'0"	11
Saadia Tasso	C	6'0"	10
Lacey Weston	F	5'11"	10



The Little Wound Lady Mustangs are coached by Head Coach Mary Tobacco and the Assistant Coach is Amanda Carlow and Rob Mendoza. The Superintendent is Linda Hunter and the Principal is Dana Brave Eagle. The Athletic Director is Wilbur Ferguson and the student managers are Sam Around Him and Atayla White Face. The Cheerleading coach is Mindy Hunger and the school colors are Blue/Gold/White. The school song is "On Wisconsin."

Player	Pos.	Height	Grade
Veronica Richards	G/F	5'7	11
Kirsten Clifford	F	5'8	9
Mikayla Mitzel	G	5'6	12
Tawni Shay Shot With Arrow		5'6	10
Kanisha Rooks	G	5'6	9
Delilah Watkins	F	5'7	12
Vickie Volk	F	5'8	12
Cree Iron Cloud	F/C	5'9	10
Brittany Ross	G	5'6	12
Kelsey Brave Eagle	F/C	5'8	12
Shay Janis	F	5'6	12
Erin Boyce	F	5'6	11
Emily Charging Crow	F/C	5'10	11
Isabel Brave Heart	F	5'7	12

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lot of girls and it should be a fun year with a lot of wins," said Standing Soldier, looking ahead to both the LNI and the season beyond.

Eagle Butte opens the girls tourney at 10:00 a.m. at the civic center against Oh Day Aki, Custer takes on Crazy Horse at 11:30 a.m., Pine Ridge plays Lower Brule at 1:00 p.m., Little Wound vs. Takini at 2:30 p.m., St. Thomas More vs. St. Stephens at 4:00 p.m., Hill City vs. Standing Rock at 5:30 p.m., Todd County vs. St. Francis at 7:00 p.m. and Red Cloud taking on Crow Creek at 8:30 p.m. to wrap up the first day.

All of the girl's game will be away from the civic center on Thursday with the consolation quarterfinals at St. Thomas More and the championship quarterfinals at Rapid City Central. The championship game is set for 7 p.m. on Saturday night on the main arena floor.

This will be the last year for the four day, 16 team tournament, for both the girls and boys.

The board of directors have voted to go with a three day, two eight team brackets starting next year.

A seeding will be done by a committee that will attempt to place the eight best teams in the upper bracket and the remaining eight teams in the other bracket.

The board felt by going to a three day tourney instead of four it would save money for each school and mean less time away from the classroom.

Originally, the new format would coincide with the new addition that the civic center is building that would allow all games of the tournament to be played under the roof of the civic center.

Bid problems have probably put back the completion of the new 5,000 seat arena for the civic center into the spring of 2008.

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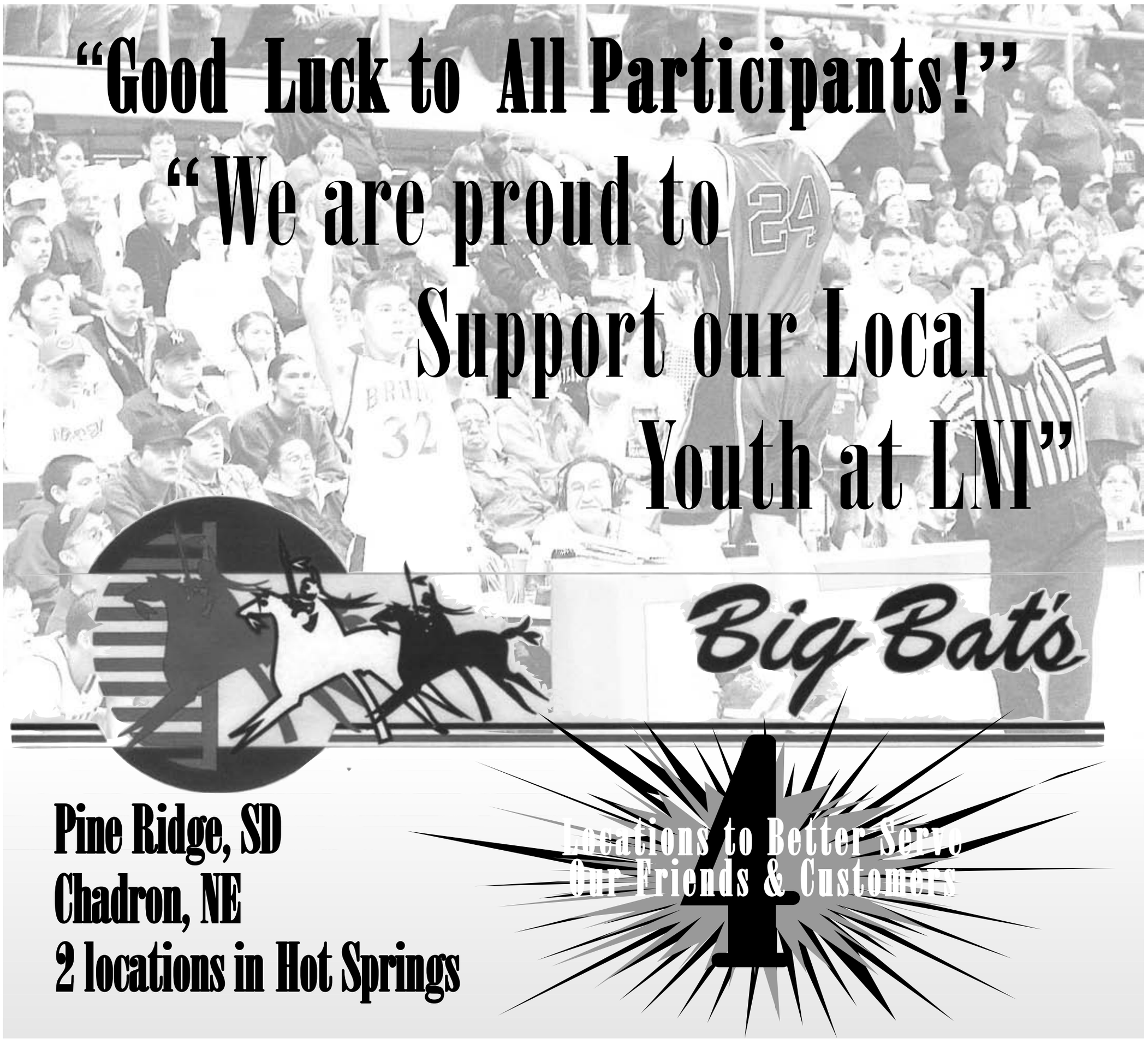
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Crazy Horse Lady Chiefs

The Crazy Horse Lady Chiefs basketball team's Head Coach is Chuck Brewer, who is a graduate of Mount Marty College. The superintendent is Donald Standing Elk and the Principal is Pat Mullen. The Athletic Director is Chuck Brewer and the cheerleading coach is Bonnie Hopperdietzel. The School Colors are Maroon/White/Gold and the School Song is the Notre Dame Fighting Song.

Player Name	Pos.	Height	Grade
Josie White Feather	G	5'7	8
Kassy Randall	G	5'4	8
Miranda Quick Bear	G	5'5	9
Naomi Edwards	G	5'7	12
Hannah Red Willow	G	5'8	11
Dawn Doyle	G	5'9	12
Kelsie Whiting	G	5'7	11
Brittany Chasing Horse	F	5'9	10
Nikki White Bull	F	5'9	10



Todd County Lady Falcons

The Todd County Lady Falcons are coached by Roger Crow Eagle and the assistant coaches are Wayne King and Mike Beardt. The Superintendent is Dr. Richard Bordeaux and the Principal is Victoria Sherman. The Athletic Director is Charles Wilson and the Cheerleading coach is Alexa Miller. The school colors are Royal Blue and Gold.

Shelby Hunger	F	5'11"	10
Auriah Prue	F	5'4"	10
Tia McCloskey	F	5'8"	12
Shauna Gentry	F	5'4"	12
Mandi Morrisette	G	5'5"	11
Josie Stone	G	5'6"	10
Christine Crow Eagle	G	5'4"	10
Brittney Larvie	F	5'10"	11
Jordan Rahn	C/F	5'10"	10
Brianne Herman	C/F	5'10"	10
Nellie Menard	G	5'6"	11
Talisa Fast Horse	C/F	5'10"	12
Wendy Schmaltz	F	5'7"	12

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The St. Francis Warriors Boys basketball team is coached by Rich Crow Eagle and the Assistant Coach is David Brushbreaker. The Superintendent is Larry Parker and the Principal is Andrew Rendon. The Athletic Director is Jay Claymore and the Cheerleading coach is Elda Bad Hand.

St. Francis Lady Warriors

Player	Pos.	Height	Grade
Marcie Rodriquez	G	5'8	9
Khristie Clairmont	G	5'4	10
1Tera Greaves	F	5'7	12
Roseanne Eagle Road	F	5'9	9
Erin Rodriquez	F	5'7	11
Dorine Amiotte	G	5'6	12
Terra Murray	F	5'10	12
Alyssa Valandra	G	5'6	11
Brittany Iron Shell	G/F	5'7	10
Starla Walking Eagle	F/C	6"0	9
Courtney Spotted Elk	G	5'6	10
Stephanie Metcalf	F/C	5'8	12
Jenna Bad Hand	G/F	5'6	9
Danielle Kills In Water	C	5'6	12



St. Francis Warriors

Player	Pos.	Height	Grade
Henry Brave Hawk	G	5'6	9
Richard Spotted Tail	G	6'	9
Travis Spotted War Bonnett		6'4	12
Taylor Brush Breaker	G	5'10	12
Michael Farmer	F	6'1	10
JJ Arcoren	G	5'10	12
Travis Spotted Horse	F	6'4	12
Gary Whipple	G	6'	12
Ian Little Shield	F	6'2	12
Tim Little Shield	G	6'	9

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Comedy Jam Dec.16

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent



MISSION - Native comedian, J. R. Redwater performed for an audience of some 100 parents and children at the SGU multipurpose building on December 8. Many of those in the audience were Headstart students with their parents. Redwater was sponsored in part by the Rosebud Casino, Well Nations Magazine and the Headstart center on his trip to the Rosebud.

When he spoke of the Rosebud, he said, "I wished this were my home. The people are friendly and supportive; mostly because they dig my comedy."

Redwater, the father of two young boys, is from the Standing Rock Sioux reservation and has led an alcohol and drug free lifestyle since October of 2002. He does not prepare any kind comedy script before hand to follow, but apparently is rather spontaneous in his humor and often communicates a message to the youth. He said "A lot of kids struggle with alcohol and drugs and my message is that I want them to know if they have a problem, they don't have to use drugs. They can think positively. The can dream and deal their past and heal."

His resume boasts a wide range of experiences from military service to several advanced education and theatre arts training. While being the featured comedian at several venues, including the South Dakota State Fair, Redwater also appeared in a number of televisions programs and theatre comedy settings.

On Friday evening, he was having dinner with his father and mother who are from Standing Rock and Crow Creek respectively. On Saturday morning, he was scheduled to depart for Rapid City with his family when he discovered the 1976 classic Monte Carlo had borrowed suffered a flat tire. Rapid City is the sight of the upcoming "Trail of Laughs - Powwow Comedy Jam" being held at the Hotel Alex Johnson ballroom on Saturday, Dec. 16 at 8 p.m.

Redwater is scheduled to appear in the comedy jam and whose poster invites people to, "Come Enjoy a Night With Some Natives Gone Wild." He will be performing with Jim Ruel, Ojibwe, Chance Rush, Lakota and the up and coming comedian, Mylo Smith, who is also Lakota.

The group is self-producing and self-promoting the stop in Rapid City and according to their press release they note, "We have also been in negotiations with Rocco Urbisci and Neal Marshall, the producer/director team behind the last five George Carlin HBO specials. They are planning to shoot a documentary and stand up concert of the Powwow Comedy Jam at next year's Gathering of Nations."

Redwater credits his faith in God with turning his life around. He said, "Entertainment is my passion. It runs through my veins. It's not work for me, it's like creating art. When they laugh I feel like I am on the top of the world. It's just fun.

The 90 minute stand up show that they will be doing in conjunction with the 2006 Lakota Nation Invitational tournament will allow the Native comedians to work hard at breaking down stereotypes, shattering myths and skewering misconceptions all the while, "taking back America, one joke at a time."

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SDHSAA celebrates first 100 years with anniversary book

SIOUX FALLS - The South Dakota High School Activities association announces a new publication that rolled off the presses on Friday, Dec. 8, "A Celebration of 100 years of South Dakota High School Activities and Athletics."

"We had hoped to have this done for this year's football championships in Vermillion," said Wayne Carney. Executive Director of the activities association, "but now that it is done, it is a great representation of the work done in high school activities and athletics over the last 100 years; it gives readers a sense of the scope of our work and how we have touched students and community members across the state and enriched the lives of so many people around the state,"

There is a chapter on each of the sports and activities coordinated by the association, chapters are written by writers and contributors who spent their lifetime coaching, administering and writing about sports and fine art activities across the state.

The books are available from Mariah Press, 2420 South Center Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57105 or order online at mariahpress.com. Books are $19.95 each with a $5 shipping charge and in South Dakota there is a sales tax of $1.18.

Books will also be available at the KILI Radio booth at the 30th annual Lakota Nation Invitational in Rapid City at the civic center Dec. 13 -16.

Red Cloud Crusaders

The Red Cloud Crusaders boys basketball team is coached by Head Matt Rama who is a graduate of Chadron State College. The assistant coaches are Joe Tyon, Jason Locust and Mike Suderland. The Superintendent is Robert Brave Heart, Sr and the Principal is Fr. Paul Coelho, Ph.D. The Athletic Director is Jennifer Schaer, CAA and the Cheerleading coach is Jennifer Schaer. The Cheerleaders are Michelle Janis, Breanna White Jacqui White, Audrey White, Taylor Spoonhunter, Rilda Means, Shelby McGhee and Kyla Woodard.

Player	Height	Grade
Bryer Cottier	6'1"	9
Art Vitalis	5'9"	11
Ken Franks	5'10"	11
Henry Crow	6'1"	11
Ezra Zephier	5'9"	10
Wade O'Bryan	6'0"	10
Carl Swallow	6'0"	9
David Giago	6'1"	11
Chris Red Bear	6'5"	12
Joe Richards	5'10"	12
Mike Cuny	6'1"	11
Lester Gotheridge	6'3"	11
Billy Scott	6'2"	11
Christian McGhee	5'9"	11
Mike Twiss	6'3"	10

Red Cloud Lady Crusaders

The Red Cloud Lady Crusaders basketball team is coached by Head Coach Ted Standing Soldier, Jr. The assistant coach is Leets Yellow Boy.

Player	Pos.	Height	Grade
Shaina Clifford	G	5'5"	10
Desirae Blacksmith	G	5'2"	10
Saige Pourier	G	5'6"	10
Josey Johnson	G	5'5"	9
Danielle Locust	G/F	5'6"	10
Ida Clarke	G/F	5'5"	11
Bobbi White	G/F	5'6"	10
Kayla Weston	G	5'6"	11
Marque Lunderman	G/F	5'7"	10
Kristi Boltz	G/F	5'6"	9
Lisa Bear Robe	F	'8"	11
CaSarah Pine	F/C	5'10"	11
Shaina Hill	G	5'5"	9
Angel Big Crow	G	5'5"	12
Ethleen Cournoyer	F/C	6'0"	9

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ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I really enjoy reading your column. I've been reading it for a while now. I was wondering if you could help me?

Here's the story, last school year I went out with this guy for about 6 or 7 months. See when we got together we didn't really know each other, but then we became closer and closer.

Then before I knew it I liked him, it was like I couldn't live with out seeing him or talking to him over the phone and stuff like that. I thought it was going good, until people started gossiping and talking about us. It was crazy.

They would say stuff like "he could do better than me" and "I wasn't good enough for him." Then people would try to break us up. I thought it was crazy and I felt like I couldn't handle it but we got through all of it. After we went through all of this, we broke up. It's been like seven months since we broke up and I still miss him. I went through guys like crazy to find one like him, but no one. When we broke up I used to cry sometimes before I went to bed.

When I see him I feel like crying because I know he won't look at me the way he use to. After we broke up I tried calling him but his cousin told me to stay away from him and she said that he didn't like me no more. So Anna can you help me? Will we ever be together again?

Will I ever be happy again when I'm with a guy?

Blessings to you.

Missing Him

Dear Missing Him:

Adjust your thinking. He is g - o - n - e. Good bye, Adios, Sayanora, See ya. He is not interested in you in any way that is related to romantic. He has another girl friend. Your feelings for him are "romantic" in nature, but not true love.

True love reflects the emotion of wanting the other person to be happy. If that means, the other person is happier without you; then that would be something you would not like, but would gladly face.

You don't even know the true him. He is a nice enough guy, but he is wishy-washy and did not defend your honor to others. Release him. You just are in love with love - not with this young man.

You will find true love - and when you do you will find a reflection of love for you in his smile. Just go on, quite feeling sorry for yourself, and know that real love is based on real understanding and the ability to deal with each other in a loving way.

You day and your man will come.

Dear Anna,

I need to some answers I am really confused about some stuff - I have two kids and my ex is married again to a women that don't like them around him and now they have a kids together and he don't even care to see my kids he acts like he don't even care they get lonely for him sometimes but we can tell him but he seems like he don't care and she is a very evil women.

She is very jealous of him she is always acting like they are going to interrupt their perfect life and she evens get jealous when I talk to him but it is just about our kids and I wonder sometimes if there is every a chance of us getting back together but I don't know about that but the questions that I wanted to ask is it him that don't want to see them or is it her that wont' let him and does he still care for us I mean me and my kids.

Seeking an answer

Dear Seeking:

Your ex husband is responsible for his own actions. He is an adult, and nobody can make him do anything - you should know that, as you were married to him, and you couldn't make him do very much that you wanted him to.

He is influenced, however, by his wife - and he doesn't mind. He does still love his kids - but feels they are fine without him. Someday, he may object to his current wife, for her influencing him to stay away from his kids. BUT, that will be his business, and his problem - and his regret.

Some people do have the ability to detach from the ones they love really easily.

That doesn't mean he doesn't love the kids - but it does mean that he is so involved in his "now," that he has placed his past including his children into a "used to be" file, and will only take them out of that file when he feels nostalgic or called upon by some real concern.

Fathers often are not very active with their children. That does not mean they do not love their children, it means they have a single narrow focus and pay attention mostly to just exactly what is in front of them, and not much more.

Someday, he will reactivate his relationships with his kids, until then, just tell them that you know he loves them - he is just not available right now.

No, I don't think the two of you will be together again. Your time is done. You can, however, become friends.

Blessings to you.

Dear Anna,

I wrote to you a couple weeks ago and you told me that this boy was going to give me something small to eat and he didn't really have a ride and he is very low on cash. Well I go to school and I like a few boy's at school can you tell me if they have any interest in me? Or if any boy likes me in school?

I always liked this one boy but my friends tell me stuff about him and I don't know if she doesn't want me with him because I say I like him and she says she likes him too and my other friends say "so which one of you is gonna hook up with him" and she points at me and when she says she don't like him and when I say I do she gets mad so it's all mixed feelings and one time I wasn't even smiling at him and I feel like he started thinking I was stalking him but I wasn't and I was looking at my friend and he hid down so I don't know what I should do it's all mixed up.

I feel like if he does have some interest in me and if we start hooking up I'm afraid I might loose a friend over this and it scares me but I don't know what to do! It's just that I don't want to hurt any body but she's egging me on to do it but what should I do? We both like basketball and we both play but what else do I have to do for him to even notice me?

Can you tell me if he likes me? Or the name of any boy that likes me, you're the only one I could come to for answers!

Friend or boyfriend

Like who you want, and don't worry too much about another girl who likes him too. It's okay to go after somebody that you like as long as they are not involved with anybody else.

Several young men at school think you are cute. I'm not going to name names, but ones name begins with an R.

Another guy that likes you liked you in grade school. He is a little heavy, but a good guy.

Don't worry so much about "hooking up." Find some balance with enjoying your freedom to flirt with them all.

Good Luck.

Dear Anna,

I have been reading your column and I noticed that you get mail from women with question about their ex husbands or boyfriends detaching from their children. It's a sad thing when that happens as that happened to my family, our children are grown and we parted after many years together.

We both have went on with our lives and I have noticed he has slowly detached from his children and his grandchildren. They are wonderful children and very gifted grandchildren who care for their grandfather very much. He saw them less and less, and rarely calls them now. We still have a good friendship and I asked him and he can't give me a clear answer. At one point he told me that his girlfriend 'couldn't handle it' meaning his bond to his children.

He sounded as though she got jealous over them. During this time, I have tried to be there for our children to help them adjust to their dad not being available for them.

It was almost like helping them deal with a loss but not really a loss and I wasn't quite sure how to handle it. We have had many, many tears and many conversations on how to deal with it and we have. He lives in the same city as our youngest son, who cares for his dad deeply and yet he rarely sees him or keeps good contact with him. He comes up with excuses of why he can't when I call him and urge to keep that contact.

And I do that because my son expresses his need to be in touch with his dad.

My question is this. How can a parent be so emotional and spiritually attached to their child in raising them and lose that when things change? For the life of me, I can't see how he just 'lost' his bond to his children. What happens to a parent… either a father or mother so they do that?

Your answer will help many understand

Dear Helping many others to understand:

Well, I sort of said it before. A man can lose his focus really easily when there is a woman's body within his eyesight. Your ex still very much loves his children, but feels that they are fine living in their own world without his daily influence. You would find that in the case of disaster he would be available - but short of that - he is so involved in his own life - his own relationship - his own commitments that he doesn't have time to consider long term results.

Women love family life. They revolve and involve themselves in it everyday.

Men are less likely (even in most other species) to be so involved. They are observers and wood-choppers. They hang outside the group and talk. That behavior moves them into the neutral zone more readily than women.

Mothers are always mothers, but fathers don't always remain dads, sometimes they move into detached visitors without that common bond of communication with the mother beside them.

Divorced dads often lose their connection (and their identity)to their children and their common ground of understanding when they lose their marriage.

Men often feel that their children are angry with them for the separation or the ending of the marriage. They shift their focus when they shift their women. They still love; but they follow their own comfort zone more readily than women.

Finally, however, after reasonable maturity (somewhere in the 70s maybe?) men do return to seek the love and approval of their off spring - without the worry of how to connect without their child's mother.

Happy holidays and blessings to all!!!

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Lakota Funds holds community workshop, offers entrepreneur loan packages

KYLE - Lakota Funds sponsored a workshop 'How to get a Loan' on Thursday, Dec. 7 in the TBIC at the Lakota Trade Center.

Community members participated by discussing their ideas for new businesses on the reservation.

Executive Director Dowell Caselli-Smith said, "It was great to meet and talk with tribal members who have some good solid business ideas and are ready to put in the hard work it takes to go from idea to reality.

He added, "That entrepreneurial spirit is what will create new jobs and opportunities for the reservation and thus improve the lives of all who live here. Their courage and commitment is very commendable. We are going to do everything we can to help them succeed."

Taffy Lafferty, loan portfolio manager said, "This was our first workshop introducing the new Lakota Funds Loan Policies and Procedures. We provided information on our services, including how to get a loan, free technical assistance and Individual Development Accounts. We plan to hold similar workshops in each District on our reservation. The participants are very interested in our services and asked many questions."

Lakota Funds started as a micro lender modeled after the Circle Banking Project in Bangladesh with help from Dr. Yunnis, recent Nobel Prize winner. It has since helped over 1,600 craft people, artists, and other businesses.

The portfolio has grown to over $3.7 million of investment on the reservation, and loan size has grown from $500 to $200,000, for everyone from small artists to resorts, contractors and stores. In addition to lending capital, Lakota Funds packages loans with off reservation banks in order to assist small businesses.

The Lakota Funds Small Business Loan Fund is where individuals who have an existing business or want to start a business on the Pine Ridge Reservation can apply for a loan.

The entrepreneur must be a member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe and the business must be located within the boundaries of the reservation.

The loan staff will review the feasibility and viability of the business, the commitment and capability of the business, and the collateral offered when determining whether to approve a loan. The Loan Portfolio loans to qualifying entrepreneurs that will result in the creation of jobs and promote economic development.

The Loan Program is staffed by Eileen "Taffy" Lafferty, loan portfolio manager and Tony Taylor, loan officer. The loan staff have received extensive training from Opportunity Finance Network.

The training consisted of: credit memorandums, loan loss reserve, analyzing financial statements, risk rating, collateral, financial ratios, collections, delinquencies, analyzing credit reports, underwriting, loan closing and portfolio management.

During the last year Lakota Funds has undergone tremendous change. The Loan Policies and Procedures Manual have been revised and approved by the Board of Directors on Aug. 16.

The Loan Application has also been updated to comply with policy revisions

Lakota Funds currently offers five loan products for entrepreneurs:

*Micro Loans $5,000 or less

*Artisan Loans $5,000 or less

*Small Loans $5,001 - $25,000

*Artisan Loans $5,001 - $25,000

*Business Loans $25,000 - $200,000

Other loan products may be added as demand dictates.

The Lakota Funds Loan Program is available to assist the entrepreneurs to turn their business dreams into thriving businesses.

Lakota Funds will sponsor at least one training per month to assist in starting businesses.

Lunch was served and hourly drawings were held. The winners of the drawings were Lynette Hunter, Anthony Iron Cloud and Joyce Loafer.

Seminole buys Hard Rock café business for $965 million

MIAMI (AP) - The Seminole Tribe of Florida said last week it was buying the famed Hard Rock business, including its casinos, restaurants, hotels and huge collection of rock 'n' roll memorabilia, in a groundbreaking $965 million deal with a British company.

The deal with London-based Rank Group PLC is believed to be an American Indian tribe's first purchase of a major international corporation of its size, the Seminoles said. It includes 124 Hard Rock Cafes, four Hard Rock Hotels, two Hard Rock Casino Hotels, two Hard Rock Live! concert venues and stakes in three unbranded hotels.

The Seminoles were the first U.S. tribe to get into the gambling business in 1979. More recently, they had partnered with Hard Rock in successful hotel, gambling and entertainment complexes in Tampa and Hollywood in tourist-friendly Florida. They now have the ability to expand their gaming interests nationally by partnering with a well-known brand, experts said.

The tribe also will acquire what is said to be the world's largest collection of rock memorabilia, some 70,000 pieces including Jimi Hendrix's Flying V guitar, one of Madonna's bustiers, a pair of Elton John's high-heeled shoes and guitars formerly owned by Bob Dylan, Eric Clapton and Chuck Berry.

The deal does not include Hard Rock's Las Vegas casino, however, which is owned by Morgans Hotel Group, or Morgans' rights to Hard Rock intellectual property in Australia, Brazil, Israel, Venezuela and many areas of the United States west of the Mississippi River, a Morgans official said.

"Hard Rock is a very strong brand," said Jeffrey Harwood, an analyst with Oriel Securities in London. "It needs further capital to be injected in the business into expanding it, which is one of the reasons Rank decided to sell."

"This is a proud moment for the Seminole Tribe of Florida and for all Indian tribes," said Mitchell Cypress, chairman of the elected Tribal Council. "It is also an opportunity for the Seminole Tribe to diversify its business operations and help a very successful company to achieve even greater growth."

The Seminoles tribe has about 3,300 members living on and off Florida reservations and all of them receive payments due to the success of casinos. They are pacesetters in the growing world of Indian gaming.

After selling tax-free tobacco products, the tribe opened a bingo hall in 1979 in Hollywood. It survived legal challenges from the state over the right to be in the gambling business, which led to other casinos on reservations in Florida and opened the door for tribal gaming across the nation.

U.S. tribes now have more than $22 billion in annual revenues from gambling, according to government figures.

"The Seminoles were in the forefront of those who did it right and did it successfully, so I'm sure they can take what they learned there and put it into other areas of entertainment and hospitality," said Phil Hogan, chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, a federal agency that oversees gambling on tribal lands.

In addition to its two Seminole Hard Rock hotels & casinos, the Seminole Tribe owns and operates five other casinos in Florida. More than 90 percent of the tribe's budget now comes from gaming revenue.

David Schwartz, director of the Center for Gaming Research at University of Nevada Las Vegas, said the Seminoles likely made the deal with gambling expansion at the top of their priorities.

Last year, Hard Rock posted revenue of 250.1 million pounds ($493 million) and profit before interest and taxes of 34.8 million pounds ($68.6 million), Rank said.

The sale, which is subject to shareholder approval, is scheduled to be completed in March.

The tribe said it expects to fund the purchase price from a combination of debt issued by a new Hard Rock operating company and equity funding from the tribe's gaming division capital structure.

Native American Women's Health Care receives 'Provider Award'

Tobianne Aguilera also recognized for work since 1999

RAPID CITY - On October 6, the Native American Women's Health Care program received "The Provider Award" from the American Cancer Society. The program has moved several times over the years, and even had other names including "All Nations" and "Sioux San OB."

The award was presented in Pierre when the ACS was holding its Women's Cancer Network Symposium.

Rene Zacher, Nurse Manager and Tobianne Aguilera, Medical Secretary attended the gathering and accepted the award on behalf of the organization.

Aguilera was also recognized for providing continuity to the women's health program since 1999 and for her work in "All Women Count" initiative.

The "All Women Count" program is a program that enrolls women and is able to secure third party payments in order to assist women in cancer diagnoses or a mastectomy of indicated.

Tobianne is the daughter of Martina "Teema" LaDeaux who is a secretary at the Rosebud BIA Fire Department in Rosebud.

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Cynthia LaPointe, 46.....Rosebud
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Lawrence Young Bear Sr.

PORCUPINE - Lawrence Young Bear, Sr., 61, died, Dec. 10 near Porcupine of auto accident.

He is survived by his wife Mary Young Bear of Porcupine, daughters Lisa Young Bear and Kristy Young Bear of Porcupine; a son Lawrence Young Bear Jr. of Porcupine; a sister Violet Young Bear of Rapid City and two grandchildren.

A two night wake begins Thursday, Dec.14 at the Porcupine School, Porcupine. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 16 at the Porcupine School Porcupine.

Officiating will be Rev. Cordelia Red Owl with traditional Lakota services by Mike Little Boy, and Floyd Hand.

Burial will be at St. Albin's Episcopal Cemetery, Porcupine. Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Leslie Young Bear

PORCUPINE - Leslie Young Bear, 25, died Dec. 10 near Porcupine of an auto accident.

Survivors include her mother Mary (White Face) Young Bear, Porcupine; sisters Lisa Young Bear and Kristy Young Bear both of Porcupine; a brother Lawrence Young Bear Jr. of Porcupine and nephews DJ Kills Warrior, Jr. and Terrell Jumping Eagle both of Porcupine.

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Janet Young Bear

PORCUPINE - Janet Young Bear, 27, died Dec. 10 near Porcupine of an auto accident.

Survivors include her mother Mary (White Face) Young Bear, Porcupine; sisters Lisa Young Bear and Kristy Young Bear both of Porcupine; a brother Lawrence Young Bear Jr. of Porcupine and nephews DJ Kills Warrior, Jr. and Terrell Jumping Eagle both of Porcupine.

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Jason Featherman

PORCUPINE - Jason Featherman, 21, died Dec. 10 of an automobile accident near Porcupine.

Survivors include his father Melvin Featherman, Porcupine; sisters Martha American Horse, Angela American Horse and Mia Means all of Porcupine; brothers Jacob Garnier and Armand American Horse both of Porcupine.

First night wake begins Wednesday, Dec. 13 at the Porcupine CAP office in Porcupine, second night wake will be Thursday, Dec. 14 at the Native American Church in Potato Creek.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 15 at the Native American Church in Potato Creek.

Officiating will Rev. Burnette Iron Shell with interment at the Native American Cemetery in Potato Creek.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Ethel R. American Horse

PORCUPINE - Ethel R. American Horse, 42, died Dec. 10 of an automobile accident near Porcupine.

Survivors include her husband Maverick Means of Porcupine; sons Jacob Garnier and Armand American Horse both of Porcupine; daughters Martha American Horse, Angela American Horse and Mia Means all of Porcupine; brothers Clifton American Horse and Forrest American Horse both of Kyle and Gary American Horse of Oklahoma; a sister Ramona American Horse of Wounded Knee.

First night wake begins Wednesday, Dec. 13 at the Porcupine CAP office in Porcupine and a second night wake on Thursday, Dec.14 at the Native American Church in Potato Creek.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 15 at the Native American Church at Potato Creek.

Officiating will be Rev. Burnette Iron Shell with interment Native American Cemetery, Potato Creek.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge

Darrell J. Wounded Head

POTATO CREEK - Darrell J. Wounded Head, 57, died Dec. 5 at Salt Lake City, Utah of natural causes.

Survivors include Carmella Wounded Head of Casper, Wyo., Robin Wounded Head of Rapid City; Jennifer Vierguete of Salt Lake City, Utah; brothers Garrett Wounded Head of Oklahoma, Paul Wounded Head of Rapid City; sisters Brenda Bull Man of Salt Lake City, Utah and Donna Long Soldier of Rapid City and 28 grandchildren.

Wake services were Saturday, Dec. 9 at the Native American Church in Potato Creek. Funeral services were Monday, Dec.11 at the Native American Church at Potato Creek.

Officiating was Rev. Emerson Spider, Jr. with burial at Native American Cemetery, Potato Creek.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Clayton L. Little

GORDON, Neb. - Clayton L. Little, 44, Gordon, Neb., died Friday, Dec. 8, in Gordon.

Survivors include his parents, Donald and Pauline Little, Gordon; and one brother, Donald Little Jr., Rapid City.

A wake service was Monday, Dec. 11, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hall in Pine Ridge.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Dec. 12, at the church, with the Rev. Steve Sanford officiating.

Burial was at Rockyford Catholic Cemetery. Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Manfred Fast Horse, Sr.

ROSEBUD - Manfred Lee Fast Horse, Sr., 70, of Rosebud, died at his home on Nov. 30.

Wakes were held Dec. 1 at Norma's Camp and Dec. 2 and 3 at Clark Hall in Rosebud.

Funeral services were, Monday, Dec.4, at Clark Hall followed by burial at St. George's Episcopal Cemetery at Bad Nation.

Holmes Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Manfred was born March 10, 1936, in Rosebud, to Paul and Cecelia (White Hawk) Fast Horse, Sr., who preceded in him in death.

Survivors include his wife Norma of Rosebud and ten children Catherine Tiger of Rosebud, Sheila Jones of Anchorage, Ala., Manfred Fast Horse, Jr. of Rosebud, Evans Fast Horse, Edward Fast Horse, Kenneth Fast Horse, Louis Fast Horse of Rosebud, Merle Fast Horse of Soldier Creek, Robert Fast Horse of Mission and Muriel Wilson of Mission.

Clarence Hutchings

WHITE RIVER - Clarence Rodrick Hutchings, 50, died Nov. 30 at St. Mary's Hospital in Pierre.

He was born on June 28, 1956 to Cecelia Yellow Robe and Lloyd Hutchings at Rosebud Hospital.

He lived in White River most of his life and attended public school there. He worked construction and also did some labor work on farms.

He moved to Pierre in 1991 where he lived because of poor health. While there, he did odd jobs and worked on friends cars. He liked visiting with friends, driving his car, going to have coffee with friends and being around his sister Evelyn and his nephews, nieces and great nephews and nieces.

He leaves behind his special friend Stephanie Big Eagle; sister Evelyn Castaway of Pierre; nephews Victor of Minneapolis and Sam of Grand Island; nieces Verbena of Sioux Falls and Kandi of Minneapolis; great nephews Roderick Fire Cloud and Rodrick Castaway, both of Sioux Falls and whom he was so proud of because they were named after him; plus many other great nephews and nieces and a host of friends.

Wake services were held at Swift Bear Community Hall in White River on Monday, Dec. 4 followed by a funeral service Tuesday, Dec. 5, with burial following at St. Ignatius Cemetery at White River.

Fr. Webster Two Hawk officiated the services. Holmes Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Cynthia LaPointe

ROSEBUD - Cynthia Gail LaPointe, 46, died Dec. 1 at Denver, Colo. She was born in Oakland, Calif.on Feb. 17, 1960 to Richard Bryan and Cecelia Lois (Guerue) LaPointe.

Wake services were held Dec.7 at St. Bridget's Hall in Rosebud. Funeral services were Friday, Dec. 8 at St. Bridget's Catholic Church with burial following at St. Charles Catholic Cemetery in St. Francis. Holmes Funeral Home was entrusted with the funeral arrangements.

Cynthia is survived by three children Karrie Burnette and husband Keith Freeman of Phoenix, Ariz., Paul Heinert of Mission and Zachary LaPointe of Rosebud; two grandchildren: Dion and Naomi Wright of Phoenix; mother Lois LaPointe of Rosebud; five siblings Tina (John) Marshall, Patricia Boyd, Myrtle Haukaas, Gary (Yvette) LaPointe and Leslie LaPointe.

She was preceded in death by her father; brother Kirby LaPointe; infant brother and sister Bernard and Roseanne; and two nephews Shawn Edward Boyd and Kade Anthony Haukaas.

Mary Cecilia Grass

RAPID CITY - Mary Cecilia Grass, age 80, of Rapid City, died on Dec. 7 at a local nursing home.

She was in the comfort of her loving family and truly in the hands of God. Mary C. (Shupick) Grass was born on Feb. 15, 1926 at Eagle Butte, to Louis and Hedwica (Jochim) Shupick.

Mary was raised on the family homestead ranch near Eagle Butte. She graduated from Eagle Butte High School in 1944 and from Rapid City School of Business in 1946.

She worked at Johnson Machine where she met Robert M. Grass and they married June 14, 1947 at the Immaculate Conception Church in Rapid City. Together they raised three children. They owned and operated Bob's Auto Service where Mary was a bookkeeper for years. Mary loved to garden and was an excellent cook.

Her roses were beautiful and she shared them with many. Her pickled cucumbers, canned jellies and rhubarb dessert were impeccable. Mary flourished in the city. She loved to entertain and you never went away from her table hungry or unhappy. They were part of the 39 Club, Mended Hearts, Square dancing group and the infamous "3rd Street Players".

They loved to dance and would be the first on the floor when the music started playing.

Mary even had a group for just "Mary's" in the neighborhood. They traveled all over the world with International tour groups and friends. Mary was always excited about planning her next venture.

Her forte was being social and that she did very well.

Mary was very involved in her church and community. She was a founding member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Cathedral parish and was on the parish counsel. She was past president and devoted member of the Altar Society (St. Rosa Circle) at OLPH. She was a member of the Knights Ladies and would serve Thanksgiving Dinner to the community each year. Mary was one of the original organizers of the Angels Bazaar (where her highly sought after pickles would sell for $12) and she was instrumental in the first Mayfest fundraisers for the Catholic School System.

She received many awards for being a faithful blood donor at UBS. Mary was a member of the ABWA and was also past President of the Does Drove #33 and State President of that organization in 1965. Family was most important to Mary and her children are grateful for having shared her life. They are: Robert J. (Lynda) Grass of Rapid City, Nancy (Richard) Hemming of Napa, CA, Patti (Doug) Mastel of Rapid City. Grandchildren: Robert (Sandi) Grass of Stafford, Va., Lyndsay and Gunnar Grass of Rapid City, Ryan Hemming of Brasilia, Brazil, Matthew Hemming of Boston, MA, Nathan and Alyssa Mastel of Rapid City. Great-granddaughters: Jasmin Holt of Rapid City and Irina Grass of Stafford, VA. One brother; Steve (Jeanne) Shupick of Eagle Butte, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, her loving husband, Robert M. Grass in 1991, and her granddaughter, Heather Holt in 2002. Visitation was Thursday, Dec. 14, and Mass of Christian Burial was Friday, Dec. 15.

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Of you I smile . with kindness and joy in my heart knowing that you ran the race effectively you are dearly missed we miss you, your sister Kimberly Iron Bear and family 2006

Merry Christmas mom and Nancy and Nolanda I love all three of you love Suann

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Happy Birthday to Steven Swallow.
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Do Good At Silver Gloves. We wish we could be there to see your winning smiles. Your cousins Son,Traci and Ritchie



Happy 1st birthday to my precious grandson Edwin Ollie Fills Pipe - December 8th and happy holidays to you and your big sister Ilyanna Jay Fills Pipe in Bismark, ND We love you from grandma Joyce Tallman & Auntie Char in Allen SD

Happy 13th Birthday to our grandson Timothy Fast Wolf Jr. on December 9th wishing you many more birthdays to come love you , Grandma Joyce & Uncle Emerson little Elk

Grama, I love you sooo much . Me & mommy miss you . Love Sara Fuchs & Jenni Fuchs

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I love you and I miss you so much Roseanna Jean,
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Love your
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Lillian

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Happy 21st B-day to Chan
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Happy 13th Birthday to my first born son Lonte' Tyree Ashley on December 13th (your golden birthday) Oh my, a teenager! But I know I have nothing to worry about, you'll always be my sweet innocent 'lil boy. I love you son! From Mom

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Happy Birthday to our 2 beautiful daughters "Tashena Kindle on 12/14 & Krisann Kindle on 12/15" Have fun and enjoy your day, We all love you. Have fun with the cake and ice cream. Love Mom & Dad

Happy Anniversary to "Tony & Francine Poor Bear" on 12/5. We would like to say we enjoy your company and we like sharing our lifestyle with the both of you, stay strong and keep your love going. Just to let you know we appreciate everything you helped us with. Wishing you the best and many, many more years together! Happy Anniversary! Much Luv, "Neal, Steph & Girls"

Wishing our Grama Dora a Happy Birthday on Dec. 12th, 2006. Were happy and thankful that your in our lives gram and we love you to the fullest. Your such a strong and wonderful grama and unci. We love you always, from your granddaughter and great-grandson Brionne and Teron

"I would like to wish a Merry Christmas to my daughter Emilliah Ann Maria Herman and her father Coy. I love you two with all of my heart! I'll alwayz be here for the both of you. From: Kristen Ferguson"



Happy 13th Birthday to my son Timothy Douglas Fast Wolf on Dec. 9, 2006. I'm so lucky to have a son like you. You're so bright, funny and caring. Everyday I thank God for having you in my life. Happy Birthday Son, I love you! Sorry about that picture in the paper, hope this one's better. Love from your mom Venita & little brother Reign.

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Grazing appeal dismissed, lease checks will be issued

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - On August 3, the Regional Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs established a rental rate of $14.61 per animal unit on allotted lands on the Rosebud Sioux reservation.

The rental rate was to be for new ten year grazing permits issued during the fall.

According to a public service announcement issued by Jim Cordry, Fiduciary Trust Officer of the local Office of Special Trustee and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Rosebud Indian Land and Grazing Association filed an appeal challenging the rate.

Payments that are usually sent to owners of leased land were held up for December and this created a hardship on many families who had hoped to receive the income for the Christmas holiday.

Elders who depended on their lease checks were especially affected.

The delay also affected payments to tribal members on the Pine Ridge, Cheyenne River, Standing Rock, Crow Creek and Lower Brule. Thousands of land owners were affected by the action, as well as hundreds of grazing permits.

Cordry also could be heard on KINI Radio earlier in the month as he notified the Sicangu tribal membership of the rental rate issue.

Apparently, the Pine Ridge grazing association did not join the appeal, according to Rosebud BIA superintendent, Cleve Her Many Horses. Payments will be sent out to Pine Ridge land owners as soon as grazing association members send in their fee.

Cordry noted that the Interior Board of Indian Appeals had stayed any action on the establishment of any rental rate and therefore no grazing permits would be issued.

The result of this action was that no grazing rental would be distributed at that time.

The issue was resolved last week when the Interior Board of Indian Appeals dismissed the appeal.

Today, Her Many Horses issued an informal statement addressing the dismissal of the appeal.

He wrote, "The grazing rate appeal affecting the 2007 grazing season on the Rosebud Sioux Indian reservation has been dismissed by the Interior Board of Indian Appeals on December 21."

"The Rosebud Agency will immediately invoice, collect, and disburse for the 2007 grazing season."

The quicker the invoices are disbursed and the money collected, the quicker lease checks will be issued.

Furthermore, he noted that the BIA and the Office of Special Trustee would be issuing a formal press release regarding the dismissal of the appeal at a future date.

Eileen Janis, OST administrative assistant, said most of the lease checks will be out in January and the remainder in February.

Non-Indian patron assaults gaming official at Rosebud Casino

Fuel Plaza and Quality Inn not generating income for tribe

By Archie B. Beauvais
Times Correspondent

ROSEBUD - In the midst of the busy holiday season on the Sicangu Oyanke or Rosebud Sioux reservation, Acting Manager of the Rosebud Casino, Alma Valandra, is scheduled to make a November financial report to RST on Wednesday, Dec. 27.

Apparently, with the Christmas rush last week, RST President Rodney M. Bordeaux announced to tribal council representatives that further meetings this week were warranted. During last week's council meeting which was aired over KINI FM, some discussion ensued as to a couple of tribal members whose houses were located on a flood plain in the Ring Thunder area. Funding was requested in order to re-locate them to higher ground.

It was also requested that grant proposals be written that would be dedicated to funding badly needed repairs at many tribal member houses; particularly those living in Sioux 400's and transitional housing, both which have their genesis in the 1960's. Antelope council representative, Cyril "Whitey" Scott, asked the RST administration to look into some repair needs that had been brought to his attention by his constituents living on the south side of Antelope community.

With Alma Valandra serving in her role as the Acting Manager, the November financial report appears to be somewhat different in appearance than previous casino reports. The Rosebud Casino and RST council, in a spirit of openness and genuine desire to keep RST members informed of monthly progress, have generously shared copies of regular reports with the Lakota Country Times.

Previous reports seemed to have contained more narrative to accompany the numbers, graphs, and cumulative history of casino financial activity. However, as Valandra provided her initial report to the RST council, it detailed the day to day operation of the casino and what challenges lies ahead. Today's portion of the special meeting that called for the casino report was not carried live on KINI, however, none of it was discussed in executive session.

RST council representative Fern Bordeaux-Boltz took the floor and recounted an incident at the Rosebud Casino on Dec. 27. She said, "A non-Indian was being escorted out and he hit a floor manager.

"The Rosebud police were called and the individual ran to the Nebraska side and hid. It took the Rosebud Police 45 minutes to arrive and the Mission police even longer. The individual managed to get back to the parking lot and get his vehicle.

"Hitting a gaming official is a federal offense…anyone can come into our casino and do something drastic. We need a permanent police officer out there. If something happens

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LNI set to implement changes for 2007

High travel costs do in 16 team tournaments

Tournament brings $5 million to Rapid City area annually

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

RAPID CITY - Coming off a successful 30th anniversary Lakota Nation Invitational, the board and Bryan Brewer, executive director are looking ahead to a revised tourney for the 31st edition in December of 2007.

More and more schools were struggling with the escalating costs of bringing so many students to a four day tourney in Rapid City," said Brewer, long time tournament director, "after a good deal of discussion, the board voted to change the basketball tournament into two eight team tournaments, you would still have 16 boys and 16 girls basketball teams involved but instead of a four day tournament with 16 teams a committee will seed the 16 teams into two eight team brackets and each team would play the bracket out with three games."

The board and staff had been hopeful that the civic center's new addition would be completed in time for the 2007 tourney so all of the games could be held under one roof but due to bids that came in millions of dollars higher than expected, the addition won't be done until sometime in 2008. This year the tournament used the civic center, St. Thomas More, Douglas and Rapid City Central high schools and South Dakota Tech.



Bryan Brewer

The first tournament so many years ago, was an eight team all Indian tourney set in Pine Ridge. The tournament was moved to Rapid City and the civic center, went to a 12 team bracket then a 16 team bracket and when the girls were moved to the winter, it took a year then the two were put together in December. In order to add competition, increase attendance and work towards reconciliation, local non-Indian teams were invited with Custer, Douglas, Hill City, Hot Springs and St. For the boys this year, the number one seed, Little Wound played the number two seed St. Thomas More and beat them while in the girls bracket Pine Ridge, the number three seed knocked off Cheyenne Eagle Butte, the number one seed in

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they can respond. That guy threatened our police department."

RST has hired Robert Mudd on a consultant basis to provide technical expertise in managing the casino; he apparently was the General Manager for a year's duration at an earlier time after the original management firm completed its tenure.

The financial report, itself, is an attractive document that presents current and cumulative data from each department within the organization, including figures and a bar graph.

The respective areas of operation that serve to generate income include, slots, bingo, table games, buffet, bar, café, tribal payments and cumulative payments to RST.

The total revenue for November 2006 was $989,084.84, while the document provides comparative data going back to 2002. A cursory examination reveals that income generated by the 'slots' has always represented around 80 percent of the total revenue since 2002 and for November 2007 the actual figure was $798.5 thousand.

In the cover letter to President Rodney M. Bordeaux dated Dec. 18, it notes that the cost for total expenses which include labor, benefits, supplies, contracted services advertising promotions, etc was $626.4 thousand compared to a forecast of $721.8 thousand. This represented a reduction of expenses of $95.3 thousand. It also notes that wages were reduced by 20 percent compared to November 2005.

The net profit at the Rosebud Casino was listed at $263.7 thousand for November 2006, while the check to RST was in the amount of $96.2 thousand after making loan repayments to Wells Fargo Bank. The November 2002 profit was $452 thousand.

RST council representative, Mike Boltz, from St. Francis also provided some insight into the November casino budget. He noted that in 2002, the total revenue was at $1, 046, 924.72, while in 2006 that figure was at $989,064.94 representing a decrease of approximately $58,000.

He also made the observation at the total amount for 'coupons' and 'comps' from 2002 amounted to $20.6 thousand and $21 thousand respectively; while in 2006 the figures were almost double for each one. Boltz also made the observation that 'advertisement' which is interrelated to 'comps' and 'coupons' amounted to $47.4 thousand in 2002 and decreased to $24.9 thousand in 2006. Furthermore, he observed that a smaller advertising budget had, perhaps, targeted a smaller circle of people and quite possibly more local people instead of those from other communities.

Boltz said, "We have to get people's attention by advertising. We are spending less on advertising and the increase in comps and coupons might be going to a smaller number of people when compared to 2002. From 2002 to 2006 there has almost been a reversal in comps, coupons, and advertisement."

Finally, with respect to the Quality Inn and the Rosebud Casino Fuel Plaza, Boltz said that the Quality Inn has not generated any income to the tribe, while the Fuel Plaza has lost a total of $20,000 in October and November. During her morning presentation to the RST council, Valandra said that the manager was working on an improvement plan.

LNI: changes for 2007

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the championship game.

Flandreau Indian will return to the LNI next year and will be joined by newcomer White River. The two schools will replace Hill City, a long time LNI participant and Heart of the Earth, a one year substitute for Dakota Oyate. White River is ranked number one in the B ranks at the present time and could very well come into the LNI next year as the defending State B champion with one of the most prolific scorers in the history of South Dakota high school basketball, Louie Krogman.

Two long time workers, Gene Giago and Eldon Red Fish, announced that the 30th LNI would be their last and they were honored by the board and staff.

"The Lakota Nation could never happen without the many volunteer hours given by so many committed people over the years," said Brewer, "this event would never have become the special celebration it has without the men and women who so unselfishly give their time to take tickets, do the books, tabulate the results and basically keep the many different activities moving along at so many different venues."

The Rapid City Chamber of Commerce has said the annual tournament brings to Rapid City area $5 million to local businesses and city tax collections.

New administration builds foundation of tribal government one step at a time

Elders and grass roots oyate wait for word from federal, tribal courts

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - Although there are many questions that remain about the new tribal administration and the status of challenges to the legitimacy of the primary and general elections held in October and November, the new Steele/Brewer administration continues to take the steps to establish a working tribal government.

On Wednesday, Dec. 27, the economic and business development committee selected Austin Watkins, council representative from Medicine Root District as the chair and Don Garnier, representative from Pine Ridge Village as the vice chair. The education committee chose Carol Crazy Thunder O'Rourke, Pine Ridge rep as the chair and Cora Whiting, Medicine Root as the vice chair.

Earlier this week, Garfield Little Dog, Wounded Knee District, was re-elected as the chair of judiciary with Cora Whiting as the vice chair. The finance committee selected Floyd Brings Plenty, Oglala/Whiteclay, as their chairman with Sonia Little Hawk Weston, Wakpamni, as the vice chair. Last week, Kim Claussen, LaCreek, was voted in as health and human services committee chair with Kathy Janis, Wounded Knee District, vice chair. The land committee has yet to meet to elect officers and is expected to do so next week after New Years.

Tom Conroy, newly sworn in representative from Wakpamni has chosen to sit on the finance committee and joins Kim Claussen, Philip Good Crow, Ron Duke, Sonia Little Hawk Weston, Cora Whiting, Carol O'Rourke, Garfield Little Dog, Chuck Jacobs, Floyd Brings Plenty and Craig Dillon and to sit on the education committee with Ron Duke, Whiting, Carol Crazy Thunder O'Rourke, Don Garnier, Floyd Brings Plenty and Garfield Little Dog.

Sonia Little Hawk Weston was also sworn in last week as council representative from Wakpamni and has decided to sit on the judiciary committee with Little, Claussen, Duke, Watkins, Whiting, O'Rourke and Little Dog; on the economic and business development committee with Jake Little, Philip Good Crow, Austin Watkins, Cora Whiting, Don Garnier, Jim Meeks, Chuck Jacobs, Craig Dillon and Tom Poor Bear and on the finance committee.

As of yet there has been no word from the U.S. Attorney's Office in Rapid City on the charges requested by a group of elders involving election fraud and tampering, racketeering and posing as elected officials to receive federal money;

"We are in a state of limbo," said Pastor Leon Mathews who was chosen as chair of a new election board by the council on Nov. 21 at a council meeting in Billy Mills Hall, "if we end up having a new election, we are a board, if there is no new election, we are non-existent. I am concerned about our government's unwillingness to follow the law, we have had two different court of election appeals declare for a new election and even though that is governed by tribal law, an ordinance of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, we are not following it, it is chaos and represents a general lack of respect for the laws of the tribe."

Alex White Plume and Eileen Janis, past or current president and vice president are waiting along with a number of others for the decision of the tribal court on a three judge panel to review the 2006 primary and general election of the tribe and make a recommendation on a course of action.

The new administration has scheduled a council meeting for Friday, Jan. 5 to select a new executive board, a treasurer, secretary and fifth member and a critic/sgt. at arms.

The candidate list has been put together by the election board and each position will be voted on by the new tribal council.

Recently William Benjamin, regional director of the BIA office in Aberdeen, sent a letter of congratulations and has made it public that the letter does not mean the BIA is stepping in to make a decision about the election. "We're not intervening. We're going to let the process go through what it needs to do with the court down there," he said, adding that it is important for the BIA to recognize a government to continue to conduct business with the tribe.

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Lady Thorpes continue unblemished season with hard fought win over CEB Lady Braves

By Tom Crash
Times Correspondent

PINE RIDGE - "When we came out on the floor at the civic center for the LNI championship game, we were tight and nervous and never seemed to find a rhythm, our seniors got tighter with each mistake and we couldn't hit the broadside of a barn shooting," said Arlyn Wohlleber, head girl's coach at Cheyenne Eagle Butte.

He looked back on a 63-33 loss to Pine Ridge and prepared to take on the Lady Thorpes Thursday night in Pine Ridge, "we plan to play a different game here and take it right at the Lady Thorpes with an organized offense and a pressure defense."

The Lady Braves came out strong against the Lady Thorpes, pressuring them every step of the way and running a strong offense to a 15-13 first quarter lead and a 26-25 halftime lead behind Jordyn Brown's 11 points but Pine Ridge stopped turning the ball over in the third quarter and outscored the Lady Braves 22-10 to grab a lead they never gave up on the way to a 64-56 win. Balanced scoring was the key as Christian Janis hit two threes, Sophia Janis and Keisha Brewer both added two twos and a free throw and Lacey Weston chipped in three field goals to help break open a close game.

Brown came back with seven of her game high 20 points in the fourth quarter and Brittany Azure added a field goal and a free throw for a game total of 14 but Brewer hit three shots deep in the paint and adder two free throws to seal the win for Pine Ridge, their seventh straight win to open the 2006/07 season.

Pine Ridge's strong inside outside game and depth helped the Lady Thorpes to another win; the Lady Thorpes hit six three point shots with Christian hitting three, Nichelle Red Owl had two and Robin Webber had one, out-rebounded the Lady Braves 33-26 as Weston led the way with 10, Brewer had seven and Saudio Tasso grabbed five coming off the bench and three Lady Thorpes were in double figures. Brewer led the way with 18 points, Christian Janis helped with 17 points, six assists, four steals and four rebounds while Weston hit for 11, Sophia added nine and Red Owl chipped in six.

Pine Ridge puts their 7-0 season record on the line on Thursday in Aberdeen at the Barnet Center when they play Summit and on Friday in Ft. Yates when they tangle with Standing Rock. Eagle Butte moved their record to 5-2, both losses coming from Pine Ridge; the Lady Braves host Little Wound on Friday.

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Big Crow's transition to NAIA doesn't miss a beat

MAYVILLE, N.D. - After two years playing for Williston State College, Pine Ridge's Laura Big Crow has seamlessly moved into NAIA and Mayville State University north of Fargo and picked up where she left off in junior college, dominating play in the paint, leading her team and her new Dakota Athletic Conference (DAC) in scoring.

Although the Lady Comets figured that she would come off the bench this year, Big Crow quickly took over the starting post position and is averaging 21.1 points per game, 7.2 rebounds while averaging 24.1 minutes per game; she also has blocked 22 shots in her first 15 games. Mayville is 10-5 overall and 1-0 in the conference. Big Crow is the leading scorer on her team and the second leading rebounder while leading the conference in scoring.

In her two most recent games, Laura had 17 points and 13 rebounds in a 107-69 loss to St. Cloud State and 28 points and six rebounds in a 88-83 loss to Bemidji State University. Despite the losses to the two NCAA Division II schools, Mayville State is now ranked 14th in the country in NAIA women's basketball.

The Lady Comets will be back in action on the road on Jan. 5th at Valley City State University and at Jamestown College on the 6th. They will host South Dakota Tech on the 12th and Black Hills State University on the 13th. For local fans, Mayville will be in the area on Feb. 2nd and 3rd taking on Black Hills on Friday and SD Tech on Saturday.

The DAC conference includes North Dakota schools Minot State, Mayville State, Valley City State, Dickenson and Jamestown College and South Dakota school Black Hills, SD School of Mines and Dakota State.

Wanblee New Year's pow wow Dec. 31

WANBLEE - Eagle Nest District's Pow wow is Sunday, Dec. 31 with grand entry set for 7 p.m. at the Crazy Horse School gym in Wanblee. Marcel Bull Bear is eyapaha and Elroy Cross is the arena director. There will be honorings and masquerade contest. call 462-6644 or 441-8154.

OPINION PAGE

Our Views

Omaka Teca - The New Year, a year in review

"*Maka ki ecela oihanke wanice celo*" comes from an honor song and is the way that Albert White Hat describes the first creation, Maka or dirt. It says, "Only the earth has no end" and certainly describes *Ina Mococe* or our earth mother and her renewal.

Lakota people traditionally had some wonderful time references, such as a*npo ki* or *'at dawn.' Htalehan* is 'yesterday' or *htayetu ki* is the 'evening.'

The Lakota were less apt to follow a time clock, as *leksi* Albert says that we only did one thing at a time. There were no appointments, schedules and meetings to attend to and thus, life was simple and less stressful.

Some even say that the Lakota followed the seasons and invariably located their tiospaye to align with the winter and summer solstice.

Omaka teca in Lakota implies a renewal of mother earth rather than the coming of a new year.

As the years are counted off by the winters we survive, our birthdays are counted by making reference to *waniyetu tona* or the number of winters someone may be on *ina macoe*, to use the term that Charmaine White Face is fond of using.

The year in review has been interesting and at times, intriguing as we have occasionally caught a glimpse of some the creative and talented Lakota students and adults who have achieved in the classroom, on the playing field and on the battlefield.

On the Pine Ridge reservation, the Little Wound School Mustangs have been a force to reckon with on the court and they made us proud when they went on to play in the state tournament in the spring. The St. Francis Warriors on the Rosebud made us equally proud as they also showed their stuff.

We lost a good friend and historian, John Around Him, Sr. and collectively we all shed a tear. His funeral seemed to be one of the biggest ever as we said our goodbyes in a good way.

John made our day special whenever he would grace us with his presence and too soon, he would be out the door after drinking coffee and sharing kind words. He taught many, many from high school to college the language, history and strength of the Lakota people. Hundreds have learned from him through the education process and through sweat, ceremony and sundance.

He taught us to sing our song.

Communities were saddened when we heard of the death of Corporal Brett Lundstrom, a brave young soldier whose mother is from Pine Ridge. Many attended his funeral in Kyle.

We espouse the idea that life is so very precious in the Lakota view and as writers we are touched by so many good Lakota people.

It never gets any easier as we hear of the passing of someone's loved one. We know now that death is simply a part of living.

We witnessed the impeachment of the Oglala Sioux's first female president, Cecilia Fire Thunder and later current OST President John Steele assumed office with challenges for a new election by oyate who see their voting rights violated with the election.

Cecelia led a nation that worked very hard to cancel a huge financial debt.

She showed us the possibilities and what many young women may one day emulate.

On the Rosebud reservation, RST President Rodney M. Bordeaux's administration and the RST council have been contending with such issues as separation of powers, a new tribal grocery store, and PassNet, a company willing to place medical evacuation planes on the Pine Ridge and Rosebud communities.

RST has also contracted to develop component parts for a missile defense system, while looking at creating a broad band service that will enable tribal members to access wireless internet.

The fight against illegal methamphetamine use was also ratcheted up a bit this year, as several young people died from its insidious use.

Randy Sieler from the U. S. Attorney's office in Pierre had several anti-meth presentations around the Rosebud, while students from Little Wound School made billboards and posted them around town that spoke of the scourge of alcohol use.

Of course, Bear Butte or Mato Paha took center stage as several entrepreneurs already have created 'biker bars' in close proximity to the land we hold sacred.

Their goal is to attract thousands of bikers who will flood the hills with their money and presence during the Sturgis Rally. Bear Butte International Alliance and Defenders of the Black Hills and others were on the front line as they voiced their opposition to such desecration. It is a continuing battle to promote the idea of the buffer zone to protect our prayers.

Many of us attended the annual Lakota Nation Invitational tournament in Rapid City and once again, those amazing Mustangs knocked off St. Thomas More who came strutting their 30 plus win streak.

Too soon it was all over as the Mustangs won a hard fought battle after being seeded number one at LNI and knocking off the number one team in the state.

Finally, our prayers went out to our friend, Senator Tim Johnson, who fell ill. From all accounts, he is recuperating in a positive fashion and our prayers are with him. He had represented the Lakota/Nakota/Dakota people in Washington, D.C. in a good way that has been beneficial to the state's tribes.



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Guest Views

Rapid City should help to keep LNI, brings $5 million to area

Editor's Note*The following editorial is from the Rapid City Journal, Dec. 21, 2006 edition.**

The Lakota Nation Invitational began in 1977 in Pine Ridge as an eight-team basketball tournament. It quickly became popular and organizers moved it to Rapid City after two years to handle the larger attendance.

Today, the tournament has expanded to include 16 boys and 16 girls basketball teams, a wrestling tournament, boxing, traditional hand games, Knowledge Bowl, Language Bowl, art show and dances. Thousands of students from reservation and nonreservation schools participate. Thousands more family members, friends, teachers and school officials attend the many events that reflect the Lakota culture.

The Lakota Nation Invitational was in Rapid City last week, and it would be a shame if the LNI were curtailed or moved to another city.

Yet, that is what could happen. Next year's Lakota Nation Invitational will be reduced to three days instead of four days. The reason is that many schools who come to the December event every year say they can't afford to stay in Rapid City for the full four days.

LNI organizers also say that Huron has offered to host the event and provide a free facility. It wouldn't be as large as Rushmore Plaza Civic Center, but it would be less expensive.

What Huron officials are eyeing is the boost to its economy if LNI were to move from Rapid City. The Rapid City Chamber of Commerce has said that the Lakota Nation Invitational brings in $5 million to local businesses and city tax collections. Cities compete for convention business, why not basketball tournaments?

City business leaders and representatives have met with LNI organizers to find ways to help keep the tournament in Rapid City.

That's a good idea. While the economic impact that LNI brings to Rapid City is a concern, it shouldn't be the only consideration. Hosting the Lakota Nation Invitational also enriches Rapid City by its emphasis on exhibiting Lakota culture and ideals.

Let's do what we can to keep the Lakota Nation Invitational returning to Rapid City for decades to come.

Finding My Voice

Remembering 'Helen'



Dana Lone Hill

The other day one of my readers from New Zealand asked me;

"What was the nicest thing anyone has ever done for you?"

So after pondering this, I decided to tell the story of "Helen."

Listen up...

A few years ago I moved to a town where I knew no one. I had planned it that way, as I was pregnant with my daughter. We found a place, we eventually furnished it and my kids only lived a block from school.

I had my daughter and our life was content. I found a job and made friends. One of these friends was Michelle. She was a few years older than me and still lived with her dad and one of her adult sons.

I was glad when I met her because I didn't have a car. The public bus was $2 one way for each me and my kids.

We had put many miles on our feet by the time I met Michelle. One time Jalen and I walked the mile it took back from the store in a blizzard.

Anyway Michelle's sweet old father Bill, was my lifesaver. He gave me rides all the time even when I didn't have gas money to give him. Many times giving me a ride to work.

It wasn't unusual to see me and my kids though, walking around town like a mother duck and all her little ducklings.

One day the counselor from the school called me.

Her name was Shawna and we had gone through our pregnancies together, she had a boy and I had a girl.

It was her first pregnancy so I always had some words of advice about labor for her, which ended up being useless, as she had a c-section.

Anyway, Shawna called me and told me she had a Christmas present for me. The present was an anonymous donation.

A family had lost their elderly mother around Christmas time. No one could use the car she left behind so they called the school district to see who could use it. All of the school counselors met and Shawna pleaded my case.

I guess I never realized how many people seen us walking all the time, which truthfully walking never bothered me, it wasn't like I had a choice.

So we recieved a 1984 Buick Century. Two tone, I once seen a model of it on "Pimp my Ride" and felt nostalgic. I had to pay a dollar for it for title purposes. The one condition of the car was to get my drivers license. Which, if you know me, I didn't get until the age of 32.

Now you know why. I found the name of the poor lady that died on the title. Helen. Helen Swift.

I looked up her obituary. She was a bartender and bar owner for most of her life. Had 2 daughters and one son. And married twice.

I named the car Helen..."Swift Helen."

I sent thank you notes to her children for the donation and told them how grateful I was, as were my children.

Helen helped us out for the rest of the time that we lived in that town. She was a "get around town car" as the guy who gave me the keys told me.

I guess old Helen was the only owner of the car and only took it out of town once with her bingo buddies. My mom and I used to laugh because the radio station would always change on us and we think that was Helen.

Eventually my friend Michelle and her dad fell on hard times.

I was able to give them rides when they needed them.

Later that next summer I decided to move back to the reservation for good.

(which ended up being PoDunk...er Rushville) I knew Helen couldn't make the trip. Before I left I went to see Michelle and her dad.

I told them bye, gave them hugs, and the keys to Helen.

They had tears in their eyes.

I still wonder about Michelle, her dad, and Helen.

Dana Lone Hill, 34, is a mother of 4, who recently moved back to the reservation, after an eternity on the housing waiting list.

Although currently self-employed, she plans on continuing her education at the Oglala Lakota College.

Dana has a website, her "Welcome to the Middle of Nowhere" blog can be found here: http://360.yahoo.com/mayfair94.

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Notes From Indian Country

Christmas reminds the Lakota of their traditions



By Tim Giago

(Nanwica Kciji)

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Lloyd Little Wolf and Aloysius Day Boy were sitting on the steps in front of Red Cloud Hall about two weeks before Christmas. Red Cloud Hall was the main building on the boys' side of Holy Rosary Indian Mission on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota.

The front of Red Cloud Hall faced south so that even on those cold December days the freezing wind from the North was blocked and the winter sun still gave off enough heat to keep us warm.

As I approached the two boys they stopped talking to see who it was and when they saw me they started to talk again. They were speaking in their Native Lakota language and the Catholic priests had outlawed the language at the mission school and anyone caught speaking Lakota would be severely beaten. One day Basil Brave Heart was caught speaking Lakota and Father Edwards, the school principal, made us all line up in company ranks and watch as he forced Basil to bite down on a large rubber band. He then stretched the rubber band as far as he could and then let it snap back into Basil's face.

The mission school was a boarding school located out in the country four miles north of Pine Ridge Village. We lived, attended classes, worked, ate and slept at the school nine months out of the year. It was a part of the grand experimental proclamation to "Kill the Indian, Save the Child" that was so popular in America for nearly 100 years.

I usually hung out with Little Wolf, Day Boy and the Garnette brothers, Frosty and Heavy. We were one of those mission cliques that formed around friends as a way to survive. We had others join our clique on and off over the years, but the original five of us formed the backbone of the group.

Day Boy's nickname was "Chief" and he was discussing words he heard in church that morning in a song called "Away in the Manger." He was telling Little Wolf about the song and in Lakota he was saying "nata skuya," which means "sweet head." In the Lakota language everything is taken literally. If you ask a Lakota speaker to say "tree" in Lakota the speaker might have a difficult time of it because he would want to know what kind of tree you wanted him to describe. Every tree has its own description.

And so Day Boy and Little Wolf were trying to figure out how a baby could have a "sweet head." It was a real puzzler to us. We knew all about Christmas and the baby Jesus from our Catechism classes. In fact, all of us were altar boys and learned much of the Catholic Mass in Latin. Yeah sure, they could try to pound Latin words into our young heads, but rap us on the head for speaking our own language.

There were certain portions of the Christian teachings that were easy for the Lakota people (and the people of other Indian nations) to accept because they followed closely some of the traditional spiritual practices handed down through the ages to the Indian people. For example gift giving was an ancient practice of the Lakota.

In the old days when one visited friends or relatives, they took along a small gift. The gift might be a pound of coffee (pejuta sapa or black medicine) or a bag of tobacco (canli). There were days of gift giving to celebrate an important event in the family or to signal the end of a time of mourning for the loss of a loved one. These occasions are still held amongst the Lakota and they are called "giveaways." A family will spend an entire year preparing gifts. The family handcrafts many of the gifts, but as the modern times dictate, good portions of the gifts are now purchased at the local Wal-Mart. But the tradition survives.

When the day of the "giveaway" came friends, neighbors and relatives gathered at the home of the gift givers and had a meal and as their names were called they went to the gift givers, embraced them and accepted their gifts. It is a Lakota tradition that outdates Christmas by centuries. Not all of us accepted the religion of the settlers, but the special holidays that we perceived to be a continuation of our own traditions fit easily into our way of life.

Many years ago (1975) I spent Christmas Eve with Agnes Yellow Boy and her family at the impoverished community of Calico on the Pine Ridge Reservation. When we were kids at the mission school we were as cruel as kids the world over and we called Calico "Dog Patch" from the Lil' Abner comic strip. These days we bite our tongues when we think of our cruelty.

Agnes was near death that Christmas Eve. She had a small tree set up in the corner of her tiny cabin and her children surrounded her. She was very poor and she was dying, but before I left her that night she asked me to lean down so she could speak directly into my ear and she said, "Anpetu ke waste' (The day is good). And in English she said, "This is one of the happiest days for me and my family because Christmas is a day when we exchange gifts, put up pretty lights, and go way back to the traditions that still live in our hearts."

My boyhood friends, Day Boy and Little Wolf have passed away (The average life span on the reservation is about 46). I spoke with "Heavy" Garnette today and we hope to get together with "Frosty" this Christmas Day. Maybe we will speak about the "sweet head" of baby Jesus. And so it really doesn't matter if one is Lakota or Irish; Christmas will always bring back special memories.

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Northern Perspectives

Bring home the troops in 2007



By Dr. Archie B. Beauvais

The U. S. military as a whole is very patriotic and no matter how the war may be progressing, their role is to take civilian direction from their commander in chief. President Bush was quoted this week as saying that the one thing he thinks about is the lives of the young soldier's which have been lost since the start of the war.

I thought that showed great sensitivity on the part of the President and I hope that it will go along way toward the solving equation which is the Iraq war. As a Vietnam Veteran no one who will question my patriotism and we older 'vets' still regard our role as one of being protectors of our own tribal nations.

I would hate to be charged with the responsibility of sending young troops into battle as our nation's war planners must do. The need for war has always been debated as nations spend resources and lives to justify their intervention in some hot spot around the world.

For one thing, I wouldn't know how to assess the need for military intervention, nor would I want that role heaped upon me.

It used to be 'politically correct' for most politicians in the country to say that their position was that they supported our troops, but opposed the war.

And, with the Democrats set to assume control of the House and Senate, I hope that there will be some contingency plan to realistically allow the Iraqui government to assume more responsibility for the security of their nation. Of course, that issue is being debated as I write this and the new (?) director will be making recommendations to the President this week on his trip recent trip to Iraq.

We also wish Senator Tim Johnson well, especially here at the Lakota Country Times, as his vote may very well decide the fate of the nation's participation in the war. There is overwhelming support among tribal people on the northern plains for the Senator. He has been a frequent visitor to Rosebud and Pine Ridge and he often espouses the voting power of the Lakota people in South Dakota.

Opinion polls from the autumn seemed to show that a clear majority of Americans were opposed to the Iraq war and now may be the time for us to reduce our troop levels and give control over to the Iraquis so that they may truly decide their own destiny.

There is a point at which every occupying force must decide if it no longer is fulfilling its role in liberating a nation. That realistic assessment must include whether or not the lives of ordinary citizens are improving and if not, then perhaps a new course of action may be indicated.

We all have seen gut wrenching accounts of young Lakota men who have lost their lives. When they are brought home our hearts go out to the families as we literally can feel their pain. It's a time that we question our own mortality and debate the merits of war. Life goes on and there are no easy answers and we just pray that the next casualty isn't from a family we know intimately as life is so very precious.

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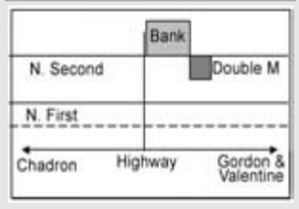


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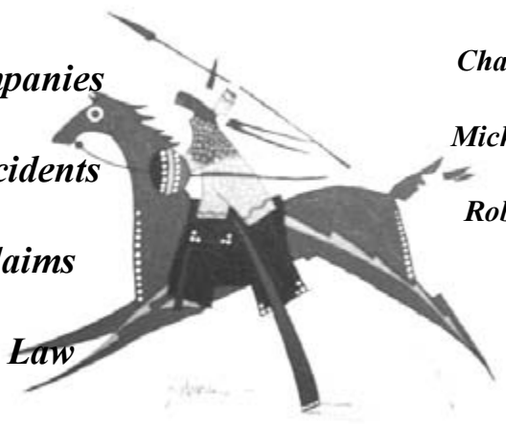


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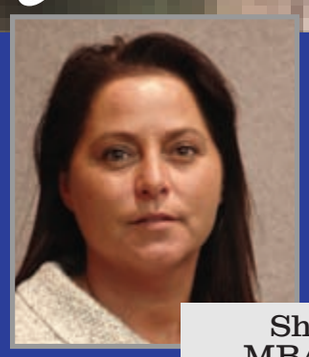
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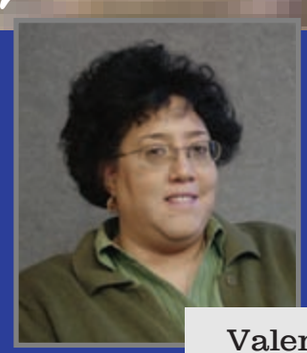
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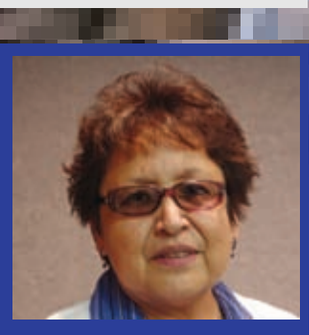


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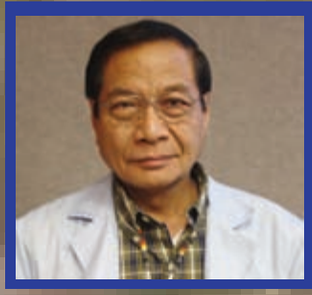


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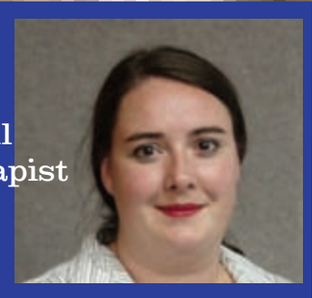
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SECTION B

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Two Sections

Little Wound School receives emergency funding to redo gym floor and roofs

KYLE - The huge boxes outside of the Little Wound School aren't presents but are material shipped to construct a new roof for the school and a new floor for the high school gym.

In a way, they are gifts from the Bureau of Indian Affairs who has authorized the multi-million dollar project, with the help of $30,000 from the school board, to redo the school roofs.

The high school roof has had leakage and the water damaged the floor of the high school gym.

Linda Hunter, school superintendent, said that because of the damage to the roof and to the gym floor and potential safety hazards for students, the BIA has authorized emergency funding for construction.

That construction has started on Dec. 3 and will continue in phases until the roofs are redone and the gym floor is replaced.

She said the inconvenience of the construction is with school wide events, such as high school sports events where they have to utilize other gyms. Hopefully the floor will be finished by the first home game in January.

The roofing will be done in phrases which includes the lower elementary roofs. She said while the construction is being done, all precautions are being taken for the safety of the students during the fixing of the roofs.

Black Hills Roofing of Rapid City will be doing the construction.

Porcupine New Year's celebration for youth and family Dec. 31

PORCUPINE - A New's Year celebration for youth and their families will be Sunday, Dec. 31 from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

The event will be at the Porcupine School and will include activities such a cake walk, dance contest, face painting, talent show, musical chairs, bingo, 3 on 3 basketball, movies, storytelling and others.

There will be an evening meal at 7 p.m.

This is held in conjuction with Oyate Ta Woakipa Etan Woasniye, Wiconi Un Wicaki Pan Pi, Tiwahe Wicozani pe kte, Canku Luta Ta Ozuye Lakota Traditional Healing and Child/Youth Services.

Honoring through sobriety event at Kyle New Year's eve

KYLE- Little Wound School once again will be hosting a family event for New Year's eve.

On Dec. 31, an event for students, community and families will be held, "Mustang New Year: Honoring our students , parents and elders through sobriety" will start out with a roast beef dinner from 8:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Adult bingo games will be held from 9:30 to 11:30 p.m. with a student dance at 9:30 to 11:30 p.m. There will also be a student K-12 bingo from 9:30 to 11:30 p.m.

There will be a contest with four categories of baby, student, adult and elderly.

There will be fireworks at midnight on the football field. Student door prizes and adult door prizes will be awarded.

For more information contact the administration office at 455-6174.

Medicine Root parade of lights rescheduled for Jan. 9

KYLE - Winter parade of lights have become quite popular in communities, usually held during the holiday season. This year, the community of Kyle has planned their own parade of lights for the first time.

The parade of lights was scheduled for Dec. 21 at 5 p.m. and has been rescheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 9 in respect to a family who lost a loved one.

The parade is open to all Little Wound School classes, Oglala Lakota College Center, community members and businesses.

Refreshments will be served at 6 p.m. at the LWS auditorium. Awards for the parade of lights are as follows: PreK-12th Grade: 1st place-$125.00, 2nd place - $100.00 and 3rd place - $75.00.

Community: 1st place - $175.00, 2nd place - $150.00 and 3rd place - $125.00.

An entry form can be picked up from Ellen Martinez, Medicine Root District secretary at 455-2448 or 441-3680 or LWS secretaries or Reva High Horse at 455-6196.

The event is co-sponsored by Medicine Root District and Learning To Read Program.

Legislators say Indian Education Act worth study

PIERRE (AP) - A proposed Indian Education Act outlined by South Dakota's education secretary last week could help the state resolve some ``deep-rooted'' racial issues, according to an American Indian education official.

Keith Moore, head of the state Office of Indian Education, called the proposal for the 2007 Legislature a symbolic gesture, but said it can go beyond the classroom to alter perceptions and relationships in the state.

``The hope is that it will improve state-tribal relations and, also, impact student achievement and graduation rates,'' Moore said.

Gov. Mike Rounds created Moore's office and an Indian education advisory group during his first term. The proposed law would put that office in law, and that would ensure stability across future administrations, said Education Secretary Rick Melmer.

Melmer said there's a need ``to implement a law to support educational efforts with Indian students and to raise the expectations that all students will learn about Native American culture.''

The act would require new teachers to receive cultural training, and instructors would incorporate elements of Indian culture, language and traditions into existing school curriculum.

State Rep. Ed McLaughlin, R-Rapid City, said he wants to know more about how the act might affect courses and school districts' budgets.

``I'll admit I don't know all the details, and it sounds like a worthy goal,'' McLaughlin said. ``But most things, if they're going to be effective, have a cost tied to them. We'll need to talk about that.''

Any proposals that promote education and ``bring down any barriers between people'' are worth talking about, said state Rep. Tim Rave, R-Baltic.

`Any time we get education about someone else's culture, we develop more understanding and have an opportunity to improve relations,'' Rave said. ``I'll need to see details and exactly what the act would involve, but it's worth study.''

AA Meetings

Every Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in Kateri Hall at the St. Agnes Church in Manderson, Everyone Welcome, call 867-2267 for information.

Grief Support Group

Meeting the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Kyle, for information call 455-2888.

Aerobics

Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Porcupine School gym sponsored by the school, Porcupine Clinic and Pahin Sinte College Centers, for information call 867-5404.

Man forfeits rifle, will pay fine for poaching at Rosebud

PIERRE (AP) - A Clear Lake man has been sentenced in U.S. District Court for transporting a deer that was illegally taken from the Rosebud Sioux Reservation.

Karie Joe Walker, 24, who also lists a residence of Beech Grove, Ark., must pay a $500 fine and $1,000 restitution to the tribe. Walker had to forfeit a Winchester .270 caliber rifle with scope and bipod, which will also be turned over to the tribe.

He was charged in a one-count information in July 2006 with transport of wildlife taken in violation of Indian law and pleaded guilty this month.

The charge involves a trophy buck mule deer with a 29-inch spread that was killed in January.

Bear Butte protection meeting Dec. 28

RAPID CITY - A networking and strategy meeting will be held Thursday, Dec. 28 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. for the protection of Bear Butte.

The meeting will be at the Community Room at the city-school administration building on 300 6th St. in Rapid City.

Please use the south entrance, across from the LaCosta restraurant.

The meeting is sponsored by the Prairie Hills Audubon Society at 787-6779 or call Anne at 347-4127.

Another white buffalo calf born near Pittsburg

FARMINGTON, Pa. (AP) - American Indians from several tribes gathered this weekend for the naming ceremony of a rare white baby buffalo born last month at a private zoo.

The animal born Nov. 12 was named Kenahkihinen, a Lenape word meaning ``watch over us.''

About 2,500 people attended Saturday's 21/2-hour ceremony that included singing, prayers, a healing service and dance.

The buffalo was born at the Woodland Zoo near Farmington, about 55 miles southeast of Pittsburgh.

Community Calendar
Rez Happenings

OST Executive Board Election
Selection by tribal council on Friday, Jan. 5, for information call 867-2769.

Big Foot Ride
Big Foot riders arrive in Wounded Knee at midday on Thursday, Dec. 28 and ceremonies honoring those lost at Wounded Knee set for Friday, Dec. 29 at gravesite at 10 a.m.

High School basketball season
Thursday, Dec. 28 Red Cloud boys vs. Lead-Deadwood at 3 p.m. in Spearfish and Pine Ridge boys vs. Belle Fourche at 6:30 p.m., Red Cloud girls at Belle Fourche at 1 p.m.; Todd County boys and girls at Miller Area, Pine Ridge girls versus Summit in Aberdeen at Barnet Center at 2:30 p.m. and Little Wound girls at Standing Rock; Friday, Dec. 29, Pine Ridge girls at Standing Rock. Little Wound girls at Cheyenne Eagle Butte.

Omaka Teca Traditional
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 29, 30 and 31 at Loneman School gym in Oglala with grand entries at 7 p.m. on Friday, 1 and 7 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday with a variety of specials, games, naming and honoring ceremonies, royalty contest, everyone is welcome.

New Year's Sobriety Pow wow
Eagle Nest District, Sunday, Dec. 31 with grand entry set for 7 p.m. at the Crazy Horse School gym in Wanblee with Marcel Bull Bear as eyapaha and Elroy Cross as arena director, honorings and masquerade contest, call 462-6644 or 441-8154.

New Year's Eve Sobriety Dance
Sunday, Dec. 31 from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. at the Mother Butler Center in Rapid City, ring out the old and bring in the new with the whole family or someone special, for info call Tim at 399-1999.

OST Commodity Issue Schedule
Friday, Jan. 5 in Kyle, Tuesday, Jan. 9 in Manderson and Wounded Knee, Thursday, Jan. 11 at Sunrise Housing in Martin, Tuesday, Jan. 16 in Porcupine at Evergreen Housing and CAP office, Thursday, Jan. 18 in Allen, Batesland and Wakpamni and Friday, Jan. 19 in Oglala, for info call 867-5511.

Common Sense Parenting Class
Wednesday, Jan. 10 is the first meeting with the class focusing on the parent/child relationship and stresses the important role parents play as examples and guides for their children, meeting from 4-6 p.m. Wednesdays at the Sacred Heart Church in Pine Ridge, for information call 800 727-2401.

School board representatives
OST Education Committee is accepting resumes and letters of intent for seats on several school boards including Flandreau Indian, Circle of Nations Indian School, Sherman Indian School, Pierre Indian Learning Center and Oglala Lakota College, submit material to Wanda Two Bulls at Red Cloud Building in Pine Ridge, 867-5821.

Teca Wacipi Okolakiciye
School pow wow on Friday Jan. 12 at American Horse School in Allen and on Friday, Jan. 19 in Chadron at the Chadron Native American Center with grand entries at 1 and 6:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m.

Holistic Management Workshop
The Holistic Management Workshop has been rescheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 6 and 7 at Club 27 in Kadoka with speaker Wayne Berry, for information call 685-6629.

Porcupine AA meeting
Every Tuesday from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at the Pahin Sinte College Center in Porcupine, for info call Janice at 867-5404.

Co-dependency Support
Meets on Tuesday from 5-6 p.m. in the basement of the old hospital coordinated by the OST Employee Assistance Program, for info call 867-1841.

Life after death class
Developing a better understanding of the journey of the soul, Fridays at 7 p.m. at the Pine Ridge Village College Center.

Weight watchers class
Large conference room at the Indian Health Service Hospital in Pine Ridge, weigh in at 5 p.m. and meeting at 5:30 p.m.

12 Step meetings
Tuesday evenings, 7:30 p.m. at the East Wakpamni College Center in Batesland.

ASK ANNA

Psychic ~ Clairvoyant

Dear Anna,

I need some advice. I have a three month old baby girl. My baby's father left during the pregnancy. I was just wondering would I ever meet or see him again? Would my baby know or see him? Thanks a lot.

Alone on East Side

Dear Alone:

Life is long, fortunately, and your baby girl will one day get to know her birth father. Will she get to "hang" out with him? Will she get to interact with him everyday and tell him her stories and news? Will he see her run in track? Play basketball? Get a citizenship award? Will he know her as she grows up into a woman? No.

He is the provider of the sperm. He isn't mature enough, nor did he in any way want a baby. Your daughter's future belongs to you, and your family. Her nurturing comes from you. In about three years, you will meet and get to know another man that would like to "stand in" as a dad. The relationship can be good for all of you if you leave jealousy at the doorstep. All good things will come to you, and many will even stay, if you counsel yourself on insecurity and lose forever, your neediness. Good Luck! Have fun on your home-improvement, self-improvement journey. You have everything to gain for deciding to be better.

Dear Anna,

I need to know if I will find a suitable home for my children and I am very anxious to start my business in order to provide for my family. I feel like I am at a cross road stagnant. I live in Yallingup, Australia

HELP

Dear Help:

There is a home coming for your children. I see surroundings that include other children and wooden floors. There is a large porch on the front of the building, and there seem to be about 16 children there. The building is related to a church, but not specifically controlled or owned by a church.

There is a possibility that by the time you read this letter you will have already begun in business - but I feel that this would be a false start. You need three people in order to maintain a balance of income and talent. Currently it looks as though you are waiting for the third person.

The best thing to do is to wait a little while before you begin, otherwise the struggle is hard. Be sure and follow all legal rules and regulations from the start of this journey - and by the way, I do see success for you after a start-up struggle. It seems as though you will also have "sub-locations," (a small play on words).

Good Luck!

Dear Anna,

I am writing to you in hope, as I am almost 20 and lonely. I am not alone, just want someone to hold me. Someone to say I love being with you. How do I find that special someone. I don't work, I stay at home.

I take care of my child, there are seven girls including me. There is no male model in my house. I refer to myself as a second parent even though I am only a sister and a cousin.

I go to college and I am planning to join the National Guard, will I be accepted? I want someone to be with, who loves me and my daughter. My baby's dad is in prison and I am not involved with him. Should I be? Should I wait for him.

I do love him. But he is locked up for a long time, I want only a better life for me and my daughter.

I want to move out of my house and be on my own.

Will I be able to succeed? I don't want to end up like most women on the rez and struggling. I don't want to turn to drugs and alcohol for answers. I hope to write you for some advice in my life.

Happy holidays and you are an inspiration to many people and give hope in their lives with your advice.

Seeking advice

Dear Seeking:

No, don't wait for him. Yes, continue on with school. It looks like you want to do something administratively, perhaps even in education. The National Guard will accept you, but right now I am asking the youth to please wait until we see a change in Presidents before you enlist. It is too rough of a journey right now.

Think about school, and then finding a job. It looks as though you want to travel - try companies such as Morrison Knudsen - a company that even hires American teachers to teach in their over-seas building and industrial sites. It is a good way to see the world, be paid well, and enjoy the benefits of a good job with good benefits.

As a second thought you were considering some sort of trade like X ray tech. Any education you offer yourself will give you a bigger and more fulfilling life.

Loneliness is an internal matter. Nobody can fill you up from the outside. It takes a perception to feel love right where you are: from parents; from co-workers, from relatives, from friends. Not the romantic foolishness where a prince rescues you and takes you away from daily drudgery - where he tells you how wonderful you are, and where he never disagrees with you; where he protects you and coddles you. Bah- Hooey! Life is really more give and take than that. And nobody, ain't nobody honey, that's gonna sit you down and tell you how wonderful you are, unless you really are wonderful. So start with that: be wonderful. Be the best that you can be. Be kind. Be patient. Be loving. Be respectful. Be saint-like. Do the best you can and pretty soon you won't be lonely, you'll be far to busy pursing the best that you are, to be lonely. Good Luck and Good Journey! And, by the way; don't expect to really be a saint - just aim that high.

Dear Anna,

I want to get some answers. This is my first time writing to you on my birthday Oct. 24. I wished my dad would stop lying to me and my sisters. Still to this day it seems like he still lies. Does he and will he ever stop? I have friends from far away and I wanted to know if they are going to write back?

I have been with my boyfriend for two years and my sister said he always flirts with her. My friend said he only wants to be with me to get close to her. Is that true? He always tells me he loves me is that true? I also wanted to know how many girls he has been with, while he was with me?

Wanting to know

Dear Wanting to know

Ych! Your dad has been caught for a long time in a cycle of self-disapproval. He wants to make everything bigger, brighter, happier, scarier, more rich, more powerful, more interesting than he perceives himself to be. He has low self-esteem. The truth, to him, seems bland and boring. He spices everything up, even things that don't make sense. This is a mental dis-order, or a behavior illness.

He is so caught up in the cycle of lying that the truth is a hazy horizon. He needs treatment. Just love him anyway, accept what you "feel" could be the truth, but mostly it doesn't matter what he says, just love him. You can't change him, that takes time and treatment.

Well, your boyfriend seems to flirt a lot with your sister. He is not so simple as to be with you for just one reason - to be close to her, but certainly he does like your sister.

Really what's going on is your intuition is blaring in your ear; it is saying: "watch out!"

He isn't the man of your dreams anyway. Why do you care how many women he has been with? What does it matter? Presumably, since you have been with him there should have only been you, and since you don't feel that is true, quit trying to hold on to him and let him go. He shouldn't be with a woman he treats as second best, and you shouldn't be with someone you can't and don't trust.

Dump him. Move on. Let go. Get over it. Life will be better when you are not driving yourself crazy wondering about him all the time. You feel like he is going to betray you because the two of you are not right for each other, and you know it, so admit it and quit punishing him for not being "the one." Just let him go and wait for awhile for the "right one."

He might be cute, but if you hang onto him for too long the only thing about him you will think is cute is his b-- as he walks out that door.

Dear Anna,

Hope is all well and good. I am writing to you today with a few questions. In the past I have written and everything you had said was true and in a past writing I asked you if I was going to have a child with my spouse, you told me you see the summer 2007, do you still see this with me?

There are two children that we have a doubt if they belong, are these his children and if they are, do you see us getting to have them in our life? I have been becoming tired of my employment and do you see me getting my ideal job anytime soon. Do you see things getting better for me financially and in personal matters?

Have a happy new years, and wishing you the best.

Unsure One

Dear Unsure One:

It looks as though those children are his. Sorry, but as you know it doesn't take a relationship to have children, it only takes sex, and only one time.

No, I don't think the children will be living with you.

Yes, one of them will be spending some time with you off and on, while the other one seems to be more of a long-distance type of thing.

Everyone gets, from time to time, job burnout. What you need is more challenge, more work, and more excitement. I see a change in your job in February or March; where you are given additional tasks and more money. There will be some minor travel involved. Good Luck!

Money wise, things are improving. Relationship wise - don't forget who you are and sacrifice your "you-ness" to please a potential mate.

Let him see the real you; that has much better results over the long-run and that way he won't wake up one day and wonder who you are. Good Luck and God Bless you.

You can email Anna Bee your questions at lakota1868@gwtc.net or fax to (605) 685-1870, or write to PO Box 386, Martin, S.D. 57551.

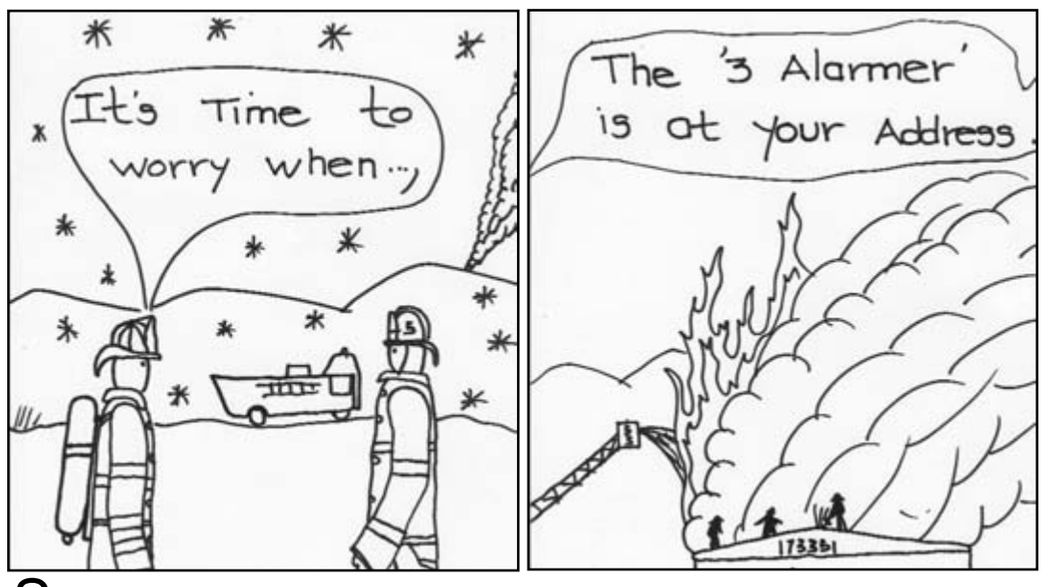
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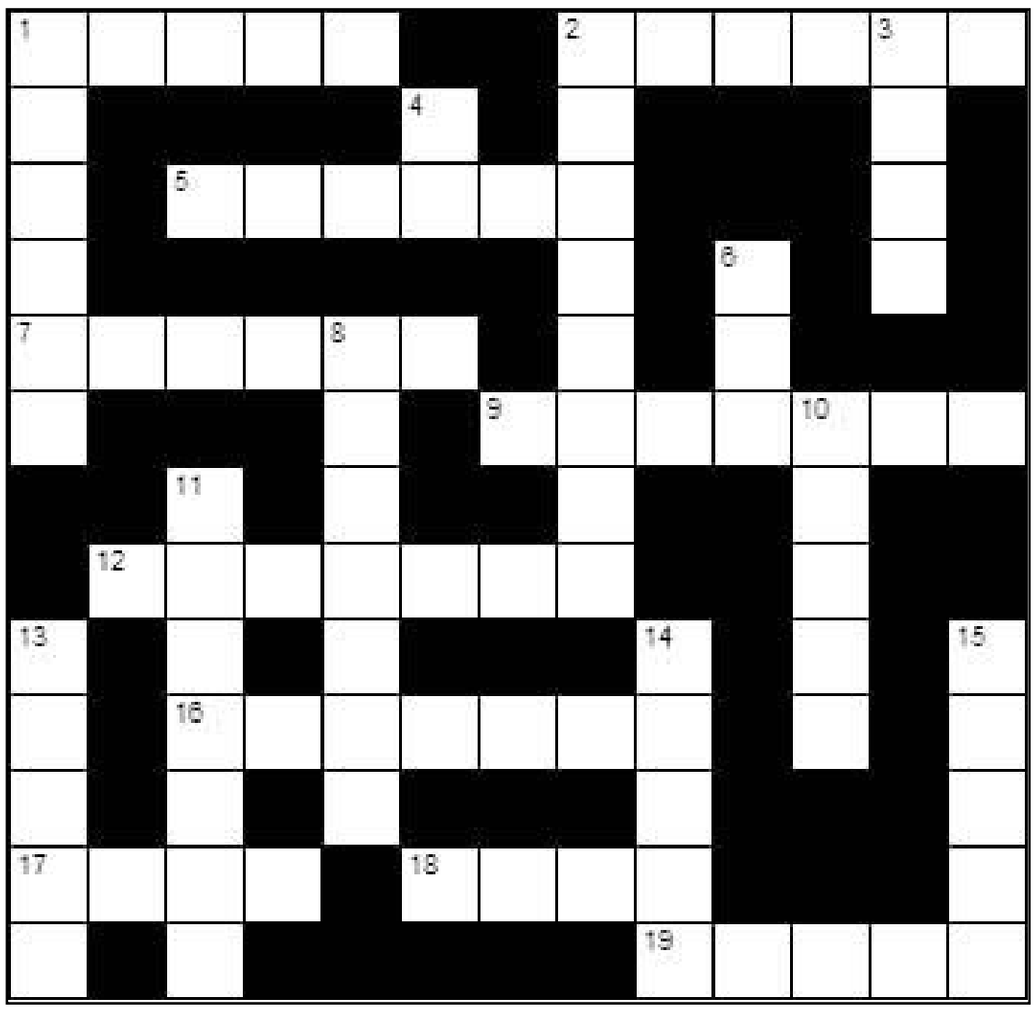


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Crossword Puzzle

(answers in next week's issue)



Across

1. pumpkin
2. medicine
5. play
7. robin
9. kindness
12. mosquito
16. prairie dog
17. cry, weep
18. no
19. ear

Down

1. man
2. bull
3. neck
4. snow
6. plenty
8. cut
10. dog
11. sky
13. deer
14. sacred
15. tribe

Answers from last week's puzzle



Phillip Red Owl, 50.....Batesland
Adolph W. 'Billy' Bean, 74 .....Pine Ridge
William 'Kurt' Andrews, 48.....Wanblee
Gilford Noisy Hawk, 75..... Little Eagle
Kobe Oliver Primeaux,infant..... Aberdeen
Martha Fast Eagle, 20.....Little Eagle

Phillip Red Owl

BATESLAND - Phillip Red Owl, 50, died Dec. 22 at Batesland of natural causes.

He is survived by his "Mom" Vestana Two Lance of Batesland; sons Stephan Red Owl of Denver, Colo. and Paul Red Owl of Vernal, Utah; daughters Elizabeth Red Owl-Phillips of Vernal, Utah; sister Karen Red Owl-Sitting Holy of Batesland; aunts Fermina (Wilson, Sr.) Quintana of Santo Domingo Pueblo, N.M.; a uncle:Robert (Phinet) Red Owl of Batesland; nieces and nephews Ronnie, Paulette, Sheila, AJ and Erik all of Batesland; a granddaughter Amelia Phillips of Vernal, Utah.

A one-night wake begins 1 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 28 at C. Bear School Gymnasium in Batesland. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m., Friday, Dec. 29 at C. Bear School Gymnasium Batesland.

Officiating will be Rev. Cordelia Red Owl with burial at Mediator Episcopal Cemetery, Kyle.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Adolph W. 'Billy' Beane

PINE RIDGE - Adolph W. "Billy" Beane, 74, died Dec. 22 at Pine Ridge of natural causes. He was a veteran.

Survivors include sons James Ringing Shield, Sioux Falls; Ronald Beane, Sr., Oglala; Billy Joe Beane, Pine Ridge; adopted son Trini Seaboy, Waubay; daughters Tyrell Ringing Shield, Jenny Beane, Lynette Beane, Ann Marie Beane, Rosie Beane Winona Richards-Crazy Thunder and Cass Waters all of Pine Ridge; a god daughter Trixie Sitting Holy, Chadron, Neb. and a sister Alberta Hinton, Lead.

A one-night wake begins was Dece. 27 at Billy Mills Hall, Pine Ridge. Funeral Services were, Thursday, Dec. 28 at Billy Mills Hall.

Officiating was Rev. Steve Sanford with interment at Holy Rosary Catholic Cemetery, Pine Ridge.

Funeral arrangements have been placed in care of Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

William D. 'Kurt' Andrews

WANBLEE - William D. "Kurt" Andrews, 48, Wanblee, died Friday, Dec. 22, at his home. Survivors include his wife, Crissencia Andrews, Wanblee; 16 children; three brothers, Bernie Andrews, Las Vegas, David Andrews, Eagle Butte, and Chris Andrews, Rapid City; and two sisters, Gretchen Andrews, Bonesteel, and Pamela Andrews, Rapid City. Arrangements are pending with Sioux Funeral Home of Pine Ridge.

Guilford Noisy Hawk

LITTLE EAGLE - Gilford Noisy Hawk, 75, Little Eagle, died Thursday, Dec. 21, at St. Mary's Hospital in Pierre.

Captain Guilford E. Noisy Hawk was born Oct. 6, 1931 in Little Eagle to Edward and Nancy (Low Dog) Noisy Hawk.

He attended school at Pierre Indian Learning School and high school in Ft. Yates, N.D.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He married Minnie (Corn) Noisy Hawk in McIntosh. After Minnie died, he maried Theresa Fire Thunder. Guilford worked for the Episcopal Diocese of South Dakota for many years and also on the Pine Ridge reservation.

He was an Episcopal minister from 1959 until the time of his death.

Survivors include his brothers Everett Noisy Hawk of Pierre, Lyle Noisy Hawk of Kyle and one sister Sylvia Sandland of Denver, Colo. and all his grandchildren and all his family and friends.

A wake service was held at the cultural center in Eagle Butte on Wednesday, Dec. 27. Funeral services will be Thursday, Dec. 28 at the H.V. Cultural Center in Eagle Butte with burial at the Black Hills National Cemetery. The Rev. Leslie Campbell and the Standing Rock lay readers will officiate. Oster Funeral Home of Mobridge was in charge of arrangements.

Kobe Oliver Primeaux

ABERDEEN - Kobe Oliver Primeaux, 3-week-old son of Jovan and Gabrielle Primeaux of Aberdeen, died Monday, Dec. 18, at Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls. A wake service was at Wakpala Community Center. Funeral services were Saturday, Dec. 23, at St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church in Wakpala, with the Rev. Troy Notz and the Standing Rock lay ministers officiating. Burial was at the church cemetery.

Martha Fast Eagle

LITTLE EAGLE - Martha Fast Eagle, 20, died Dec. 14 at Alexius Medical Center in Bismarck, N.D.

She was born June 1, 1986, in Pine Ridge to Carl Fast Eagle Sr. and Delores Yellow Horse. She spent her childhood in Pine Ridge and Little Eagle, and attended school in Pine Ridge and Crow Creek. For the last two years Martha has made her home in Eagle Butte.

Survivors are her mother, Delores Yellow Horse of Pine Ridge; daughter, Precious Annaliese Cook of Eagle Butte; brothers, Carl Fast Eagle Jr. of Pine Ridge, and Lyndell Pleets of Fort Yates, N.D.; sisters, Heather Garreau of Eagle Butte, Autumn Fast Eagle and Susan Fast Eagle, both of Pine Ridge; grandparents, Howard and Roberta White of Oglala; and special grandmother, Victoria Fire Thunder of Manderson.

Her father preceded her in death.

Funeral services were Dec. 21 at the Blue Gym in Little Eagle. Harvey Schmeichel, the Rev. Norman Blue Coat and Standing Rock lay ministers officiated.

Burial was in the Elk Horn Congregational Cemetery under the direction of Kesling Funeral Home of Mobridge.

Memorial Dinner

A memorial dinner for
Minnie Thunder Hawk
Jan. 2, 1935 - Dec. 31, 2005

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MINUTES

Little Wound School Board
Kyle, S.D.
Little Wound School Board
Regular Meeting
September 05, 2006
MINUTES

Little Wound School Board Members Present: Everett Janis, Archie Hopkins, Linda May, Taylor Little Whiteman

Little Wound School Board Members Absent:

Little Wound School Board Members Excused: Cecelia Fire Thunder

Others Present: Linda Hunter, Paula Pourier, Morris Brewer, Terry Albers, Clint May, Cecelia Haas, Archie Two Bulls

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: By Little Wound School Board President, Everett Janis @ 6:17pm

WOCHEKIYE: Given by Linda Hunter

APPROVAL OF AGNEDA:

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve agenda with no changes. VOTE: 4-for1-excused,motion carried.

PERSONNEL:

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to go into executive session @ 6:25pm. VOTE: 4-for 1-excsused motion carried.

Declare to come out of executive session @ 6:58pm.

Community Concerns:

Discussion of community concerns, expulsion of students, why? No correspondence was sent to family.

1. Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve the Job Description for the Freshman Academy. VOTE: 3-for 1-against, motion carried.

2. Motion by Linda May seconded by Everett Janis to table the student enrollment request as more documentation is needed. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

3. Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to reclassify job description for FACE Director. VOTE: 3-for 1-excused motion carried.

4. Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Linda May to bring reclassification back to the School Board before placement. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused, motion carried.

5. Motion by Linda May seconded by Archie Hopkins to offer a contract to Anthony Apple for High School Boxing for the 06-07 school year.

VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

6. Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Archie Hopkins to offer a contract to Teddy Ferguson for Elementary and Middle School Boxing for the 06- 07 School Year.

VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

8. Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer a contract to

Christopher Janis for Middle School Football assistant for 06-07 school year.

VOTE: 3-for 1-abstain, 1- excused motion carried.

9. Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to offer Hope Cross a contract as the Middle School Hand Game Sponsor for 06-07 school year.

VOTE: 4-for 1-excused, motion carried.

10. Motion by Linda May seconded by Archie Hopkins to offer Jackie Rouillard a contract as the Middle School Girls Basketball Cheerleading sponsor for the 06-07 school year. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

11.Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer a contract to David Lays Bad as the Middle School Head Track Coach for the 06-07 school year. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

12. Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer Bryan Red Owl a contract for the Elementary Wrestling coach for the 06-07 school year.

VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

13. Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer

Christopher Janis the Middle School Head Wrestling Coach contract for 2006-07-school year. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

14. Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer Shon Janis a contract for the Middle School Assistant Wrestling Coach for 2006-07 school year. VOTE: 4-for 1-against motion carried.

15. Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer Robert Rosales a contract for Middle School Softball Assistant for 2006-07 school year. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve the July 24, 2006 Minutes. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve the August 1,2006 Special meeting minutes w/corrections on personnel./ Everett Lone Hill not Everett Janis.

VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to approve the August 7, 2006 Minutes w/corrections and bring (e) back to next meeting.

VOTE: 3-for 1-abstain,1 excused, motion carried.

Motion by Linda may seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve the August 28, 2006 Meeting minutes w/ changes. (Personnel to add student's names on # 12). VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried. (Financial Report on the Work fee) ,Add to personnel Grady Brunch as Middle School football coach.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

*Restructuring Injunction

*Consultation on September 28-29,2006

*Notification from State on Tribal addendum

*Principals Data Retreat on September 9-10, 2006

Terry Albers ,School Improvement Curriculum Specialist /Report

* Presentation on test scores

Draft Stats 2005-2006

Grades, Below basic, Basic, Proficent , Advanced, 2006- Raw and Scaled Score Cut Points & Performance Standard State performance standards for the following grades:

Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Eleventh

DELP Spring 2006

Grade, # of students, pre-emer, emergent, basic, intermediate, proficient

DELP total test scores

Attendance Stats for 2005-2006

Grades, ERM, ADA, ADM, %,

Graduation Rate

High School Att.

*Booth at Parent Information Night

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to set the Title VII Indian Education Formula grant count from October 1, 2006 to October 31, 2006.VOTE: 4-for 1-against motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve the bid from Kratovil per recommendation from Clint May, Facilities Manager. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

CONSULTANTS:

Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve the consultant for Middle School (Devon DeBoer) Fish Philosophy for the amount of $300.00 plus $137.95. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve the consultant Roger Bordeaux for the School Board Retreat (Team Building) for two days. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

TRAVEL:

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Linda May seconded by Archie Hopkins to adjourn the meeting @ 8:35pm.

VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

Everett Janis, Little Wound School Board President

Paula Pourier, Recording Secretary/

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(Unofficial Draft)

Little Wound School Board
Budget Meeting
September 18, 2006
MINUTES

School Board Members Present: Everett Janis, Linda May, Archie Hopkins, Taylor Little Whiteman came in at 6:35 P.M.

School Board Members Absent:

School Board Members excused: Cecelia Fire Thunder,

Others Present: Linda Hunter, Dorothy Thunder Bull, Paula Pourier, Amelia Blackbear, Dana Brave Eagle

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 6:20pm by Everett Janis, Little Wound School Board President

WOCHEKIYE:

Given by Dorothy Thunder Bull I

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Linda May seconded by Archie Hopkins to approve Agenda VOTE: 3-for 2-excused motion carried.

Taylor Little Whiteman arrives @6:35pm

PERSONNEL:

Motion by Everett Janis seconded by Archie Hopkins to go into executive session at 6:20 p.m.

VOTE: 3-for 2-excused motion carried.

Declare to come out of executive session at 7:10 p.m.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

1. Motion by Linda May seconded by Archie Hopkins to offer Tom Anderson a contract for the Middle School Social Studies Teacher for the 2006-07 school year. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

2. Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Linda May to accept the resignation from Jolene Montileaux as K-12 Social Worker.

VOTE: 4-for 1, excused motion carried.

3. Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Linda May to advertise the K-12 Social Worker for two weeks, VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

HIGH SCHOOL

1. Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Linda May to offer Emily Iron Cloud, Connen the Part Time LSAPP Director for the 2006-07 school year. VOTE: 3-for 1-apposed, 1-excused, motion carried.

2. Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer Annette Frasier the LSAPP Secretary position for the 2006-07 school year, and to name Alida Pierce, Red Owl as the alternate. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

ELEMENTARY

1. Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Archie Hopkins to table the (2) Student assistant recommendations. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

2. Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer Randy Lays Bad the Lakota Partner position for the 2006-07 school year. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

SPECIAL SERVICES

1. Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer Jamie Feather Earring the ECP Mentor for the 2006-07 school year. VOTE: 4-for 1 excused motion.

EXTRA DUTY

2. Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer Melvin High Hawk the High School Boys Basketball Coach (freshman) for the 2006-07 School year.

VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

4. Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer Travis Iron Crow the Junior Class Sponsor and name Dorothy Thunder Bull as alternate for the 2006-07 school year. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

6. Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer a contract to Dorothy Thunder Bull for the High School Competitive Dance Sponsor for the 2006-07 school year. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

7. Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to offer Sun Down Montileaux the K-12 Drum Group sponsor for 2006-07 school year. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to accept the Financial Report given by Paula Pourier Business Manager.

VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to approve the Budget Revision .VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

Insurance Renewals:

Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to go with the Business Managers recommendation for Professional Underwriters ((Zurich) VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

*Premium Summary

* Package Policy

* Property Coverage

*Crime Coverage

* Equipment Breakdown Protection

*Inland Marine Coverage

* Commercial General Liability Coverage

¢Commercial Automobile

* Educators Legal Liability

* Commercial Umbrella Liability

SUPERVISORS REPORT:

Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Linda May to accept the Supervisor Reports for the month of August and would like to acknowledge those Supervisors who turned in reports.

VOTE: 3-for 1-abstain, 1-excused motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Section (e)

Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Linda May to approve the August 7, 2006 Section (e).VOTE: 3-for 1-abstain, 1-excused, motion carried.

b. Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Archie Hopkins to table the OSEC contract for speech services. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. OSEC Cooperative Agreement $15,000.00

Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Archie Hopkins to table and consult with School Attorney before a decision can be made. VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

CONSULTANTS:

Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to table consultants until the October Meeting. VOTE: 3-for 1not voting, 1-excused, motion carried.

TRAVEL:

Approved at September Regular Meeting

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to adjourn the meeting at 8:45pm.VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

Everett Janis, Little Wound School Board President

Dorothy Thunder Bull, Recording Secretary

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(Unofficial Draft)

Little Wound School Board
Regular Meeting
October 2, 2006
MINUTES

School Board Members Present: Linda May, Taylor Little Whiteman, Everett Janis, Archie Hopkins

School Board Members Absent: Cecelia Fire Thunder

School Board Members Excused:

Others Present: Linda Hunter, Paula Pourier, Dana Brave Eagle, Dorothy Thunder Bull, Terry Albers, Matilda Montileaux, Amelia Blackbear, Mabel Old Horse, Imogene Roy, Anne Montileaux, Kelsie Brave Eagle, Sandra Old Horse

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: @ 6:10 p.m.

by Everett Janis, School Board President

II. WOCHEKIYE: Morris Brewer

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman, seconded by Linda May to approve Agenda, VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

IV. PERSONNEL:

Motion by Linda May seconded by Archie Hopkins to go into executive session at 6:20 p.m.

Declare to come out of executive session @ 7:00 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer Richard Daniels the High School Math Teacher position for the 2006-07 school year.

VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

ELEMENTARY

Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to offer Amanda Christensen and Donette Lone Hill the Student Assistant positions for Elementary and to name Elizabeth Has No Horse as the Alternate for the 2006-07 school year. VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

TECHNOLOGY

1. Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to accept the resignation of Edwin Harris as Network Administrator effective October 13, 2006. And advertise the Network Administrator for a minimum of two weeks. VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

SPECIAL SERVICES

1.Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to offer Ted McCaley the K-12 Social Worker. VOTE: 3-for 1-not voting, 1-absent, motion carried.

EXTRA DUTY

1. Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer a contract to Taylor Janis as Elementary and Middle School Boxing Sponsor.

VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

2. Motion by Linda May seconded by seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer Rob Mendoza a contract as the High School girls freshman basketball coach for 2006-07 school year. VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

3. Motion by Linda May seconded Taylor Little Whiteman to table until budget meeting. VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

4. Motion by Linda May seconded Taylor Little Whiteman to table until budget meeting. VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

* Before you go on; Anne Montileaux would like to ask the school board what is going on here as I just heard you hired the K-12 Social Worker and he is not qualified, If your doing this just so his boy can be eligible for sports this is wrong! I told Morris that I wasn't recommending him that he wasn't qualified, and he said it wasn't going to be presented tonight! I want something done about this tonight!" What are you going to do?"

Everett Janis states that they will go into executive session after the Regular meeting to discuss this matter.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS:

Matilda Montileaux expresses her concerns about the number of students in her classroom she has a total of 24 that is to many in one Classroom, concerned about the reading after this first nine weeks of school. Activities: We are not told about activity schedule, and this last minute scheduling can disrupt the whole classroom schedule. More teachers are needed here.

Theresa Mendoza:

We are in the process of getting another second and third grade teacher and plan to change the P.E teacher to a regular classroom teacher.

Geraldine Lujan

Expressed her concern about the need of more teachers and classroom space, rooms are too small.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

September 5, 2006 Regular Meeting

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve September 5, 2006 with changes of Adel Two Bulls, not Archie Two Bulls, and to correct the Minutes on Personnel so it states Everett Lone Hill and not Everett Janis. VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

September 18, 2006 - Budget Meeting

Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Archie Hopkins to table the

September 18, 2006. VOTE: 4-for 1-absent motion carried.

September 19, 2006 -

Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to approve the

September 19, 2006 meeting minutes. VOTE: 3-for 1-abstain, 1-absent,

Motion carried.

VI. SCHOOL BORD REPORT:

Taylor Little Whitman

* Injunction /Realignment issue

* Elder mentoring program /Robert Cook

* School Board Retreat

Archie Hopkins

* Meeting in Pierre, S.D.

*ONEC Meeting no ONEC members or staff showed up there

¢DATA Retreat, This is the first time that I have seen this type of Data from the principals.

*School Board Retreat

This was the good, issues dividing the school board members would like to thank Linda Hunter, Superintendent for bringing us together.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Settlement agreement from Golden West.

* Little Wound School has the OK to do emergency repairs on the roof and that we will be reimbursed. School was called off at 9:30 am one day during the rain storm because the electrical box needed repairs the top level of the high school had no electricity,(Facilities will give a report on this).

*The consultation has been rescheduled.

* Due to the wake and funeral for the late John Around Him I submitted a request for an alternative transportation count week and it was approved for the week of Oct. 2-4, 2006 it will be utilized.

*The annual report has been is completed and submitted ,Terry Albers our School Improvement Curriculum Specialist will be giving a presentation to the School Board.

* OTHER ACTIVITES:

* I gave Charlie Abourezk the MOU with OSEC and Speech contract with OSEC and still working on the agreements.

*Attended the Indian Education Summit in Pierre,So.Dak.I attended two good sessions one involving a student panel comprised of Lakota students from Rapid City Alternative Center. They shared their experiences and challenges of staying in school. The other session was on the healthy Student Components of the state.

* School Board Retreat

* Housing Meetings

* Principals meeting

* Worked with Terry Albers on the corrective Action plan

VIII. TERRY ALBERS REPORT:

* Standard Operating Procedure /Presented the Little Wound School Staff Development Request 2006-07

*Also includes the Staff Development Follow-up Report

* Report on Annual Report

* Teach kids to read and do Math

*(HQT), Highly qualified teachers

* Not making AYP

*We will remain under corrective action, two year plan.

*Notified community of corrective action

*K-2,3-5 Learning circles *Black Hills State University, Teacher training Lab,

*1st and 2nd teacher training lab retrain teachers

IX. STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT:

Given by Kelcie Brave Eagle, student Council president

* Homecoming update

*Homecoming Theme

* Off Campus info.

* Student Council Meetings

* Student Council members

* Upcoming events

X. OLD BUSINESS:

Lakota Studies: Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda

May to approve the Trial of Enlightenment - The Seven Sacred Sites

Consultants and the site visits as indicated in the Professional

Development Proposal: 3-for 1-against,1-absent,motion carried.

Faith Spotted Eagle / Calling the Spirit back of the Lakota Langu Marcell Bull Bear / Bear Butte History

Birgil Kills Straight/ Devils Tower

White Lance Company / Wind Cave The Trail of Enlightenment - The Seven

Sacred Sites will be the catalyst of information for the personnel at Little Wound School. The program will provide a variety of topics that will include the Lakota Creation History, exploration of Lakota Sacred Sites, accompany by cultural presentations provided by local Lakota Historians.

Each topic will be recorded in a journal and used as a reference guide in classrooms. As instructional leaders and supporters of Little Wound Schools mission statement, Philosophy and values we believe that the knowledge of the Lakota History will empower the future of Little Wound Schools students to maintain a cultural rich society and to develop a quality understanding of our Lakota Heritage. The Program will address four Goals to enhance personnel professional development.

1. Increase knowledge of Lakota History

2.One on One engagement of Lakota Culture

3. Visual aspects and understanding of the Lakota Sacred Sites

4. Network locally and enhance communication skills within our community

In order to maintain a strong Lakota Value System within our educational

Institution we must meet the needs of Little Wound School student's. Therefore we have put a plan of action in place and would like to implement this program through the following.

a. Invite guest speakers /consultants to increase the knowledge of Lakota History.

b. Encourage the Little Wound School Personnel to engage in week-end excursions to appreciate and understand the importance of our Lakota Sacred Sites.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Maza Tiopa /MOU

Mabel Old Horse: Introduction in the Lakota Language, she says that she asks for forgiveness in speaking in front of the elders, and would like the oldest of her group to speak first.

Sandra Old Horse:

Maza Tiopa is a program who works with children whose parents are in prison, and are in the homes of grandparents, aunts, uncles, relatives.

Spiritual assessment is done on the children as well as the caretakers and guardian. The children are taken to visit the parents at the prison, so they won't have lose the bonding.

Virgil Bush:

Talked about Maza Tiopa and Wakanja Phawiciyapi, and how both these programs are benefiting the children and helping families. and how the language and the culture and the way of life is very important for our children.

Archie Hopkins "would like to thank them for coming and speaking from a good heart".

b. Out of State travel request /High School

Tabled no action, Dana Brave eagle will present at next meeting.

XII. CONSULTANTS:

Lakota Studies /Imogene Roy

XIII. TRAVEL:

XIV. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Linda May to go into executive session @ 10:10 p.m .

No second motion died.

Motion by Linda May seconded by to adjourn @ 10:30 p.m.

VOTE: 3-for 1 not voting,1-absent, motion carried.

Everett Janis, Little Wound School

Dorothy Thunder Bull, Recording Secretary

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Little Wound School Board
Budget Meeting
October 16, 2006
MINUTES

School Board Members Present: Everett Janis, Taylor Little Whiteman, Linda May, Archie Hopkins

School Board Members Absent: Cecelia Fire Thunder

School Board Members Excused:

Others Present: Paula Pourier, Linda Hunter, Dorothy Thunder Bull, Steve Elwood, Chuck Jacobs, Amelia Blackbear, and a high school teacher.

Call Meeting to order: @ 6:30 p.m. by Everett Janis, Little Wound School President

Wochekiye: given by Morris Brewer

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve agenda.

VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

Personnel:

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to go into executive session @ 6:40 p.m.VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

Declare to come out of executive at 7:00 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL

Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman to amend the contracts for LSAPP Director Emily Iron Cloud Konnen's and LSAPP assistant part time to full time @ 255 day contract, and put the director under the supervision of the superintendent (per grant stipulations).

VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

FACE

Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to offer a contract to Suzy May as Mentor for Early Childhood FACE Program. VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

EXTRA DUTY

1. Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to re-advertise Freshman Boys Basketball Head Coach until filled. VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

2. Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to re-advertise for H.S Yearbook Sponsor until filled. VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

3. Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to offer a contract to Jolene Around Him for the H.S Hand Game Sponsor for 2006-07 school year.

VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

4. Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to re-advertise for K-12 Drum Group Sponsor until filled. VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

5. Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to offer a contract to Rose Fraser as K-8 Competitive Dance Sponsor for 2006-07 school year.

VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

Financial Report:

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to accept the financial report given by Paula Pourier, Business Manager.

VOTE: 4-for1-absent, Motion carried.

Supervisor Reports:

Motion by Taylor Little Whiteman seconded by Linda May to accept the supervisor reports.

VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

Old Business:

a. Election Report

* Certified list is out

* Jerry will be out on Tuesday

* Looked in ordinance and everything is okay

* Federal background checks

* 20 petitions

* Judges and teller will be meeting at KILI

* Training to begin on Monday

* Security here to pick up ballots

*Candidates can have monitors throughout the election

* Family members of candidates cannot be judges or tellers /we will put them somewhere else to help.

* If you are a candidate you cant be at the polling places throughout the day

* Someone will be watching the ballots at all times

b. Acceptance of work comp. renewal rate

Motion by Archie Hopkins seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to put out for bid for two weeks and bring back to the November 6,2006 Regular School Board meeting.

VOTE: 4-for 1-absent, motion carried.

New Business:

a Out of State Request /High School

Consultants:

a. Technology / Ann Hunter

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve the consultant for Edwin Harris to come in and assist with the NASIS.

VOTE: 4-for 1-absent motion carried.

b. SPED/Anne Montileaux

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve the consultant for SPED for Jolene Abourezk to train the new K-12 Social Worker.

VOTE: 4-for 1-absent motion carried.

Travel:

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to approve travel for October and November.

VOTE: 4-for 1-excused motion carried.

Adjournment:

Motion by Linda May seconded by Taylor Little Whiteman to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.

Everett Janis, Little Wound School Board President

Dorothy Thunder Bull, Recording Secretary

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Congratulations to my Dad: Clarence S. White Horse and my Mom: Debbie T. Black Lance on their marriage- Aug-25-06. from your son; Clarence"Ed" White Horse aka "The Dudes" May You Be Together Forever as Meant to Be Love You Both.

Manuel,
Thank you for taking care of us when we had the flu.
Love, Connie & Brandon

Congratulations to Lacey and Corey on their baby boy, Destin Ryder, 6.8 oz. and 18 in. long. From Rich and Denise & Family

We want to wish Crystal & Kimberly Apple a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year's. Love you lots Fr. Roy & Eileen & Jamie Helper

Merry X-mas and Happy New Year to my kids Emi, and Eric Jr., Mommy loves you. From Danielle

Happy Birthday to Our Little Angel, Alisha Mary, who turned 2 on Nov. 30th. We love you always! Love Mommy Rose and Daddy Trav and lil bro Trav Jr.

I'd like to wish Merry Christmas to my family_ Justin Rooks Sr., Justin Rooks Jr., Jaydess Rooks, Coming from: your Mom, Jeannie

We wanna say, Happy B-day to our Ate' "Duane Rooks Sr." on 12-15! We love you & hope you have a great day! From: Shane, Eddie, Leslie, Melissa, & Kellie

Happy Birthday! Jolene Inez Takes War Bonnett. You've finally reached 32 & I still think you're too old. Love, Theresa Luis Jr. and Chantel Chavez. Love from your Family.

For my dearest son Archie Mack: son I just wanted you to know that I love you and miss you more and more each and every day .So I'm here wishing u a belated Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with all of my love, mother love me C.White

Also for my dear son Jerome Mack I love you and I love the grand children you brought into my life here's wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year love, C. White

Like to wish a Happy Birthday and Merry Christmas to our Uncle and Grandpa Duane Eddy Rooks Sr. from Tasha, Tiara, Ciara

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! To my Dad Guy Dull Knife From Nellie

Happy Birthday
Dr. Archie Beauvais on Dec. 30
(Shhhh... we won't tell your age but know you have many, many more to come.)
From Amanda, Connie, Beaux and the rest.

Happy New Year to Justin Rooks and kids from Wesley Rooks

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to my fellow co-workers in Pierre. At Little Sprouts Daycare Center : Holly D. - Sarah D. - Kay V. - Mandy W.
From: Jerilyn W.E. and Family

Merry Christmas To my mother Vida Walking Eagle Love you mom!
From: Kallie, Hayden, Jerilyn, & Donovan W.E.

Missing You girls In Sioux City, Iowa: Alexis, Brianna, and Jamie W.E. From your families in Mission, Rosebud, and Pierre.

I just want to tell my husband Donovan B.H. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year From Your wife and Kids: Kallie , Hayden and Jerilyn W.E.

Happy Birthday to my dearest mother Blacksmith I hope you had wonderful day I love you Joelle Janis

Happy birthday to my mommy Ashley Quintana I love you so much love always Danna Alyse Quintana Blackcrow

Happy Birthday Crystal Janis Dec.12
Matthew Janis Dec.13
We love you both love mom
Jenny Lee-ann

Merry Christmas to the workers at Angel's store: Jenny Janis, Eileen Apple, Bethel Takes War Bonnett, Jodi Fraser, Duanna Reddest, Lorie Janis, Kim Under Baggage,Woniya Bear Runner, Louis Little White Man, Chase Little White Man, Tasha Rooks, Stan Good Voice Elk, Melanie Brewer, Cornelle Reddest, Angel Reddest, and Mona "Sis" Patton. Hope you enjoy your Christmas and Happy New Years too!

I would like to say, Happy Birthday to my Beautiful Mom. I love you with all my heart, no matter what happens! Love you, Jessica

We would like to wish our Papa "Duane Rooks Sr." Happy Birthday, 12-15, & many more!! We love you, you takoja's, Dawson Payne & Tayvi Ray

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MADONNA BAD MILK,
Plaintiff

vs

MANUAL BAD MILK,
Defendant

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(Second Issuance)

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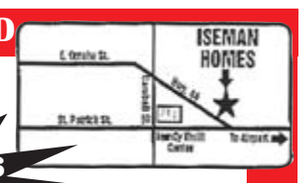
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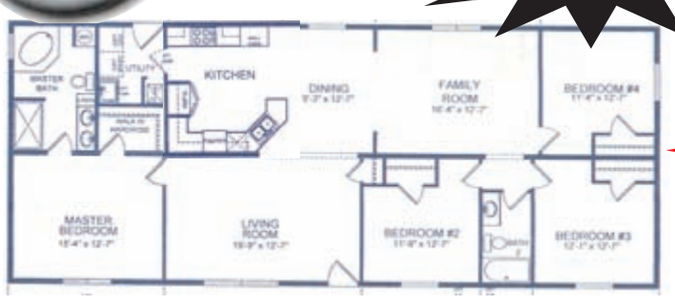
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Front row: Shilo Pierce, Ace Amiotte, Bryce Hornbeck, Casey Montileaux, Napolean Lays Bad, Back row: Jonathon Derby, assistant coach, Jamie Feather Earring, head coach, Vern Marshall, Devon LeBeau, Dustin Shangreaux, Derek Puckett, Trin In The Woods, Rich Big Boy, TJ McCauley and Travis Brave Bird, assistant coach.



Girls Basketball-Lady Mustangs: 8th Place
Team Members: Veronica Richards, Kirsten Clifford, Mikayla Mitzel, Twni Shay Shot With Arrow, Kanisha Rooks, Delilah Watkins, Vicki Volk, Cree Iron Cloud, Brittany Ross, Kelsey Brave Eagle, Shay Janis, Erin Boyce, Emily Charging Crow, Isabelle Brave Heart, Mary Tobacco, head coach, Amana Carlow: assistant coach, Rob Mendoza: assistant, Atalya White Face. LNI All Tourney-Kirsten Clifford

LWS Boxing Team
James Ferguson, Dustin Ferguson,
Donnie Ferguson,Kayla Hernandez, Bridgett Swallow (LNI winner),
Shaldon Garnette (LNI winner),
Chris Means, Lisa Ferguson,
Monty Fire Thunder, Candance Pinkerton.
Coaches: George Apple, Teddy Ferguson, Taylor Janis



LWS Wrestling:
(Back row)Shawn Janis-coach, Chris Janis-coach, Cory Head, Duane Rooks, Zane Wright,Trevor Lone Hill (LNI 6th place),William Thunder Horse, Tyler One Horn
(front row) Katiz Janis-Manager, Joe Elk, Jared Gay, Camron Janis,
Tara One Horn-manager.



Boys Basketball Cheerleaders
(front row) April Rowlland, Wiyaka McNeil
(middle row) Toma Waldner-All Tourney Cheerleader, Sadia Malik
(back row) Judy Red Willow, (Paula) Missy Vocu



Girls Basketball Cheerleaders
(front row) Lacy Loafer, Kimberly Janis, Linssey New Holy-All Tourney Cheerleader
(middle row) Bethany Brewer, Carly Randall
(back row) Miracle Scouts Enemy

Language Bowl - 3rd Place
Max Williams, Miriam Lays Bad
Cheryl Cross, Kristen Hunter-Valdez
Julian Siers, Lew Koenen
Sasha White
Didier DuPont- Sponsor

Handgames- 3rd Place
Team members: Tyler Dubray, Duanna Bull Bear, Jovan Bull Bear, Anissa Around Him, Jacey Long Soldier, Lacey Roy, Frankie Villarreal, LeCoy Pourier, Allen Jealous

TECA Wacipi Pow Wow
***1st place High school Boys Fancy*- Kevin Eagle Heart**
***1st place 6-8 Girls Jingle*- Charlie Cuny**
***2nd place 3-5 Boys Traditional*-Shivalo Soldier Wolf**
***2nd place High School Girls Jingle*- Martika Drapeau**
***3rd place K-2 Boys Grass*- Mark Morgan**
***2nd place 3-5 Boys Grass*- Ramone Dave McBride**
***3rd place High School Girls Traditional*- Ladeane Young Bull Bear**
Sponsors: Iris Gay, Dawn Iron Cloud

LNI Scholarship Winner:
Kelsey Brave Eagle - Little Wound High School



LWS Competetive Dance Team
(front row) Brittney Ashley, Jill Black Hawk
(middle row) Crystal Apple,Martika Peneau, Summer Christensen,
Barbara "B.J." White Eyes (back row) Tachina Shangreaux,Mary Short Horn,
Kristen Clifford, Jessica Spotted Eagle, Janine Iron Quill (not pictured: Lea Puckett)
coach-Dorothy Thunderbull, assistant coach-Nellie Iron Quill

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Linda Hunter-Superintendent
Dana Brave Eagle-High School Principal
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Teresa Mendoza-Elementary Principal
Geraldine Lujan-Elementary Principal

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